

# Welcome to Salon

We are delighted to be gathering together for our seventh Salon event. We were all set to present this year's Sydney Salon in person at the East Sydney Community and Arts Centre, but COVID had other plans. We're massively disappointed – but also very grateful that we can still find a way to connect artists, producers and presenters from across NSW and showcase the brilliant work being made in our cities and towns.

The interest in Salon keeps growing, and this year we had over 80 Expressions of Interest to pitch at Salon. It's incredibly exciting to read about new work being made - both the diversity of stories, ideas and artistry and the sheer number of works. You'll hear from artists about 30 of these productions - a record number for us. There could have been many more. We have prioritised works that have premiered and are ready to tour, but you'll find on these pages some aweinspiring works in development, including Legs on the Wall's *Eden*, featured on the front cover. You won't hear from these artists today, but you can be sure to hear from them at a future Salon.

The online format has necessitated some changes to how we'll run this event. If you've been to a Salon before, you'll know that we usually feature as many 'pitches' from NSW venues as we do producers. This time you'll hear from less venue managers, but more producers.

On the plus side, today's Salon will be captioned and recorded, so if you're not able to be with us today, you can watch it later. (And you can watch it again!)

These are difficult times, to say the least. One of the things that keeps me inspired is ticket sales across regional NSW – when our artists can take to the stage, theatre is booming. Live arts experiences are in demand – more than ever.

Thank you for joining us for this event online. My hope is that you leave feeling connected to your colleagues, inspired by the work you hear about, and part of an industry that makes a difference to the lives of many.

Take care,

Antonia, Kate and the Arts on Tour team

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Janie Gibson

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Theatre, puppetry

**AUDIENCE** Children, family

LENGTH 60 mins

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### Arc

#### **ERTH - VISUAL & PHYSICAL INC**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Arc: from the latin and loosely translated it means both a place to keep livestock but also somewhere to keep something precious. Our focus is on animals that are rare and/or critically endangered which plays on the biblical sense of the word arc. Arc will combine a beautiful and elaborate array of puppets from elephants to snow leopards, from lead beater possums to rhino's, birds, bees, fish, and bats and present them in a space that transforms into the environments of each creature. Arc combines the element of talk show, asking some members of the audience to come onto stage and talk about their favourite animals or experiences.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director and Writer Scott Wright Head Design Steve Howarth Lead Artist Gabrielle Panannan Collaborating Artists to be announced

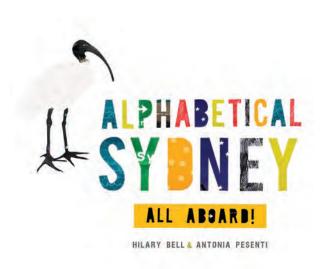
#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

ERTH creates incredible creatures and releases them into the world through their shows and public incursions. ERTH is Sydney based and works across all spectrums of touring from local to international, from intimate workshops to huge public events. ERTH has been creating for over 30 years and is beloved by all.

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Musical theatre

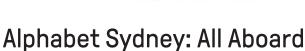
AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 50 mins

#### CONTACT

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### CRITICAL STAGES TOURING

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Inspired by the best-selling picture book Alphabetical Sydney, this exciting new stage production for children combines music, puppetry, theatre and creative play, taking audiences of all ages on an adventure around the world's most famous harbour city. Our tour guides – the chaotic lbis and tough but tender-hearted Nanna – take us on a trip to discover Sydney in all its diversity. Alphabetical Sydney: All Aboard is a celebration of the ocean baths, noisy streets, and magical corners that make this city unique.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Hilary Bell and Antonia Pesenti Composer Greta Gertler Gold Performed by Luke Escombe and Justine Clarke

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Critical Stages Touring is Australia's national touring theatre company discovering and developing outstanding independent theatre for audiences everywhere. We create live performing arts experiences that can travel, connecting these with diverse regional communities, and fostering a sustainable and diverse national independent theatre sector.



#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Teen, adult

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### A Murder Story, Retold

#### **NINEFOLD**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

A Murder Story, Retold is the telling and retelling of a suburban murder performed to music from Max Richter's re-compositions of Vivaldi's Four Seasons. A cramped domestic dwelling sets the scene for a revenge killing committed by poisoning. The narrative warps and shifts according to the music selected for each retelling.

A Murder Story, Retold interconnects physical scoring, music and dialogue and magnifies the physical nuances and details of the ordinary world. Backed by symphonic music, we find a sense of the grandeur in the common and the everyday

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Ninefold is a Sydney-based theatre ensemble creating work that is intense, precise and imaginatively rich. Each show a sensorial harmonic experience that envelopes audiences in operatic grandeur. Their powerful signature style is honed by a commitment to cultivating a shared language through regular physical performance training.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Shy Magsalin Performers & Devisers Erica J Brennan, Gideon Payten-Griffiths, Shane Russon & Shy Magsalin Lighting Designer Liam O'Keefe Sound Artist Melanie Herbert Production & Stage Manager Zachary Bush

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

The Flying Nun 2019, Global Fringe/ Sydney Fringe (Live and Online) 2020

Photo by Liam O'Keefe



ARTFORM Cabaret opera

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 120 mins

#### CONTACT

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SYDNEY CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Annus Horribilis is a faux baroque cabaret opera by Tom Rimes based on the experiences of the Royal Family in 1992, which has been workshopped in Sydney and online during 2021. This is a multimedia work using animations to satirise the domestic machinations that occur when you have a very bad year. It is the perfect metaphor for the emergence from Covid-19 restrictions.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Dr Narelle Yeo Composer Thomas Rimes Producer Jack Stephens & Sydney Conservatorium

PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

The touring arm of the Conservatorium matches professional and student artists and musicians into regional communities to work collaboratively to produce a professional opera or musical in community, with the goal of improving performance and collaboration opportunities for regional artists as well as emerging artists.

Photo by Jack Stephens



#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 60 mins

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### **Awkward**

CATAPULT DANCE CHOREOGRAPHIC HUB

#### **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

Experience the wit and wisdom of the socially awkward. Starting from a pick up line that bombed? Tongue ties at meeting strangers? Last party over before the late news starts? A group of people come to a party, having been invited by friends of the host. They don't know each other. They don't even know anyone else at the party. They don't know whose house it is and their friends don't turn up. Sound familiar?

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Directors Cadi McCarthy and Craig Bary Performed by Angelyn Diaz, Craig Bary, Alexander Abbot, Belle Beasley, Mikayla Nangle, Nicola Ford and Alexandra Ford

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Newcastle, Singleton, Muswellbrook, Clarence Town, Merriwa 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Catapult Dance Choreographic Hub is a contemporary dance and multi-arts organisation for choreographers, professional dancers, multidisciplinary artists, emerging artists and young people. Based in Newcastle, NSW, we provide a support structure for all participants to develop their professional practice, gain skills and collaborate across disciplines through commissions, professional choreographic residencies, international exchanges, collaborative intensive practice, masterclasses, outreach programs and community classes.

Photo by Ashley de Prazer



ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE Mixed

LENGTH 40 mins

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 50 mins

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### Between Tiny Cities រវាងទីក្រុងតូច

NICK POWER AND INTIMATE SPECTACLE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

In Between Tiny Cities, India Irian dancers Erak Mith, from Phnom Penh, and Aaron Lim, from Darwin, use the rituals, movement styles and language of their shared hip-hop culture to reveal the dramatically different worlds that surround them and uncover the choreographic links that unite them.

Choreographed by internationally-renowned Sydney hip-hop dance artist Nick Power and accompanied by the beats and sound design of Jack Prest, the work blends the raw, wild energy of b\*boy battles with skilful improvisation and choreography, offering a cross-cultural perspective on style, culture and locality.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Choreographer Nick Power Dancers Aaron Lim & Erak Mith Sound Designer Jack Prest Designer Bosco Shaw Dramaturg Lee Wilson Original Creative Producer Britt Guy Accomplice Tour Producer Harley Stumm

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

### Black Sun/Blood Moon

**CRITICAL STAGES TOURING** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Two intertwining storylines – one magical, the other all too real – bring two unlikely heroes to the stage in a new work inspired by the Fridays for Future student-led protests of 2019. Black Sun/Blood Moon follows Maddy, a ten-year-old climate champion, and Katie, an underachieving assistant of a climate-denying politician, as they set out to save the planet. Maddy's journey will put her at increasing risk as she takes her message to the powers that be, while Katie will find herself on the back of eagles and dolphins as she attempts to fulfill a fantastical quest from the future.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer and Director Chris Bendall

PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Intimate Spectacle is an independent producing company working across contemporary performance genres. Intimate Spectacle is committed to touring its artists to fully exploit each work's audience potential and to develop viable, sustainable careers. Harley is highly experienced in engagement touring; working with presenters to make new forms of performance and new models of presentation and touring viable.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

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ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Music, Dance

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 75 mins

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### Bremen Musicians Rock n Roll

**NATALIE MITZ PRODUCTIONS** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The famous tale of *The Bremen Musicians* by Brothers Grimm is given an original twist in this new and exciting show. Weaving an abundance of fun with popular kid- friendly songs, incorporating features cool rock n roll, funk, country styles and catchy, original tunes.

An hour of joy and laughter with a fable crew of funny animals, who make their way through trials and tribulations in an effort to become the best band in the land! Through teamwork and self-belief, following their dreams, the animals achieve great things, and make unexpected friends along the way!

### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Natalie Mitzikis
Performed by Sarah Pearce and
Cole Burgess
Vocalist Orissa Anthony
Audio Design Peter Truong
Sound Effects Eitan Muir
Stage Manager Yulia Tyshchenko

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Bondi, Kogarah, Redfern 2021

#### SPARE PARTS PRODUCTIONS

Caribé Hayana Return

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Caribé Havana Return pairs original Cuban-inspired music with impressive choreography by Adrian Medina against a backdrop of archival footage from 80s Cuba accompanied by an 8-piece band. The production integrates music and dance with audience participation through storytelling, chanting and rhythm allowing the artists to share their culture and skills in a new way. The culmination of this blend of elements is a unique stage performance, making the show a memorable and engaging experience. The groups sound stems from Gai Bryant's compositions which embody a maverick interpretation of traditional and classic styles that are performed with elan and spirit.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Gai Bryant, Lee McIver and Adrian Medina

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Natalie Mitz Productions is a place for original, uplifting live shows for children and adults alike, focusing on learning and appreciation of music as essence of our life.

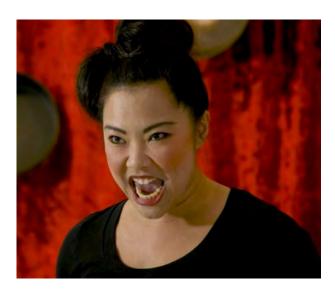
#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Caribé's music and dance performances continue to evolve through the exchange of knowledge and concerts with international Cuban artists including Grammy-nominated pianist/composer Elio Villafranca and Adelaide-based Cuban trumpeter/composer Lazaro Numa. The privilege of working with Adrian, Yarima, Cruz, Emma, Israel and Moro is ongoing as they share their art and the evolution of their culture in Australia.

Photo by Gai Bryant

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Photo by Natalie Mitzikis



ARTFORM Opera

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

**AUDIENCE** 15+ years

LENGTH 60 mins

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### **Chop Chef**

**BLUSH OPERA** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Chop Chef, the quirky brainchild of author Julie Koh and composer Paul Smith, is a satirical operatic comedy in which six contestants from around Australia enter the cooking battlefield of a fictional reality television series Chop Chef. Faced with unusual and extreme cooking challenges. Kitty, Tom, Andy, Victoria, Kale and Renée compete to remain alive in the game and avoid facing the chop, literally. Three omnipresent judges preside over the shiny kitchen arena will decide the fate of each contestant but not all is as it seems. Perhaps the tables will turn....

