

Concordance in association with Culturcated Theatre Company presents the First London Revival since 1983 of

FALKLAND SOUND

by Louise Page. Based on letters from David Tinker's book *A Message from the Falklands*. Directed by Jennifer Lunn.

"Tinker is the nearest we are likely to get to a Falklands Wilfred Owen and for that we should be deeply grateful"

Andrew Wilson, *The Observer*

"One of the most moving aspects of a petty wretched war... reading his letters made me weep with despair"

Anthony Clare, *The Listener*

On April 10th 1982, 25 year old Lieutenant David Tinker RN wrote to his wife from HMS *Glamorgan*, steaming towards the Falkland Islands as part of the Task Force...

"Here we are in 1982, fighting a colonial war on the other side of the world: 28,000 men going to fight over a fairly dreadful piece of land inhabited by 1800 people.... The ideal is most praiseworthy; the wishes of a tiny people supported by the might of a large state. Everything else is quite ludicrous."

He was killed in action a month later.

"David Tinker, Lieutenant, aged 25..... Committed to the ocean deep in position 51 50' 50" South, 53 31' 80" West. 160 miles East of Falkland Islands: on the evening of 12th June"

Falkland Sound tells the life story of David Tinker from his letters and poems. His moving story is told by his father, Hugh, whose simple narration guides us through David's life as he attempts to make sense of his son's sacrifice. In this 20th anniversary year of the Falklands War, *Falkland Sound* presents one of the only views of the Falklands War written as the battle was raging.

Based on the book *A Message from the Falklands: the Life and Gallant Death of David Tinker*, *Falkland Sound* originally formed the first part of *Falkland Sound/Voces de Malvinas* which opened at the Royal Court Theatre Upstairs, London, in June 1983 and - after a national tour - was revived in the main theatre in December 1983 with a new cast. The original production was directed by Max Stafford-Clark and featured Paul Jesson and Julian Wadham. We now present its first revival.

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PRESS ACCLAIM FOR FALKLAND SOUND

"An evening which chills, heats, and provokes...[the story of a] "sea-struck boy who did not want to kill, but relished battle, and who, in the devastating phases of battle reaches an apogee of anger as he feels himself liable to become cannon fodder for hypocrisy."

Nicholas de Jongh, *The Observer*

"Remarkable... we are all richer for his penetrating shafts of wisdom, overlaid by love and duty" Daniel Steel, *The Sunday Times*

LISTINGS INFORMATION

Finborough Theatre, Finborough Arms, 118 Finborough Road, London SW10 9ED

(Five minutes from Earl's Court Underground and West Brompton Underground and National Rail)

Box Office 020 7373 3842

Tuesday, August 20th-Saturday, September 14th 2002

PRESS NIGHT: THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND 2002 AT 7.00PM

Tuesday to Saturday Evenings at 7.00pm.

Sunday Matinee at 3.00pm.

Tickets £6 all seats.

Falkland Sound plays together every night with *Frank Pig Says Hello*

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