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Bianca Bagatourian's Beautiful REMNANTS OF A LIQUID WORLD



Caught Bianca Bagatourian's wonderful play REMNANTS OF A LIQUID WORLD at the SOHO think tank's 6th Floor Series last night. Bianca is a recent graduate of the Mac Wellman-led MFA program at Brooklyn College and has create lustrous and deeply personal play.

REMNANTS OF A LIQUID WORLD explores the repercussions of the 1979 Iranian revolution in personal terms. The main character, SHE, was evacuated from Iran on the eve of the Shah's overthrow as a young child and relocated to the United States. As the character eloquently says in the first few moments of the play, "childhood is the end of feeling," for her and the 800,000 or so other children whose culture was destroyed as a result of the Iranian diaspora. I loved the monologues in the play. There was an especially haunting passage about the poor during the lead up to the revolution digging bloody sheep fat from the gutters outside the slaughterhouse to survive-- gorgeously poetic and horrific at the same time. Bianca also has some very effective memory scenes showing a young child and her mother in pre-revolutionary Iran. The child is always bitterly complaining that the mother is drawing her away from something pleasurable (ice cream, swimming, comic books, etc.) because they are late or out of time. I got chills when I realized that was a set up for the heart-rending scene between the mother and child when she is told she must leave the country or die. Very effective.

I thought that Daoud Heidami (FRIEND) and Danelle Eliav (HOMA) were especially good in an outstanding cast. Dyana Kimball's direction was also powerful. I hope to go see more SOHO Think Tank stuff.



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