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Blush Opera is a fun-loving boutique opera company out to make opera going a serious pastime for future generations.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Librettist Julie Koh Composer Paul Smith Directors Kenneth Moraleda & Nicole Pingon Conductor Luke Spicer Set & Costume Designer Keerthi Subramanyam Lighting Designer Kate Baldwin Video Designer Susie Henderson Sound Designer Daniel Herten Production Manager Tyler Fitzpatrick Stage Manager Hannah Crane

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Riverside Theatre 2021

Company, Merrigong Theatre Company, Art Gallery of NSW and the University of Wollongong

#### Coil

#### RE:GROUP PERFORMANCE COLLECTIVE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Coil is a new theatre performance about nostalgia, loneliness, friendship and viability. It is the latest work of live-cinema from re:group performance collective, and the first to bring in real people using interview material with local ex-video rental storeowners. Expanding livecinema practice by discussing the theme of viability that has previously prevented the re-staging of their work to date, Coil presents a single performer capturing cinematic shots with a camera operator. It begins at a meditative pace, before building in momentum as over 200 shots are taken in front of the audience. In between shots, the story is told of John and Marion Wallace, who owned the Leading Edge video rental store in Wollongong, until its recent closure. It is a story steeped in nostalgia, for a place of community activity as much as a place for simply renting movies.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Dr. Malcolm Whittaker works as an artist, writer, researcher, performer, producer and teacher. In 2021 he is working on projects at Shopfront, Punctum, PACT, Brand X, Cementa Festival, Bondi Festival, Griffin Theatre

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Concept Steve Wilson-Alexander Created and performed by Solomon Thomas, Steve Wilson-Alexander and Carly Young Screenplay Mark Rogers Video Design Solomon Thomas

Automation programming Chris Howell

Sound Design Liam Halliwell **Production Manager** Alistair Davies Creative Producer Malcolm Whittaker

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Visual theatre

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 20–120 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **CURIOUS LEGENDS LIMITED**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Curb follows on as a creative development from the success of Taylor's Run, which premiered at the New Annual Festival, Newcastle, earlier this year. Using shadow puppetry, multimedia projections, and large scale interactive puppets, the audience is taken on a journey to the local tip. The story follows a lonely banana peel -discarded and thrown away - as it returns in larger-than-life proportions. An interactive, family-friendly performance, this production is created as a self-contained drop-in activation for outdoor festivals and events. It will premier late November 2021 in Newcastles Gregson Park, in partnership with Newcastle City Council.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Artistic Director Mitchell Reese Head of Design Connor Fox Creative Producer Shani Moffat Associate Producer Hannah Indigo Assistant Maker Georgia Gaffney

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Newcastle 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

We use visual theatre to tell stories and empower community collaborators to share theirs. Our work is primarily for family audiences. We make work for site specific locations, large outdoor spectacles, roving street performance and shows for traditional theatre spaces. Our work has appeared throughout Australia, Germany and Indonesia.

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General, subscriber

LENGTH 150 mins, inc interval

#### CONTACT

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### Cursed!

#### **BELVOIR**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Darkly funny, irreverent, and a little bit shocking, *Cursed!* bursts onto the stage with a mad, consuming energy. Semi-autobiographical yet universally understood, playwright Kodie Bedford captures the frustrations and loving connection of a long-suffering family finding acceptance after a lifetime of trauma.

Bernadette hasn't been home to Geraldton for a while. Her siblings are mad as cut snakes, the oldies are worse – even a simple conversation ends up a cyclone of screaming. But Nan's leaving the world, and this mixed-up family returns to the roost; a brother living a big lie, a daughter swimming in little lies, and a mum who can't tell the truth to save herself. Are they cursed? Or can they change the way they see themselves, and how the world sees them?

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Belvoir is one of Australia's most distinguished and beloved theatre companies. New work and new stories sit at the centre of Belvoir's programing, alongside a mix of classics and international writing, and a lasting commitment to Indigenous stories. In short, Belvoir is about modern theatrically, an open society, and faith in humanity.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Jason Klarwein

Performed by Valerie Bader, Chenoa Deemal, Sacha Horler, Bjorn Stewart, Alex Stylianou, Shirong Wu, Blazey Best Set Designer Stephen Curtis Costume Designer Chloe Greaves Lighting Designer Chloe Ogilvie Composer & Sound Designer Steve Francis Assistant Director Dalara Williams Assistant Costume Designer Keerthi Subramanyam **Associate Lighting Designer** Veronique Benett Movement/Fight Director Nigel Poulton Stage Manager Natalie Moir Assistant Stage Manager Brooke Verburg

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2020

Photo by Daniel Boud



ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Physical performance, dance, street-styles

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH

10 minute performance followed by 30 minute workshop

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### Dali: Hallucinogenic Toreador

STRAY DOGS THEATRE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Dali: Hallucinogenic Toreador uses the scandalous and surreal life of Salvador Dali to ask questions about art and fame. Outrageous, flamboyant and often on the edge of sanity, Dali considered himself a genius, but was this just a mask to hide his fear? The obsessions and neuroses that drove his art and life - grasshoppers, melting clocks, crutches, telephones and doubles, also expose his shameful secrets and raise disturbing questions about his legacy. As surreal and provocative as a Dali masterpiece, this new play for three actors is a wild, joyous and moving journey into Dali's strange and fascinating world.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Stray Dogs Theatre Company was formed in Newcastle in 1995 by Carl Caulfield and Felicity Biggins, to help fill the void left by the demise of the Hunter Valley Theatre Company. We provide audiences with stimulating, entertaining, provocative theatre and we're dedicated to working with local theatre makers to achieve that goal.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Carl Caulfield
Director Dan Stoddart
Performers Carl Caulfield, Shane
Brandon and Charlotte De Witt.
Lighting Designer/Multi-media
Jacob Harwood
Sound Designer Simon Richie
Set Designer Geoff Overmeyer
Costume Designer Scissor Sisters
Hair and make-up Kimberlee Claire &
Marion Giles
Producer Felicity Biggins

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Civic Playhouse, Newcastle 2019

### Demi-DEMO

**BRANCH NEBULA** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

demi-DEMO parachutes into your space with a team of champion skaters, BMXers, parkourists and dancers. With freakish skills and the danger level amped up, the speed of wheels vs. the vulnerability of bodies on foot, demi-DEMO is tightly choreographed within a compact set up of portable ramps. This highly mobile performance can be situated on any suitable surface. Audiences experience the artistry of a short 10min spectacular street-style performance and then have the opportunity to meet the artists and participate in a workshop with them. The demi-DEMO team leads techniques in skateboarding, BMX, parkour/freerunning, and dance. Ages 6+, beginners to intermediates.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Since 1999, Branch Nebula's gritty street explosions have amazed audiences all over the world, from Brazil to Hong Kong, Finland to Chile, as well as 20 Australian skate venues. Branch Nebula is a multiple award winning company with a long track record of acclaimed sell out festival and regional shows.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Co-creators Lee Wilson and Mirabelle Wouters Composer Lucy Cliché Production manager Alejandro Rolandi Performers/Devisers Gonzalo Bellanti (flatland BMX) Antek Marciniec (freerunner/parkourist) Sari Simpson (skater) Adam Haydec (skater) Kathryn Puie (dancer/stilts) Producer Jennifer Greer Holmes

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

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ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General, 70+, history lovers

LENGTH 65 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

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ARTFORM Cabaret

AUDIENCE Adults

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Dictionary By A Bitch: The Journals of Bea Miles

#### **DEBORAH TOBIAS CREATIVE MANAGEMENT**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Dictionary By A Bitch draws its title from one of Bea Miles' extraordinary unpublished journals. It examines Bea's humorous, subversive, rebellious voice in calling out social injustices as expressed in those journals held in the State Library of NSW collection. The play explores the aspects of Bea's life which led to her becoming an iconic Sydney character. While known for being homeless, a fearless fare evader and reciting Shakespeare for money rather, there is more to Bea's story than people are generally aware of. We celebrate her life through stories, songs and imagery and is a slice of Sydney history.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Writer and performer Vashti Hughes Director Liesel Baddorek Sound and Audiovisual Designer Ross Johnston Lighting Designer Alex Torney Producer Deborah Tobias

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Photo by Stuart Spence

Sydney 2021

### Disenchanted: A Cabaret of Twisted Fairy Tales

**ELIANE MOREL** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Why was the wolf in Grandmas bed? Are the Ugly Sisters feet really that big? How did Bluebeards wives die? How can a goose inspire a revolution? Find out what's really going on in Fairyland in Eliane Morel's and Daryl Wallis' Disenchanted: A Cabaret of Twisted Fairy Tales.

Set in a 1699 Parisian Salon hosted by the vivacious Madame d'Aulnoy this award-winning show (Best Show: Newcastle and Dubbo Fringes; Best 18+ Show: Young-Howze Theatre Awards) is a raunchy, operatic Into The Woods. Join the Fairy Tale Revolution immediately!

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer and Performer Eliane Morel Musical Director Daryl Wallis

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive, including digital version

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#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Initially an entertainment lawyer, I transitioned to creatives management and producing live events - principally music and theatre, including successful productions for the Adelaide Cabaret Festival, Sydney Festival, Sydney Opera House, Festival of Voices (Tasmania), Hayes Theatre, Casula Powerhouse, Wonderland Festival (Brisbane Powerhouse) and East Sydney Community Arts Centre

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Together we have created a brilliant, clever, topical and funny cabaret that re-tells well-known fairy tales to help audiences see the world in a different way.

Photo by Andrew Worssam



ARTFORM Cabaret

**AUDIENCE** Subscriber

LENGTH 60 mins

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STEVEN KRAMER

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Don't Make Me Play Piano Man is a celebration of all the great piano hits and great piano players from across the ages. Well, most of them. Because cabaret performer Steven Kramer will happily play Elton John, Carole King or Peter Allen but please don't make him play THAT Billy Joel

With his cheeky, irreverent humour, we follow Stevens up and down relationship with the piano using all the tunes that audiences will know and love. Add in some original songs, heartfelt moments, a few unique instruments and a singalong, and this show is a sure crowd-pleaser.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer and Performer Steven Kramer

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Adelaide, Melbourne 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Steven Kramer is a musician, composer, producer and performer working across theatre, musicals and cabaret. With a strong belief in the power of humour, joy and storytelling to engage audiences, his work also encourages new Australian voices and writers.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

PYT Fairfield is the only professional theatre company in Western Sydney focused on the development and engagement of local young and emerging artists as core practice. PYT has a reputation as a brave and transformative theatre company who make urgent work that explores the critical issues of our times.

#### TOUR READY

ARTFORM Theatre

**AUDIENCE** 14+

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Dorr-e Dari: A Poetic Crash Course in the Language of Love

PYT FAIRFIELD

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Dorr-e Dari: A Poetic Crash Course in the Language of Love is a rich and tender theatre work celebrating the ancient Persian art of poetry and romance in a contemporary Australian setting.

Three performers, Mahdi, Bibi and Jawad, all of Afghan background, charismatically guide the audience along a path to love, where we discover there is a poetic verse for every condition of the heart.

Audiences travel the vibrant streets of Kabul, Tehran, and Quetta, via Western Sydney, through intimate storytelling, joyous dancing, sumptuous video imagery and heavenly singing.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

First Nations Elder Aunty Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor Concept/Co-Creator/ Performer Mahdi Mohammadi Co-Creator/ Performer Jawad Yaqoubi Co-Creator/ Performer Bibi Goul Mossavi **Director** Paul Dwyer Video Artist Sean Bacon Lighting Designer Neil Simpson Associate Dramaturg Bernadette Fam Producer PYT Fairfield

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney Festival 2021

Photo by Anna Kucera Photo by Chloe Snaith



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Cabaret

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 55 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Physical theatre

AUDIENCE Adult

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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### **Dunny Tunes**

MIDNIGHT FEAST

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Written and performed by the Midnight Feast Ensemble, this is a cabaret like no other. Part physical theatre, part song cycle, part masterpiece, *Dunny Tunes* is about what happens when no-one is there to take your load.

When Robbie sets out to find a toilet, he discovers worlds upon worlds of hidden people, stuck in bathrooms across the world, seeking shelter, seeking love, and seeking to shit. Featuring original songs from the Midnight Feast cast and true stories taken from disabled toilets across Australia, this is a night you'll never be able to forget.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Midnight Feast exists for the sole purpose of creating new opportunities for talented artists living with significant disabilities to train and work professionally. We create new original Australian stories for the stage and screen.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writers Midnight Feast
Writing Assistance Declan Coyle,
Gabriel Francis, James Watson,
Jordyn Fulcher, Matthew Bostock
and Michael McStay
Dramaturgs Duncan Ragg and

Marissa Bennett

**Director** Kylie Harris

**Vocal Coach** Rudolf Hendrikx and Odile LeClezio

**Movement Coach** Nicholas Gell and Jordyn Fulcher

Singing Coach Frankie Bouchier Performed by Midnight Feast

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

Photo by Robbie Mockler

### Eden

#### LEGS ON THE WALL

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Eden is a new Australian Gothic romp, with a stellar cast.

A beaten-up old farm truck becomes a make-shift emergency camp for a motley crew and represents possibly their only remaining chance of escape and survival - if they can get it going. A performance that can be staged on site or in theatre, it is rich with choreography and harnessed physicality as the truck itself becomes the central apparatus and rigging point, with performers utilising its every crevice. Nonverbal sequences, text, drag and song bring out their stories of loss, love and more. Small audiences are dropped into these four lives, thrust together, as natural disaster roars around them, creeping ever closer, their survival hanging in the balance.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Legs on the Wall has a 35year story defined by daring, awe, and calculated risk. Their successes have made them Australia's most loved physical theatre company, crafting stories with Australia's best physical and non-physical artists. More than 700,000 people having experienced Legs work, appealing across barriers of language and socio-economic status.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

**Created by** Joshua Thomson and Dino Dimitriadis

**Lighting Design** Benjamin Brockman **Apparatus Design** Joshua Thomson & David Jackson

Associate Producer Craig Bary Performed by Iota and Paul Capsis, Debra Batton, Jack Williams and Ariadne Sgouros

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney and Townsville 2021

Photo by Robert Cato



ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 55 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### **Explicit Contents**

RHIANNON NEWTON

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Explicit Contents tells hyper-real stories about the contents of two bodies as they are made and remade by the forces of their surroundings. Burning and cooling, hungering and satiating, incorporating and expelling, the body becomes an explicit site of action and exchange. Explicit Contents is journey through the body's entanglement with the environment. Reimagining bodies as watery vessels, techno-chemical conglomerates and thermo-dynamic machines, it not only asks what impacts humans are having on their environment, but questions what these impacts feel like.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Choreographer Rhiannon Newton Sound Designer Peter Lenaerts Lighting Designer Karren Norris Performed by David Huggins and Ivey Wawn

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney Festival 2021

### Fall! Falter!! Dance!!! + How I Practice My Religion

#### RYUICHI FUJIMURA

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

My project is a solo double bill: Fall! Falter!! Dance!!! and How I Practice My Religion. They are both written, choreographed and performed by myself.

