

# A PERSONAL WAR

STORIES OF THE MUMBAI TERROR ATTACKS

WRITTEN & DIRECTED BY  
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## A Personal War- Stories of the Mumbai Terror Attacks

*'One of the most sensitive portrayals I have ever seen on the Terror Attacks. The script was touching and real. A must watch!'*

**-MUMBAI COMMISSIONER OF POLICE- MR. D. SIVANANDAN**

'A Personal War'- is based on TRUE accounts of seven people who went through the Tragedy that unfolded in Mumbai on 26/11/08. They were at seven different locations when terror engulfed the city with Terrorist Attacks at major landmarks, hotels and populated areas.

The incredible stories of the survivors will highlight human fortitude, strength and courage in the face of such meaningless destruction. We believe that survivor stories give us hope.

They were brave, strong and they learnt some valuable life lessons from these horrific acts. We should not have to go through horrors like theirs to learn some simple, invaluable life lessons.

The script is Original. This is the first time the Director and cast have performed and visited THE LARGEST ARTS FESTIVAL IN THE WORLD-the Edinburgh Fringe festival where they were nominated for the AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL AWARD, THE FRINGE FIRST AWARD & Awards for Best script, Best Director and Best Play !

**Balancing Act Productions-the production house has decided to donate THE ENTIRE PROCEEDS OF EVERY SINGLE SHOW at the NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FRINGE FESTIVAL go to the MUMBAI POLICE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.**

**The money is set aside for funds for SAFER UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT for our Policemen on duty.**

**SHOW VENUE:- DIXON PLACE (161A Chrystie Street, New York, NY 10002, United States)  
(212) 219-0736**

**SHOW DATES- SUN 15TH AUGUST ( INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY) @ 9:15P.M.,  
THUR 8/19 @ 3:00P.M. ,  
FRI 8/20 @ 11:30P.M.,  
SAT 8/21 @ 9:00P.M. &  
SUN 8/22 @ 2:30P.M.**

**DIRECTOR:- Divya Palat**

**CAST:- Aditya Hitkari, Vivan Bathena, Anuradha Menon, Khushboo Hitkari, Vatsala Kothari, Sanket Mhatre & Divya Palat.**



### ADITYA HITKARI

Aditya is an accomplished actor, producer and director with many highly successful plays, musicals and films to his credit. He is one of the founding partners of Balancing Act productions - one of India's most successful Production houses and is also the Theatre Director for the Kalaghodha Arts Festival in Mumbai. He has starred in productions such as The Graduate, The Wizard of Oz, The Verdict, Starring You and Me & Hamlet.

### VIVAN BATHENA

Vivan is a popular Television star in India. With 'Pyaar ka bandhan,' 'Maayka,' and other successful serials to his credit, this former Grasim Mr. India has also made a recent foray into Bollywood. He was a part of the Shahrukh Khan starrers 'Chak De' and 'Rab ne bana di jodi' and more recently the Farhan Akhtar production of 'Kartik calling Kartik.'



### ANURADHA MENON

Anu is a Video Jockey on Channel [V] in India playing the highly popular Lola Kutty. A trained theatre actress, she has done numerous productions on stage including Balancing Act Productions'-'The Verdict' and several other notable performances with some of India's finest theatrical talents.

### VATSALA KOTHARI

Engineer by degree, Adman by profession, Versatility is what describes Vatsala the best. This energetic, 23 year old believes in perfectionism through hard work and sincerity. Vatsala has been active on the social front too, working closely with underprivileged children. *A Personal War* - is yet another platform, for this Mumbai girl to express what she strongly believes in - contributing to the society, selflessly.

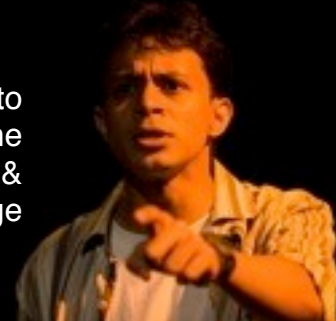


### KHUSHBOO HITKARI

Khushboo armed with her MBA from Oxford Brookes is a consultant with a prominent Indian Infrastructure Consultant. She is an experienced theatre actress who has played leading parts in Indian Productions such as The President is Coming ( now a major motion picture ) and The Importance of being Earnest.

### SANKET MAHTRE

Sanket is a voice over artist by profession, he has lent his talent to many large productions such as Jurassic Park, X Men: Wolverine and Star Wars as well as Animated Films such as Blue Dragon & Ben 10. Sanket has also performed in several regional language theatre productions.



### DIVYA PALAT

Divya Palat is a highly accomplished Actor, Director, Writer & Producer. As an actor she has starred in many Successful Bollywood Films (Kuch na Kaho, Krishna Cottage, Masti). She is an award winning Short Film director and is currently directing her first Bollywood Film. She has produced and directed some of India's most successful theatre productions such as The Graduate, The Wizard of Oz, The Verdict, IMPS & Starring You and Me. She also the Course Director for India's first Improvisational Comedy Workshop - IMPS. She is also the director of the MTV Fashion based Reality show- 'Making the Cut!'