

A surreal, inverted cityscape with people jumping through a large white 'TIME' graphic. The scene is set against a gradient background of purple and pink. At the top, an inverted cityscape is visible, featuring a prominent clock tower. A man in a dark shirt and light pants is jumping through the top of the 'TIME' graphic. Below the graphic, three people are shown in mid-air, jumping towards the bottom. The overall composition suggests a sense of time and movement.

IT'S ABOUT

TIME

**MELBOURNE
FRINGE
FESTIVAL**
40 YEARS OF FRINGE

**6 - 23 OCT
2022**

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WOMINJEKA

Melbourne Fringe respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land on which we live, work, play and hold our Festival and events.

We acknowledge that the oldest living culture in the world has been kept alive by a rich and continuing history of storytelling, music, dance, art and language.

We pay our respects to the people of the Kulin Nations and all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Elders past and present, who maintain an enduring spiritual and cultural connection to the land. Sovereignty was never ceded.



Steve Dimopolous
MP
Minister for Creative Industries

Happy 40th birthday Melbourne Fringe!
Fringe is the festival we turn to when we're craving a taste of the wonderful, the weird, the sublime and the daring.

But it's so much more than that.

As a festival and a year-round organisation, Fringe celebrates, showcases and invests in our independent creative community.

Driven by an open-access, inclusive ethos, Fringe strives to reduce barriers to participation, and champions diversity and cultural equity.

The Victorian Government is so proud to support Melbourne Fringe and to work together to make Victoria a place where creative people and ideas thrive.

This year we're proud to help bring back the iconic Fringe Parade and invite you all to join us in this massive celebration of our creative community.

Congratulations to the whole Melbourne Fringe family – past and present – on reaching this 40-year milestone.



Sally Capp
Lord Mayor,
City of Melbourne

For four decades the Melbourne Fringe Festival has transformed our city through powerful cultural experiences, and birthed countless emerging artists.

Soak up the curious of the un-curated, with more than 3,000 artists presenting over 450 works across 120 diverse venues.

To celebrate its 40th anniversary, the famous Fringe Parade & Lygon Street Block Party returns, with festivities taking place on Lygon Street in the heart of Carlton.

Spice up your spring with the RUNAWAY Festival Park featuring an exciting program of circus and cabaret acts at Queen Victoria Market.

The City of Melbourne is proud to support Melbourne Fringe through its Arts and Creative Investment Partnerships program.

We commend the Festival's organisers, artists and volunteers for cementing Melbourne's reputation as the arts capital of the nation.



Simon Abrahams
Creative Director & CEO

This Festival is about time.

It spans the years 1982 to 2062 – 80 years of extraordinary past, present and future of Melbourne Fringe. We'll critically remember our history, so that we can collectively imagine our future.

For 40 years, Melbourne Fringe has unleashed wild artistic freedom on our city and irrevocably shifted our culture. For the next 40 years we will keep creating and inspiring the boldest art from the newest perspectives, so we can keep changing the way we see the arts and see our city and see ourselves.

We'll keep supporting our artists to make bold provocations for major social change. We're back – bigger and bolder and braver than ever. It's about time.

MELBOURNE FRINGE PRESENTS

FRINGE PARADE & LYGON ST BLOCK PARTY

Melbourne Fringe is turning 40, and what better way to celebrate four decades of radical, relevant, remarkable Fringe art, than by throwing a parade!

Whether you're an artist, an artist-at-heart, a fashionista, dog walker, trade unionist, a marching band or a drag queen, we're inviting you to join us on a **march for the arts** as we take to the streets with the return (after 21 years) of the much-beloved Fringe Parade & Lygon St Block Party.

Bring your mates, bring your kids, bring your marching feet – we will be parading down Lygon St from 3pm and kicking on into the evening at Argyle Square with live music, roving performances, Fringe acts and shenanigans galore.

Saturday 15 Oct
Lygon St, Carlton



Fringe Parade & Lygon St Block Party has been supported through the Melbourne City Revitalisation Fund, a partnership between the Victorian Government and the City of Melbourne.

MELBOURNE FRINGE &
STATE LIBRARY VICTORIA PRESENT

THE REST IS UP TO YOU

MELBOURNE FRINGE FESTIVAL 1982-2062

Step inside the world of Melbourne Fringe and experience 40 years of our history (plus 40 imagined years still to come) as told by the artists that helped make it happen.

This interactive multi-sensory exhibition at State Library Victoria invites you to discover where we've been and what we'll do.

Immerse yourself in this beautifully designed sound and video installation filled with a cacophony of voices telling tales from Fringe's past, as you reflect on the artworks that have been made, the social changes traversed, and the political movements woven into the fabric of our Festival.

Watch Melbourne Fringe in action as the exhibition comes to life with live events including performances and discussions that explore who we have been, and what we aspire to be in the future. Plus you can get a blow-by-blow account of the history of Fringe from whoa to go by downloading our free e-book written by John Bailey.

Scan the QR code to find out more.

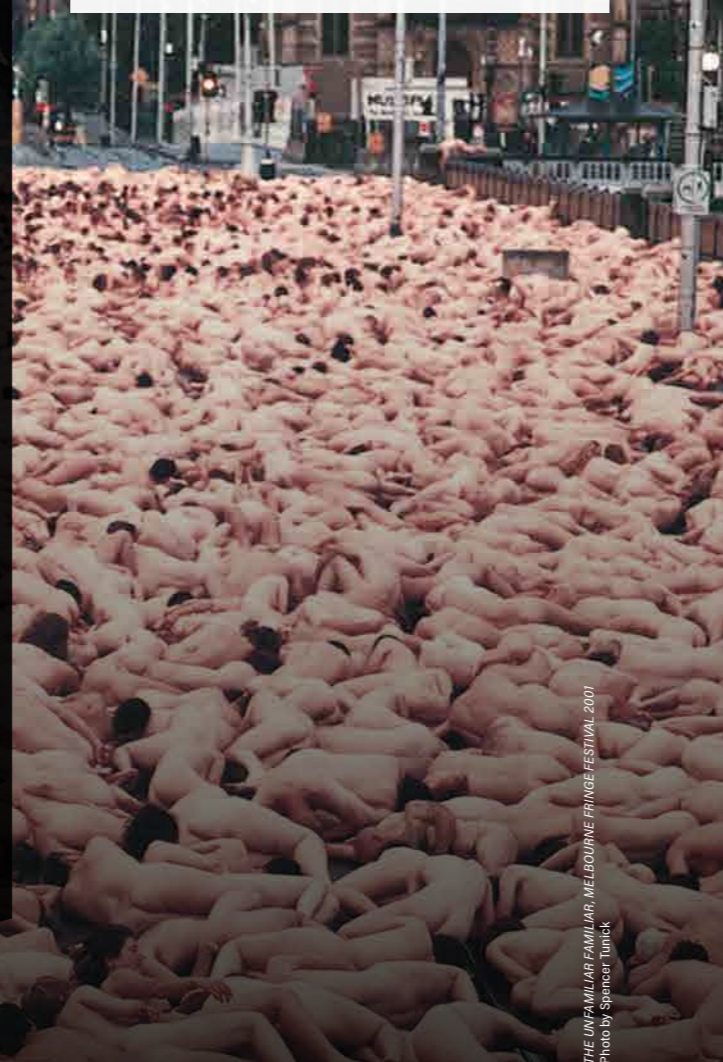
The Rest Is Up To You: Melbourne Fringe Festival 1982-2062 is a once-in-a-generation invitation to journey through the last 40 years of Fringe history so that we can start dreaming up the next 40.



Thursday 6 Oct 2022 – Friday 7 July 2023
State Library Victoria

STORY BANK

Got a Fringe tale to tell? Maybe you stood naked with us in the freezing cold for Spencer Tunick's iconic photograph in 2001. Did you compete in our very first Waiters' Race, or broadcast a show from your bedroom amidst a global pandemic? However you've Fringed, we want to record the stories that have shaped the last 40 years of Fringe. And if your memory's a little hazy (we're 40, we get it) then tell us what you reckon is still in store – what does future Melbourne Fringe look like? Submit your story to our Story Bank archive.



THE UNFAMILIAR FAMILIAR, MELBOURNE FRINGE FESTIVAL 2001
Photo by Spencer Tunick

Step inside the expansive world of *PENDULUM* created by percussive artist sensation Matthias Schack-Arnott and globally renowned choreographer Lucy Guerin.

Tucked away inside the vaulted industrial cathedral of Docklands' unique and beguiling Shed 21, a suite of dancers moves in sync with a field of suspended bells that hum, glow and toll in this movement-driven performance installation inspired by the ebb and flow of time.

Featuring hypnotic choreography and visceral composition, *PENDULUM* is a mesmerising dance with gravity where sound, light and motion collide against a stunning urban backdrop.



This project was commissioned by RISING.

Wednesday 5 Oct – Sunday 23 Oct
Shed 21, 206 Lorimer St, Docklands



PENDULUM
Image by Gregory Lorenzutti

MELBOURNE FRINGE PRESENTS

PENDULUM

by Lucy Guerin Inc and Matthias Schack-Arnott

MELBOURNE FRINGE PRESENTS

GROUNDSWELL

by Matthias Schack-Arnott

Come feel the earth move under your feet (literally) in an immersive soundscape that is as sonically beautiful as it is visually arresting.

Groundswell is a large-scale participatory experience and giant playable musical instrument from leading Melbourne percussive artist, Matthias Schack-Arnott, exploring how every step we take has an impact on our planet.

Groundswell is public art that speaks to our most pressing issue as humans – what is our environmental impact and how do we work together to change it?

**Thursday 6 Oct – Sunday 23 Oct
State Library Victoria Forecourt**



Groundswell is commissioned and co-produced by Melbourne Fringe and Sydney Festival with Principal Partner support from the Naomi Milgrom Foundation.

This project was developed with the support of Monica Lim and Konfir Kabo and is presented with the support of James McCaughey.



MORE OUTDOOR EVENTS

If you love an art adventure under an open sky, then our outdoor events are ready and waiting to take you out of the house and onto the streets. Scan the QR code and let your legs do the walking.

GROUNDSWELL
Image by Pier Carthew

MELBOURNE FRINGE, METRO TUNNEL CREATIVE PROGRAM
& FED SQUARE PRESENT

HEXADECA

by Pulsing Heart

Grab a pal, set yourselves to 'spin', and become the conductors of HEXADECA, a 16-part music-making playground that cheekily celebrates what we can make when we work together.

16 sensor-activated spinning bucket seats turn Fed Square into a sea of sound and light, with each seat playing just one part of a musical score composed using sounds recorded deep in the bowels of Melbourne's new Metro Tunnel – and the more seats that spin together, the more of the composition you hear. Let's make Melbourne sing.

**Thursday 13 Oct – Sunday 23 Oct
Fed Square**



MORE FREE EVENTS

We know you love a free-for-all Fringe. Scan the QR code to check out all the free events that'll leave you with plenty of pennies in your pocket.

HEXADECA
Image by Morgan Sette

RUNAWAY FESTIVAL PARK

Thursday 6 Oct – Sunday 30 Oct
Testing Grounds, Market Square
Queen Victoria Market



RUNAWAY Festival Park is Melbourne Fringe's new boutique festival playground and home of spectacular cabaret, laugh-out-loud comedy, new and experimental circus, and the very best in for-kids-only entertainment, right in the heart of the Queen Victoria Market precinct at the new location of Testing Grounds.

RUNAWAY Festival Park is home to two incredible venues, the awe-inspiring Magic Mirrors Spiegeltent, with its opulent interior, beveled mirrors and stunning stained-glass, and the circus inspired Vault, purpose-built to house the very best of contemporary circus.

Join us for a fun-filled bounty of internationally (and locally) renowned performances, designed to be unique and intoxicating, custom-made for thrill seekers, romantics and heartbreakers.

Scan the QR code for the full program.

RUNAWAY with us this October...



BERNIE DIETER'S CLUB KABARETT

The darkest, funniest and most debauched kabarett show east of Berlin heads to Melbourne! Hosted by the deliciously salacious, utterly hilarious, über-award-winning Queen of Weimar punk, Bernie Dieter.

