



MT Space *Chelsea's Story* Online Show Watch Party

Invitation and Toolkit

MT Space is thrilled to invite your organization to host a **Watch Party** for our upcoming online production of *Chelsea's Story*!

MT Space and the Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region (SASC) have teamed up once again to present *Chelsea's Story*, a live virtual performance and talkback series running from February 20-22, 2025. The performances coincide with Human Trafficking Awareness Day in Canada on February 22.

About the Shows

- **Dates:** February 20–22, 2025
- **Show Times:**
 - **Thursday, Friday, and Saturday February 20–22:**
 - 1:00 – 3:00 PM
 - 1-hour show + 30-minute talkback
- **Format:**
 - Live virtual performance and discussion
 - Via Zoom Webinar
- **Language Options (Spread over the 3 days):**

Each show and talkback will be presented in English, with additional optional translation and dubbing in these languages depending on the day of the showing:

 - **Arabic (Friday 21st)**
 - **Ukrainian (Saturday 22nd)**

Each performance will be followed by a **30-minute live talkback session** where your audience can engage with the actors through chat, audio, or video.



What You'll Need to Host a Watch Party

To ensure a smooth and enjoyable viewing experience, you'll need:

1. **Laptop or Desktop Computer** with Zoom installed.
2. **Stable Internet Connection** to stream the performance seamlessly.

Tip: If possible, try to use a WIRED internet connection, but a stable Wi-Fi connection will work as well.

3. **TV or Projector to display the show for your group.**
4. **Video Cable** (e.g., HDMI or VGA) to link your laptop to the TV/projector.

Tip: double check the connection on both your laptop AND the TV or projector that you intend to use ahead of time. Many newer laptops only feature USB-C, which means you will need a USB-C to HDMI adapter.

5. **Put laptop in a place that is accessible for someone to type questions** in the Q&A part of the event or to ask their questions through a microphone* or have someone get the questions from the audience who is close to the laptop/source.

*NOTE: the event will take place over Zoom Webinar, where audience cameras will not be enabled.

Key Information for Hosts

- Script can be made available before the events upon request (send an email to info@mtspace.ca)
- Join the Zoom Webinar **45 minutes before showtime** to test your tech setup.
- Hosting multiple watch parties across the different show days is encouraged!



How to Participate

1. **Express Your Interest:**
By sending an email to info@mtspace.ca We'll contact you with updates if any changes occur.
2. **Prepare Your Space:**
Plan to set up your watch party location with the required equipment and invite your attendees. If you have the means, having some light refreshments available is a great way for your group to be able to remain present during the event.
3. **Ask us for any clarification or if you need to test your set up a day or more before the show.**
4. **Join the Show:**
Log in 45 min before the show starts using the provided link to test your tech, then enjoy the performance with your group. Change your Zoom display name to **[YOURGROUPNAME] Party** so we know it's you!



Example Schedule

1:00 PM Performance Example

- **12:15 PM:** Open Zoom link and test your setup.
- **1:00 PM:** Show begins.
- **2:00 PM:** Talkback session with facilitators and actors.
- **2:30 – 3:00 PM:** End of event.

We are excited to share this unique and important theatrical experience with you. Thank you for supporting the arts and helping us connect with audiences in new and innovative ways around this urgent subject.

For questions or additional details, feel free to reach out to us by emailing info@mtspace.ca or calling 519-585-7763.

Warm regards,
The MT Space Team