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Teamwork Arts India @70 presents Aditya Roy's **The Offering** (Guru Dakshina)



A boy dreams of becoming a great warrior, and Fate sends him an old man running from his past in an exploration of the tricky relationship between a guru and his student

The Offering is the story of a boy full of wonder and curiosity who dreams of the great warriors of the past and of being one of them. It also features the tale about an old man, wandering alone through the world constantly running from a past he cannot face. Fate and chance bring both characters together to change each other's lives. At its core, **The Offering** is the story of the relationship between the Guru and the Shishya, or Master and Student.

Aditya Roy has spent almost two decades exploring different forms of martial arts in search of the ultimate form of self-defence. At each stage, he has been blessed with amazing teachers who have taught him skills that have helped him evolve to the next level. Along the way he has also worked extensively in the fields of theatre and music. In the process he has confronted many fears and anxieties, and the process of releasing them continues. Roy is a writer, director, musician and martial artiste. He spent three years as assistant director of the musical production *Zangoora – The Gypsy Prince* at the Kingdom of Dreams during which time he started looking for ways to integrate martial arts with theatre through movement workshops.

Aditya Roy said '**The Offering** was written by me and my mother, who inspired me to go into martial arts by telling me stories of warriors from the past. Warriors who stood for more than their ability to just take lives.'

The piece is in Edinburgh as part of India's 70th Anniversary of Independence.: indiaatuk2017.com

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