How I Practice My Religion, which was premiered in 2017, traces back my personal dance history and unpacks what is archived in my dancing body.

Fall! Falter!! Dance!!! is a humorous, poignant and sincere reflection on a contemporary dancers life, in which recognition is limited and the reward is small. Through this solo, self-devised performance work, I ask myself the fundamental question: why perform?

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer, choreographer and performer Ryuichi Fujimura Video artist Laura Turner

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Rhiannon is an Australian dancer and choreographer who grew up on Dunghutti land, regional NSW. Her creative work draws attention to ecofeminist ways of understanding interdependence between bodies and the world. Rhiannon currently works from Gadigal land where she contributes to community and culture through creation, performance, collaboration, teaching, research and producing.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Ryuichi Fujimura is an independent dance artist based in Sydney. Since the mid 1990s, he has studied contemporary dance technique as well as improvisation and choreography in Australia and overseas. Over the last fifteen years, Ryuichi has collaborated with both emerging and established artists in various dance, theatre, opera, site-specific performance and film projects.

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ARTFORM
Dance, Theatre, Music

AUDIENCE Family, elderly

LENGTH 30 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Fishy Tales

**CREATIVE CARING** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Vashti Hughes and Diane Busuttil created *Fishy Tales*, a family-friendly performance about Italian Migrants who fished around the Iron Cove area in Lilyfield and Leichhardt.

Fishy Tales brings together local artists to celebrate the history of the Italian migrant community through pop-up performances. Focusing on their stories about protecting the environment and biodiversity of local waterways and fishing spots. Fishy Tales is a performance piece delivered in a piazza-style atmosphere that will impart knowledge regarding conversation to future generations. We dance the traditional tarantella with live musicians and invite audience members to join the celebration at the shows end.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Creative Caring focuses on the lives of seniors and uses performance aspects; dance, theatre, and music to connect with communities. Storytelling and performance are ways in which we can access and share people's cultural history. We value art as a modality that connects people to stories and diverse cultures.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Concept and direction by Vashti Hughes and Diane Busuttil Performed by Diane Busuttil, Renata Commisso, Vashti Hughes (Joe) and Ryuichi Fujimura Musicians Trevor Brown, Phillipe Wittwer and Alf Sconomiglio Set Banners Jennifer Reid Costumes Aspasia Leonarder Producer Creative Caring

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

### Fitson and Dan

**FELICITY BURKE** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Miss Fitson is an independent, free thinking teacher, communist and iconoclast. Dan is a larrikin, editor & bookie's mate, plunged into war. Together they try to make a future.

Fitson and Dan is a fusion of the work of two writers. Kate O'Brien, a little known Australian writer wrote a beautiful monologue - Our Miss Fitson - about a sensitive intelligent woman reflecting on her life in Sydney in the pre and post war eras. Whilst this was a stand-alone piece the references to her love Dan and how she lost him to war were tantalising. Mark O'Flynn, writer and Miles Franklin Award finalist created the story of Dan as a companion piece. The two pieces could are skilfully merged by Felicity Burke into one full length play. The poetic quality of the script and richness of the love story has emerged with distinctly Australian humour and great depths of sadness that lead to a shattering end. War looms, can love survive?

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

The company of creatives has come together especially to make this work.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writers Kate O'Brien, Mark O'Flynn Editor and Director Felicity Burke Performed by Janine Penfold

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Blue Mountains 2021

Photo by Shane Rozario Photo by Felicity Burke



ARTFORM Dance, music

AUDIENCE General, subscriber

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM

Theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Flamenco For Everybody

ANNALOUISE PAUL DANCE THEATRE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Poetry, percussion, Swiss hang, contemporary-Flamenco dance and jazz flamenco guitar come together in this visually theatrical and highly virtuosic show. Flamenco For Everybody was created as a way of bringing communities together to celebrate the spirit of dance. See and hear some of the best flamenco artists in the country, with; flamenco veteran Robbie Varga on guitar; virtuoso Byron Mark on contemporary percussion, Rafael Leon (Cordoba) with authentic cante, poetry and lyrics and contemporary-flamenco dancer, Annalouise Paul. Flamenco is contemporary culture. Interfaith and art seamlessly shift inside ancient songs. It is these frictions and paradoxes that give Flamenco its power.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Annalouise Paul is an award-winning choreographer and performer whose work explores ideas about identity and transformation through the intersection of traditional and contemporary cultures. Her career spans three decades collaborating on intercultural projects in UK, USA and Asia. In 2021, APDT won two industry arts awards for inaugural international touring and community engagement in India.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Dancer and Director
Annalouise Paul
Flamenco Singer Rafael Alcolea
Flamenco guitar Robert Varga
Percussion Byron Mark
Tour Manager Future Shock
Producer Annalouise Paul Dance
Theatre

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

### **Flow**

#### NORPA

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Told through contemporary dance, poetry, visual imagery and rap, *Flow* is a new dreaming, strengthening respect for Eldership and engaging young people in the living traditions held in local ancestral stories.

Flow is a yarn about Yaegl country and neighbouring nations, within NSW. It's a tale of searching and finding identity in music, urban culture and nature, an ancient story acknowledging how and why water flows through this region and its cultural significance.

We are developing community engagement activities to be offered alongside presentation of *Flow*, including weaving and youth workshops.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Based in Lismore, NORPA is a company that makes theatre from the ground up. We take inspiration from the country and culture around us. We program and co-produce shows by leading national companies too, but creating original Australian work is at the heart of what we do and why we exist.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer/Performer Mitch King
Composer/Performer Blake Rhodes
Director/Choreographer
Jade Dewi Tyas Tunggal
Lead Designer Mic Gruchy
Lighting Design Karl Johnson
Writing support Kirk Page &
Damion Hunter
Videography Maiara Skarheim
Producer Letila Mitchell

Yaegl Elders and Emerging Leaders Gilbert Laurie, Ron Heron, Lenore Parker, William Walker, Ken Laurie, Shondell Laurie, Frances Belle Parker, Elsdon Charlton

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Lismore 2021

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Photo by Shane Rozario



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Dance theatre

AUDIENCE 12+ years

LENGTH 90 mins

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 90 mins

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### French Café

SPRUNG!! DANCE THEATRE INC

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

French Café explores the age-old joy of song and dance, the mysteries of communication in a world full of culture collisions, and the fact that beyond the irrelevancies of age, sex/gender, language (or not!) and ability/disability, we are all the same, full of foibles, and finding joy in unexpected places. Our Sprung!! performers and three guest artists vie for audience attention and gradually reveal the rich complexities of their characters and relationships. The audience is immersed in the parade of life: a celebration of human foibles in a café where no-one speaks the same language and absurd is the order of the day.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Sprung!! is a non-profit disability arts organisation committed to creating new works that explore themes from the lives of our dancers with disability, inspire mainstream audiences breaking down social barriers and promoting a more inclusive society. We provide community dance workshops and training for talented committed dancers with disability.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Artistic Director Michael Hennessy Co Director Kate McDowell Set designer Joey Ruigrok Guest artists Asher Bowen-Saunders / Ché Pritchard Dancers Alice Misty Boscheinen, Tallula Bourne, Sinead Skorka Brennan, Tara Coughlan, Max McAuley, Zac Mifsud, Kane Shields & Freya Toussaint

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### Photo by Kate Holmes

### Game of I-Lands

#### **AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCE EXCHANGE**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Game of I-Lands is an interactive performance about the impact of the South China Sea conflict on the creatures that live there. Game of I-Lands involves the audience in a live board game as they compete for fish and resources on behalf of the countries surrounding the South China Sea. When extreme weather inhibits play and undersea life respond, the audience must form new allegiances and engage in collaborative modes of play to survive.

Game of I-Lands taps into Game culture to encourage young and old to play out possible scenarios to real world issues via collaboration and negotiation.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Sally Sussman
Designer Annemaree Dalziel
Performed by Katia Molino and
Valerie Berry
Scientists Cat Dorey
Creative Producer Pippa Bailey

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Australian Performance Exchange (APE), incorporated in 2007, creates and produces inter-cultural performing arts projects involving collaborations between artists from Indigenous & non-Indigenous Australia, multi-cultural Australia and the rest of the world. APE creates new Australian theatre work, which responds to current and historic concerns of cultural identity, diversity and social justice.

Photo by Annemarie Dalziel



ARTFORM Dance theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Female and Non Binary people

aged 18 - 50 years

LENGTH 70 mins

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### Glass Child

THE FARM AND PERFORMING LINES

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Glass Child is a poignantly revealing depiction of the sibling relationship between Kayah, a young man with Down Syndrome and his sister Maitreyah. Expressed through dance, theatre and storytelling Glass Child highlights their connection and how their lives have been affected by other people's perceptions.

The term 'Glass Child' refers to the sibling of someone with special needs who often becomes a facilitator in the family, someone who is "looked through". Kayah is Maitreyah's oldest brother & was born with Down Syndrome. Throughout their lives Maitreyah has watched him be left out, ridiculed or ignored without understanding why. *Glass Child* puts a microscope on their love and how their relationship has grown. It questions how the rest of us behave when we find the difference we inevitably look for. It asks us to examine why we search for difference when we share so much in common.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Run by artists, driven by art, The Farm are collaborative artists fascinated with the fragility and strength of the human condition and driven by a desire to make contemporary dance relevant to the lives of ordinary Australians.

Performing Lines produces provocative contemporary performances by Australia's most audacious independent artists.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

**Created by** Kayah and Maitreyah Guenther, Kate Harman and Gavin Webber

Performers Kayah and Maitrevah Guenther

**Co-Directors** by Kate Harman and Gavin Webber

Set and Costume Designer Rozina Suliman

**Lighting Designer** Chloe Ogilvie **Composer and Sound Designer** Anna Whitaker

Producer The Farm and Performing

With special thanks to Suzie Miller for her script mentorship and consultation

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Gold Coast 2021

Photo by Jorge Serra

### **Hot Mess**

THE GENERAL PUBLIC

#### **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

Set inside a public bathroom, *Hot Mess* reveals the secrets and scandals that happen behind closed doors. The show cracks open the cubicle to allow audiences to witness the clash of the public and the private, the collision of friends and strangers, and gets you to take a long, hard drunken look in the mirror.

Hot Mess is just about to finish a sold out season at Kings Cross Theatre in Sydney, and has been praised for the joyus, relatable and just bloody funny material, while centring female and queer experiences.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

The General Public have built a cult following with their fast-paced and outrageous comedy shows that centre female and queer experiences. They have a knack for finding the jokes and the joys in the mundane and every day.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Tasha OBrien
Performed by Courtney
Ammenhauser, Hannah Grace
Fulton, Jenna Suffern, Alicia
Dulnuan-Demou, Mai Tran and
Jessica Aidie

Stage Manager Steph Black Sound Designer Chrysoulla Markoulli

**Lighting Designer** Vanessa Gregoriou

Set Artist Hayley OMara

Producers Courtney Ammenhauser, Hannah Grace Fulton and Jenna Suffern

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

Photo by Clare Hawley



ARTFORM
Physical theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Family, schools

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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### **Icarus**

#### BARE WITNESS THEATRE COMPANY

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Icarus is a solo physical theatre show about a stowaways epic journey, hidden in the landing gear of a plane, before falling to his death in an unassuming London suburb. Combining Chaplin-esque virtuosity with an intricate, evocative soundscape, the myth of the dreamer who flies too close to the sun is reimagined as a modern tale of courage, hope, desperation and despair, brought to life with unexpected playfulness.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Creator/Performer Christopher Samuel Carroll Sound Designer Kimmo Vennonen Lighting Designer Gillian Schwab

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Perth, Canberra 2019

### Into the Forest

#### NORPA

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Follow Alice, and her carer Kate into the forest on a journey that explores their friendship, the myth and reality of the Australian bush, love, lost children, fairy tales and fire.