After sell-out seasons in London, Edinburgh and Sydney, Bernie brings her troupe of bombastic bohemians for an unmissable night in the Spiegeltent. The gin-soaked haus band soundtracks a hazy night of dangerously funny kabarett, breathtaking circus, gender-bending aerial and fire-breathing sideshow at its most inappropriate, provocative and hilarious. Grab your tickets quick and prepare yourself for a night of full-frontal fabulousness. It's risqué done right!

FESTIVAL HUB

The Festival Hub at Trades Hall is the perfect place to start your night with a show (we've hand-picked over 100 of every shape and size, playing in over a dozen different rooms and spaces), swap show tips with mates over a drink in our bars (signature cocktails served ice cold), or pop in on the way home for one of our cheeky late-night events (and dance til stumps at Club Fringe).

Whatever Fringe experience you're looking for, you'll find it at the Festival Hub. Come for the vibe – stay for the good times.

Scan the QR code to see the full program at the Festival Hub.



FUCK FABULOUS MELBOURNE FRINGE FESTIVAL 2019
Photo by Duncan Jacob

CLUB FRINGE & LATE NIGHT EVENTS

Our late-night Club Fringe is where memories are made.

Featuring art-soaked spectacles including Little Ones Theatre's high-octane tribute to the queen diva Dolly Parton herself, Dazza and Keif's bad boi *DragFest5000*, plus the riotous indie-pop dance party *Andrew McClelland's Finishing School* returns with all your favourite ye olde bangers.

Club Fringe is open til late four nights a week – to find your next great night out, scan the QR code and see a full list of late night adventures.



OPENING NIGHT GALA

Welcome to Melbourne Fringe's night of nights as we throw ourselves a party for our 40th birthday. Look to the future and serve your best 2062-themed look (think Fringe x Met Gala collab) at this audacious birthday party that features a special runway showcasing First Nations wearable art, an all-night dancefloor and late-night performances. It'll be wild, it'll be outrageous – everything a Fringe party should be – and you're invited. Anna Wintour could never.

Thursday 6 Oct

MELBOURNE
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COMMON ROOMS

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Carlton VIC 3053

Can't get enough Fringe?

Visit us anytime at Fringe Common Rooms at Trades Hall – Melbourne's new home of independent arts, featuring live performance, comedy, cabaret, residencies and much more.

We do functions!

Looking for a venue for your birthday? Your office end-of-year do? Your dogs' commitment ceremony? Come around to our place.

Hit up the Fringe Common Rooms team and we'll get everything organised to help make your event the party of the year.

Email the team at:
commonrooms@melbournefringe.com.au
for venue hire enquiries.

DEADLY FRINGE

Now in its sixth year, Deadly Fringe continues to unearth the very best and brightest First Nations artists and the ground-breaking works they've created.

Neil Morris re-imagines his powerful decolonial anthems in *Minyerra*. Brodie Murray presents a new play inspired by his family's courageous journey to seek refuge on Wamba Wamba country in 1940s Australia. Kutcha Edwards and Bart Willoughby invite you to walk with Elders and community down Gertrude St Fitzroy, while Miss First Nations runner-up Stone Motherless Cold mounts a vision of Blak queer futurism. Our Deadly Fringe program is not to be missed.

This year's program serves up another feast of Blak excellence, including:

A Rainbow of Tomorrows by Stone Motherless Cold (in partnership with the Koorie Heritage Trust)

Janet's Vagrant Love by Elaine Crombie

Kungari Comedy by Kungari Entertainment

Layers of Blak by Koorie Heritage Trust (presented as part of Design Fringe)

Manta Milmilpa (Sacred Ground) by Robert K. Champion

Minyerra by Neil Morris

The Whisper by Brodie Murray

Yalinguth Live, directed by Jason Tamiru

Want to keep exploring the breadth of work being made by First Nations artists at this year's Festival? Scan the QR code to find a complete list, and snag yourself some tickets.



FRINGE FOR KIDS

Fringe has got your smalls sorted this spring. From immersive adventures for tiny explorers to giggle-inducing comedy, teeny weeny dance parties, and big-idea stories perfect for the young and young-at-heart, scan the QR code to discover kids events for the whole family.



XS

XS is our special program of experimental, contemporary and live art for kids. With big ideas perfect for little minds, it's an invitation to think differently about what art for young people (and their grown-ups) can be.

Explore brave new worlds with bold new works for kids including:

Kidstruments Live! by Playable Streets (co-presented with Melbourne International Jazz Festival)

Pram People by Polyglot Theatre

RECKÖNING - Future Ancestors by BEAT Entertainment

Saltbush by Compagnia TPO

Threads by The Ball Room Projects

Whodunnit? The Great Art Robbery! by Mark Ball (co-presented with Dublin Fringe Festival)

YUMMY - The Kids Extravaganza by YUMMY Productions



THE WHISPER BY BRODIE MURRAY
Photo by Denise Martin



PRAM PEOPLE, POLYGLOT THEATRE 2022
Photo by Sarah Walker

SPRINGBOARD

On the count of three, Circus Oz and Melbourne Fringe is catapulting contemporary circus into full flight. Ready to catch us?

Springboard is our program supporting innovative new contemporary circus performance, with four new circus works ready to give you all the virtuosic circus artistry you can shake an aerial hoop at:

Escalate by Throw Catch Collective

Future Proof by Gravity Dolls

Get Well Soon by Get Well Circus

Zoë by A Good Catch



Springboard has been supported and funded by Circus Oz and Melbourne Fringe.

This project has been assisted by the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body.

ZOË BY A GOOD CATCH
Photo by Alexis Desaulniers-Lea

FRINGE FOCUS TAIWAN

Melbourne Fringe celebrates Taiwan's most groundbreaking contemporary and experimental artists in our cross-cultural international collaboration: Fringe Focus Taiwan. We're bringing two cutting-edge Taiwanese shows to Melbourne to explore new mediums and big new ideas about the future.

墨爾本藝術節邀請來自台灣的跨域新媒體藝術家NAXS FUTURE與 Software2050, 以及前衛酷兒藝術家Betty Apple 倍帝愛波, 為墨爾本觀眾帶來沉浸式的現場演出, 融合視覺、影音和科技。

**IT-ME TIME TRAVELLER BETA LIVE X
SOCIAL DIS DANCE - 超時空人魚傳說**
by Betty Apple

Ever been invited to a rave by a mermaid from the future? Now you have. Provocative experimental and live performance artist Betty Apple travels back in time with a warning for humanity in this utterly unique time-bending tale.

MACHINE FOLKLORE - 機器民談
by Software2050 and NAXS FUTURE

Artificial Intelligence talks back in this immersive audio-visual performance experience that takes you on a journey deep into the future to explore human impact on our planet.

IT-ME: TIME TRAVELLER BETA 2021 BY BETTY APPLE
Image courtesy of the artist



Cultural Division
Taipei Economic and Cultural Office
Sydney

THE SUBSTATION /

Fringe Focus Taiwan is supported by The Ministry of Culture, Republic of China (Taiwan) and Cultural Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Sydney.



FIND A SHOW

With more than 450 different events on at the Festival, it can be tricky to know where to start. (Pssst - it's right here!)

CABARET

Willkommen, bienvenue, welcome to our cabaret program! Whether your cabaret cup of tea is comedic, contemporary, drag, burlesque or anything else in between, get ready to be razzle-dazzled.



CIRCUS

Whether you prefer your circus an explosive showcase of the relentlessly death-defying or a little more thought-provokingly experimental, our circus program has got the trick for you.



COMEDY

The joke's on us – we're boasting a cracking comedy program that'll tickle more than just your funny bone. With brand new sets from crowd faves alongside up-and-comers, there's plenty to laugh about (and at) in our comedy program this year.



DANCE & PHYSICAL THEATRE

Melbourne Fringe has dance & physical theatre performances that everyone can appreciate, whether your own boogie abilities are at a Beyonce or an Elaine Benes. Let's get physical this Fringe (or just watch how the pros do it).



JUNIPER WILDE: WILDE NIGHT IN, MELBOURNE FRINGE FESTIVAL 2021
Photo by J Forsyth

EXPERIMENTAL

Push the boundaries with an experimental work – try an immersive performance ritual set in an urban carpark, or a live yabby fishing experience could be your new jam! See something hard to explain by the water cooler next week at work and up your cultural cred around the office.



MUSIC

With more than 450 different events on at the Festival, it can be tricky to know where to start. (Pssst - it's right here!). Gigs are back, baby. If you missed live music and sweaty band rooms as much as us, there's heaps of music events and gigs in our program to satisfy even the hungriest of eardrums.



THEATRE

Snag yourself a ticket to a theatrical tale from an exciting up-and-comer, an unconventional story from a troupe who've made it themselves, or a brand-new twist on an old classic. You can be guaranteed that when the curtain goes up, you're in for a treat.



VISUAL ARTS & FILM

Exhibitions featuring Augmented Reality, boutique screenings of world-premieres, group shows featuring the thrilling and the esoteric – there's something to satisfy all art buffs, fans of the silver screen and anyone with a keen eye.



WORDS & IDEAS

From award-winning Deaf storytelling to a powerful trans and gender diverse choir, our words and ideas program is full of chances to expand your horizons. Jump in and experience something new.



DIGITAL FRINGE

Our Digital Fringe online platform showcases digital innovation at its finest and Fringe-iest – and delivers it straight to your home. You can also experience our brand new Digital Discovery Commissions with Stockholm Fringe Festival and Dublin Fringe Festival. Accessible to anyone, anywhere, and featuring work from all over the planet.



DISCOVER PRAHRAN THE FRINGE WAY



Prahran plays host to the enchanting Fringe southside stomping ground. Tucked in amongst some of Melbourne's best boutique restaurants, charming bars and quirky shops, you'll find this dazzling and lively festival precinct.



An experience worthy of your weekend, check out must-see performances at the MC Showroom or be captivated by a brand new show at the National Circus Centre (NICA). Deep in the heart of this party playland, you can lose yourself in the So Soiree Fringe Garden - the place to catch a show from seriously talented artists like Michelle Brasier, YUMMY, Garry Starr, Hot Department and so many more.

SO SOIREE FRINGE GARDEN

A dazzling wonderland located in the gorgeous Grattan Gardens.

So Soiree Fringe Garden, proudly developed and produced by City of Stonnington, delivers a curated program from within a bespoke parlour tent that serves up the hottest performances of comedy, circus, cabaret and burlesque. Star-studded with impressive acts and outstanding shows, expect to be left crying with laughter, revelling in the risqué and glowing from an excellent night out. Follow the festoon lighting and neon signs to lose yourself within an enchanting garden bar where Melbourne's finest female DJs, presented by PBS, will set the vibes into the night with a mix of soulful and retro beats.

Thursday 13 Oct – Sunday 23 Oct
Greville Street, Prahran



TOWN CHOIR

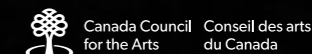
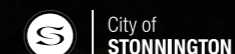
by Theatre Replacement

Be uplifted by the unmissable musical event *Town Choir*, which turns everyday observations into epic, choral declarations.

As acclaimed local writers Alistair Baldwin, Declan Furber-Gillick and Michele Lee reflect live on the world around them, writing tweet-length commentary on everything from the astonishing to the unremarkable, their personal musings are harmonised into song and shared with the world by a 150-strong choir singing in Prahran Square.

Led by one of Canada's leading performance companies Theatre Replacement and conducted by leading queer artist and composer Evan Lawson (Forest Collective), *Town Choir* is a powerful and poignant aural spectacle featuring singers from across Melbourne in a one-time-only performance.

Saturday 22 Oct
Prahran Square



RADIAL

by Back to Back Theatre

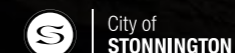
Come watch our community, in motion, as seen through the eyes of the internationally lauded Back to Back Theatre (winners of the prestigious Ibsen Award, considered the Nobel Prize of theatre).

Radial celebrates 12 artists from Fringe's past, present and future filmed on the streets of Prahran – with its thumping nightlife and long history of supporting diverse communities – in this experimental short film conceived, captured and created during the Festival.

Back to Back Theatre on screen

Catch the world premiere of Melbourne Fringe's *Radial* as part of our closing weekend celebrations, screening alongside a retrospective of Back to Back's film works of the last 30 years.

Saturday 22 Oct
Palace Cinema Como, South Yarra



RADICAL ACCESS

Melbourne Fringe champions universal access – that’s cultural equity for every body.

Our game-changing Radical Access commissions are handpicked and Fringe-backed projects led by Deaf and Disabled artists. These works feature unique perspectives, push the boundaries of form and explode traditional ideas about their respective art forms.

