

Living On: A play by David Crystal

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Cast (in order of speaking)

Derek	Ben Crystal
Miranda	Emma Swinn
Shalema	Joseph Marcell
Ratu / Tamasa	Simon Manyonda
Amaana / Tamasa	Rhoda Ofori-Attah
Contrary / Elder / Tamasa	Nick Oshikanlu
Matu / Tamasa	Karl Kelly
Jason	Scott Ainslie

Other parts played by members of the company

Director: Robert Wolstenholme

The action takes place in an unidentified country in the rainforest tropics.

Act 1

- 1.1 Derek's apartment; Shalema's apartment
- 1.2 Derek's apartment, the next morning; Shalema's apartment
- 1.3 Madam Koto's bar, later that day
- 1.4 Derek's apartment, later that day

Interval

Act 2

- 2.1 Derek's apartment, the next morning
- 2.2 Shalema's apartment, later that day
- 2.3 Derek's apartment, later that day

The anthem is from Philip Glass, *Powaqqatsi* (Elektra/Asylum/Nonesuch Records, 7559-79192-2); 'Healing Song' and 'Amaana's Song', melody by Marian Leeming.

Tamasa is a highly inflected language; normal order of elements is verb-subject-object; it has 6 vowels and 19 consonants.