Alice and Kate are separated, a fire is started, and Alice is lured into the underworld by the Devil Dingo. Eventually missing home and her loved ones, a self-determined Alice escapes the Dingo. Meanwhile, a fire has ripped through the forest, leaving devastation and a distressed Kate in its wake. It's Australian gothic meets European fairy-tale, in a story of love, the power of nature and magic. With a sound score performed live on stage by Alexandra Spence, *Into the Forest* is a mixture of storytelling, theatre, movement and visual design.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Based in Lismore, NORPA is a company that makes theatre from the ground up. We take inspiration from the country and culture around us. We program and co-produce shows by leading national companies too, but creating original Australian work is at the heart of what we do and why we exist.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer/Performer/Devisor
Kate McDowell
Director/Devisor Julian Louis
Assistant Director Kathy Cates
Performer/Devisor Alice Misty
Boscheinen
Sound Designer Alexandra Spend

Sound Designer Alexandra Spence Movement Consultant Kimberley McIntyre Designer Charlotte Haywood Assistant Designer Taya Solomon

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Lismore, and in-school tour, 2021

### ABOUT THE COMPANY

We make raw, pulsating theatre that ignites the imagination. We are an actor-led ensemble based in Canberra, producing original plays and bold reimaginings of classical texts in a stripped-back, highly-physical style. Our work builds from the vitality and virtuosity of the actor, drawing from our training at Ecole Jacques Lecoq, Paris.

Photo by Novel Photographic Photo by Vanessa Kellas



ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 70 mins

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### Introducing Aunty Jude

**HURRAH HURRAH** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Aunty Jude is on a journey from heartbreak to doing 'whatever the hell she wants' as she smashes down other people's expectations in an outrageous midlife debutante ball. A mix of clown, cabaret and the grotesque.

Introducing Aunty Jude is an interactive performance which explores the commodification of relationships and the unseen middle age particularly for women. It is cabaret in style and has one performer and one musician on stage. It has elements of clowning, bouffon, audience interaction and music.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Producer, Writer, Performer Alison Bennett Director Shy Magsalin Composer/Musician Maria Alfonsine Lighting Designer Lucia Haddad

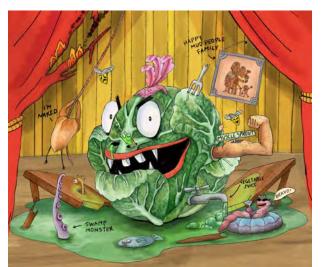
#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Hurrah Hurrah is a company dedicated to creating original live and screen projects. HH is focused on the use of comedy to explore the human condition with a highly visual and physical aesthetic. HH is interested in the grotesque, the excentrique and exploring themes that are common to all humanity.

Photo by Jasmin Simmons



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM

Theatre

AUDIENCE

8 - 12 year olds, families

LENGTH 60 mins

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### **JUST**

#### **RED LINE PRODUCTIONS**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

JUST (tricking, annoying, stupid, crazy, disgusting, shocking, doomed) LIVE ON STAGE is Red Line Productions' first stage adaptation for children.

Adapted by Robin Goldsworthy from the infamous JUST series by Australians Andy Griffiths (author) and Terry Denton (illustrator), the production is definitely not for the faint farted - or hearted!... and is a love letter to the power of the imagination, determination and friendship.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Robin Goldsworthy
Director Blazey Best
Production Designer James Browne
Sound Designer & Composition
Nate Edmondson
Lighting Designer Veronique Benett
Magic Consultant Harry Milas
Production Manager and Company
Stage Manage Rebecca Poulter
Producers Lenore Robertson,
Andrew Henry, Vanessa Wright
Performers Jack Angwin, Kelly
Monisse & Sam Bowden

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### Illustration by Terry Denton

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Since its inception in 2014, Red Line Productions has established itself as one of Australia's leading independent theatre presenters. We've presented over 20 exclusively commissioned new Australian works, including the World Premieres of new works by revered contemporary playwrights Louis Nowra, Toby Schmitz, Steve Rogers and more. As custodians of Sydney's legendary and wildly intimate Old Fitz Theatre, we've presented over 117 productions in 6 years, with Australian premieres of international works brand new Australian works and landmark revivals



ARTFORM

Dance, theatre, digital

AUDIENCE

Dance & online audiences, discreet community engagement

LENGTH 45 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE boxofbirds.net



STALKER THEATRE / BOX OF BIRDS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Layer is both a work in development and a working methodology, allowing for engagement by discrete artistic communities separated by distance. Layer was first performed simultaneously in real time in both Sydney (ESCAC) and in the Netherlands at the Grand Theatre in Groningen. Layer dances the story of three woman, each alone and isolated with multiple cultural identities. Indigenous/ non-indigenous/ Australian/ European. Since making the working we have had four communities interested in utilising our working methodology to unite artists working in different locations: NAISDA in Gosford, Wiradjuri Study Centre in Condobolin (NSW), Guadalajara Cultural Centre (Mexico) and Spelman College in Atlanta. This interest has made us realise that we can share our working methodologies with the wider arts community, including festivals and presenters.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Stalker Theatre and its digital branch Box of Birds are a long standing and well respected multidisciplinary theatre company based in Sydney, Australia. We make high quality physical and visual productions that range from small, mobile street theatre productions to large site-specific outdoor work and both intimate and large-scale indoor works.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Australian Director and Producer David Clarkson Netherlands Director (ShELFISH Productions) Veerle van Overloop Dramatura Margie Breen Movement Consultant Aku Kadogo Composer Peter Kennard Digital artists and VFX Matt Hughes, Boris Bagattini Photogrammetry Trevor Coates Print Graphics Danielle Bluff Production Manager Billy Cheeseman Live Streaming Liz Astev and dplr Netherlands Digital (WERC Collective) Liz Astey and dplr, Joachim Ruì ^ mke and Jelle Valk Initial Digital Unreal Design Andrew Bluff Digital Consultant Andrew Johnston Performed by Cloe Fournier, Katina Olsen, Olympia Kotopoulos

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2020 Photo by David Clarkson



#### **TOUR READY**

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ARTFORM
Multidisciplinary physical/theatre

AUDIENCE

16+ years

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE stepsandholestheatre.com

### Le Voyage

STEPS & HOLES AND MILKE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Le Voyage is the heart warming story of a blue-nosed clown who goes on a voyage through the harsh landscapes of her mind. It charts the journey of a young woman in the throes of a powerful grief, as she grapples with the loss of a loved one. Created by Jo Turner and Kate Walder, the work combines delicate clowning, superb visual imagery, puppetry, aerial and stunning original music from Aria award-winning composer Shenzo Gregorio. In a world where words cannot suffice, the story appeals directly to the emotions, bringing us closer together to stare at the randomness of life.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Steps and Holes is an award-winning multi-disciplinary theatre company specialising in physical and visual story-telling. We explore universal themes through the poetry of movement, bold design, clown, puppetry and music. The spirit of clown is embedded in our ethos and style; a form that promotes humility, champions a sense of the ridiculous and transcends demographics by revealing our shared humanity. Steps and Holes aims to take extraordinary new works of physical theatre across the country and to the world.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Created by Kate Walder and Jo Turner Director Jo Turner Performer Kate Walder Original Composition Shenzo Gregorio Sound Design Tegan Nicholls Lighting Design Benjamin Brockman Initiating Design Sabina Myers Design Consultant Stephanie Howe Producer MILKE (Laura Milke Garner)

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2018

Photo by Jasmin Simmons



ARTFORM Music

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### TOUR READY

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ARTFORM Dance theatre

AUDIENCE

Women, dance lovers, fans of Kubrick films

LENGTH 50 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Lightness of Dark

LITTLE HARTLEY MUSIC

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

There is a crack in everything, that's how the light gets in. Lightness of Dark is an ethereal and collaborative journey into the depths of loss, mourning and recovery. We all experience loss at some time in our lives, loss of health, friendship, a pet, lost youth or the loss of a loved one. When real life becomes art, experiences can be shared, learned from and resonate with others in similar situations. This concert invites the listener to find the beauty in the sadness and move forward in a positive way.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Piano and Voice Fiona Joy Hawkins Violin and Voice Rebecca Daniel

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

### Limits

#### **BONNIE CURTIS PROJECTS**

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Limits is a solo dance theatre performance created by an emerging choreographer from the Wollondilly region. The work delves into identity, societal expectations and examines limitations, stereotypes and experiences as a female living with disability. It shares the story of a grotesque creature navigating the world through the lens of a stereotypical "hot-body". Trying to live up to the expectations of the world around her, riddled with insecurity and self-hate. Sabotaged by her limitations.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Artistic Director Bonnie Curtis Choreographer and Performer Bonnie Curtis Mentor Kay Armstrong Sound Design Fiona Lloyd Harding Dramaturgy Nell Ranney Lighting Design Lucia Haddad Assistant to Artistic Director Steph Wyburn

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

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Sydney 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Neo-classical piano, violin and voice, exploring the beauty in music that speaks about loss. Added humour and lightness makes this concert suitable and applicable to everyone.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

We're an award-winning, internationally touring company who creates live, interactive performances. We do this using a unique blend of dance, theatre, comedy and performance arts to explore darker elements of our human existence. We tackle tough topics that encourage audiences to question their views on humanity and modern society.

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ARTFORM Cabaret

**AUDIENCE** Adult, women

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE theloveysmusic.com



#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Dance theatre

**AUDIENCE** 15+ years

LENGTH 55 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE cloefprojects.com

### **Loveys Actually**

THE LOVEYS MUSIC

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Loveys - Jenny, Janet, Pam and Belinda - are excited to announce the launch of their new album, Loveys Actually - fifteen sparkling and original songs in a stage show. Inspired by the Heroine's Journey, Loveys Actually is full of songs and wry stories that women and men understand, connect with, and actually care about - the very stuff of everyday life - from divorce, dementia, septuagenarian sex to the ordinary and courageous business of love itself. The Loveys are really hitting their stride now, after 6 years of developing their style in the creative hamlet of Mullumbimby in Northern NSW. Great musicians, songwriters and performers, The Loveys demand to be heard as they create a music genre that is both new and as old as time - heroic women, rocking out and telling it like it is.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Brin Pritchard. Performed by Jenny Parenteau, Janet Swain. Belinda Eadsforth. Pamela Freeman

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Ocean Shores 2021

### Mea Culpa

CLOE [F] PROJECTS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Women stomp feet and hiss in guest of salvation, freedom and selfliberation taking the viewer on a journey of sensuous and absorbing visual dance-theatre. Mea Culpa is a conceptual provocation where the female form owns your space and your gaze. Drawing from the trope of science-fiction, Mea Culpa is delivered through a series of images containing a sophisticated combination of intriguing movement, punchy words, electric sounds and breathtaking lighting. Surrealistic dramas played out from a micro-society of female bodies who bear the pressures from an ever-present (in)visible power referred to as IT. IT's mission is to standardise their image, mechanise their plasticity and regulate their movement and behavioural patterns. But this trans-human female community decide to defy the system by re-coding their shaping.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Choreographer & Director & **Designer** Cloe Fournier Dramaturg Vicki Van Hout Composer James Brown Production Manager & Lighting Designer Frankie Clarke

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Parramatta 2019

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

The Loveys are four women who write songs and tell stories. Heralding from the creative hamlet of Mullumbimby in Northern NSW, The Loveys have been developing their style for the past 6 years, as they create a new genre in music - heroic women who tell it like it is.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

CloeFournier / Cloe [F] Projects creates dance-theatre works that do not shy away from being gutsy, raw and provocative. We aspire to risk taking, to honest productions that are relevant to the NOW, connecting people together through fraught subject matters.

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ARTFORM
Theatre, dance, aerial, visual

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 25 mins performance; 30 mins play

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE boxofbirds.net



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM

Dance, music, spoken word

**AUDIENCE** 

15+ years

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Mountain

STALKER THEATRE & BOX OF BIRDS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Mountain is Stalkers 25-minute production designed for outdoor festivals and family events. Mountain has been the headline entertainment for Glow, Horizon and Real Festivals in Australia.

Mountain has wowed the crowds with its innovative, physical and visual delight. The performance combines aerial theatre with cutting edge interactive performance technology. The four performers meld acrobatics, dance and aerials to create a captivating spectacle. Mountain also features a projected 3D play space for young and old alike. Directly following the 25-minute performance, kids and adults are invited to rediscover the environment and wildlife.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Stalker Theatre and its digital branch Box of Birds are a long standing and well respected multidisciplinary theatre company based in Sydney, Australia. We make high quality physical and visual productions that range from small, mobile street theatre productions to large site-specific outdoor work and both intimate and large-scale indoor works.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Conception & Direction
David Clarkson
Digital artist Andrew Bluff
(Interactive design)
Digital Artist and Rigging Design
Alejandro Rolandi (Virtual
costumes)
Composer Sang Won, NAM (N2)
Lighting Designer and Production
Manager Mike Smith
Performed by Rick Everett,
Cloe Fournier, LeeAnne Litton &
Jordan ODavis

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Bundanon 2021

### Mrityu

#### ARJUNAN PUVEENDRAN AND PERFORMING LINES

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The project is centred on how we come to terms with 'mrityu', the Sanskrit word for death (and a cognate of the Latin word 'mort'). The work draws on discomfort in grappling with funerals 'especially the fear of losing loved ones' juxtaposed with the philosophy of the soul seeking detachment from the body. It explores the paradox of death: a moment of tragedy, whilst also a pathway to release from earthly suffering. *Mrityu* seeks to weave the rituals, philosophies, emotions and words underpinning funerals I had attended together with personal reflections into a performative work.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Performed by Arjunan Puveendran Choreographer Amrita Hepi Dramaturgs Victoria Spence and Jiva Parthipan Producer Alice Hatton (Performing Lines)

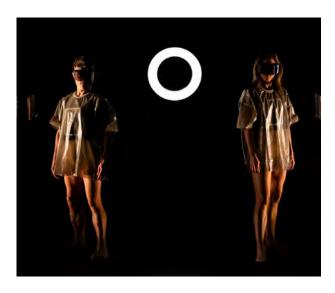
#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

My work focuses on the intersection of music, dance, rhythm and dialogue. It is rooted in Carnatic music and Bharata Natyam traditions of South India, as contextualised in contemporary Australian society. It involves largely singing and percussion, woven with dance theatre and storytelling.

