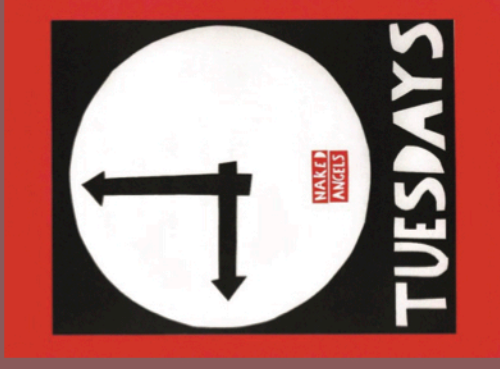


I think we are a unique cultural institution. We have a very unique role in theater. So much of what's happening here reflects what the East Village has always been about, and what we're losing- the idea that we are both relevant and fun. Theater is still an entertainment industry. One thing about commercial theater- in order to make your point to a commercial environment you have to entice people to pay you. I think one of the great strengths of commercial theater is that the excellence of having to compete is built into the system.

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