

OLIVIA COLMAN, PAAPA ESSIEDU & SIR LENNY HENRY ANNOUNCED AS GUESTS FOR MOUNTVIEW LIVE SEASON 4

SEASON 4 LAUNCHES TODAY AT 6.00PM WITH SIR LENNY HENRY IN CONVERSATION WITH GILES TERERA

Mountview LIVE, the series of online conversations with leading industry professionals, has announced the line-up for their fourth season. The latest season begins this evening with **Lenny Henry**, followed by rising star **Paapa Essiedu** and Academy Award-winning actress **Olivia Colman**.

All Mountview LIVE sessions can be viewed on Mountview's <u>YouTube channel</u> and previous participants include Stephen Daldry, Dame Judi Dench, Noma Dumezweni, Glenda Jackson, Kwame Kwei-Armah, Adrian Lester and Lin-Manuel Miranda.

On **Monday 30th November Lenny Henry** is interviewed by **Giles Terera** and discusses his wide-ranging career as a comedian, actor, singer, writer and television presenter.

Monday 7 December sees **Paapa Essiedu** interviewed by third year acting student and member of Mountview's Afro-Caribbean Society, **Jasper Ryan-Cater**. Essiedu is best known for his role as Kwame in Michaela Coel's *I May Destroy You* and his theatre performances which include Hamlet/Edmund for the RSC.

Academy Award winner **Olivia Colman** is interviewed by **Giles Terera** on **Monday 14 December**. Currently starring as Queen Elizabeth in the fourth season of *The Crown* her film credits include *The Favourite, The Iron Lady, The Lobster, Murder on the Orient Express* and *The Father*.

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Notes to Editors

Mountview has been training performance and production artists since 1945.

In 1992 Mountview became the first provider of specialised musical theatre training in Europe. Vocational undergraduate courses include Acting, Musical Theatre, Actor Musicianship, Stage Management, Lighting, Sound and Scenic Art and Prop Making. Postgraduate training includes Theatre Directing, Musical Direction, Creative Producing, Site

Specific Theatre Practice, Theatre for Community and Education, Acting and Musical Theatre.

Mountview is an educational charity training students at foundation, undergraduate and postgraduate level as well as running dynamic evening, weekend and holiday short courses for all ages, plus outreach programmes with schools and community groups. Degree programmes are validated by University of East Anglia and Diplomas by Trinity College London.

In September 2018 Mountview moved to purpose-built premises in the heart of Peckham, rooting themselves in one of London's most vibrant creative communities.

In May 2019 Theatre producer Sir Cameron Mackintosh made a gift of £1 million to Mountview through the Mackintosh Foundation. Other supporters of the new building include Lady Susie Sainsbury's Backstage Trust (naming the Backstage Theatre at Mountview) alongside a unique financing partnership with Southwark Council, support from GLA and many other generous supporters.

For more information see www.mountview.org.uk