BE-ALL AND

END-ALL

A Short Musical

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## CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

Character	Vocal Range	Gender	Instrument
LILIE The owner of a	Mezzo-Soprano - Soprano charity shop.	Woman	Guitar
POTYVI A mannequin.	Baritone - Tenor	Man	Bass

## SET DESIGNS

Page	Location	SET   props
1	Charity Shop	STORE Used clothing guitar bass guitar

## MUSICAL NUMBERS

<b>∫</b> 3 #	Title	Character(s)	Instruments	
1.	Today	LILIE		
2.	City	LILIE		
3.	A.D.(D.) 22(22)	LILIE POTYVI	Guitar Bass	

#### 1. TODAY

[Charity Shop]

(POTYVI stands still.)

(LILIE lets the light in. She changes the articles of clothing on POTYVI. She hums.)

#### LILIE

(Silencing her humming. She studies POTYVI.)

[A vehicle flirtatiously honks.]

(LILIE rushes to the light. She closes off the light.)

#### 2. CITY

CITY'S SUCH A CANCER.

(Eying POTYVI. She switches her attention back and forth between POTYVI's eyes and the bass guitar. She grabs the bass. She places the bass in POTYVI's arms. She grabs the guitar. She waits.)

#### 3. A.D.(D.) 22(22)

(POTYVI strums a D-sharp.)

(LILIE makes her move.)

#### LILIE

WHEELS ARE TURNING. PLANET HAS BEEN QUITE A STAND STILL. CAPITAL. GREEDY. WHEN WILL THE NUMBNESS FEEL THE BURNING. THOSE LIVES. JUST WASTED ON AMPLE DECLINATION. TOWN'S GENTRIFIED. SIGN OUR TIME NEEDS TO BE SORTED. CHARITY. THIS SHOP. ITS LEGACY DEFIED ALL THE ODDS. OUR DREAMS WILL NEVER COME TRUE TO THEIR FRUITION. DEAR POTYVI.

#### POTYVI

NOWT. PLEASE STOP PRETENDING FOR ME. WE LONG SURVIVED THIS SYSTEM. FOR YOU, THRIVE. THE WATER SHOULD BE FINE. TEST IT FOR ITS CLARITY. MEET NEW CREATURES WITHIN THEM. OPEN UP. NO LONGER LIFE HERE. PROCEED LILIE.

#### LILIE

UNCLEAR THINKING. BLIMEY. DO YOU KNOW OF THE RISK? BLOODY HELL. TO HEALTH. WILL THIS PLACE EVER GO LOSE THE PLOT. YOUR LIFE. WHAT REMAINS SHOULD BE ALL BUT JUST STATIC.

(Observing the outside light.)

RUBBISH RUSH HOUR. ALL STRESS. GO IN TO BE TESTED. LOSE YOUR HAIR. PLASTERED. BUT NOT INSIDE A PUB.

(Correcting herself.)

AFTER HOURS. LOSE SIGHT. AFTER ALL FOR THAT, YOU DO NEED A TIT-CK.

#### POTYVI

I KNOW PLENTY 'BOUT TUMORS. YOU KNOW WHAT ENDS THEM SOONNER? RUMOR IS... TO COMBAT IT, HEAD ON. ALL THESE THINGS SEEM MUTATED. FUTURE'S PRIDE IS IMPROVISED. MAKE IT UP. TO BE-ALL-END-ALL, LEAVE POTYVI.

#### LILIE

TWO TWO TWO A D.

(Demonstrating those in the Charity Shop.)

#### LILIE (cont.)

NOW THE ONLY ONES LEFT. CATCH MY DRIFT? LURGIES. NOW THAT'S OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. HEART'S GUTTED. MINDS NICKED. ADVANCED LIPOMA, FAR BEYOND YOUR PAIN. MAY I JUST ADD? US TWO. WHAT HURTS ARE FAMILIAR. CONTAINS LOVE. RETHINK. THE GAINS YOU REMEMBER. LOSSES LOST. ONE OFF. YOU NATURALLY GAVE, DO YOU FEEL THE SAME?

LILIE POTYVI

PLEASE

THAT

BE. ALL THIS, ENDS. BE IT DEBT. END OF, LINES. BUZZIN'

BEE'S KNEES. SEND OFF WASPS. CAN BE LAWS. MAY END

CLEAN.

POTYVI

BE END.

LILIE POTYVI

A PART OF ME. LILIE'S FLOATING. SOCIAL.

I FEEL ITS SAFETY NET. NO PRIVACY.

GAVE MY ALL. SHARED TOO MUCH TIME.

BOTTOM. TREASURED MOMENTS

WHERE CAN I GO IS UP. SHOULD BE FOR YOU.

POTYVI.

ENDS MEET. DROP THE ISSUES.

ADD TWO AND TWO TO TWO TWO TWO TWO I'LL ADD IS FOR

(LILIE departs.)

MAKE IT TOGETHER.

GET. YOU.

[Masses of vehicles honk.]

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