

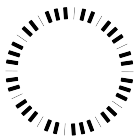
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PIGS AND DOGS

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PIGS AND DOGS

PIGS AND DOGS was first performed at the Royal Court Jerwood Theatre Downstairs, London on 20 July 2016. It was directed by Dominic Cooke with lighting by Jack Williams and sound by David McSeveny. The cast was as follows:

Fisayo Akinade
Sharon D Clarke
Alex Hassell

AUTHOR'S NOTE

Three actors, any gender or race but not all the same. Each can play any character, regardless of the character's race or gender.

A dash – means a new speaker.

The play is substantially based on material from *Boy-Wives and Female Husbands* by Stephen O. Murray and Will Roscoe.

- Somebody says
- President of Gambia
- We will fight these vermins
the way we fight malaria-bearing mosquitos.
- Somebody says
- President Mugabe
- If dogs and pigs don't do it
why must human beings?
- Somebody posts
- You western backed goats.
They forced us into slavery and killed millions.
Now they want to downplay the sinfulness of homo.
It shall not work.
- Somebody says
- Zuma, South Africa
- When I was growing up an ungqingili
would not have stood before me.
I would knock him out.
- Uganda.
Anti-Homosexuality Act 2014.
Death penalty.
Later amended
to life imprisonment.
- I know I shouldn't have sent him to that white school.
- Somebody says

- Ethics Minister in Uganda
- If I kissed a man
 - I think I should die, I could not exist.
 - It is inhuman.
 - Just imagine
 - Eating your own faeces.
- Newspaper says
- Two hundred top homosexuals.
- Names, pictures.
- Hang them.
- Museveni says
- President of Uganda
- Ugandan independence in the face of western pressure.
- Mugabe says
- President of Zimbabwe
- We have our own culture.
- Somebody says
- in America
- member of a rap group
- There is no word in any African language that describes homosexual.
- But
- sagoda never marry and wear skirts
- ashtime dress like women and do women's work
- mumenke is a man-woman
- wasagu is a lesbian
- yan daudu

– umakonotsi

– m'zili

– tongo

– kitesha

– chibadi

– ovashangi

– wobo

– If I had been a man

I could have taken a wife and begat children.

If I had been a woman

I could have taken a husband and borne children.

But I am neither. I am wobo.

– Somebody says

– American intellectual

– Homosexuality

is not always a conceptual category.

– Hausa, yan daudu

– Yes, I'm yan daudu, we dress like women,

we sing and dance and serve the fried chicken.

We can still get married and give a girl children.

You don't have to love her to give a girl children.

– Hausa

– Kwazo means work and that's male.

Baja means goods and that's female.

– Two men can be kwazo and baja.

– An old woman can be kwazo and her young husband is the baja

because she has the power.

- Two women together is kifi
when the two have equal power.
Two men together can be kifi
if they both have equal power.
- It's play, wasa, play.
- You want someone and it's iskanci,
- craziness.
- Somebody says
- Evans-Pritchard, anthropologist, last century
- My informant Kuagbiaru says
- this is how it used to be with the Zande.
- The boy's my wife.
I asked for his hand with five spears
the same way you ask for a maiden.
That man who had sex with him must pay me compensation.
Soon he'll choose his own boy wife like all the warriors,
I'll find another one.
When a prince dies his boys are killed so no one else can
have them.
- A king of the Maale in Ethiopia
- a long time ago
- the king could say
- Because I'm king I'm the most male man.
Everyone below me is less and less
and least male of all is the ashtime.
The night before a ritual I must abstain from women.
I'm happy with my ashtime.

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