

THE VISIONARIES



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Ars Vitalis
FORUM

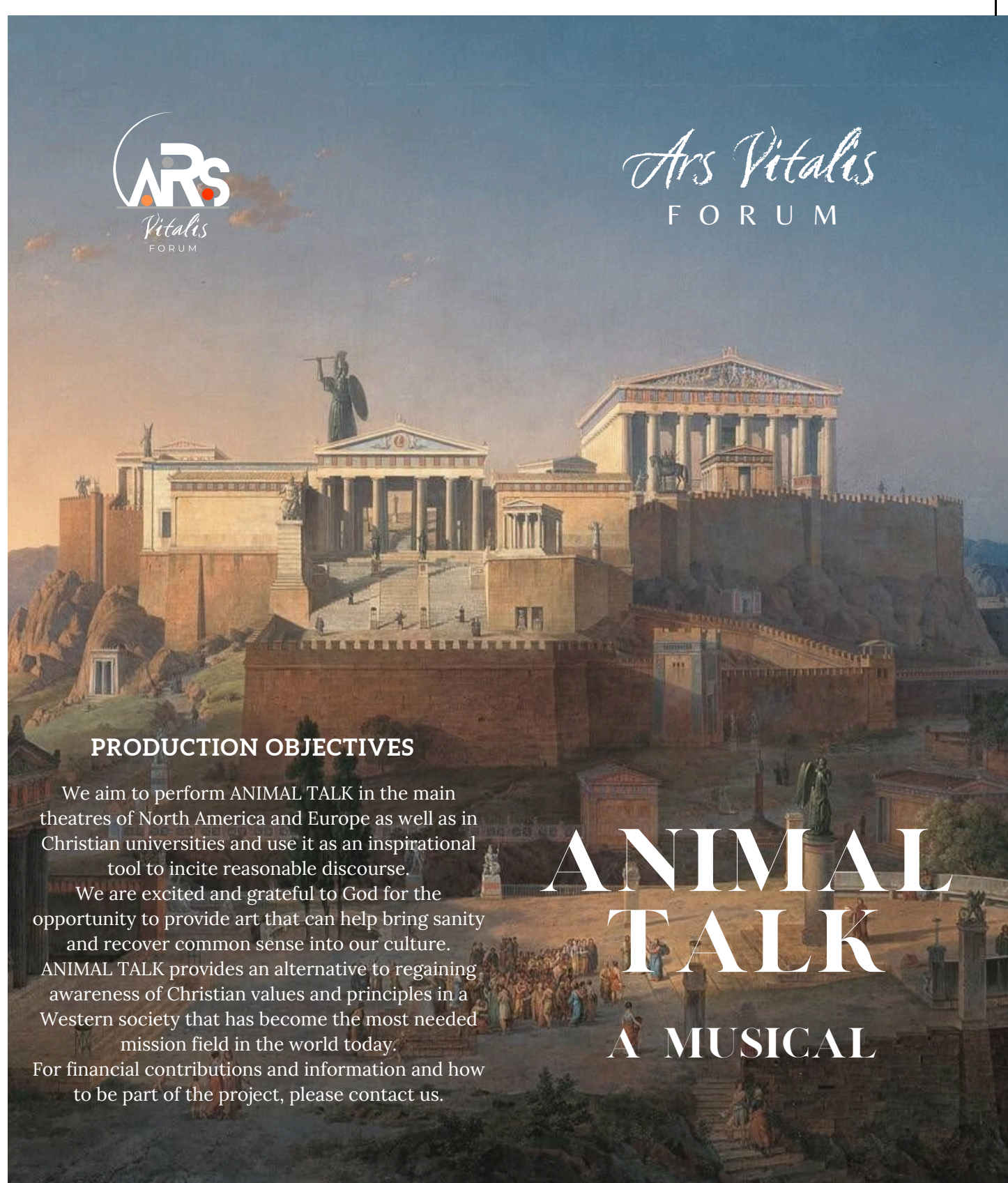
PRODUCTION OBJECTIVES

We aim to perform ANIMAL TALK in the main theatres of North America and Europe as well as in Christian universities and use it as an inspirational tool to incite reasonable discourse.

We are excited and grateful to God for the opportunity to provide art that can help bring sanity and recover common sense into our culture. ANIMAL TALK provides an alternative to regaining awareness of Christian values and principles in a Western society that has become the most needed mission field in the world today.

For financial contributions and information and how to be part of the project, please contact us.

**ANIMAL
TALK**
A MUSICAL



A CIVILIZATION IN CRISIS

Whether we realize it or not, the truth is we are living under a post-Christian, postmodern paradigm. Developed during the 20th century, this paradigm is now the prevailing mindset in every aspect and area of 21st-century society in the West. A vast array of ideologies, and belief systems including government policies are reluctantly tolerated or accepted as standard, and normalized into the culture. In fact, most Western nations have been going through a process of democratic backsliding, autocracy, and authoritarianism. This process has been taking place as State-led policies have been weakening political institutions that are supposed to uphold the democratic system, including the constitutional republic the United States functions under.

Whatever one may think about Christianity or the founding fathers, the West as a whole and America, in particular, have been an example to the world of two hemispheres, where the values of the Bible produced cohesion, stability, progress, and growth in almost every area and aspect of society. Now that those values are being forgotten and even blatantly rejected, the disintegration of society as a whole is becoming obvious.

Undoubtedly the United States has entered the degradation process most nations have been in for some time. Many democracies in the West have gone through periods of growth, development, and decline since Ancient Greece.

Seemingly, this erosion of democratic principles in the West clearly goes hand in hand with the ousting of Christian principles that once sustained them.

THE MUSICAL

ART, as most people know, is a tool through which values can be vividly and effectively portrayed. Social media, music, movies, dance and the visual arts are the influencing language of today's culture. In a world in decline, the musical *Animal Talk* provides an artistic experience that both entertains and prompts reflection on life's most pertinent issues.

Our journey with *Animal Talk* began in 2020; and in the summer of 2022, we conducted workshops with actors and singers and performed them for small audiences in various cities in the US. The positive response fueled our determination to bring this production to life. Over the past two years, we have been crafting and tweaking the whole musical, and we are now in the final stages of composition. Once this process is complete, we will be ready to record the music, marking a significant milestone in the production timeline.

The musical's central theme is the rise and fall of democracies and the corruption of all types of government.

It is a unique artistic experience that can encourage reasonable discourse on some of the relevant issues of our time.

SYNOPSIS

Sunset City-State is a mythological city in ancient Greece. In legendary days, under the name of Eopolis, it was ruled by a dynasty of benevolent kings until it became a democratic republic. As time passed, this democratic city-state became an oligarchy ruled by despotic, corrupt politicians whose supreme values were greed and moral decline. However, according to an ancient myth, the animal kingdom would one day receive the gift of rational thought, which happens every thousand years. As the animals awake in anticipation, Theodoron, the great lion, brings exciting news from humankind's world.

The animals enjoy their lives and delight in the magnificent gift of moral living, sound mind in dumbed down world. But they soon notice that man has become somewhat unreasonable in their way of looking at things. The animals struggle to understand this unexpected human behavior and are finally influenced by some of the worst human attitudes. Some animals begin to think that humans pose a threat to their kingdom, and a spirit of rebellion takes over their hearts. As the story unfolds, one human can decipher the animals' language, significantly impacting their kingdom, humanity, and the world at large.

**“A musical for a
topsy-turvy world”.**