

BATTLEFIELD

Based on the Indian epic, *The Mahabharata*

FOR THE FIRST TIME AND EXCLUSIVELY IN BELGIUM THIS SEASON

Adaptation and direction : **Peter Brook** and **Marie-Hélène Estienne**

With **Carole Karemera**, **Jared McNeill**, **Ery Nzaramba** and **Sean O'Callaghan**

Live music : **Toshi Tsuchitori**

Original English version subtitled in French



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Octobre 24th to 30th
2016

Théâtre Jean Vilar

Three decades ago, **Peter Brook's** production of the *Mahabharata* helped to redefine theatre. It not only made the ancient Sanskrit text available to a global audience but also proved a piece of epic theatre could be created out of the elementary ingredients of earth, fire and water.

Today, using only four barefoot multi-ethnic actors and a virtuosic Japanese percussionist, Brook evokes the near-apocalyptic aftermath of a great war between rival members of the same family. It bears all the trademarks we associate with Peter Brook : played on a spare platform of sun-baked ochre, the proceedings unfold with a limpid minimalism.

The result is a dazzling piece of theatre that makes us contemplate the endless cycle of human destruction but induces a sense of resignation rather than rousing us to action.

Played for the first time in Paris in 2015, Brook's *Battlefield* meets with success all around the world from Japan to India and the USA. We are proud to host once again this wonderful director.

**** *An hour of magic realism... it has a gentle power that lingers.*
The Times

**** *Delivered with remarkable grace and deceptive lightness of touch.*
Financial Times

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LES À-CÔTÉS DU SPECTACLE

Friday oct 28th : brief introduction to the play at 19.45 in the bar of the theatre.

Friday oct 28th : childcare during the play for kids from 5 to 12 years old.

2€pp - Res. 0800/25 325

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Rue du Sablon (derrière la Place Rabelais) - 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve

Performing hours : 20.30 - on tuesday : 19h30

No performance on october 25th and 26th.

Special performance at **20.30** on sunday october 30th

Infos et reservations : 0800/25 325 - www.atjv.be