Photo by Stephen Mifsud



ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE Subscriber, young adult

LENGTH 50 mins

#### CONTACT

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### **NARCIFIXION**

**ANTON PROJECTS** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Led by high profile performers Anton and Brianna Kell, NARCIFIXION is a dark and humorous work about narcissism. This pertinent, expansive contemporary dance theatre duet examines identity in the digital age. Inspired by narcissistic behaviour epidemically prevalent across the screen space, NARCIFIXION explores two single characters, who are in a constant state of exhibiting and observing themselves. Tapped, scanned and swiped, this enticingly strange world is jam packed with riotous dance. Set in tune to the deep synth vibes of Jai Pyne and illuminated by Steve Hendy, the dance of NARCIFIXION is dense, superficial, super serious and profoundly absurd.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

I am an Australian, independent dance artist and dance educator who creates, develops and produces accessible contemporary dance theatre work and quality workshop community engagement experiences for predominately Australian audiences.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director/Choreographer/Performer
Anton
Choreographer/Performer
Brianna Kell
Composer Jai Pyne
Lighting Designer Steve Hendy
Costume Designer
Brooke Cooper-Scott
Rehearsal Assistant/Workshop
Leader Alana Everett
Education Consultant Shane Carroll

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

**Producer** Anton

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM
Dance theatre

AUDIENCE

Contemporary Performance and comedy lovers

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE performinglines.org.au/ artists/too-rude/

### Nature Is Healing

TOO RUDE AND PERFORMING LINES

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Nature is Healing is a new performance work about the relationships between human and non-human animals sharing urban environments, based on the story of the gweela/Australian bush turkey. In Nature is Healing, the hero is the gweela and its fight against gentrification in urban areas, particularly North Sydney. The gweela were hunted to near extinction in the early 20th Century and now are back with a vengeance! The work also unpacks the eponymous meme that has emerged during the COVID-19 pandemic, based on a misguided idea of the environment returning to a more natural state as humans self-isolate.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Co-creator and Performer Emma McManus Co-creator and Performer Maria White Sound Design Gus McGrath Gweela Expert Dr. Darryl Jones

PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Too Rude is a collaboration born from artists Emma McManus' and Maria White's participation in the infamous Earlwood Farm Christmas Climate Change Variety Hour and named after the Daily Telegraph's response to this event. They make hilarious, researched and political performances about themes such as living in cities, cultural policy, and ecologies.

Photo by Bryony Jackson



ARTFORM Cabaret

AUDIENCE Female

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE Family

I FNGTH 5 mins extended (customised with local content)

#### CONTACT

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### **Not Today**

ROGUE PROJECTS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

An intimate caparet experience, Not Today is a frank, funny, and emotioncharged song cycle about a queer young woman trying to make the most of her life, while she can. Featuring an entirely original score. Ally takes audiences on a bumpy ride through life as a not-so-famous 26-year-old. The song cycle features twelve of Ally's smart, fun, and insightful pieces, including the titular Not Today, following her story as she comes to terms with adulting, climate anxiety, and her own mortality. It's a heartfelt and sometimes hilariously sarcastic journey into the hopes and dreams of a millennial-in-progress.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Rogue Projects is an award-winning Sydney-based independent arts producer. We believe in championing invisible artists, nurturing great talent by holding the door open for artists without opportunity, and we seek stories that are not on our stages, fostering relationships with writers and directors to realise outstanding new Australian work.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Written and performed by Ally Morgan with Jack Angwin, Hannah Gwatkin and Brendan Paul Director Miranda Middleton Producer Robbi James Production Design Angus Konsti Lighting Design Lucia Haddad Sound Design Zachary Saric Promo Photography Jasmin Simmons **Production Images** Parker Floris

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

### Ocean Spirit Rising

**DTCP** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

A dancer. A dancing water fountain. In harmony. Ocean Spirit Rising brings a contemporary Indigenous dancer together with an animated water fountain in a dance that represents humans living in harmony with our water environments. Using the languages of dance and visual spectacle, it is captivating and accessible. Duration can be customised and extended to include local cultural content. Setting is outdoor with a stage against a water backdrop. (Perfect in a post-COVID world).

#### CREATIVE TEAM

**Director** Dean Tuttle Dancer and choreographer Janaya Lamb Indigenous choreography Alfred Taahi Fontaineer Glenn Turner

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Our work is driven by the desire to bring theatre to meet mainstream Australia in unusual places to find new audiences.

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ARTFORM Dance theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Adult

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Oh, How I Dreamt Of Things Impossible

SPRUNG!! DANCE THEATRE INC

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Produced in association with NORPA, *O, How I Dreamt Of Things Impossible* is a visually captivating and moving journey into the minds and dreams of seven diverse movement artists, dancers with disabilities, who think outside the box. Through the lens of 7 young, imaginative and curious minds, we rediscover the power of dreams. Dreams that summon the optimism and strength to overcome the doubts we all share about life. Western Sydney artist, Andrew Christie created the projections that form the backdrop and at times envelop the dancers, acting as virtual choreographed counterparts reflecting a world as imagined by the dancers.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Sprung!! is a non-profit disability arts organisation committed to creating new works that explore themes from the lives of our dancers with disability, inspire mainstream audiences breaking down social barriers and promoting a more inclusive society. We provide community dance workshops and training for talented committed dancers with disability.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Artistic Director Michael Hennessy Digital Projection Design/Sound design Andrew Christie Lighting Design John Rayment Costume Design Jennifer Irwin Composer Fred Cole Dramaturg Julian Louis Dancers Alice Misty Boscheinen, Tallula Bourne, Sinead Skorka Brennan, Tara Coughlan, Max McAuley, Zac Mifsud & Kane Shields

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Lismore 2019

### Party Girl

LUCY HEFFERNAN

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Party Girl is a unique solo performance written and created by Lucy Heffernan. It combines live original music, stand-up comedy and theatrical monologue into one hour of adults only entertainment.

Like a pub gig with narrative, *Party Girl* tells the story of Fairy Sprinkles, a character who works as a fairy at kids parties. Based on true stories both hilarious and heartbreaking, *Party Girl* challenges notions of traditional feminine behaviour, and explores the impact of mental illness on family. A story about love and faith, *Party Girl* is an intimate, funny, and deeply moving work that speaks (and sings) directly to the audience.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Creator/Performer Lucy Heffernan Director/Dramaturg Tim Maddock Lighting Designer/ Production Manager Tyler FitzPatrick

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Woollongong, Newcastle 2019

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Lucy Heffernan is an independent artist who mashes music, theatre and storytelling together to make contemporary performance. Weaving her practice as a singer songwriter with her work as a theatre maker, Lucy endeavours to create fiercely feminist, wickedly funny, and deeply moving performance that speaks directly to the audience.

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Photo by Kate Holmes



ARTFORM Theatre, dance, comedy

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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### **Phly Crew Live**

**PHLY CREW** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

A colourful blend of sketch comedy and dance! Australia's Got Talent grand finalists, Phly Crew, take you through a catacomb of hilarious themes and scenes in our newest production Phly Crew Live. Described as a fusion of high performance Dance and comedy, *Phly Crew Live* creates giggles and gasps from anyone aged 5 - 105. It offers a variety of content so wide that some sketches and routines will divide a room in thinking 'I absolutely loved that!' or 'What did I just watch?' A truly unique experience for the whole family.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Co-director/Manager/Dancer Neale Whittaker Co-director/Creative director/ Dancer James Barry Promotions/Dancer Aimee Whittaker Workshop/Dancer Hannah Stewart

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Photo by Leo Bonne

Sydney, Canberra, Port Macquarie 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Phly Crew is a truely unique group of very creative individuals. We've been can look like and achieve.

Liz Lea is a performer, choreographer and producer based in Australia. Her work has been commissioned in India, UK, Australia, South Africa, Singapore and USA. Liz was the 2017 ACT Artist of the Year and won a 2017

#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Dance theatre

**AUDIENCE** General

LENGTH 55 mins

#### CONTACT

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LIZ LEA DANCE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

RED is fearless, RED is fierce, RED is powerful. RED is fraught and is broken, and is still running. Hitch a ride on a race with time that speaks in another tongue. The language of body, movement, words and film. RED is an elusive, fractious and fabulous interdisciplinary performance. Bringing on the bawdy and banishing the banal. RED challenges laughter, relief and tenacity.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Choreographers Vicki van Hout. Virginia Ferris, Martin del Amo Dramaturg/Mentor Brian Lucas Composer of original score Alexander Hunter Cinematographer Nino Tamburri Film Editor Arianna Bosi Script writers Liz Lea, Brian Lucas, Victoria Lea Lighting Designer Karen Norris Rehearsal Director and dramaturgy Natalie Ayton Technical Manager Craig Dear Stage Manager Anni Doyle Wawrzynczak Costumes designed by Liz Lea, Brian

Costume Consultant Cate Clelland PRODUCTION HISTORY

Lucas, Bruce Scott and Brooke Giles

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Extensive

Photo by Lorna Sim

making people giggle and gasp for over 10 years. Phly Crew has been described as humorous, innovative entertainment. Compared to Monty Python or the Umbilical brothers...but Dance! a combination of sketch comedy and high level dancing/choreography. Phly Crew as a company strives to push the envelope of creativity and what a "Dance" company

### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Australian Dance Award for her direction of Great Sport!



ARTFORM Theatre, clowning

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE hurrahhurrah.net



#### **TOUR READY**

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Dance and film (hybrid onsite + online)

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 180-240 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Roomba Nation

**HURRAH HURRAH** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Roomba Nation explores the theme of technology and how we are responsible for the ethical development of technology and civilization for future generations. The narrative follows the character of Pippie who arrives in an experimental treatment centre in an invented country. She is in the final stages of an unnamed terminal disease. The show follows the journey of Pippie, Nursie and Doc and uses clowning to investigate the ridiculous treatments she undergoes in her human desire to cling to hope. Doc is determined to push the technological limits as far as they can possibly go, Nursie is concerned with the care vs treatment question and Pippie is left to connect with the audience through facing the one thing that none of us can escape. The show uses clowning and comedy to pose some very delicate questions to the audience and ends in a whirl of empathy and pathos as the trio are forced to face their real fears.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Hurrah Hurrah creates new works of live performance which use comedy and physicality to explore the human condition and the themes which bind us all together. We focus on finding pathos and meaning through joy and the exploration of everyday strangeness.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Concept, Director Alison Bennett Set and Costume Designer Maurice Performed by Alison Bennett, Kate Walder and Nick O'Regan

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

### Shifting Lines/Shifted

DR LAURA (AMARA) OSWEILER

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Shifting Lines/Shifted is a gallery-style inclusive event including live intercultural dance, dance films and interactive dance exhibits designed for audiences onsite and online to have comparable experiences. Performance includes simultaneous events: live dance with audio descriptions short-formatted looping dance films with audio descriptions interactive dance exhibits: space, lights and audio and film guides for audiences to explore concepts audio guide for entire event streaming online and direct engagement with home-located audiences. This is a solo work presenting new forms of embodiment that I developed to manage disabilities by deepening relationships with health, dance and performance. It obscures and transforms the materiality of a human form through lights, shadows and fabric.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Dr Laura (Amara) Osweiler an independent dancer, choreographer, director and producer with 25+ years as a Middle Eastern and Intercultural performer working in the USA and Australia. Current works interweave dance, movement, film, music and health and employ communication technologies to support access needs and engage with audiences in different locations.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Dancer, Choreographer, Videography, Staging, Audio Description Laura Osweiler Lighting & Staging Designer Paul Osborne Composer Cassie To Videography Lux Eterna Audio Description Support Sarah Houbolt

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Lismore 2021

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ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General, subscriber

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Slow Burn

**Q THEATRE** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Every year more and more people experience the impacts of bushfire devastation. This is the story of one such family who lost their home during the 2003 Canberra bushfires. Eighteen years on they still remember, they can't forget, but they can carry on. With wry wit, compelling storytelling and song, Deborah Pollard conjures into being a theatrical portrait of the very human face of climate change catastrophe.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Creator and performer Deborah Pollard Outside Eye Chris Ryan

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Penrith 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Q Theatre has been making work for more than 50 years. Based at The Joan, Penrith we offer audiences a chance to see theatre that has been provoked, inspired or exploded out of our local context. We build pathways for established and early career artists to train, experiment and create.



