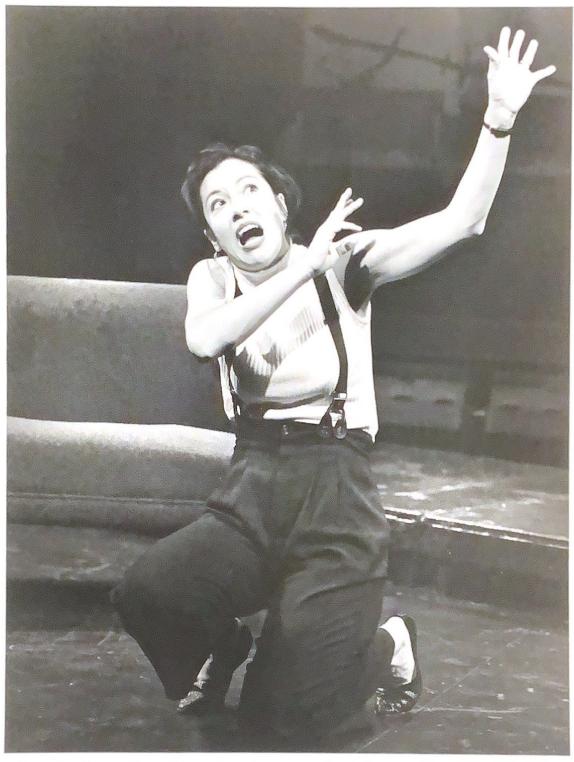


In photo: Alec Mapa performs his piece, *I Remember Mapa*, at the Mark Taper Forum's Asian Theatre Workshop presentation of Two at the Too, a double-bill performance at Taper, Too of two world premiere solo works of Mapa and Sandra Tsing Loh, April 3 through 20, 1997. For tickets, call (213) 628-2772.

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With

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Theatre

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A Double-Bill Performance at Taper, Too World Premiere of Two Solo Works

#### **DEPTH BECOMES HER** by Sandra Tsing Loh

#### I REMEMBER MAPA by Alec Mapa

#### Directed by Chay Yew

Set Design Akeime Mitterlehner Lighting Design Geoff Korf Composition/Sound Design Nathan Wang and John Ugarte Production Coordinator Sharon Morrissette Drop Design Myung Hee Cho Slide Design Christopher Komuro Dramaturgs Chay Yew and D.J. Hopkins

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Depth Becomes Her was workshopped at the 1996/97 Taper Lab New Work Festival. I Remember Mapa was presented at the Asian Theatre Workshop's 1996 Black Box Series.

This Taper Lab production is sponsored in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, California Arts Council and the City of Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department.

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The Asian Theatre Workshop serves Asian communities in Los Angeles by developing new and provocative Asian American theatre and providing a public forum for theatre artists. Some of ATW's programs include the APAF Reading Series which presents new plays; play commissions to Asian American playwrights and performers; the Lounge Series which features conversations with prominent Asian American artists, and the Black Box Performance Series which produces free performances of new theatre work.

#### Special Thanks:

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## BIOS

SANDRA TSING LOH is a writer/performer whose most recent solo show, Aliens In America, opened to critical acclaim off-Broadway at Second Stage Theatre last July. Loh has also performed at the U.S. Comedy Arts Festival in Aspen, the HBO New Writers Project, and on NPR's "Morning Edition" and "This American Life." Some of the monologues in Depth Becomes Her are inspired by her book, Depth Takes a Holiday: Essays From Lesser Los Angeles (Riverhead Books), based on her column in Buzz magazine. Upcoming books to be published by Riverhead include Aliens in America and If You Lived Here, You'd Be Home By Now, a novel about L.A. Her solo show, Bad Sex With Bud Kemp, will premiere at Second Stage Theatre in the spring of 1998.

ALEC MAPA played the role of Song Liling in both the Broadway production and national touring companies of M. Butterfly. Other Broadway credits include Timon of Athens and A Little Hotel On The Side, both with the National Actor's Theatre. Alec appeared off-Broadway in the New York Shakespeare Festival production of A Language of Their Own. Film credits include Bright Lights, Big City, A New Life and The Substance of Fire. Television audiences have enjoyed Alec on The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles, Melrose Place Hart to Hart, Hangin' With Mr. Cooper, The Jamie Foxx Show, Roseanne, Law and Order, Seinfeld and most recently on three ABC series with recurring roles on Spy Game, Murder One and NYPD Blue (where Alec appears as the lovable transvestite prostitute Angela). Alec's last stage appearance was in the East West Players production of Chay Yew's trilogy Whitelands, for which he received the 1996 L.A. Ovation Award for best leading actor in a play (for his performance in Porcelain). Alec extends special thanks to Center Theatre Group/Mark Taper Forum, Chay Yew, Gordon Davidson, Laura Josepher, Wendy Schwartz, Annie Weisman, Monica F. Mapa, David Shine, Sandy Pollock and Aggie Gold. For Kenneth D. Russell



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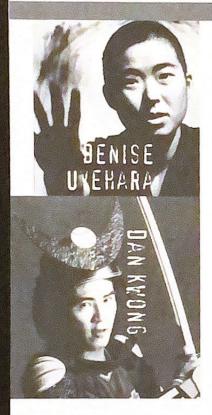
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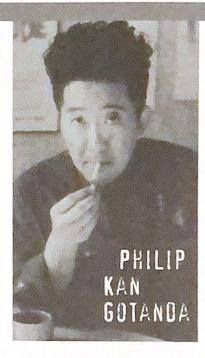
#### Monday, April 7 / 8pm at Taper, Too SAMURAI CENTERFIELDER MEETS THE MAD KABUKI WOMAN Dan Kwong and Denise Uyehara

Veteran Los Angeles-based performance artists, Dan Kwong and Denise Uyehara, collaborate on a brand new work about men, women and everything in between. Witness this stirring meeting of minds, aesthetics and philosophies as these provocative artists discover the truth in the uncharted territory of gender relations. Men and women, queer and straight, ying and yang - join Kwong and Uyehara as they begin the quest for new answers to age old questions



### Monday, April 14 / 8pm at Taper, Too GOOD, BAD, UGLY Eric Steinberg

Showdowns of gun slingers in spaghetti westerns. Urban violence in inner cities. Steamy sex scenes on movie screens. The alienation and brutality of poverty. Do these recurring images in the media enlarge these events into popular myths and weave them into the cultural consciousness of America? Through his compelling solo work, actor Eric Steinberg tellingly explores the system of violence and chaos in which we live



#### Monday, April 21 / 8pm at Taper, Too A Conversation with Philip Kan Gotanda

Spend an evening with renowned Asian American playwright Philip Kan Gotanda (The Wash, Ballad of Yachiyo, Fish Head Soup) as he talks about his artistic process and his work in an intimate setting. Gotanda will also be reading from his plays. Scheduled to join him is Dan Kuramoto (of the band Hiroshima) who will perform with Gotanda in his performance piece, in the dominion of night.

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