

Shaniaz Hama Ali

Actor / Writer

Shaniaz debuted her one-woman show ***The Big Lie*** at the Edinburgh Fringe 2018. The show won critical praise with 4 stars reviews from Broadway Baby, the List and Edinburgh49. It was featured in the Scotsman, listed as one of four must-sees by the Daily Record and was nominated for the Amnesty Freedom of Speech Award. It is currently being developed for TV by Sony Pictures Entertainment.



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Credits

In Development

Production	Company	Notes
IN LOCKDOWN	Unlimited Stories	Short film in development Written, Directed by & starring Shaniaz - Shaniaz's directorial debut
UNTITLED COMMISSION	Palma Pictures	New TV Series in development with Palma Pictures
UNTITLED COMMISSION	Media Pro	New TV series in development with Media Pro
THE REFUGEE	Sony	Script commission

Television

Production	Company	Notes
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Theatre

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ÇAVÊ WINDA 2020	RSC	Translation of the Kurdish monologue by Yıldız Çakar
THE BIG LIE 2019	The Frontline Club	Shaniaz was invited to perform her one woman show as part of the 'Frontline Fringe' event.
THE BIG LIE 2018	Edinburgh Fringe Festival	Dir. Oscar Toeman *Nominated for the Amnesty Freedom of Expression Award

Short Films

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PRACTICE 2018	Deva Films	This was a collaborative writing process with writer Mandy Lee drawing together the final draft Dir. Deva Palmier

Additional information

Press for THE BIG LIE

"A story of blockbuster proportions! Every now and then you hear a story and wish the whole world could hear it too. The Big Lie is one of those. Shaniaz Hama Ali beams with honesty, vulnerability and likeability throughout the performance, impressing with her grasp of comedy and subtlety... The Big Lie is an urgent and captivating story, told by a voice the world needs to hear." ★★★★★ - EDINBURGH49

"Shaniaz's storytelling capabilities are intelligent, apt and truly cutting; a welcome break from the more trivial pieces of this year's Fringe." ★★★★★ - THE LIST

"Shaniaz Hama Ali's semi-autobiographical play contains all the elements needed for a great story...and like the rest of the fascinating hour that we spend in her company, we applaud her for it." ★★★★★ - BROADWAY BABY