#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Music theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 120 mins, inc interval

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE sonsofsun.com.au

### Sons of Sun - Elvis, Jerry Lee, Johnny and Me

TYPE FASTER PRODUCTIONS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Told through the character of its founder Sam Phillips, his assistant Marion Keisker, and the famous musicians that Sam recorded, Sons of Sun features a three piece live band fronted by John Kennedy, performing thirty-five songs from Elvis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison and many more. Sydney musician John Kennedy, of Love Gone Wrong fame began developing the Sons of Sun idea in 2011 with the release of his Sons of Sun Vol 1 CD. playwright Kieran Carroll has written an accompanying script to Kennedys beautiful renditions, seamlessly blending the narrative and songs to produce a compelling, original and heartbreaking blend of rock n roll theatre.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Kieran Carroll
Director Louise Fischer
Performed by Matthew Charleston,
Ben Maclaine and Victoria Beck
Music by John Kennedy,
Murray Cook and Paul Scott

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Type Faster Productions showcases the plays of award winning playwright, Kieran Carroll. Originally directed by Neil Gooding and now directed by Louise Fischer, the six member all NSW cast have begun performing Sons of Sun under the Type Faster banner since early 2021.

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ARTFORM Dance theatre

AUDIENCE 12+ years

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Cabaret

AUDIENCE Adults, LGBTQIA+

LENGTH 45 minutes

#### CONTACT

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### Spike

LITTLE WING PUPPETS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Spike is the story of an egg stolen by a greedy rat. A young girl finds it. She is playing alone because she is being bullied by other children. The baby echidna that hatches has no spikes yet and she doesn't know what kind of creature he is. She tries to help but accidentally puts him in dangerous situations - in the nest of a crocodile, an emu and a turtle. Will they both discover their 'spikes' and find a way stand up to their bullies? Come on a lively journey through the world of shadow puppetry to find out.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Jenny Ellis and
Anne Brooksbank
Director Jacob Williams and
Clare Batholomew
Composer Mal Webb
Design consultants Richard
Bradshaw and Fabrizio Montecchi
Puppets, Sets and Lights
Jenny Ellis, Jeremy Lavender,
Lauren Redpath, Freya Pitt and
Nick Wollan
Designer Jenny Ellis
Sound Designer/Performer
Jenny Ellis

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Little Wing Puppets is based in NSW and we make great children's theatre. Since 2006, we have presented hundreds of shows and workshops in every state and territory of Australia, as well as overseas. Our work has grown from a love of puppetry, inspiring children and the power of a good story.

### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Parramatta 2021

# Stage Fright ein Kabarett JUDE BOWLER ENTERTAINMENT

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Character comedienne, Jude Bowler's enticing and touchingly twisted, droll homage to Marlene [Dietrich]. Nobody's muse, everybody's icon. A modern-day Dietrich - bored and mad as ever. Ten songs performed in Two Acts, combining Dietrich originals with Lou Reed, Iggy Pop, Grace Jones, Blondie, Bowie, Prince, Rod Stewart and Aretha Franklin, referencing gender, sexuality, longevity, equality and connection, as lived and loved via late 20th century gay culture and its icons. Glamour that knows grime, and a good time. It's fun and familiar, even if you weren't there.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Performer, Writer, Producer
Jude Bowler
Creative Consultant Drew Fairley
Production Consultant Bill Hopper

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Gulgong, Sydney 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Independent Performer/Writer/Producer/Creative Collaborator, originally from Sydney, based in Central West NSW. Creating theatre, cabaret, vaudeville; working big cities and small towns to entertain, amuse and inform.

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ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Family, 8—13 years

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Thai-riffic!

FEM PRESENTS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Thai-riffic! is adapted for the stage from Oliver Phommavanhs best selling novel for young people - is a culturally diverse, contemporary coming of age story about a young Thai Australian boy straddling two cultures and using humour to explore identity, family and belonging.

Alongside comedy the production incorporates shadow puppetry, physical theatre and cutting edge integrated media featuring the original graphic animations from the book, speaking to its 8-13 year old demographic and their families.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Writer Nathan Luff
Director Lisa Freshwater
Designer Mark Thompson
Lighting Designer Martin Kinnane
Sound Designer Nate Edmondson
AV Designer Mic Gruchy
Illustrator Evi O

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2017

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#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

FEM Presents believes in the power of representation. Creating social and cultural change through events, productions and workshops. Highlights include *BUTCH* at the Sydney Town Hall, *How to be a Good Trans Ally* for Sydney Opera House and touring Cassie Workman's Helpmann Award nominated *Giantess*.

ABOUT THE COMPANY

The Beanies are a musical adventure for little ones with big imaginations. They were nominated for an ARIA award and signed their music to ABCKids. Laura, Mim and Michael tour original live shows, but they are best known for their award-winning podcast series, which has a million little ears listening!

#### **TOUR READY**

DTEOF

ARTFORM Children's theatre

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 50 minsl

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE thebeanies.com.au

### The Beanies EGG-straordinary Day

THE BEANIES MUSIC PTY LTD

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Beanies EGG-straordinary Day! examines the challenge of babysitting an egg from a child's perspective ultimately resulting in a realisation that parenting is a task of extreme difficulty. The Beanies explore parenting styles from numerous angles and influences including cultural and religious differences, dietary choices, playing styles and safety measures in a fun and humorous way, showing children that all families and parenting styles are valuable and the power of creative problem solving as a team.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Script Writers Miriam Rizvi, Michael Yore & Laura Dawson Production Designer Miriam Rizvi, Michael Yore & Laura Dawson Lighting Designer Kathryn Thomas Composer/Sound Designer James Court Producer Kym Halpint

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

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ARTFORM Theatre, music

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Circus, physical theatre

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 20. 30 or 60 minutes

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FOR MORE circusmonoxide.com.au

### The Box Show

JUNKYARD BEATS AND CRITICAL STAGES TOURING

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Ordinary household items are transformed into extraordinary musical instruments and unwanted junk comes alive in exciting and surprising ways! The contents of an abandoned kitchen and wheelie bins become the greatest drum set in the world; plastic bags are an amazing musical instrument and the human body becomes a unique sound machine. With a language of gibberish and rhythm, this show is accessible to any age and nationality. You won't look at a cardboard box the same way after watching this show!

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writers Oded Prior and Nigel Turner-Carroll Director Nigel Turner-Carroll Composer Oded Prior Musical Director Oded Prior Choreographer Oded Prior Performers Oded Prior, Leslie Marsh, Marina Da-Silva, Braeden Lee, Georgia Anderson and Theo Fontes

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

### The Construct

PRECARIOUS INC /AS CIRCUS MONOXIDE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Construct is a contemporary circus show on a new sculptural apparatus. This work expresses the uncertainty of reality and the impermanence of our imagined structures, the struggles we experienced through Covid and the human ability to confront and overcome adversity. As a physical metaphor for this constructed reality we have built a 3.3m x 3.3m cube from welded steel. This structure is specifically engineered to bear human weight and fitted with pivoting wheels to enable ease of movement. Cross bars interlace through the structure allowing the performers to weave, flip, dance and contort in an intricate and innovative choreography.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Zebastian Hunter Creative Producer Linda Catalano Composer Judith Stubbs Costume Designer Elia Bosshard Lighting Design Morgan Moroney Apparatus Design Zebastian Hunter with Thomas Creative

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Darling Harbour 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

In the hands of Junkyard Beats, ordinary household items are transformed into musical instruments that create a booty shaking, toe-tapping, electric atmosphere that makes you want to get up and move. Junkyard Beats has played throughout Australia from Sydney to Perth and also deliver fun, creative workshops for children and adults.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Circus Monoxide is a circus company based in Wollongong. Founded in 1996, the organisation is a recreational school, social circus provider and touring professional company. Artistic Director, Zebastian Hunter is creating a new portfolio of shows through our project company axis productions, in partnership with Producer Linda Catalano's, Quiet RIOT.

Photo by Daniel Carter Photo by Philip Erbacher



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM

Music theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 120 mins, inc interval

#### CONTACT

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 55 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE sirentheatreco.com/ the-end-of-winter

### The Dismissal: An Extremely Serious Musical Comedy

SQUABBALOGIC WITH SYDNEY THEATRE COMPANY AND CANBERRA THEATRE CENTRE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Canberra, 11 November 1975. As Gough Whitlam delivers his iconic speech, a crowd of reporters throngs the steps of Parliament House. Chief amongst them, Norman Gunston. Fast forward to 2021 and the Gold Logie winner and Wollongong's favourite son returns to narrate a rollicking, razor-sharp account of Australia's great constitutional crisis. Fans of political satire will revel in this all singing, all dancing, all mud-slinging retelling of Canberra's most controversial moment.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Book Blake Frickson and Jav James-Moody Music and lyrics Laura Murphy Conceived and directed Jav James-Moody Music Director Steven Kramer Choreographer Chiara Assetta **Designer** Charles Davis Lighting Designer James Wallis

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Squabbalogic is one of Sydney's longest running independent producers of music theatre. Under the leadership of Jay James-Moody the company has gained a reputation as producers of high-quality, award-winning, boutique productions, featuring some of Australia's leading music theatre practitioners.

#### Photo by Kenney Ogilvie

### The End of Winter

SIREN THEATRE CO AND CRITICAL STAGES TOURING

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

What's happening to winter? In hot, bushfire-prone Australia our winters are becoming warmer and shorter. Will climate change eventually erase the season, leaving it to exist only in paintings, fairytales and historical accounts? The End of Winter is about loss and resilience. It's about the places the writer goes in search of the cold weather she loves—places she can reach via public transport and the imagination.

This is the story of our vanishing seasons. It's about losing things we didn't know were ours to lose

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Noëlle Janaczewska Director and Producer Kate Gaul Composer & Sound Designer Nate Edmondson **Production Designer** Camille Ostrowsky **Lighting Designer** Beccy Russell Performer Jane Phegan

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Siren Theatre Co is an independent professional theatre company based in Sydney, Since 1997 the company has commissioned and produced new Australian plays, classics, made plays for young people and families, partnered with producing and presenting organisations to give our vital audiences bold imaginative experiences. Siren is always evolving but these things hold true: the work would look ridiculous in other mediums; always tell a good story; keep the actor at the centre of the work; don't add to the crap in the world; the work will be beautiful, rigorous, imaginative and timely.

Photo by THP Stock



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Cabaret

AUDIENCE

Music lovers, Women, Croatian and Eastern European community

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 3 parts, 3 hours

#### CONTACT

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### The Hen House

JOSIPA DAISMA & PYT FAIRFIELD

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Hen House is inspired by the extraordinary, humorous and tragic true stories of female migrant factory workers, including the life of Bernarda Papic, late grandmother of sisters and key artists Josipa and Mara who worked at Ingham's Chicken Factory in Western Sydney from 1967-1998. The Hen House is a dynamic contemporary music theatre work weaving multi-lingual stories of life as a female factory worker with distinctly live and loud original rock music - a nod to 1970s Australian pub-rock bands. Traditionally, spaces like factories and rock-bands were stereotypically men-only arenas, but with Australia's need for migrant women to fill factory jobs and second-wave feminists pushing for equality, women demonstrated how they could successfully reclaim and occupy these spaces as their own.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Josipa is an award-winning interdisciplinary performing artist and cultural leader working across theatre, music, cabaret and comedy. Her original work has been programmed across national comedy and arts festivals in Australia. Her practice is informed by culture, music, identity, place, family and her cultural lineage.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Co-creator/Performer
Josipa Draisma
Co-creator/Performer
Mara Knezevic
Director Anthea Williams
Musical Director Zeljko Papic
Choreographer Emma Saunders
Dramaturg/Writing Facilitator
Sime Knezevic

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Fairfield 2020

### The Illiad – Out Loud

**CRITICAL STAGES TOURING** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Illiad is the first great story in the Western tradition – a monument to the glory and futility of war – telling the story of 40 days in the 10th and final year of the Trojan War. At its heart, it follows a single theme, the fury of Achilles, who is immobilised by pride and honour and never lifts a weapon for 20 of the 24 books. This adaptation brings the story back to its original oral tradition when it was spoken (sung) over 15 hours. William Zappa studied 17 translations of the original text to create an experience that unifies orator and audience in this extraordinary theatrical experience. Four actors, live percussion and oud, and your community, are about to embark on an epic adventure together.

### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Critical Stages Touring is Australia's national touring theatre company discovering and developing outstanding independent theatre for audiences everywhere. We create live performing arts experiences that can travel, connecting these with diverse regional communities, and fostering a sustainable and diverse national independent theatre sector.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director and Writer William Zappa
Assistant to the Director
Lindy Hume
Percussion Michael Askill
Oud Hamed Sadeghi
Set and Costume Design Mel Liertz
Sound Design Steven Coyle
Lighting Design Matt Cox
Adaptation Mentor and Editor
Emeritus Professor Elizabeth
Minchin FAHA
Associate Producer and Stage
Manager Farlie Goodwin

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney, Adelaide, Barragga Bay 2019-2021

Photo by Lisa Tomasetti

Photo by Anna Kucera



ARTFORM Theatre

**AUDIENCE** Subscriber

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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FOR MORE kingsxtheatre.com/linden-solution



#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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### The Linden Solution

RATCATCH THEATRE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Part TED-talk, part confession, The Linden Solution is a realityblurring theatre that examines politics, propaganda and extremism in contemporary Australia. Four performers unravel the story of Linden Victoria, a town stagnant with millennial apathy, boomer corruption, poverty and drought. Aided by clever audio visual design, the play follows a civil servant, who decides to make Linden great again by implementing a series of neo-fascist policies in local government. Tensions escalate and consequences mount as the quiet Australians of Linden take all-tooeasily to a sanitised form of hatred.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Alexander Lee-Rekers Director Camilla Turnbull, Production Design Tess Burg, Composer Chrysoulla Markoulli Video Design Cameron Smith

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

Photo by Clare Hawley

### The Lobster

PROPER MOTION

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Lobster is the performance arm of Lisa Maris McDonell's \$20 Commissions Project. The project asks 'What is a choreographer worth?' ' What does \$20 worth of a choreographer's time look like?' How does \$20 worth of a choreographer's time translate to choreographic material? To answer these questions Lisa has invited choreographers from around the world to create a dance work worth \$20 on her - a 50yo mother of three from Wollongong. Featuring works by choreographers as prominent as Crystal Pite to a current third year student from the Northern School of Contemporary Dance in Leeds and much in between, *The Lobster* weaves the commissions in with storytelling, video projection and \$20 soundbites provided by professional musicians from the South Coast of NSW to create a work that is at once humorous, educational and provocative.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director/Performer Lisa Maris McDonell International cohort See website for full details

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Ratcatch develops, produces and stages new works that seek to engage with issues relevant to contemporary Australia. Through a highly collaborative approach, we aim to delight, surprise and provoke audiences with ground breaking theatre experiences.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Proper Motion are based on the South Coast of NSW. We aim to communities from the South Coast of NSW (and beyond) the opportunity

make world class work from a regional centre, giving audiences and to witness, experience and engage with contemporary dance making and performance. Under the directorship of Lisa Maris McDonell, whose experience and interests span choreography, performance, works for screen, therapeutic arts and Flamenco, Proper Motion aims to continue working across various modes of presentation and creation.

Photo by Lisa Maris McDonell



ARTFORM Dance

AUDIENCE Family

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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### The Point

LIZ LEA PRODUCTIONS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Point has been developed around connections between people and cultures. Touring this work means this message and the artists involved can connect further than Canberra - the piece has been created in a stunning installation of light by Award Winning lighting designer Karen Norris and speaks to the power of human movement and cultural collaboration. Arising out of the Covid lockdown we have a large scale company work that has the power to connect with audiences far and wide.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Liz Lea Dance Company has a 20 year history of creating stunning, ground breaking dance work that draws from the power and beauty of classical Indian dance. The Point team includes leading Australian exponents of Bharata Natyam, Kuchipudi and Kathak, alongside leading contemporary dancers from the ACT, NSW, VIC and New Zealand.

Photo by Andrew Sikorski

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Liz Lea

Movement devised by the company.
Classical works choreographed
by Mavin Khoo, Ira Patkar, Nandana
Chellappah and Divyusha Polepalli.

Contemporary Dancer David Huggins, Nicholas Jachno, Billy Keohavong, Eliza Sanders, Jareen Wee, Bharata Natyam Dancers Reshika Sivakumaran, Soumya Sudarshan, Shweta Venkataraman, Dhivya Vignesa, Katha Dancer Ira Patkar, Kuchipudi Dancer Vanaja Dasika, Suhasini Sumithra

Lighting Designer Karen Norris Composers Liberty Kerr, DJBC, Taikoz, Malhar Jam, Malhar Jamâ by Harish Sivaramakrishna

Technical Director Roni Wilkinson Technical Manager Craig Dear Costumes concepts Liz Lea, Suzanne Wisner, Boronia Halstead Costume Consultant Cate Clelland

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Canberra 2021

### The Screwtape Letters

**CLOCK AND SPIEL PRODUCTIONS** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Screwtape Letters follows the correspondence between a senior demon, Screwtape, and his nephew, a junior tempter named Wormwood, whose task it is to secure the damnation of a young man known as The Patient. This is an engaging account of temptation and triumph over it. One of his most popular and celebrated works of C.S. Lewis, this theatrical adaptation is brilliantly physical and funny. Through his satiric use of the demonic narrative persona, Lewis examines the opposing sides in the battle between good and evil.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

We produce and pioneer new and existing works that inspire life, bring hope and prompt audiences to consider questions with regard to culture, faith and humanity. We want to champion, stage, develop and invest in dramatic works that explore and celebrate life. We nurture both artists and audiences in the process and product.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Adaptation and Director
Hailey McQueen
Production Design
Isabella Andronos
Lighting Designer Christopher Page
Composition and Sound Design
Adam Jones

**Production and Stage Management** Jessica Gray

**Performed by** Yannick Lawry and George Zhao

**Producers** Hailey McQueen and Yannick Lawry

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Adelaide 2017 Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra 2016

Photo by John Leung



ARTFORM Music

AUDIENCE General, subscriber

LENGTH
130 mins, inc interval

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Music

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 70 mins

#### CONTACT

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### The Spooky Men's Chorale

THE SPOOKY MEN'S CHORALE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Spooky Men's Chorale is a vast, rumbling, steam-powered and blackclad behemoth, seemingly accidentally capable of rendering audiences moist eyed with mute appreciation or haplessly gurgling with merriment.

Through Georgian table songs, pin-drop beautiful ballads, highly inappropriate covers, and immaculate man anthems like "Don't stand between a man and his tool", the Spooky Men contemplate the absurdity and grandeur of the modern male armed only with their voices, a sly collection of hat, and a twinkle in the eye. It is ideally not so much comedic as hilarious, not so much shimmeringly perfect as pleasingly and deeply human.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Kieran Carroll Director Louise Fischer Performed by Matthew Charleston, Ben Maclaine and Victoria Beck Music by John Kennedy, Murray Cook and Paul Scott

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

### The Surge

ENSEMBLE OFFSPRING

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The 1990s were a riot of transformation that redefined both Australia and the world. Creative Nation announced the central role of art in life and society, while the *Mabo* decision set off a chain reaction culminating in Paul Keating's historic *Redfern Address* and the Australian Parliament's landmark *Native Title Act* in 1993. The internet began to insinuate itself into every corner of contemporary experience, reshaping everything it touched. The scientific community, meanwhile, spoke with increasing urgency of the mounting evidence of anthropogenic climate change, while politicians turned a deaf ear. What are the sounds of this crucial decade? With original live video by Peachey and Mosig, this will be a multi-layered feast of music, ideas, lessons from the past and with a little luck hope for the decade ahead!

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Artistic Director & Percussion
Claire Edwardes
Live video Paul Mosig
Clarinets Jason Noble
Violin Veronique Serret
Piano Sonya Lifschitz
Guitars Andrew Blanch and
Vladamir Gorbach
Double Bass Ben Ward

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Men singing songs. Some of them are funny. Through an evening of drop deadpan beautiful mansinging, the Spooky Men's Chorale ponder the conundrums of modern life and manhood, invite the audience to joyously experience a wall of mansound, laugh stupidly, and venture into areas of great tenderness.

Photo by The Spooky Men

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Ensemble Offspring is dedicated to telling Australian stories through the music of our time. Over the past 26 years the group have fostered the creation of over three hundred new works. They create musical experiences in unusual venues that stimulate the senses and pique curiosity. Winners of the 2019 Sidney Myer Performing Arts and 2016 APRA Award for Excellence, they have performed all over the world. Through Hatched Academy and First Nations programs, they foster emerging and traditionally under-represented artists.

Photo by Peter Hislop



ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE 12+ years

LENGTH 90 mins (45 mins performance, 45 mins interactive puzzles)

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Music, dance

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 100 mins

#### CONTACT

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### The UnderLibrary of UnOfficial Histories

**NORPA** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The UnderLibrary of UnOfficial Histories is part theatre, part game, part interactive research project, providing a theatrical lens through which teachers and students engage in the Stage Two History syllabus. The UnderLibrary entices classes into a rescue mission starting with the arrival of postcards and artefacts sent from different periods of time in the lead up to the in-school performance. On the day, children are introduced to Zelda who shares the story of a library called Mr Finch and her missing brother Albus. The children then help Zelda solve a number of puzzles and gather clues that will help her find her brother and restart history.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Based in Lismore, NORPA is a company that makes theatre from the ground up. We take inspiration from the country and culture around us. We program and co-produce shows by leading national companies too, but creating original Australian work is at the heart of what we do and why we exist.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

#### Co-creators

Valley Lipcer and Caleb Lewis
Writer & Game Designer Caleb Lewis
Director & Dramaturg Valley Lipcer
Performer Melia Naughton
Costume and Set Design
Charlotte Haywood and Ed Horne
Education Resources Valley Lipcer
with contribution from Alice Tate
Graphic Designer Anja Roehrdanz

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Pilot Season March 2021 In-school touring November 2021

### The World Experience

#### GANATHIPAN

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

The World Experience is a celebration of culture through dance and music of Ganathipan. A 100-minute show takes the audience to different landscapes with storytelling/emotive dancing styles showcased such as kuthu, Irish tap, Bharathanatiyum, contemporary and flamenco. Traditional instruments such as the guzheng, mridangam, trumpet, tin whistle and cajon are woven within contemporary mainstream framework to create a unique, organically relatable sound.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

**Creative and Music Director** Ganathipan

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Parramatta, Bankstown 2021 and digital version

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Ganathipan creates World-Music Artistry through instrumentals that hold traditional influences from places such as India, Spain, China, Ireland and Senegal. The music comes to life via showcasing an eclectic group of musicians and dancers from metropolitan and regional NSW.

Photo by Ganathipan

Photo by Vanessa Kellas



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Adult, subscriber

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE 12+ years

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Tim

#### CHRISTINE DUNSTAN PRODUCTIONS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

A stage adaptation by Tim McGarry of Colleen McCullogh's best selling book *TIM*. Mary Horton is a career driven business executive in her late 40s who lives a quiet middle-class suburban life. With no partner or friends, she appears to be emotionally distant, driven solely by her busy career. Her life leaves little room for personal relationships or love. Until she meets Tim, a 25-year-old physically fit labourer loaded with positivity and charm. However, Tim has a mild disability and has been the subject of ridicule and innuendo, despite the strong and protective nature of his family. As their relationship grows Tim illuminates Mary's days with his boyish innocence but will shatter her respectable, ordered life. What begins as a day's labour becomes a life-changing relationship for both of them

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Formed 30 years ago, Christine Dunstan Productions is a small independent theatre production house specialising in producing boutique theatre of the highest quality and specifically made to tour extensively.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Adaptor Tim McGarry
Director Darren Yap
Designer James Browne
Composer & Sound Designer
Max Lambert
Lighting Designer
Benjamin Brockman

PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

### Tiny Universe

#### SHOPERONT ARTS CO-OP AND MILK CRATE THEATRE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Tiny Universe explores the delineation between inner and outer worlds: what we present to the world, and what is actually happening behind closed doors. It invites audiences to consider what we carry with us through life, and how that changes over time. What are the modicums of self-soothing that occur in our own little corners of our lives? Do we ever get used to the uncertainty that life throws at us?

Tiny Universe reveals how we reckon privately with social pressures, systems, and expectations, through the exploration of set, space, movement, lighting, and text.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Comprising 60 years of impact in the Australian arts landscape, Shopfront Arts Co-op and Milk Crate Theatre commit to championing the voices of artists from underrepresented communities and backgrounds. Bringing forward the artistic expression of young people and people with lived experience of homelessness, mental health issues, and disability.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

**Directors** Natalie Rose (Shopfront Arts Co-op) Margot Politis (Milk Crate Theatre)

Devised and performed by
Desmond Edwards, Harrison
Bishop, Lana Filies, Lily Hayman,
Lisa Griffiths, Matthias Nudl, Steve
Konstantopoulos, Nick Vagne
Support Artist Lucy Watson
Composer James Peter Brown
Lighting Design Liam OKeefe
Set Design Margot Politis
Set Realisation Will Jacobs,
Jeremy Ainsworth and Sophie Ward
Design Assistant Sam Read
Production Manager
Tyler Fitzpatrick

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

Photo by Clare Hawley

Stock photo



ARTFORM Dance theatre

AUDIENCE General, South Asian diaspora

LENGTH 50 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM

Theatre

AUDIENCE 15+ years

LENGTH N/A

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### **TWO**

#### RAGHAV HANDA AND PERFORMING LINES

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

*TWO* is a joyful celebration of trust and collaboration; an intergenerational, interdisciplinary bromance between a dancer and a musician.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Creator, Choreographer and Performer Raghav Handa Tabla Player and Performer Maharshi Raval Designer Justine Shih Pearson Dramaturg Julie-Anne Long Lighting Design Karen Norris LED Frame Construction Alejandro Rolandi Producer Performing Lines

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Parramatta 2021

Photo by Joseph Mayers

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Performing Lines produces provocative contemporary performance by Australia's most audacious independent artists.

We curate a portfolio of work that is propelled by pressing questions and new ways of seeing the world. We champion the unconventional, the marginal, the rebellious and the new.

