



## EPISODE 13 OF MIRROR STAGE'S RIPPLE EFFECT: POSITIVE CHANGE AROUND THE SOUND SHINES A SPOTLIGHT ON REACT THEATRE

*Featuring David Hsieh, Founding Artistic Director of ReAct Theatre on April 22, 2025*

FEDERAL WAY, WA (April 22, 2025) – **Mirror Stage** announces the release of episode 13 of *Ripple Effect: Positive Change Around the Sound*, a podcast illuminating the intersection of storytelling and social change. This month's episode focuses on the work of theatre artist David Hsieh, Founding Artistic Director of [ReAct Theatre](https://www.reacttheatre.org)—Seattle's multi-ethnic philanthropic theatre that has been celebrating diversity for more than 30 years. Episode 13 of Ripple Effect is available now on [mirrorstage.org](https://www.mirrorstage.org), [Spotify](https://open.spotify.com/), and all other major podcast platforms.

"We're building something for future generations. We're not doing it for ourselves. What's wrong with the world right now is there's too many people on the planet that are just doing things for themselves and not thinking about how much what they're doing is causing pain for future generations. That's a problem." Hsieh said. "But hopefully with theatrical storytelling, we can help pass that knowledge or that story on to more people. So my biggest dream for the theater is to survive and to thrive."



### EPISODE #13: DAVID HSIEH

David Hsieh is the Founding Artistic Director of ReAct Theatre, as well as a casting associate at Union Arts Center, on the faculty at Freehold, and a founding board member of Theater Puget Sound. He also freelances as a director, stage manager, actor, and designer at arts companies across Seattle. In addition to his ReAct credits, he has also directed for Taproot Theatre, SecondStoryRep, Tacoma Little Theatre, 14/48, Sis Productions, Pratidhwani, UW School of Drama, and others. As a performer, you may have seen him at

Book- It in *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* and *The Brothers K*, or at Seattle Public Theatre in *The Happy Ones*, *A Very Die Hard Christmas*, and *Titanish*, among others.

### UPCOMING:

In May, *Ripple Effect* will welcome **Laurie Lynch**, Executive Director of TeenTix. A new episode drops on the fourth Wednesday of every month, featuring a new individual dedicated to positive social change.

### FOR EDITORS/PRODUCERS:

### ABOUT THE PODCAST

Presented by Mirror Stage, *Ripple Effect: Positive Change Around the Sound* amplifies the stories of local change-makers whose positive impact ripples across Puget Sound. Released monthly, each episode features a local change-maker working to build a better, more inclusive community—telling their story in their own words. **Ripple Effect** explores how the actions of a single individual ripple outward, shaping collective understanding. Every episode invites

listeners to find out what brings our guests to this moment today, what drives and inspires them, and how to get involved.

## **ABOUT MIRROR STAGE**

Originally founded in 1991, Mirror Stage is a nonprofit multidisciplinary arts company that believes the power of story and art holds the key to bringing people together in imagining and embodying a better future. We challenge assumptions, bias and prejudice, increasing equity and inclusion while encouraging more thoughtful reflection on today's issues. Mirror Stage nurtures unique voices, centering those who have been most oppressed by society's inequitable systems and structures. Mirror Stage gets people talking, as well as thinking. [Learn more about the history of Mirror Stage.](#)

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