Radical Access is a partnership between Melbourne Fringe and Arts Access Victoria.

This year’s Radical Access projects are the thrilling next chapter of ground-breaking art at Fringe:

If Our Bodies Could Talk by roya the destroya & Eliza Hull

Temperance Hall Presents Raina Peterson

MORE WORKS LED BY DEAF AND DISABLED ARTISTS

Witness in action our commitment to imagining (and realising) a new future of our program by scanning the QR code to discover the full range of events led by Deaf and Disabled artists, both new and established.



IF OUR BODIES COULD TALK BY ROYA THE DESTROYA & ELIZA HULL
Photo by Alexis Desautiers-Lea

MELBOURNE FRINGE IN ASSOCIATION WITH LINDEN NEW ART PRESENTS



Melbourne’s most extraordinary independent and emerging designers are on show in our inaugural Design Fringe exhibition. This exhibition of the avant-garde takes in all kinds of object design, from the stunning to the strange, including furniture, fashion, sculpture, lighting... sometimes all at once.

Continue the conversation with our public events including artist talks, workshops, tactile and Auslan tours, and a keynote presentation from leading female designers Ella Saddington, Bridgette Engeler and Jessie French as they discuss the 2022 exhibition theme “Design The Future: Don’t Waste Time”.

Scan the QR code to see all Design Fringe public programs.



Saturday 17 Sept – Sunday 27 Nov
Linden New Art, St Kilda and
Carlisle Street Arts Space, St Kilda

MORE EVENTS AT CITY OF PORT PHILLIP

As well as playing home to our Design Fringe exhibition, the City of Port Phillip is packed with an exciting program of local independent events. Why not make a night of it at a venue like Theatre Works with multiple shows, or enjoy a show AND a view at Victorian Pride Centre? City of Port Phillip is the place to be this Festival.

Scan the QR code to discover what you’ll find – we guarantee there’s a treat around every corner!



Radical Access is proudly supported by James McCaughey | This project has been assisted by the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body.



Supported by Jo Horgan and Peter Wetenhall

ACCESSIBILITY

Melbourne Fringe is committed to access and inclusion for all people.

Scan this code to view all our access information at our website. Our online listings display the comprehensive list of accessibility provisions for each event.

Visit melbournefringe.com.au, and filter events by Auslan interpretation, Audio Description, Tactile Tours, Relaxed Performances, Sensory Friendly Performances, Captioned Performances, Language No Barrier, Audio and Visual content, Wheelchair access and more.



Companion and Carer Card

If you have a Companion Card, you qualify for a second ticket (free!) to bring along a companion. If you have a Carer Card, you qualify for a concession-priced ticket. To book, call Ticketing on (03) 9660 9666 or email boxoffice@melbournefringe.com.au.



TICKETING

Where Can I buy them?

Visit melbournefringe.com.au

Call (03) 9660 9666. Open 10:00am – 5:00pm Monday to Friday until 5 Oct then 12:00pm – 7:00pm, every day during the Festival.

National Relay Service

- TTY: phone 13 36 77 then ask for (03) 9660 9666
- Speak and Listen: phone 1300 555 727 then ask for (03) 9660 9666
- Internet relay: connect to the NRS (internet-relay.nrs.gov.au) then type in (03) 9660 9666

Go to Fed Square Info Booth & Box Office or Festival Hub Trades Hall Box Office during the Festival.

Got Covid? We've got you.

If your RAT is positive, don't let Covid scupper your plans. Reach out to our friendly box office team before your event and we can:

- **Exchange** – change your tickets to a different session
- **Donate** – can't change your session? You can gift your tickets to the artist (trust us, they'll appreciate it)
- **Refund** – failing option 1 and 2, we will happily refund those tickets if you tell us in writing

Booking fees

All prices quoted are GST-inclusive (if applicable). All bookings attract a \$5.50 fee per transaction (not per ticket). Any discount ticket offers are available on full-priced tickets only.

Terms & Conditions

All of this info – including ticket types and our full refund and exchange policy – is all available online at melbournefringe.com.au/terms-and-conditions.

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- **Fringe Dwellers** members get sweet cheapies to say thanks for their support
- **Fringe Binge** gives you a feast of tickets at cheap prices when you book at the same time
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At ArtPlay, children and artists discover and create innovative arts experiences that encourage self-expression and playful exchange.

Explore interactive workshops, installations or performances for babies, toddlers and children up to 13 years.

Find us in Birrarung Marr (behind Fed Square) or access our digital program online.

ARTPLAY

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Threads

By The Ball Room Projects

Saturday 15 October
Sunday 16 October

Enter an intriguing world where you will connect and play together alongside the performers.

Webs will be woven out of darkness, and memories will be stitched into the fabric of your journey.

Presented by ArtPlay and Melbourne Fringe.



Credit: Michelle Grace Hunder

Samuel Gaskin

Award-winning Creator / Proud Ngati Tūwhāretoa & Yoruba Person / Change Agent / Speaker of Fluent Beyoncé / **Creative Victorian**


Samuel's award-winning show RECKŌNING explores the impacts of racism and intergenerational trauma through storytelling, song and dance. Now reimagined for a family friendly audience, see RECKŌNING FUTURE ANCESTŌRS at the 2022 Melbourne Fringe Festival.

Creative Victoria proudly supports Melbourne Fringe and creative Victorians, see how at creative.vic.gov.au



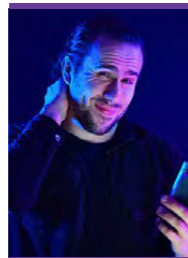
2022 FESTIVAL EVENTS LISTINGS

CABARET



2 Proud 2 Prejudiced: An Austen-tatious Cabaret
Hold onto your bonnets b*tches!


MUSIC



A Lovely Day To Be Online
A gig-turned-musical-turned-existential-crisis.

MUSIC


Written by Connor Morel



'A Rainbow of Tomorrows' Hazy Lounge
Afternoon chill laze, surrounded by Blak beauty

VARIETY

Curated by Stone Motherless Cold



An Evening with Brenda
A night of queer musical excellence.

MUSIC

Performed by Brenda Bressed



Andrew McClelland and Martine Wengrow: The Very Model Of A Modern Major Musical
An exuberant hour of musical comedy written for a cast of 90, performed by a cast

COMEDY


Written by Andrew McClelland



Astronauty
The intergalactic odyssey is about to lift off.

DRAG


Created and Performed by Lachlan Purcell



Bernie Dieter's Club Kabarett
Über-award winning, boundary-pushing Spiegelent spectacular hosted by cabaret icon Bernie Dieter.

VARIETY


Created and Performed by Bernie Dieter



Bleep Bloop
A pop-comedy album by multi-award winning comedian Lou Wall!

COMEDY


Created and Performed by Lou Wall



Breasts Become Her
A Tale of Two Titties

COMEDY

Created and Performed by Miss Cairo



Cabaret Night Fever
Join us for a feel-good, laugh out loud, good time.


STAND UP



Cherry
It's a little bit comedy, a little bit cabaret and a whole lot of Katy Perry.

COMEDY


Performed by Sarah Carroll



CinemaSong
The ultimate movie soundtrack experience.

MUSIC


Presented by C J Stewart Productions



Cumming of Age
The journey of masturbation and other firsts, through song and story.

MUSIC

Created and Performed by Phoebe Deklerk



Dizney in Drag: Once Upon a Parody
A fantasy-driven, tongue-in-cheek comedy cabaret that warps the classic Hero's Journey

COMEDY

Written by The Hairy Godmothers



Drag Supper Club
A magical night of fun and laughter, with camp drag performances and many naughty shenanigans.

DRAG


Produced and Performed by Timberlina, Abork, Enigma, Foxxe Faux & Dave



Dynasty: Drag & Dumplings
A fabulous queer Asian cast brings Old Shanghai cabaret to life in this drag and dine show!

VARIETY

Created by Dyan Tai



Ethel Mermaid - Songs in the Key of Sea
It's showtime, and tonight the ocean's biggest star, Ethel Mermaid, is set to make a splash!

COMEDY

Created and Performed by Amanda Buckley



Feel tha Funk - A groovy 70s cabaret with the Audrey Twins
Funky 70s cabaret with Melbourne's fab identical cabaret sensations, the Audrey Twins. #feelthafunk

MUSIC

Presented by Audrey Twins



Footballers Are a Godsend
A glitter-stained love letter to Football

COMEDY


Created and Performed by Samuel Roberts



Geraldine Quinn - BROAD
Geraldine Quinn grew up idolising bold, brassy older women. Now she's becoming one.

COMEDY

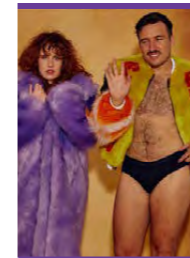
Presented by So Soiree Fringe Garden



Goodbye to Speakeasy HQ
Jazz, comedy, burlesque... Join your host Frau Kost in an accidentally one-woman vaudeville show.

THEATRE

Written and Performed by Meg Hickey



Hot Department - After Party
Honor and Patrick are Hot Department, and they're at it again. But this time, they're at it again.


COMEDY

Presented by So Soiree Fringe Garden



In Bed With Amy and Friends
A life affirming and hilarious cabaret talk show with acclaimed performer Amy Bodossian.

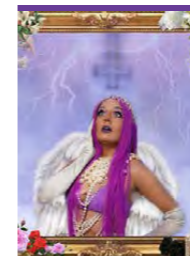
COMEDY



In the likely event of forever,
A show about why I am running late.

EXPERIMENTAL

Created and Performed by Margot Morales Tanjutco



Juniper Rising
Activist, witch and queer icon Juniper Wilde dazzles in this phantasmagorical horror. YOU WILL GAG!

COMEDY

Created and Performed by Juniper Wilde



No Hat, No Play! The Cabaret
The jam-packed, Glad Wrapped® primary school fever-dream cabaret of your nightmares.

COMEDY


Created and Performed by Mel O'Brien & Samantha Andrew



Ooh Baby... Love, life & all things 60s in cabaret!
High energy 60s cabaret with Melbourne's foxy little ladies, the Audrey Twins.

MUSIC

Presented by Audrey Twins



Otto & Astrid Play The Greatest Rock 'n' Roll Concert You've Ever Seen!
A lipstick-smearing, tantrum-loving, sonic collision between The B-52s, The Pixies and early Ramones.

COMEDY

Presented by So Soiree Fringe Garden



PARTICIPATION AWARD
A musical comedy that asks the question - why does school suck so much?!

COMEDY

Created and Performed by Jude Peri



Period.
A cabaret comedy all about the cycle and period poverty. A show that entertains and gives back!

COMEDY

Created and Performed by Carla Anita Mattiazzo



Philip de Villiers - SMILE
A cabaret-feast with candour, humour and lots of heart

MUSIC Written and Performed by Philip de Villiers



POPPYCOCK
Have you left your imaginary friend alone for far too long? Have they putrefied in your absence?

THEATRE Created and Performed by Six Inches Uncut



Private Parts
A riotous hour of femmo musical comedy in eight-part harmony..

COMEDY Presented by Pink Flappy Bits and Choral Edge




YUMMY BITE SIZED
Drag and burlesque at its very best!

BURLESQUE Presented by So Soiree Fringe Garden



Scold's Bridle
A funny little story of sexism and silence.

STORYTELLING Written and Performed by FRANKLY



Sex, Lies & Betrayal - Memoirs of a Hollywood Star
A perfect girls' night out and a voyeuristic exposé Hollywood fans will love.

THEATRE




Shit-Wrecked!
Heave ho (and hoes!) 'tward the party cruise of a lifetime upon the almighty... Spirit of Tasmania.

COMEDY Created and Performed by Mel O'Brien & Samantha Andrew



Siete: The Seven Deadly Sins
An immersive cabaret touching on themes of sex and sin.

BURLESQUE Presented by Stella Del Lure



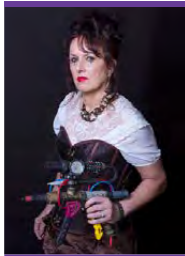
T4T: A Transgender Showcase
Ladies and gentlemen... this show is not for you... this is a show for everyone else.

VARIETY Created by Anna Piper Scott



Tash York's Happy Hour
Join the fabulous Tash York and The Red Red Red wines for a night of fabulous queer cabaret!

