

Vijai Kumar Singh

I am delighted to provide this reference for Vijay. It has been my privilege to work with Vijai on three occasions; once at The National School of Drama, Delhi, and on two occasions as visiting tutor at the National School of Drama TiE Wing in Tripura. On each occasion, I have been most impressed by Vijai's commitment and integrity. He is clearly a man of vision, one who wants to see young people have opportunities to experience high quality Drama and Theatre Education.

Vijai is an excellent communicator. The students hold him in very high regard. As a very experienced visiting tutor in Drama, it was very evident to me that Vijai creates positive and productive relationships with students and staff alike. The course aims were very clear and everyone worked with a shared understanding of course intentions, rationale and employment aspirations. This is not easy to achieve in a course that is, out of necessity, made up of many visiting tutors. To be honest, it is entirely due to Vijay that my visits to India were well organised, comfortable and inspirational.

Vijai is an enlightened educator. He has a vision of how children and young people learn in Drama and Theatre. He understands that this learning is not simply about performance skills, but more about the creation of opportunities to develop understanding about national and Global issues. He values the role of participation and how participation can enhance children's social awareness and enhance their positive self-esteem.

Finally, during my visits to Tripura, it was very noticeable that positive links between the school and the local community existed, again due to Vijai's foresight and understanding in this most important dimension of drama and theatre development.

I recommend Vijai without hesitation. If you require further information, then do not hesitate to contact me.

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