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**CAMBA WELCOMES ACTORS FROM *LAW & ORDER* TO EAST NEW YORK FOR A PRESENTATION OF  
THEATER OF WAR PRODUCTIONS' ANTI-VIOLENCE PROJECT**

Today, CAMBA, one of New York City's largest multi-service organizations, will host actors, students and community members for a special presentation of Theater of War Productions' *A Streetcar Named Desire*. It is part of an innovative public health project that engages communities in a conversation about how intimate partner violence can impact individuals, couples and the larger community. This free event will begin at **5:30 p.m. at CAMBA's East New York Beacon 166 at 800 Van Siclen Avenue, in Brooklyn**, and will feature dramatic readings from acclaimed actors Adepero Oduye, Ty Jones, Rich Orlow and Chinasa Ogbuagu. This performance is one of more than 60 events Artistic Director Bryan Doerries will present in all five boroughs as part of his work as New York City Public Artist in Residence (PAIR) with the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs and Department of Veterans' Services in 2017-18.

Theater of War Productions presents projects that use theater as a vehicle to address urgent public health and social issues. The company's diverse projects seek to inspire discussions that promote deeper understanding between communities in hopes of breaking down stigmas, and ultimately spurring positive action. Mobilizing a range of plays from ancient Greek tragedies to modern American classics like Tennessee Williams' *A Street Car Named Desire*, the dramatic presentations provide the entry point to the heart of the program: a guided community conversation that invites audience members to respond to the play with their interpretations and personal reflections.

CAMBA's President and CEO, Joanne M. Oplustil, said: "Intimate partner violence is harmful to both the survivor and to the community, and is a reality that is faced by many of CAMBA's clients. We are grateful to Theater of War Productions for bringing this important conversation to our young people and our community."

"We are deeply honored to continue our partnership with CAMBA, which has allowed us to help spark meaningful dialogue on issues that matter to the community," said Bryan Doerries, Artistic Director of Theater of War Productions. "It is our hope that the conversations that begin today go on to have a long and productive life, inspiring further discussions and positive change."

To reserve seats for Wednesday's performance, please visit [Evenbrite](#).

**About CAMBA**

CAMBA is a nonprofit organization that provides services that connect people with opportunities to enhance their quality of life. Started in 1977, CAMBA offers integrated services and programs in: Economic Development, Education & Youth Development, Family Support, Health, Housing and Legal Services. CAMBA serves more than 45,000 individuals and families, including 10,000 youth, each year. Learn more about CAMBA's life-changing services at [www.CAMBA.org](http://www.CAMBA.org).



### **About Theater of War Productions**

Theater of War Productions is a social-impact company that uses a combination of theater and guided public dialogue to help communities address pressing public health and social issues such as combat-related psychological injury, suicide, end-of-life care, police/community relations, prison reform, gun violence, political violence, natural and manmade disaster, domestic violence, substance abuse, and addiction. Theater of War Productions was co-founded in 2009 by Bryan Doerries and Phyllis Kaufman, who served as producing director from 2009 to 2016. Doerries currently serves as the company's artistic director. For more information, please visit: [www.theaterofwar.com](http://www.theaterofwar.com)

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