COMEDY Created and Performed by Tash York



The Future - A Soundtrack for the Apocalypse
A show for anyone who has looked to the future and found it missing.

MUSIC



The Lost Cabaret
A wild variety show featuring the quirkiest acts of the Fringe!

CLOWNING



The Nicest Guy In Comedy
A tell-all pop-revenge concert from a comedian who fails to quit.

COMEDY Created and Performed by Kit Richards



They Came From Uranus
Prepare to be Love Bombed from Uranus with a wild cast of the campest Aliens you'll ever meet!

BURLESQUE Directed by James Welsby



Undercut - The Ultimate Queer Boi Band Experience
Your favourite Queer Boy Band is back in town and ready to "Rock Your Body Right".

MUSIC Performed by Undercut, A Queer Boy Band.



Underwire
Back-breaking boobs and a young woman who was "blessed" with more than her fair share.

COMEDY Performed by Gemma Caruana



Up Late with Kate
Join Benn Bennett, Sarah Ward and Bec Matthews in a night of Kate Bush singles, B sides & rarities.

MUSIC Presented by So Soiree Fringe Garden



WET
Tickle & tantalise the moist crevices of the mind in this salacious & weirdly educational cabaret.

COMEDY Written by The Hairy Godmothers



Wild by Night
A wild hybrid cabaret/dance club/concert extravaganza.

CONTEMPORARY Directed by Moira Finucane



FRINGE PARADE & LYGON ST BLOCK PARTY - PHOTO BY ILANA ROSE

CIRCUS



Barbaroi
This is do or die. This is their initiation.

ACROBATICS Presented by After Dark Theatre



Club Royale
A decadent concoction of live music and contemporary circus.

MUSIC Performed by The Shuffle Club



Escalate
Virtuosic juggling, innovative lighting and relentless energy collide in this daring new show

JUGGLING Performed by Byron Hutton, Richard Sullivan & Samuel Kreisler



Future Proof
A bold unflinching study of the modern world: humanity VS a cacophony of 21st century bullsh!t.

THEATRE Created by Gravity Dolls



Get Well Soon
Circus-meets-film with humour and humanity, made by and for those who can't always Get Well Soon.

DIGITAL Produced by Samantha Martin



GODZ
A hedonistic dive head-first into the lives of the ancient Gods of Mount Olympus.

COMEDY Performed by Head First Acrobats



Hard to Reach Places
An intimate and authentic solo show by Anna Lumb that mingles theatre, clowning, music and circus.

THEATRE



INGRESS
A stirring collision of circus, psyche and the indomitable human spirit

THEATRE Created and Performed by Bridie Hooper



Le Freak
A celebration of the freak, the weird, the different.

BURLESQUE Created by Elle Diablo & Themme Fatale



Off Chops
Hold me tight, Hydralyte.

COMEDY



Petrichor
An electrifying cabaret from Australia's hottest emerging circus artists!

ACROBATICS Presented by Company 22



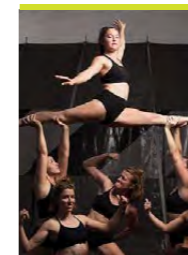
Princess Truffles
A very silly show about romantic desperation, hope and failure.

CLOWNING Directed by Fabio Motta



WERK IT
Outrageous circus by Australia's hottest acrobats, Aerobics Oz style

COMEDY Written by Malia Walsh



YUCK Circus: DEADSET
What does AC/DC and YUCK Circus have in common?

COMEDY



Zoë
noun. Life

EXPERIMENTAL Devised by A Good Catch



ZOË - PHOTO BY MAURO TRENTIN


COMEDY



A Happening.
In Which The Artist Will Discover Truth.

IMPROV

Performed by Jenni Townsend



A very normal dinner with your parents
An improv comedy show set in your family home, starring the people who love you most – your parents!

IMPROV

Devised by Allen Dorsey, Ece Mustaffoff and Kirsten Law



Amazing Adventures of Her Majesty - Jubilee!
Affectionate musical comedy on the world's longest-serving monarch, finally revealing her "all".

CABARET

Written and Directed by Carole Shaw



Andrew Hansen Is Cheap
In an expensive world, Andrew Hansen is CHEAP.

MUSIC


Presented by Laughing Stock Productions



Andy Saunders - Everything At The Same Time
With funny bones always at the helm, join family man Andy for an hour of entertainment.

STAND UP

Presented by So Soiree Fringe Garden



Animal in the Office
Welcome to the office. My name is Chicken and I'm the manager.

THEATRE

Directed by Elizabeth Davie



Anna Piper Scott: Is This Anything?
Most stand up comedians would be too scared. But she's not most comedians.


STAND UP



Anna Piper Scott: Such An Inspiration
A controversial stand up show that "puts the trans in transgressive"

STAND UP

Directed by Neptune Henriksen



Annie Louey is Flirting with Death
This show is based on completely true and seriously legitimate, real-life events (99% of it, anyway)

THEATRE

Created and Performed by Annie Louey



Brendan Hancock and Jenna Suffern: Pink Money
Two comedians, one stage, and an hour of gay.

STAND UP


Performed by Brendan Hancock and Jenna Suffern



Buck Wild
A daring and darkly funny solo hour that offers a glimpse into life with bipolar disorder.

STAND UP

Directed by Michelle Brasier



Callum Straford Nails Everything
In this night of breathtaking flawlessness, Callum Straford will Nail Everything.

CABARET

Written and Performed by Callum Straford



Cheers, Queers!
Queer comedy at the Victorian Pride Centre.

Presented by
The Victorian Pride Centre



Christmas in October
A festive Odyssey to rediscover the joy of Christmas.

ABSURDIST

Written and Performed by Liam Sparrow-Gange



Clag!
The variety show that sticks out.

VARIETY

Produced by Meredith Cole and Oliver Cowen



CLUB FRINGE: Hey Hey It's Club Fringe
An evening of unscripted fun with special guests from across the Festival.

IMPROV

Presented by Game Boys Comedy (Eden and Josh Porter + Kinetic Screen)



Completely Improvised Shakespeare
A hilarious new Shakespeare play made up on the (damned) spot.

IMPROV


Created and Performed by Soothplayers



Completely Improvised Survivor
An unscripted parody of pop culture's most infamous reality TV show.

IMPROV

Presented by Soothplayers



Cool Show Sixty-Nine
The next wave of absurdist sketch comedy - a rollercoaster romp of high-energy buffoonery.

SKETCH

Created and Performed by Katie Currie, Max Paton and Douglas Rintoul



Cultfish
Colourfully chaotic! A physical comedy about a fish who grew up in a cult.

PHYSICAL THE-

Performed by Sarah Hinds



Date Night
Comedians are UNDATEABLE! According to these two comedians... currently dating

STAND UP

Created and Performed by Robyn Reynolds & Chris Nguyen



David Massingham's Little Sketch Book of Horrors
A solo sketch comedy spookshow.

SKETCH

Written and Performed by David Massingham



Diana McLaren is Delicious!
A night of humour and honesty with the Queen of Oversharing.

STAND UP

Performed by Diana McLaren



Drown 'Em Out
A hilarious and heartfelt story of strength, resilience and triumph

STAND UP

Directed by Isla Belcher



Elyce Phillips Pretends To Be On Tropical Holiday For 50 Minutes (Definitely Not A Scam)
Come on the big, fun, wet, tropical holiday of your (stress) dreams

SKETCH


Dramaturg Lucy Rees



English Breakfast
Enjoy a laugh-out-loud, thought-provoking and heartwarming comedy show with AJ Lamarque

STORYTELLING

Written and Performed by AJ Lamarque



Everest
Climbed Everest. Born Disabled. In That Order.


STAND UP



Everything is a Lie
A wildly relatable hour of comedy, song and the realisation that we're all just making it up.

CABARET

Written and Performed by Lauren Edwards



Flickery - The Art of Female Pleasure
A comedy cabaret about clits, tits and other bits, featuring the fantasy and fables of Madame Lush.

CABARET

Written and Produced by Lyrical Infusion



Foible Boible
One strange guy, one hour of your life you're not getting back

PHYSICAL THE-

Created by Oliver Cowen



Garry Starr - Greece Lightning
Never before has Medusa been looser, Achilles more sillies or Uranus so heinous.

Presented by
So Soiree Fringe Garden



Gays of our Lives
The gayest soap opera you've never seen!

Created and Performed by
Andy Balloch & Justin Porter



Gold Star Failure
Failing is an artform.

STORYTELLING

Performed by
Jacci Pillar



Kelly Mac: Wrong Side of 50
A riotous romp through middle-age with a rising comedy star from NSW.

STAND UP

Created and Performed by
Kelly Mac



Kieran Bullock's IKEA WARS
Two performers, hundreds of different screws, one winner!

IMPROV



Kungari Comedy
Presented by Kungari Productions and Deadly Fringe

STAND UP

Produced by
Kungari Productions



Granny Bingo
Just when you thought you couldn't get any more up close with Australia's Naughtiest Nanas!

Presented by
So Soiree Fringe Garden



Half Steam Ahead!
One man. Many characters. Even more jokes.

SKETCH

Written and Performed by
Con Coutis



Hannah Camilleri - Lolly Bag
A sweet mix of sketches for those that simply cannot choose.

SKETCH

Created by
Hannah Camilleri



Leggywags
A sexy and ridiculous split bill of physical comedy

ABSURDIST

Performed by
Cherese Sonkilla & David Maney



Like a Virgo
A retro pop culture journey to self-discovery through stand-up and burlesque.

STAND UP

Written and Performed by
Michele da Costa



LuisVision
Learn how to Happy Birthday in Virtual Reality with Luis.

IMMERSIVE

Presented by
Lessons with Luis



HEADLINERS of Magic
A magic smackdown with a stellar line up; winner of Melbourne Magic Festival Director's Choice Award

MAGIC



Heath Franklin - Out Of Character
For over 15 years, he's been known as 'that guy who does Chopper'....

STAND UP

Presented by
Laughing Stock Productions



Hey Hey It's Doomsday
Absurdist hell-comedy from one of Melbourne's most original and divisive alternative comedians

ABSURDIST

Performed by
Ross Purdy



Maddie Southall - Thoughts & Things
A hilarious comedy show about retiring from elite sport.

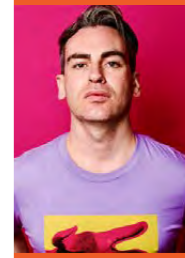
STAND UP

Performed by
Maddie Southall



Mary Williams: Alternative Sitting Positions
A story of chaotic events; if something can go sideways, it will and we will laugh about it.

STAND UP



Mess With The Bull
This fabulous, homocentric funny pants is guaranteed to have you cackling with glee!

STAND UP

Performed by
Roland Bull



I Have No Dopamine And I Must Scream: An ADHD Show
Loosely based on very real and very frustrating events.

SKETCH

Created and Performed by
Lauren Silburn



I said what I said
A one-woman comedy show about tackling life in Melbourne.

STAND UP

Performed by
Aurelia St Clair



Impromptunes - 10th Birthday Band-nanza!
A completely improvised musical - with a band! A festival favourite celebrating its 10th year.

IMPROV

Presented by
Impromptunes



Michael Shafar - For Sale: New Jokes. Never Told.
A hilarious, interactive show from a local favourite.

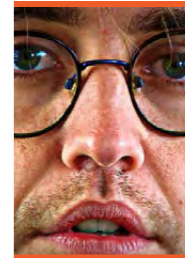
STAND UP



Michelle Brasier - 'She'
Michelle Brasier's latest work in progress.

STAND UP

Presented by
So Soiree Garden



Mind How Y'Go
A dad arrives home from work and tries to connect with his invisible family.

THEATRE

Performed by
Dougie Baldwin



It's About Time
The world might be about to end, but these two are just getting started.

STAND UP



Japanese Worry
Brand new show by Japanese comedian. This will be something you've never seen before.

STAND UP

Created and Performed by
Takashi Wakasugi



Jeromaia Detto: MUSH
A weird and wonderful journey of absurdity.

CLOWNING

Created and Performed by
Jeromaia Detto



Murder Village: An Improvised Whodunnit
It's Agatha Christie, improvised!

