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**FRANTIC ASSEMBLY'S ACCLAIMED ADAPTATION OF
OTHELLO, CO-PRODUCED WITH CURVE, WILL TOUR THE UK
FROM 19 SEPTEMBER 2022.**



This autumn, Frantic Assembly will tour its award-winning and electrifying take on Shakespeare's tragedy of paranoia, sex and murder. As relevant today as it ever was, Othello exposes the tension, fear and paranoia buried beneath the veneer of our relationships and how easily that can be maliciously exploited.

Frantic Assembly takes Shakespeare's muscular and beautiful text, combines its own bruising physicality, and presents an Othello firmly rooted in a volatile 21st century.

Directed by Frantic Assembly's artistic director and co-founder Scott Graham and designed by Laura Hopkins, this is a world of broken glass and broken promises, of poisonous manipulation and explosive violence. Othello's passionate affair with Desdemona becomes the catalyst for jealousy, betrayal, revenge and the darkest intents.

Originally presented to great acclaim in 2008 and 2014, this updated version in co-production with Curve Theatre Leicester, will tour the UK from autumn onwards. Kicking off at Curve Leicester from 19 September, it will visit Liverpool Playhouse, Theatre Royal Plymouth, Theatre Royal York, Yvonne Arnaud Guildford, Oxford Playhouse, The Lowry Salford Quays, MAST Mayflower Studios Southampton and the Lyric Hammersmith Theatre London.

Othello is directed by Scott Graham, designed by Laura Hopkins, with lighting design by Natasha Chivers, sound design by Gareth Fry, music by Hybrid and casting by Will Burton CDG.

Othello will be coming to Theatre Royal Plymouth from 11 – 15 October 2022 with tickets on sale soon.

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