

Diego Matamoros

Acclaimed stage and film actor Diego Matamoros was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and is tri-lingual, speaking French, Spanish and English fluently. At age two, he moved with his family to Antwerp, Belgium, where he lived until immigrating to Toronto, Canada at the age of nine. Upon completion of his education in Canada, he studied theatre for two years at LAMDA: the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, in London, England.

Theatre

Returning to Canada, he spent five seasons with the Stratford Theatre Festival, performing leading roles in numerous Shakespeare productions including "A Midsummer Night's Dream", "Love's Labour's Lost", "King John", and in the premiere of Robertson Davies' play "World of Wonders". Over the years, he has worked with many acclaimed directors including John Hirsch, Michael Langham, Robert Kalvin, Mike Alfreds, Robin Phillips, Laszlo Marton, Daniel Brooks, and Denys Arcand. Since 1982 he has performed leading roles in theatres across Canada and in the United States, over seventy productions in all. For the Soulpepper Theatre Company he has performed major roles in nearly thirty productions since 1998, including the title role in "Uncle Vanya", Halmar in Ibsen's "The Wild Duck", Khlestakov in "The Government Inspector", Chandebise in Feydeau's "A Flea In Her Ear" (co-produced with Mirvish productions), Davies in Pinter's "The Caretaker", Robert in "Betrayal", Theseus in "Phedre", Sandor Turai in "The Play's The Thing" and most recently the role of Henry Carr in Tom Stoppard's "Travesties." In Chicago he performed the title role of Figaro in "The Barber of Seville", in Cincinnati, the role of Mozart in "Amadeus", and in New York, the title role in "Spinoza", Off- Broadway.

Film and Television

Mr. Matamoros has played principal roles in over fifty guest appearances in both American and Canadian film and television productions including "The Best Years", "The Gospel of John", "Deliberate Intent" (starring Timothy Hutton and Ron Rifkin) and most recently in Jeremy Podeswa's film "Fugitive Pieces" (starring Stephen Dillane and Rosamund Pike). In 1997 he won a Gemini award for Best Performance in the mini series "The Sleep Room".

Director and Teacher

A founding member of Soulpepper Theatre, Mr. Matamoros is currently an Associate Artist with the Toronto-based theatre company. He has been nominated twelve times for acting awards and has been honoured with four Dora Mavor Moore Theatre Awards for Best Performance including his role as Clov in Samuel Beckett's "Endgame".