IMPROV

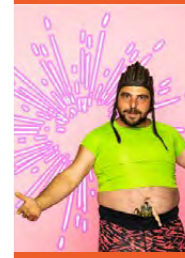
Presented by
David Massingham



MY MUM DIED & I WANNA SING ABOUT IT
You'll be laughing and crying through this intimate musical monologue of grief and stupidity.

STORYTELLING

Written and Performed by
Jack Francis West



Mykonos Explodes!
Beeeeewwwmmmm!

CLOWNING

Performed by
Richie Hallal



Josh Glanc: Vrooom Vrooom
A full-throttle foolish delight from the multi-award winner.

MUSIC

Created and Performed by
Josh Glanc



Just James - A One Man Show
One man playing two boys playing one long man in a trenchcoat

STAND UP

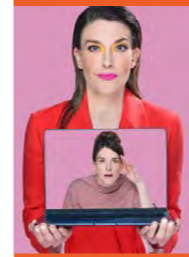
Written and Performed by
James Ward



Just Super
The clear, concise and definitely 100% corroborated science of telling the future

DEVISED

Created and Performed by
Eddie Pattison



Nicolette Minster's Net Worth
One woman's journey to find herself... on the internet.

STORYTELLING

Directed by
Sammy J



No Thoughts
An hour of empty mind

SKETCH

Written and Performed by
Taylor Griffiths



Olgavision
Therapy + Eurovision = Olgavision

STAND UP

Written and Performed by
Olga Loitsenko



SKETCH

One Man Performing A Two-Man Show
It's a One-Man Duo. Will he succeed without an onstage partner? Probably not.

Created and Performed by Jon Walpole



CABARET

Ouch!
Ashley Apap has an invisible disability, which is hard for someone who loves attention.

Written and Performed by Ashley Apap



STAND UP

PIVOT
It's time for stand-up to PIVOT


Created and Performed by Bradford Oakes



SKETCH

Swinging Seniors Cruise Ship
The only sketch comedy show that encourages extramarital affairs for seniors.

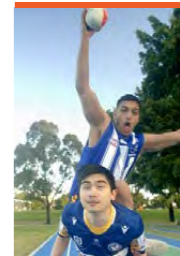
Performed by The Burton Brothers



STAND UP

Thanks For Having Me
Not your usual line-up of comics... A necessary spotlight on some of the best comedians of colour.

Hosted by Natali Caro



STAND UP

The AFL Show: Asians For Life
They're Asian, They're Funny and They're Here for Life.

Performed by Henry Zhu



STAND UP

Plenty of Fish
Why wait for love when you can just dive straight in?

Performed by Matt Bell



STAND UP

Queerly Beloved
LGBTQIA+ Comedy Showcase!


Curated by Maddy Weeks and Ainslie Macdonald



STAND UP

Quintessentially BRIT(ish)
Comedic tales of chalk and cheese from growing up in the UK.

Written by Daniel Holt and Chris Southcote



IMPROV

The Audition Room
Australia's Hottest casting agents Viviana Duffant and Darelle Anderson are not impressed.

Created by The Harry Morrissey Official and Elouise Eftos



VARIETY

The Big D
Experience a hilarious, heartfelt & raw tale of Drag, Drinking and Determination.

Created and Performed by Shaun Birtles



SATIRE

The Briefing with Melissa McGlensy
A presser with the USA's second most notorious liar.

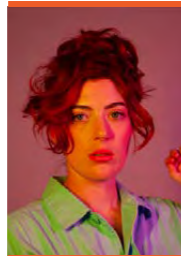
Created and Performed by Melissa McGlensy



ABSURDIST

Radio Da-Da
Comedic nonsense at its finest, inspired by works from The Goons, Douglas Adams and Monty Python.

Directed by Phillip Hunting



STAND UP

Relax Your Knees
A grubby mix of stand-up, non sequitur sketch comedy, and unbridled joy.

Written and Performed by Marilyn Leder



ABSURDIST

Reusable Plastic Bag
An 'unexpected item' in the laughing area



SKETCH

The Great Resignation
Join us for an hour of uncomfortably relatable workplace comedy.


Directed by Barney Pollock



STAND UP

The MILF Next Door
A hilarious mix of comedy and song about dating as a newly separated 50 year old Jewish mamma.


Written and Performed by Marilyn Leder



STAND UP

The New New Nine Live!
A new stand-up show based on the Best Comedy award-winning attempt at a revolution.

Created and Performed by Patrick Collins



MUSIC

Riley Nottingham - Manifesto
Because Manifestos won't sing themselves.


Written and Performed by Riley Nottingham



SKETCH

Sal + Friends
If 2021 was all about Karen, 2022 is all about Sal.

Performed by Nat Harris



THEATRE

Shakespeare Aliens
The 1986 sci-fi/horror classic LIVE onstage as if it were written by William Shakespeare.



STORYTELLING

The Night Cap
Late-night comedy dares to get cosy.


Presented by Prue Blake and Darcy Fleming



SKETCH

The Nightlight Zone
Sketch comedy bordering on sleep paralysis

Created and Performed by Katie Currie and Holly Bohmer



STAND UP

The Racist Immigrants
Immigrants and raci*t?! An epic hour of no holds bar unabashed comedy!!



CABARET

She-Nanigans The Show
A quirky, heartfelt and empowering comedy show from some of Melbourne's up and coming comedians.

Written and Performed by Chido Mwat



VARIETY

Silly Sibling Shenanigans!
Not one, but TWO comedians, AND they share DNA?!

Created and Performed by Hannah DeBuhr & Luke DeBuhr



STAND UP

Sliced Bill
A split bill Melbourne comedy special. Splitting your sides and your pants.

Written and Performed by Helena Hogan



IMPROV

The Rest Is Up To You: The Big Hoo-Haa 2032
Take a trip to the future with The Big HOO-HAA!

Performed by The Big HOO-HAA!



STAND UP

The Secret Life of a Sign Language Interpreter
Comedy for the silent majority.

Performed by Ben Richardson



IMPROV

The World Experiment
As far as they know they are the last people in the world. Who are they? You help decide!

Created by PJ Hyland



STORYTELLING


Sober. Celibate. Sexy. Love.
Sober. Celibate. Sexy. Love! A romantic comedy hero's journey story packed with heart & humor.

Performed by Sarah Walton



MUSIC

Songs from the Heart in the Hole of my Bottom (50th Anniversary Deluxe Edition)
Two of Melbourne's finest comedians present a sophisticated evening of



STAND UP

Sunanda Loves Britney
A glittery celebration of Britney Spears and queerness by Best Newcomer Nominee (MICF '22)


Written and Performed by Sunanda Sachatrakul



ABSURDIST

To Schapelle and Back
An ancient doppelganger curse collides with Australian nostalgia in this award winning comedy.


Created and Performed by Alex Hines



IMPROV

TOD Talks
If "TED Talks" and "Who's Line Is It Anyway" had a baby.

Presented by Gatt & Owen



STAND UP

Triplets
Hitting the comedy rule of three has never been easier



Va Bene
 Molto bene comedy from a molto bene comedian named Andrew Portelli who is molto molto funny.

STAND UP



Vicky & Roger's Cattle Call
 A high-drama character comedy and a love letter to community theatre.

THEATRE

Created and Performed by
 Laura Trenerry



Wild x
 Offbeat observational comedy from Raw Comedy State Finalist Timothy Knight

STAND UP

Written and Performed by
 Timothy Knight



William Boyd - is Nice
 An episodic journey across a young boy's childhood that made him the loveable wanker he is today.

SKETCH

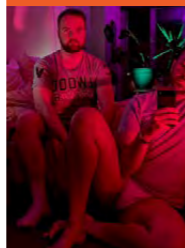
Written and Performed by
 William Boyd



Woah, Alyssa! 3
 An electric, campy and very sexual sketch comedy extravaganza!

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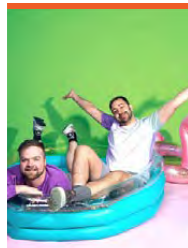
Directed by
 Mark Bonanno



Woah, Alyssa! 4
 A sketch comedy extravaganza so good you'll wanna ride it reverse cow-style!

SKETCH

Directed by
 Mark Bonanno



Woah, Alyssa! and Besties
 Fringe's hottest comedy line-up night hosted by hilarious gay besties, Col + Fil.

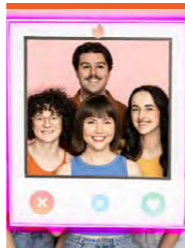
VARIETY

Presented by
 Woah, Alyssa!



YesYesYes
 A variety comedy night packed with Melbourne's most lauded and applauded character comedians.

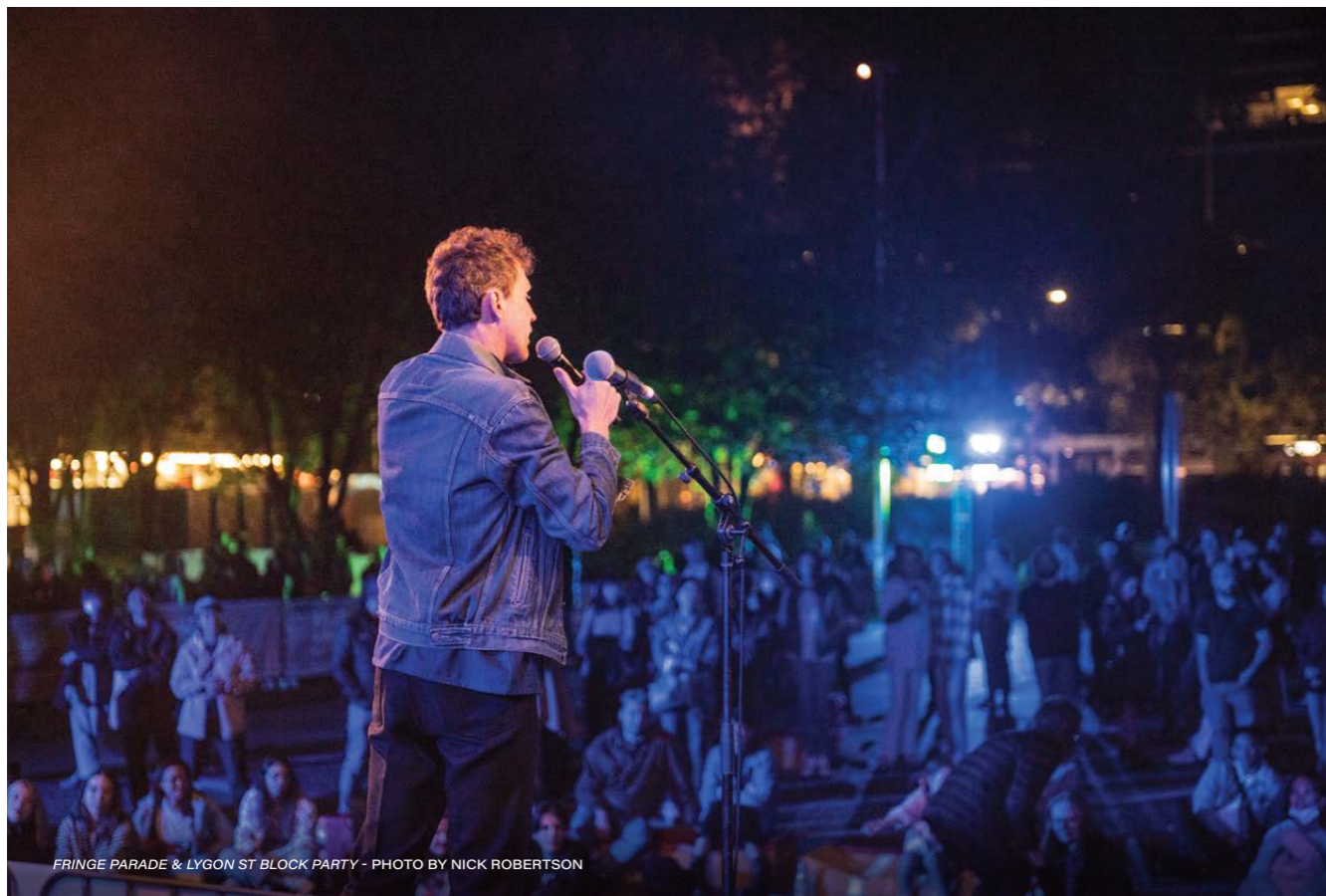
EXPERIMENTAL



You're a Catch! Why are you Single?
 A collection of quirky and catchy songs and monologues exploring what it means to be single.