### UF0

#### MALCOLM WHITTAKER

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

*UFO* is a new live-cinema sci-fi theatre work performed on a 1:8 miniature golf course, using exquisitely detailed scale miniatures of the actors. The show depicts a group of very ordinary humans, as they struggle to deal with the perceived crisis at hand when a spacecraft lands on a golf course in their regional Australian town. Within the show the performers manipulate the miniature puppets that represent their characters, whilst simultaneously using cameras to capture the movements and expressions of their figurines. The action takes place on the surface of a tabletop golf course, and the live feed shot by the cast is cut together into a combination of stop motion stills and tracking shots, which are displayed on screens over the golf course for the audience.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Dr. Malcolm Whittaker works as an artist, writer, researcher, performer, producer and teacher. He holds a PhD for his thesis, An Intellectual Adventure in Ignorance, and in 2021 he is working on projects at Shopfront, Punctum, PACT, Brand X, Cementa Festival, Bondi Festival, Griffin Theatre Company, Merrigong Theatre Company and the University of Wollongong. He is a member of the Artistic Directorate at PACT and a Shammgod.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Kirby Medway
Director and Designer
Solomon Thomas
Sound Designer Tom Hogan
UFO Design Dylan Tonkin
Puppet Design
Miri Badger and Chris Howell
Set Realisation Emma White
Performed by Matt Abotomey,
James Harding, Angela Johnston
and Tahlee Leeson
Creative Producer
Malcolm Whittaker

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Canberra 2019

Photo by Gabriel Castro



ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscribers

LENGTH 80 mins

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Young adult

LENGTH 40 mins

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### **Ulster American**

**OUTHOUSE THEATRE CO** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Ulster American is by acclaimed Northern-Irish born playwright David Ireland. Set in the jungle of post-#MeToo show business, this ferocious comedy brilliantly skewers the hypocrisy of men in power who trumpet their 'wokeness'. A talented female playwright, an Oscar-winning actor and an ambitious theatre director meet to discuss a play that promises glory for all. But as lines are crossed and the power of Hollywood looms, the love-in threatens to descend into mayhem. Winner of the 'Best of Edinburgh' Award, at Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Outhouse presented the smash-hit, sold out Sydney Premiere at Seymour Centre in 2021.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Formed in NYC and based in Sydney, Outhouse Theatre Co is driven by a cross-cultural spirit. We produce daring, new, international playwriting that confronts the challenges of living in the modern world. We have built a strong audience base while garnering critical praise, including the 2019 Sydney Theatre Award for Best Independent Production.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer David Ireland **Director** Shane Anthony Assistant Director Molly Haddon Production Manager Craig Baldwin Set & Lighting Design Veronique Benett Stage Manager Anastasia Mowen Costume Design Claudia Kryszkiewicz Sound Design Mary Rapp Dialect Coach Linda Nicolls-Gidley Fight Choreographer Tim Dashwood Performed by Harriet Gordon-Anderson, Brian Meegan and Jeremy Waters **Producer** Jeremy Waters

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

Photo by Richard Farland

### Unbecoming

**CATHY PERTOCZ** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Unbecoming is a short play exploring the cultural object of the dead girl and how she is fetishised and voiceless as (usually) male detectives work out their psychic problems by solving her murder. In this play the dead girl solves the mystery of her death herself. The celebrated dead girl Laura Palmer - the homecoming queen of all dead girls - is usually white, while the deaths of women of colour go unnoticed. Ado, the ghost dead girl of Unbecoming, is black and centre-stage, telling her story as she sees it and walking through walls as she does so.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Playwright/Director/Designer Cathy Petocz Lighting Design Anthony Arblaster Composition and Sound Design Cilt (Hannah de Feyter and Becki Whitton) Performed by Isabel Burton

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Canberra 2019

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

I make work which takes an audience to a surreal and magical place in order for them to reflect on their real lives and the real lives of others. I make work with a deep intersection feminist theoretical base yet which is funny, warm-hearted, and fearless in grappling with dark themes. My work always relishes what is important about theatre, the collective witnessing and imagining of the audience.

Photo by Shelly Higgs



#### IN DEVELOPMENT

ARTFORM Muscial theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH
150 mins, inc interval

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM
Physical theatre, puppetry

AUDIENCE 7+ years

LENGTH 50 mins

#### CONTACT

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### **Urinetown The Musical**

**HEART STRINGS THEATRE CO** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

*Urinetown* is a recycled musical, set in a dystopian society that is ruled by Covid and struggling against a drought. The musical utilises recycled materials for both the set and the costumes. It looks at the patriarchy and what happens for better and for worse in times of struggle when the poor can't find a way through and those with money are calling the shots.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Director Ylaria Rogers Musical Director Leisa Keen Choreographer Annette Sharpe

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

N/A

### Urza and the Song in the Dark

#### MATRIARK THEATRE

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

*Urza and The Song in the Dark* is a brand-new story for young people set in a subterranean wonderland of complex caves, underground lakes, fantastical creatures, and myths waiting to be discovered.

One day, a mysterious song leads a young girl named Urza on an adventure into the depths of the earth. Along the way she befriends a lost explorer, gets pursued by a mysterious, dark force, and finds herself caught up in a primeval story that may just lead to her saving the world.

*Urza and The Song in the Dark* brings together amazing puppetry, live songs and original music, and stunningly layered shadow visuals to take audiences on an epic journey they won't soon forget.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Created & Performed by Matriark

Theatre **Director** Scott Parker

Design and Realisation Aleisa Jelbart

**Lighting Design** Benjamin Brockman **Sound Design** 

Kathryn Roberts-Parker

Other instrumentation

Roman Benedict and Sam Kelly Performed by Madeleine McWilliam, Drew Wilson, Kathryn Parker and Aleisa Jelbart

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

A new, Canberra based, Musical Theatre company dedicated to find a home for artists in our hearts and purse strings. Hearts Strings brings Off Broadway style musicals to the stage with a dedication to the craft and talent of performers rather than big sets and costumes.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Matriark Theatre builds worlds made of stories, sparking imaginations and inspiring young people to unleash their creativity. Matriark is a small organisation with a huge footprint. We produce a broad range of work for young people from live theatre to roaming performances, puppetry, festivals, digital media, live music, podcasting, zines, education programs in schools and more.

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney, Central Coast, Northern Rivers 2019-2021

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ARTFORM Music

AUDIENCE General

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE

Women, feminist audience, LGBTQI+

LENGTH 60 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Victor Martinez Parada in Concert

LES CURRIE PRESENTATIONS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Victor Martinez Parada is an exceptional classical guitarist who over the years has refined his technique so he is unlike any other player in the world. Classically trained he now plays not only classical greats but Latin-American folk, jazz, avant-garde and his own fantasies on pop. Victor's on-stage warmth and humbleness competes with his technical brilliance. Victor has toured South America, Japan and represented Australia at World Expo's in Japan and China.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Artist Victor Martinez Parada
Director Les Currie

PRODUCTION HISTORY

Extensive

### Voices Of Joan

**JANIE GIBSON** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Voices of Joan is a feminist punk ritual that calls on the spirit of iconic iconoclast Joan of Arc. In an intimate solo performance, theatre-maker Janie Gibson unravels the tangled threads of misogyny and Catholicism as she searches for Joan;s voice in fragments of history, fantasy & fiction. With direction by Anu Almagro (Polish experimental theatre company 'Song of the Goat') we witness Gibson trade clothes with the audience, play a bishop in drag, rally the crowd from behind a megaphone and incite the audience to build Joan's pyre. With a wireless radio as their time machine the artists tune into echoes of Joan in acts of courage and oppression throughout history in search of a road map for resistance in our uncertain times.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Janie Gibson is an actor, theatre-maker, director and teaching artist. She uses the ritual of theatre as a forum for human connection; a site to hold radical ideas, witness multivalent perspectives and offer counternarratives to the confinements of the dominant culture. Her theatre practice is born out of research and training in leading European ensemble theatre, contemporary performance and an ongoing exploration into the human voice and the transformative power of theatre.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

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Performer and Creator
Janie Gibson
Director and Creator Anu Almagro
Composition & Sound Design
Liesl Pieterse
Lighting Design Fausto Brusamolino
Additional Composition Xani Kolac

Fight Choreography Gabriel Almagro

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Adelaide 2020 Melbourne, Spain 2019

Photo by Janie Gibson

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Over a 50 year career Les Currie has toured productions throughout Australia and brought in productions from overseas. He has managed venues, produced events, concerts and theatre productions so with that accumulated experience can be relied upon to present a quality production.

Photo by Les Currie



ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 85 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Wild Thing

WILD THING PRODUCTIONS

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

How far would you go for a friend? A comedy, a tragedy. A tale of sea eagles, pole dancing and childhood dreams, of love, rock n roll and friendships which have stood the test of time. Until now. Hilarious, outrageous and confronting, the writer gives us four lead roles for women in their sixties. Jackie, Elizabeth, Frances and Susan meet at school in the country. They make it a rule to meet once a year for the Musketeer's dinner. But this year will be different. Jackie, the most radical member of the group, is in crisis. Shaken by this news, the women take Jackie back to her country home for a weekend. This will allow them to spend some fun time together, which they haven't done in years. What could possibly go wrong? The growing nightmare will test their friendship, their morals and their courage as never before. And a final twist in the tale will change their lives forever

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

This mature company brings a wealth of talent and theatrical experience: seasoned, well-known actors, an award winning author and a production team that boasts some of Australia's best practitioners. The themes of female friendship and life choices are ever present in our reality. Wild Thing began around Lewis Fitz-Gerald's kitchen table early in 2017, with Penny Cook and Katrina Foster, NIDA classmates and Australian stage stalwarts.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Suzanne Hawley
Director Kim Hardwick
Set Design Tom Bannerman
Costume Design Robert Bayliss
Lighting Design Martin Kinnane
Sound Design Patrick Howard
Original music Leonardo Bosi
Performed by Di Smith, Katrina
Foster, Helen O'Connor, Lewis
Fitzgerald and Philip D'Ambrosio

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

Photo by Lisa Tomasetti



#### **TOUR READY**

ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber, teen

LENGTH 80 mins

#### CONTACT

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### Wolf Lullaby

**ECHO THEATRE** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

An Australian classic, *Wolf Lullaby* is unique. A crime thriller, a psychological drama, a story of family and parenting; in so many ways it's a small story, but it deals with events that are unfathomably huge. It is exciting and unsettling, and every person who sees it has a different opinion of what really happened, and a different way that they would have handled the situation.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Hillary Bell Director Jordan Best Set Designer Chris Zuber Lighting Designer Jacob Aquilina Performed by Natasha Vickery, Craig Alexander, Joel Horwood and Rachel Pengilly

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Queanbeyan 2021

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Echo Theatre is a professional, regional, theatre company producing work by female playwrights. We offer pathways and platforms for the talented theatre-makers and artists in our region.

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ARTFORM Theatre

AUDIENCE Subscriber

LENGTH 90 mins

#### CONTACT

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### You're Not Special

**ROGUE PROJECTS** 

#### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Sam O'Sullivan's wicked new play about relationships, technology and the dangerous line between truth and fiction in the digital age. *You're Not Special* is a dark comedy about life and love in the modern age. It's about how our interactions with the world are changing before our eyes and robbing us of basic human experiences. It's about where we are heading as a species and what we have done to ourselves. But most of all, it's about you.

#### ABOUT THE COMPANY

Rogue Projects is an award-winning Sydney-based independent arts producer. We believe in championing invisible artists, nurturing great talent by holding the door open for artists without opportunity, and we seek stories that are not on our stages, fostering relationships with writers and directors to realise great new Australian work.

#### CREATIVE TEAM

Writer Sam O'Sullivan Director Samantha Young Dramaturg Dominic Mercer Performed by Arkia Ashraf. Kate Skinner and Ariadne Sqouros Stage Manager Christopher Starnawski Assistant Stage Manager Talia Meverowitz-Katz Lighting Design Martin Kinnane Costume & Set Design Anna Gardiner Sound Design Kaitlyn Crocker Poster Photograph Parker Floris Production Image Kate Williams Producers Robbi James and Erica Lovell Associate Producer Talia Meyerowitz-Katz

#### PRODUCTION HISTORY

Sydney 2021

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# ARTS TOUR

Our vision is for every community in Australia to have a creative pulse, made stronger by the arts experiences we bring.

Arts on Tour is the peak body for performing arts touring in NSW. Our overarching purpose is to bring culturally distinctive and resonant arts experiences to towns and cities across the country, and maximise the lasting impact of this activity for communities and audiences, artists and the sector.

Funded by Create NSW, we are widely recognised as leading on best practice in touring. Our core service is collaborating with producing companies based in NSW and presenting venues nationally to develop and deliver a diverse range of tours across genres. Our program also includes events and initiatives that build touring capacity across the sector, broaden the reach of professional work to smaller and more remote towns in NSW, and maximise the impact of touring productions in the communities we work with.

#### TEAM

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#### FEEDBACK

We'll send you a survey and we'd love you to fill it in. If you hate surveys and just want to say it like it is, please send an email to Kate Gaul on project@artsontour.com.au



