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Canadian premiere “The Adventures of Peddy Bottom” by Stefan Themerson in Polish language

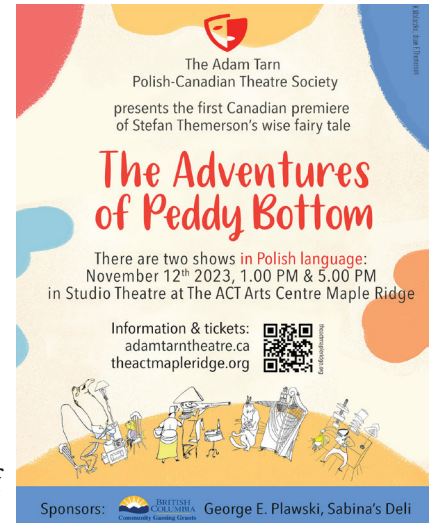
The Adam Tarn Polish-Canadian Theatre Society announces the Canadian premiere of its newest production “The Adventures of Peddy Bottom”, which will take place in Studio Theatre at The ACT Arts Centre in Maple Ridge, BC on November 12, 2023.

Plot

The show, inspired by Stefan Themerson’s book “The Adventures of Peddy Bottom”, combining intellectual theatre and fairy tale reality, can be interesting for both adults and children. Peddy Bottom, an energetic and idealistic young person, knocks on the door of Professor Camel’s laboratory, looking for an answer to the question “Who am I?”. However, when he did not receive a satisfactory answer, he began a long journey to discover the truth about himself. On his way, Peddy Bottom meets a number of strange characters who have connections with the dark sides of civilization, such as the plague of bureaucracy, cowardice and flattery, but also experiences the bright side of life where he finds love, poetry and wisdom.

Cast

(starting from the left): Monika Niedzielko (as Carabineer’s Wife, Mrs. Metapherein, Twisted Man), Artur Kuzmicz (as Captain Metapherein, Prime Minister), Dorota Belkowska (as Carabineer, Black Wolf, King Penguin), Eryka Sosnowska (as Peddy Bottom), Yvonne Tomczak (as Hatter, Goat, Archilides); (behind the camera: Krzysztof Woloczko as Professor Camel). Screenplay, adapted and directed by Krzysztof Woloczko.



Audience & Tickets

The premiere of this community-based production will take place on November 12 - and guarantees to leave its audience, both big and small, in awe, feeling as though they have journeyed about one hour with Peddy Bottom. There are two shows in Polish language on November 12, 2023: 1.00 PM & 5.00 PM. Tickets starting at \$20; available at [ACT Arts Centre](https://www.actartscentre.com).

About the Author

Stefan Themerson (1910-1988), an avant-garde photographer, film-maker, philosopher, writer, and publisher, was born in Plock, Poland, then part of the Russian Empire. More interested in art and science than pursuing academic studies, he met and married Franciszka Weinles, a visual artist, in Warsaw, 1931. Together, they wrote and illustrated books for children and made five experimental films in Poland. In 1948, Stefan and Franciszka founded Gaberbocchus Press, which published many of Stefan’s novels. From 1957 to 1959, the Themersons operated the Gaberbocchus Common Room, in their Maida Vale flat, as a venue for readings, films, music recitals and talks. They eventually transferred their press to a Dutch publisher in 1979. Stefan and Franciszka died, within a few months of each other, in 1988.

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