MUSICAL THE-

Written by
 Sarah Wynen



FRINGE PARADE & LYGON ST BLOCK PARTY - PHOTO BY NICK ROBERTSON

DANCE & PHYSICAL THEATRE



A Many-Splendoured Thing
 Explores love between a man and a woman in a turbulent era through dance and movement.

THEATRE

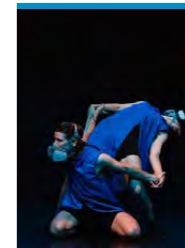
Curated by
 C ARTS | International independent arts programme



A Perfect Day
 A performer recollects her past and grapples with the current urgency of the moment.

CONTEMPORARY

Curated by
 C ARTS | International independent arts programme



ALL BLANK WASTELAND
 A journey through an arid landscape filled with trials and sacrifice.

CONTEMPORARY

Created and Performed by
 Jason Pearce



Analects of Aliveness
 Autobiographical dance by artists with Down syndrome. Ask questions, be entertained, be enlightened.

CONTEMPORARY

Created and Performed by
 The emotion21 dancers



Authorised Vintage 501
 Denim and skin as both function and fashion.

EXPERIMENTAL

Performed by
 Gemma Sattler, Molly McKenzie, Samakshi Sidhu, Sarah Kosoff and Valentina Emerald



Deified
 Two energetically charged dance works exploring manifestations of idols, memories and archetypes

CONTEMPORARY

Choreographed by
 Patrick O'Luanaigh and Aimee Raitman



Fiasco [debut].
 Physicalising human interaction and the lived experience of neurodiversity.

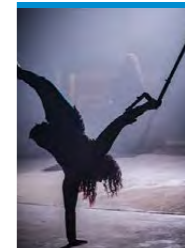
CONTEMPORARY



I/O (volume 4)
 Four short dance pieces from calligrapher/choreographer Chiharu Kuronuma and juggler Teruki Okamoto.

CONTEMPORARY

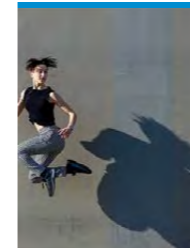
Curated by
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If Our Bodies Could Talk
 A hybrid of physical theatre, dance and music from disabled artists Roya The Destroya & Eliza Hull.

CONTEMPORARY

Created and Performed by
 roya the destroya and Eliza Hull



Is it Working?
 A danced reimagining of our customer-service selves.

CONTEMPORARY

Created and Performed by
 Piaera Lauritz, Emma Riches, Claire Leske, Momoko Nanri



Material bodies in the flesh
 A new performance work re-shaping relationships between audience, performer and material items.

CONTEMPORARY

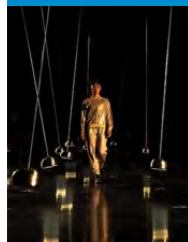
Directed by
 Adrien Tucker



No Former Performer Has Performed This Performance Before #7

EXPERIMENTAL

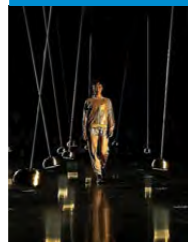
Created by
 Born in a Taxi



PENDULUM
A mesmerising dance with gravity

EXPERIMENTAL

Created by
Lucy Guerin Inc and Matthias Schack-Arnott



PENDULUM Bus
This is a return bus ticket that takes you from Trades Hall to Shed21 and back.

EXPERIMENTAL



Prapatti
Her path towards surrender.

THEATRE



Salarywoman
An explosive solo dance work celebrating Asian-Australian identity.

CONTEMPORARY

Created and Performed by
Chiharu Valentino



SONDER
We are dancers with Down syndrome. We have vivid & complex stories to tell. Watch. Listen. Realise.

CONTEMPORARY

Performed by
the emotion21 dancers



Still Wanna be a Rabbit
Universal themes: Will I ever be perfect? Am I invisible? Where's the exit? Is that a rabbit?

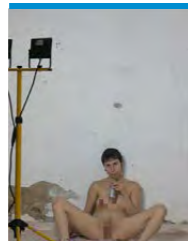
DEvised

Created by
Weave Movement Theatre




Temperance Hall Presents Arabella Frahn-Starkie and Siobhan McKenna
A double-bill of new experimental dance works by independent choreographers.

EXPERIMENTAL



Temperance Hall Presents Gabriella Imrichova, Kady Mansour and Michaela Tancheff
A double-bill of contemporary dance works by experimental choreographers.


HYBRID



Temperance Hall Presents Raina Peterson
A mythological queering of an eighth century poem through experimental Indian dance.

EXPERIMENTAL


Music by
Marco Cher-Gibard



The Goddesses
A theatrical mythical journey, showcasing dynamic dancing, thrilling acrobatics & incredible vocals.

THEATRE

Written and Produced by
Bree Kent



The Rest Is Up To You: Karma Dance
Reflect on the past and look to the future through contemporary dance

CONTEMPORARY


Performed by
Karma Dance



The Story of the Tower
Avant-garde dance-theatre with a multimedia twist.

CONTEMPORARY

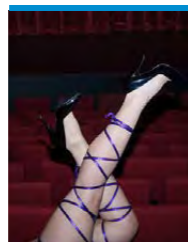
Curated by
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Tremor
A purge of buried embodied memory through dance.

CONTEMPORARY

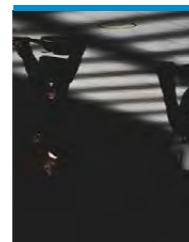
Created by
Kayla Douglas



Truthclub
A discotheque with truth bombs all night long.

EXPERIMENTAL

Choreographed by
untitled likeminded dancers of colour



Unapologetically, Me
A deep dive into the ridiculous, social reality of the human condition.

CONTEMPORARY


Curated and Produced by
Tenaë Smith & Kristen Cafari



Waiting Game
A dance against disillusionment; embracing connection and camaraderie in an illogical world.

CONTEMPORARY

Created and Performed by
Phaedra Brown



Withhold
A physical confession of intimate emotions, the ways we withhold them and the impact that has.

CONTEMPORARY


EXPERIMENTAL



AI Perceptions of Gender
Experience an online interactive 3D exhibition in a world of its own.

VISUAL ARTS

Created by
J. Rosenbaum



Crystal Touch
Line dance, karaoke, cold beers and community – a participatory dance marathon at Coburg RSL.

DANCE

Presented by
Deep Soulful Sweats



Dough!
What do bread, Homer Simpson & cold hard cash have in common?

THEATRE

Presented by
Stage Mom



Groundswell
Come feel the earth move under your feet (literally) with this immersive sonic installation.

INSTALLATION

Created by
Matthias Schack-Arnott




Haha Fair Enough
An absurd, comical exploration of gender, sexual identity, and performance.

COMEDY



HELLMOUTH22
Giant puppet spectacular! Adam & Eve at the apocalypse - bewildering wonderment, genuine terror.


PERFORMANCE



HELLO
Experience Fitzroy in an entirely new way.

IMMERSIVE

Devised by
H. Clare Callow



HEXADECA
You're invited to come play with HEXADECA – and hear it play back.

INTERACTIVE


Concept by
Joren Dawson



Horny Ghosts
A queer gothic melodrama

COMEDY

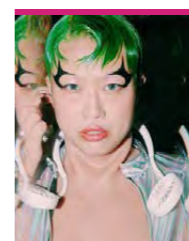
Written by
M.V Pask



In Search of Lost Scroll
An immersive online experience.

INTERACTIVE


Written and Directed by
Vidya Rajan



IT-ME TIME Traveller Beta Live x Social Dis Dance
Ever been invited to a rave by a mermaid from the future? Now you have.

PERFORMANCE

Performed by
Betty Apple and Social Dis Dance



JSMR
Step inside and relax in this award-winning immersive, intimate ASMR experience.

IMMERSIVE

Created and Performed by
Jessica Stanley



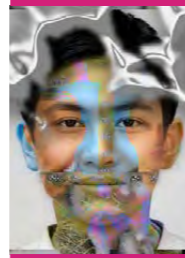
Liminal Treats
Performance art, cocktails and many sweet treats!

PERFORMANCE Presented by Scratch Arts



Live Leisure Yabby Fishing Restaurant by Long Prawn.
What's the catch? Food, music, art & performance at Melbourne's first live yabby fishing experience.

PARTICIPATORY Produced by Long Prawn



Machine Folklore
Glimpse into the future of digital culture and virtual technology in this hypnotic audio-visual work

PERFORMANCE Created by Software2050 & NAXS FUTURE



Paradise Lots
An immersive performance ritual set in an urban carpark.

THEATRE Directed and Created by Pony Cam



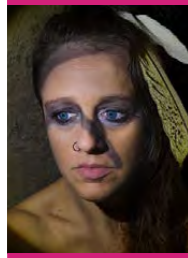
Public Art Park
Melbourne's first ever Public Art Park is coming to the Queen Victoria Market precinct.

PUBLIC ART Produced by Testing Grounds



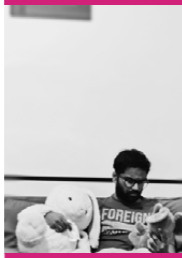
Scopaesthesia
Are you watching?

INSTALLATION Created by remi cady freer



type-a-poet
A one-on-one silent poetry experience for your soul by award-winning performer Andi Snelling.

ONE-ON-ONE Created and Performed by Andi Snelling



Waiting for Pujit
A comedian has an existential crisis before a gig.

COMEDY



Women's Shout
The pub is now open... come join Eileen at 'The Darling'.

IMMERSIVE Presented by Eleven Arms Theatre Company



PARADISE LOTS - PHOTO BY NICK ROBERTSON

KIDS



Ardna: Our Land
A story of land. A story of home.

STORYTELLING Created by Aseel Tayah



Bear Hunt
This empowering musical adventure takes you on a fantastical imaginative journey.

MUSIC In Association With Kinder Opera



CIRCUS - The Show
This award-winning, sell-out sensation is a fringe MUST-SEE for the entire family!

CIRCUS Presented by Showmen Productions



Kidstruments
Imagined instruments from young minds are turned into real gadgets and played by jazz virtuosos.

MUSIC Devised by Playable Streets



Labyrinth in the Library
A fun, action-packed adventure that celebrates the power of reading.

THEATRE Created and Performed by Mark Penzak



Monski Mouse's Baby Disco Dance Hall
Why toddle when you can dance? Join Monski Mouse and her dancers for this bopping blast.

PARTICIPATORY



One Day in Wonderland
Magical, musical mystery adapted from Lewis Carroll... a fun-filled adventure for all the family!

PHYSICAL THE- Curated by C ARTS | International independent arts programme



Peter Combe in Wash Your Kids in Orange Juice!
Peter Combe returns to the Melbourne Fringe!

MUSIC



Pram People
A moment in time for children who ride in prams, and the adults who push them.

INTERACTIVE Created by Polyglot Theatre



Prehysterical
An action packed hour of incredible circus by multi-award winning artists

CIRCUS Dramaturg Adam O'Connor McMahon



Rainbow Singalong Storytime
Songs and storytelling for kids aged 5-10.

INTERACTIVE Produced by Bae Marie



RECKÖNING-Future Ancestors
A journey through understanding and celebrating the creativity and strength of indigenous cultures

THEATRE Performed by Samuel Gaskin, Candice Lorrae & Kristel Kickett (The Merindas), Paula Barbee, Piri Neho & Mahana Taniora



Saltbush
Saltbush is an immersive and interactive journey through Australia's First Nations culture.

DANCE
Choreographed by Deon Hastie (Australia/ Tjapukai)



The Little Nests Workshop
Help us design a new immersive installation

WORKSHOP
Artists Steph O'Hara & Katrina Gaskell



The Scientwits: The Wrong Experiments
Join The Scientwits in the science lab for... The Wrong Experiments stage show!

COMEDY



Threads
Threads is a way to connect. A live theatrical experience for children 7 to 12 years and their adult

PHYSICAL THE-
Presented by The Ball Room Projects and ArtPlay



Whodunnit? The Great Art Robbery!
Everyone is a suspect in this interactive mystery game for kids 8-12

DIGITAL
Written by Mollie Molumby



YUMMY: KIDS CIRCUS WORKSHOP
YUMMY is offering an intro to circus workshop for kids aged 8 to 12 to go along with the show!

