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“Sometimes my head runs away from me, over the ocean to Kosovo.”
Otherwise Productions’ *The Saddest Girl in the World* exposes the dark side of Canadian immigration.

IN SHORT: Separated from everyone she knows. Haunted by a bloody past. Natya believes Canada is the beginning of a new life. Canada harbours dirty secrets of its own, however, and Natya must face personal demons in a fight to survive. Natya’s one possible ally is Ava: an innocent woman she has never met, whose beautiful dreams of jewels glimmer with hope.

Runs: July 17-27th, Red River College. For tickets phone Winnipeg Fringe Box Office @ 943-7464. Visit www.saddestgirl.com for more information.

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Canada takes pride in its multi-cultural society and in attracting the well-educated from around the globe. Recent news articles by CBC and The Globe and Mail have exposed that multitudes of highly educated, experienced immigrants struggle to feed their families by laboring at low-skilled jobs. Contemporary immigrants are among the victims of Canada’s wage gap in which the rich get richer. For immigrants from conflicted countries, the physical presence of former enemies makes the struggle to fulfill “the Canadian dream” all the more difficult.

Otherwise Productions hopes to enter into the discussion of how Canada’s government and caring individuals might aid our newest citizens.

The Saddest Girl in the World is written and performed by **Tina Teeninga** (*Normal, Broken, River Bottom Baby*), Pacific Theatre’s former playwriting apprentice, whose writing and acting has “vitality and theatrical instincts, poetic sensibility and imagination.” (Ron Reed, Artistic Director, Pacific Theatre.) The touching piece is co-directed by **Dirk VanStralen** (*The Woodsman, Cariboo Magi*) and **Kathy Parsons** (*A Bright Particular Star*), who also dramaturged the play.

Visit www.saddestgirl.com for more information.

Details:	The Saddest Girl in the World , by Tina Teeninga
When:	Thu July 17 , 10:30 pm Sat July 19 , 12:00 pm (noon) Sun July 20 , 8:15 pm Wed July 23 , 2:30 pm Fri July 25 , 9:30 pm Sat July 26 , 12:15 pm (noon) Sun July 27 , 4:30 pm
Where:	Venue 11 - Red River College , 160 Princess St
Tickets:	Phone 943-7464 or at the door before show