CIRCUS



YUMMY: THE KIDS EXTRAVAGANZA
A fun and fabulous circus cabaret for kids and their grown ups!

CIRCUS
Presented by YUMMY Productions



SALTBUSH - PHOTO BY TIFFANY GARVIE

MUSIC



A Knight at the Movies
A musical epic through your favourite movie hits, from fantasy realms to outer space.

CLASSICAL
Produced by Harmony Sounds



Angellis Taliuu: Duotheism
A 'Dark Sound Bath' that is equal parts meditative and unnerving.

EXPERIMENTAL
Created and Performed by Angellis Taliuu



Aurora Lumina
Brilliant new music with improvisation and echoes of the Middle East.

JAZZ
Composers Jenny Game



Brian KM Live!
An electrified exploration of a classical musician's foray into a world of technology in music

CLASSICAL
Created and Performed by Brian KM



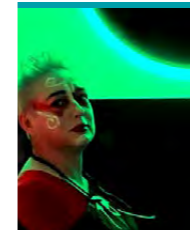
Clan Analogue presents MicroVirtuosity
Experience electronic music virtuosity with micro-instrument performances and an open jam session.

IMPROV
Presented by Clan Analogue



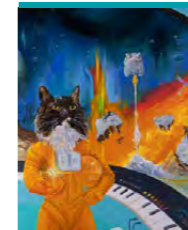
Clan Analogue presents RockNo
Techno, electronic rock and oversquelched 303s from the legendary Clan Analogue.

DANCE
Presented by Clan Analogue



Ethereal Experience with Madam Nightingale
An ethereal, intimate, theatrical experience set to transcendent synthpop examines the modern world.

EXPERIMENTAL
Created and Performed by Madam Nightingale



Gina The Synth Cat
This is a story of courage and determination when all hope is lost.

STORYTELLING
Written and Produced by Luke Million



GREEN
Voice and harp – bliss!

ACOUSTIC
Curated by Nadia Pieve and Jacinta Dennett



HELLSONG: A Black Mass with Dane Blacklock & the Preacher's Daughter
A Satanic Black Mass: Musical Sermon, Cabaret, Rock Opera.

CABARET
Artist Dane Blacklock & the Preacher's Daughter



Jude Perl Live Stream in Person (Live!)
A live gig with a live chat where you can request songs to Jude (live!)

COMEDY
Performed by Jude Perl



Junk Store Records
A playful journey through the forgotten records of Melbourne.

DIGITAL
Created and Performed by Boyd Kelly



Learn To Live Again (Album Launch)
Join Joshua Batten on a musical journey, navigating the COVID-19 pandemic through neurodiversity

STORYTELLING Written and Performed by Joshua Batten



Manta Milmilpa (Sacred Ground)
Robert K. Champion and an ensemble of musicians shed light on the nation's truth with song and story

STORYTELLING Created and Performed by Robert K. Champion



Minyerra
Neil Morris aka DRMGNOW presents a reimagining of stellar works

EXPERIMENTAL Performed by Neil Morris (AKA DRMGNOW)



Moonteeth Visualised
Experience poetry you can dance to, whilst watching Moonteeth's songs visualised through paintings.

DANCE Performed by Moonteeth: Annie Fox, Rosie Excess and Tom Thomas



ReUNITE
Worlds ReUNITE as we merge the process of ceremony and ritual with Dancehall, Afrobeats and Hip Hop.

WORLD Presented by Jungle City projects



RUN A MUCK
RUN A MUCK is an out of this world hip-hop show with artists of various backgrounds and cultures.

HIP HOP Presented by Ridzyray



Seamen! The Sea Shanty Spectacular
Melbourne's multi-award winning cult choir sea shanty sensation sail again.

FOLK Presented by The Shanties Choir & C J Stewart Productions



Shani Weiss
An acoustic storytelling journey through song and music, exploring love and inspiration.

ACOUSTIC



Smash It Up
An intoxicating and exciting mix up adventure of your favourite tunes...

POP Produced by Kara Ciezki, Christopher Wiseman and Julie Sharpe



Timbre
A multi-sensory piano and light installation expressed through timber

IMPROV Produced by Darcy Shilton



Town Choir
Words are written and sung at fibre optic speed. We invite you to listen.

STORYTELLING Created by Theatre Replacement

SOCIAL EVENTS & PARTIES



CLUB FRINGE: 3 Minutes to Save the World

Melbourne's best boundary-pushing performance makers deliver bite-sized acts to save the world
Leah Shelton, A Good Catch, Liminal Treats, Margot Morales, GODZ, Miss Cairo, Betty Apple, HELLMOUTH22, Merinda Dias-Jayasinha, and DJs greg's furniture and Soda!

EXPERIMENTAL



CLUB FRINGE: Awards Ceremony & Closing Night Party

Everyone's a winner, baby.

COMMUNITY



CLUB FRINGE: Backwoods Barbie

Little Ones Theatre present a celebration of legendary queer icon Dolly Parton.

CABARET Presented by Little Ones Theatre



CLUB FRINGE: DisGraceland

A queer fever dream of Rock N Roll brought to you by The Huxleys

LIVE ART Produced by The Huxleys



CLUB FRINGE: DragFest5000

Move over RuPaul, there's a new drag race in town.

DRAG Hosted by Dazza and Keif



CLUB FRINGE: Fringe as Fk**

Rehearsing is a construct, let's get Fringe as F**K.

CABARET Hosted by Tash York



CLUB FRINGE: Fringe Rock Eisteddfod 1982-2022

Rally the crew and relive the glory days.

COMMUNITY Hosted by Lou Wall



CLUB FRINGE: Klub Kong

From TV to Trades Hall, Kween Kong takes over Club Fringe for a night of 90s excellence!

DRAG Hosted by Kween Kong



CLUB FRINGE: Mr McClelland's Finishing School Semi Formal

It's time to feel 17 again

PARTY Hosted by Mr McClelland



CLUB FRINGE: Mr McClelland's Parade Afterparty

Be (and be seen) at the official Parade kick ons

PARTY Hosted by Mr McClelland



Fringe Parade & Lygon St Block Party

Calling all crusaders for creativity: let's march for the arts.

COMMUNITY Presented by Melbourne Fringe



Future/History Runway

The future of fashion can only exist if we look to our past

LIVE ART Created and Directed by Mob In Fashion



GRUMBLISM
A pleasure seeking party and performance art-ing poesis

Curated and Produced by
Betty Grumble



Loafaoke
A shared karaoke (aka singalong) experience to Meatloaf classics! With fabulous and hilarious hosts.

Performed by
Lucy Best and Nicky Barry



Melbourne Fringe Opening Night Gala
It's our 40th birthday party, and everyone's invited.

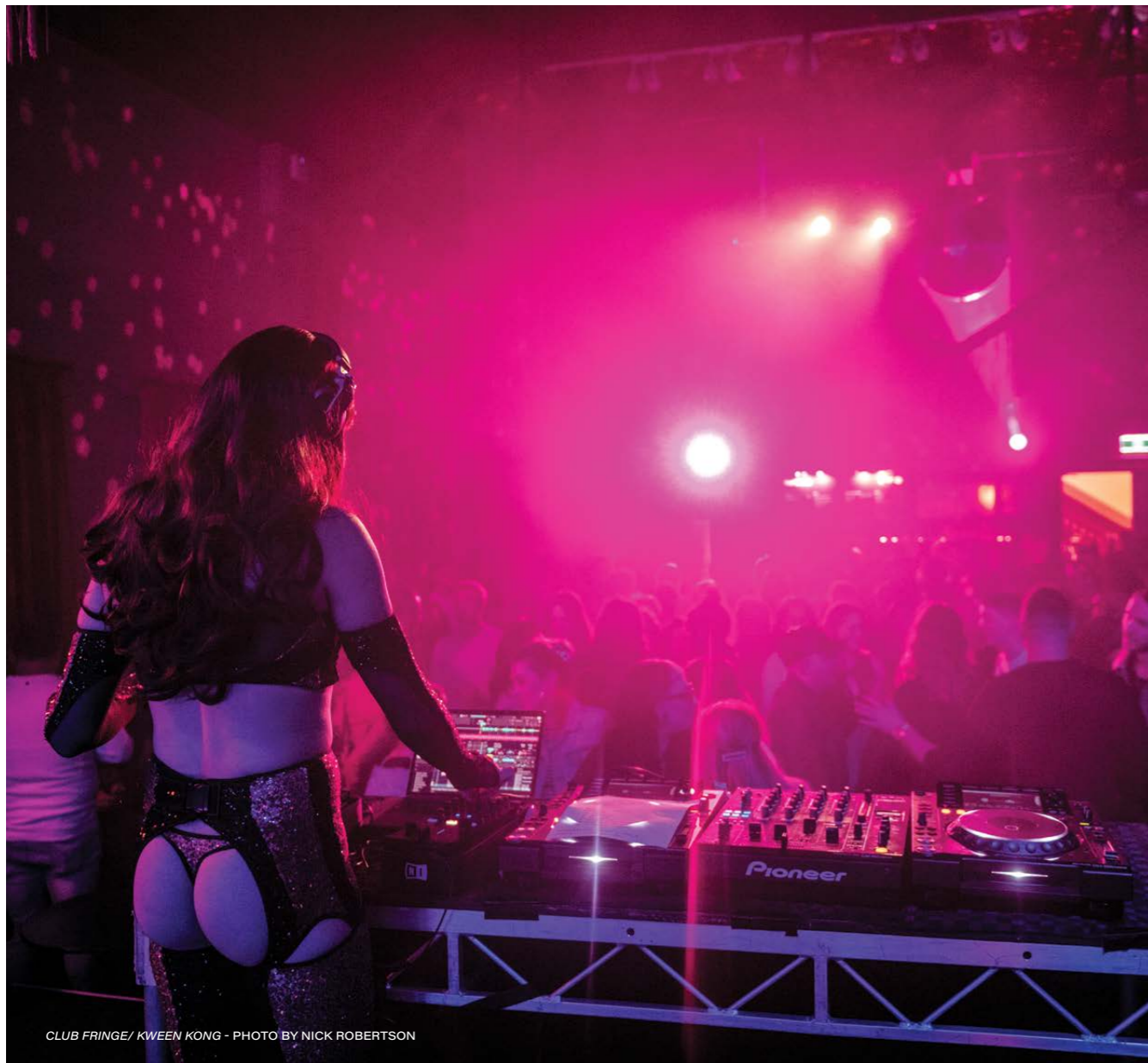
Presented by
Melbourne Fringe



The Coming Back Out Social
A special afternoon social event celebrating older LGBTQ+ people


Presented by
All The Queens Men

COMMUNITY



CLUB FRINGE/ KWEEN KONG - PHOTO BY NICK ROBERTSON

THEATRE



A few things that happened on the way to now
Being loved? Sounds fucking terrifying.

Written and Performed by
Sophie McCrae

NEW WRITING



A Hundred Words For Snow by Tatty Hennessy
"This is a brilliant presentation of a brilliant play" - Theatre Red

Directed by
Gavin Roach


STORYTELLING



A Little Drape of Heaven
Immersive audio-play to enjoy at your wardrobe!

Curated by
C ARTS | International independent arts programme

IMMERSIVE



a moment to love
A comedically sad anxiety trip about love.

Written and Directed by
Olive Weeks

NEW WRITING



A Play About Ivy, that is really About June
A Coming of Age that interrogates the perimeters of friendship as we know it; a Debut by Olive Weeks

Written and Directed by
Olive Weeks

DRAMA



AFTERPLAY
A chance encounter, tender and humorous, between characters from two of Chekhov's best loved plays.

Written by
Brian Friel

CONTEMPORARY



Alison Goes to ALDI for Her Aunt
A surreal new play spiked with horror, humour, and a range of deals on discount groceries

Written and Directed by
Fred Pryce


NEW WRITING



All That Fall by Samuel Beckett
Imagine a world in which laughter is a triumph over absurdity.

Directed by
Melanie Beddie


DRAMA



AL'USRA
Family is more than just a word.

Performed by
Benji Wragg, Dia Taylor & Lauren Huggard

VERBATIM



An Unknown Song
A playwright suffers writer's block, heads to the beach and meets Daniel, a handsome younger guy.

Written by
Kevin McGreal

NEW WRITING



Anne Bayne of Duddingston Loch
Explore what love was like in early 18th century Edinburgh from this award-winning writer.

Written and Performed by
Lita Doolan

RADIO PLAY



Another F*#king Press Conference
A crisis, a cardboard cutout, and an enormous ego all star in this fast-paced political satire.

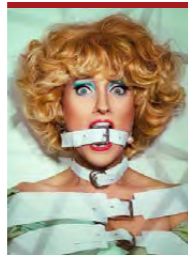
Presented by
Highway 1 Theatre Company

COMEDY




BABECITY Hotline
A raucous and heartfelt theatrical romp following a team of employees at the BABECITY sex hotline.

COMEDY Directed by Georgia Kate Bell



Batsh*t
A horror show of guttural physicality, Freudian lip-sync, pseudo-hypnosis, and Prozac-laden humour.

EXPERIMENTAL Created and Performed by Leah Shelton



Beige Bitch
Unleash your mediocrity

COMEDY Written and Performed by Emily Carr



Gayatri: The Royal Queen Consort of the Majapahit Kingdom
Epic new Indonesian opera, based on 13th century Javanese manuscript Nagarakertagama.

OPERA Curated by C ARTS | International independent arts programme



GIANT
How does life change when everything gets smaller, small, sma, s?

CONTEMPORARY Presented by Sir Zelman Cowen School of Music and Performance and Monash University



Grand Theft Theatre
A criminal re/creation of the performances which changed us.

EXPERIMENTAL Created by Pony Cam & David Williams



Boys Being Boys: Toxic masculinity by another name
A one person play unmasking the toxic masculinity that infiltrates our adolescent and adult lives

STORYTELLING Performed by Niranjanan Sriganeshwaran



Brawl Along The Watchtower
Two bumbling castle guards fight to survive to the end of their own play.

COMEDY Presented by Babble Productions



Brothers
A rollercoaster, heart-wrenching, laugh out loud play.

DRAMA Written by Kerry Drumm



Grass
An emerging duo's wicked take on the cosy murder mystery.

COMEDY Presented by The Butterfly Club




Grief Lightning: A Satire in 78 Slides
If 'Grease' is nothing more than a coma fantasy, is Sandy's narrative the best we can hope for?

SATIRE Written and Performed by Mary Angley




HAML3T
A radical, anti-Shakespeare rewrite of the ultimate tragedy

NEW WRITING Written and Directed by Laura Charlton and Sabina Donato



CANARY
Why am I just standing here? Should I say something?

NEW WRITING Written and Performed by Isabella Perversi



CASANOVA: More than just a lover.
This play is based on the memoirs of the legendary lover Giacomo Casanova and his love for songs.

SPOKEN WORD Written and Performed by Loucas Loizou



DARLING BOY
A hilarious and heartbreaki coming-of-age comedy drama about connection an loneliness.

COMEDY Written and Performed by Rupert Bevan



Heather by Thomas Eccleshare
The twists come thick and fast in a show about identity, performance and authorship.

DRAMA Directed by Gavin Roach




Hedda GablerGabler-Gabler
Ibsen's Hedda Gabler, transformed into a three-way live art endurance sport.

ADAPTATION Performed by Caitlín O'Loughlin, Emma Jevons, and Sarah-Jayde Tracey



Hostage
6 women, 3 secrets and an office romance nobody knew about. How much SHOULD you tell your friends?

COMEDY Written by Cerise de Gelder



Dear Donald / Dear Hillary (Their Secret Correspondence)
What if Donald Trump and Hilary Clinton had been pen-pals since primary school?

SATIRE Curated by C ARTS | International independent arts programme



Disco Pigs by Enda Walsh
Pig & Runt speak in their own language, play by their own rules, and create a world for themselves.

DRAMA Directed by Gavin Roach



Django in Pain
An uplifting puppet show about depression.

PUPPETRY Presented by PlayCo & Por Piedad Teatro



How Long is a Piece of String?
A physical, interactive theatre piece exploring how we understand and interact with distance.

PHYSICAL THE- Directed by Keir Aitken



How To Be A Person When The World Is Ending
A contemporary analysis of how it feels to be alive; through love, grief, sex, and the Apocalypse.

COMEDY Written by Mylanwy Hocking




HYSTERICA
Hysterica – a celebration of women we've never heard of but absolutely should have...

DRAMA Written by Megan J Riedl, Christine Davey, Christine Croyden and Duncan Esler




Doghouse
A queer farce that takes place in the darkened bathroom of a grimy Melbourne nightclub.

ABSURDIST Written by Sidonie Bird de la Coeur



Donor
What are you willing to give?

COMEDY Written and Performed by Julia Grace



Fierce-Gentle
A spoken word and music fusion by Fleassy Malay an The Blurred Lines.

SPOKEN WORD Created and Performed by Fleassy Malay



I Once Was A Tree
Memory, relationships and love, with puppetry and song.

PUPPETRY Created and Performed by Bonkel Theatre



I Would Die For You (Just Not Yet)
A vampiric black comedy celebrating the strangeness of life, death and all those moments in between.

NEW WRITING Created and Performed by Freya Patience



If We Got Some More Cocaine I Could Show You How I Love You by John O'Donovan
A raucous and unlikely romantic drama... twenty feet up.

DRAMA Directed by Christian Cavallo



Fifi's Fifth!
A unique comedy with a dark balloon twist.

IMMERSIVE Written and Directed by Malith



Flat White: A Cyberpunk Dystopia in Melbourne, or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Housing Crisis
An improvised heist in the distant cyberpunk future

COMEDY Created and Directed by William Rotor



Foreign Body
After years of trying to blend in as a foreigner in Australia it's finally time to stand out

COMEDY Created and Performed by Candice D'Arcy



Ignis
Anthropocene Play Company brings a fiery new play to life at Toorak Manor Hotel.

SITE SPECIFIC Presented by Anthropocene Play Company



In the house of the sun
You've heard the story. And it's true... most of it.

NEW WRITING Written by Rebecca Perich



It's Not the End of the World
A tale of heartbreak and the apocalypse.

NEW WRITING Written and Directed by Blake Everett




I'm Just Saying
Take a journey through adulting with Cecelia.

NEW WRITING
Curated by
CARTS | International independent arts programme



Jan Pedinski: Barely Live
An Elderly woman with no filter and nothing to lose bares all for an hour.

COMEDY
Written and Performed by
Alexander Dymalovski



Janet's Vagrant Love
A story about love, loss and raising Blak men.

CABARET
Written and Performed by
Elaine Crombie



Oh Yuck, It's Me
A self portrait of myself, the artist, by me, the artist.

COMEDY
Created and Performed by
Jessie Ngaio



On The Rise
Watch a revolution transpire in a city on the brink of collapse in this new work of musical theatre.

MUSICAL THE-
Written by
Oscar Jenkin & Julian Smith-Gard



Once More With Failing
A live true-crime podcast, laughing in the face of death, examining the origins of terror.

STORYTELLING
Written and Performed by
David Fowles



Jolene: Bitch On The Run
We're all runnin' from something. Some of us are just doing it in blood-spattered stripper boots.

CABARET
Performed by
Jackson Rouse



Juleo and Romiet
A uniquely eastern expression of 'Romeo and Juliet'.

COMEDY
Directed by
Fini Liu



Kassandra
A stand up tragedy in broken English!

COMEDY



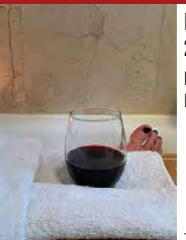
PASH
A monologue about the sweaty-palmed terror, joy, and slimmness of a first kiss.

COMEDY
Written and Performed by
Olivia McLeod



Pillow Fight
An exhilarating deep dive into the complexity of consent.

NEW WRITING
Written by
Laura Lethlean




Play... In Your Bathtub 2.0
Immersive audio-play to listen in your bathtub!

IMMERSIVE
Curated by
CARTS | International independent arts programme




Last Time
After discovering they live in the same city again, Jesse texts her ex, Lucas.

NEW WRITING
Written and Directed by
Lily Hensby



Lies We Tell Ourselves to Sleep at Night
Part twisted bedtime story, part queer theatre, part stand-up comedy, part mixology masterclass

COMEDY
Created and Performed by
Margot Rosa




Long Drive Together by Neptune Henriksen
Two friends. Fifteen years. One road trip.

NEW WRITING
Written and Directed by
Neptune Henriksen



POLES: The Science of Magnetic Attraction
POLES is a new dark comedy about stripping, loneliness, and the stigma of monetising your body.

COMEDY
Written and Performed by
Amelia Pitcher



PORTAL
Performers with disability diving aerially through interactive audio-visual portals of life!

DEvised
Performed by
FUZensemble



Relate
Exploring difficult relationships through dance, circus arts & spoken word.

CIRCUS
Written and Produced by
Fresh Creative Entertainment



Mastress of Ceremonies
A show about love, regret, cake and public speaking

COMEDY
Written and Performed by
Heather Valentine



Memoir of a Tired Carer
Critically Acclaimed work about aged care finally makes its way to the stage.

STORYTELLING
Written and Performed by
Oliver Bailey



MISSING MARISA
A one-act play written by John Patrick Shanley, in which people talk their hearts and their minds.

DRAMA
Performed by
Barnabe Brokensha & Tom Aston



Resistible
Bad news has never looked so good.

MUSICAL THE-
Created and Performed by
Abigail Banister-Jones



Rise & Fall
A personal meditation on grief and loss

MUSIC
Dramaturg
Peta Murray




Rolling!
Puppets, comedy & toe-tapping songs combine in this over-the-top tale about a bicycle theft.

PUPPETRY
Created and Performed by
Bonikel Theatre



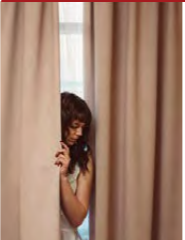
Mor(t)ality
Two strangers wake up in a room with a gun

ABSURDIST
Written and Directed by
Alexander Dymalovski



Naomi
A true story about love, family and mental illness. Winner of 2 major awards at Adelaide Fringe 2022

DRAMA
Created and Performed by
Patrick Livesey



Never Said Motel
What are the words you wanted to say, but didn't?

STORYTELLING
Written and Performed by
Tamzen Hayes



Rudy & Cuthbert Too
Welcome to a party hosted by two of the most inexperienced party hosts to have ever hosted a party.

COMEDY
Presented by
Rudy & Cuthbert



Shattered
A fast-paced, comedic and heartbreakingly raw solo show told through the voices of 35 characters.

DRAMA
Curated by
CARTS | International independent arts programme



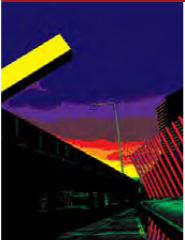
Shut Up I'm a Vampire
From the genre-bending mind behind JSMR comes a new show that'll stake ya right in the heart.

NEW WRITING
Written and Performed by
Jessica Stanley



Noir Unscripted
Sex, lies, love and murder... all in a day's work.

COMEDY
Presented by
Melbourne Unscripted



Notes from the Moonee Ponds Canal
Step behind the desk of a Melbourne revolutionary in this absurd new satire.

ABSURDIST
Created by
Fred Pryce



Nu-Disco!
A tribute to the revelation, merriment and shadows selves that emerge in the depths of da klub...

NEW WRITING
Created and Performed by
Ellen Marning



SIRENS
A queer coming of age story from some of Melbourne's most acclaimed emerging artists.

CONTEMPORARY
Artists
Benjamin Nichol, Izabella Yena, Liv Satchell, Connor Ross, Harrie Hogan, Julian Dibley-Hall




SLUTNIK™
A queer glitter bomb of an event where men are from mars and women are eating them.

SCI-FI
Written by
Flick



Son Of A
A poetic exploration of masculinity, family and sitting at the head of the table.

DRAG
Artist
Chiara Gabrieli



TAAP
Follow the Middle Path.

DRAMA Performed by Rakshya Thapa



TattleTales
Immersive tarot card storytelling

IMMERSIVE Presented by Ponydog Productions




Teeth and Tonic
A dark comedy about friendship, empowerment and smashing the patriarchy.

NEW WRITING Written and Performed by Megan Scolyer-Gray



Willy's Lil Virgin Queen
Poignant comedy on discovering love, overcoming tragedy, and finding your voice through Shakespeare.

ADAPTATION Curated by C ARTS | International independent arts programme




winona
An intensely personal and powerful exploration into concepts of queerness and mental illness.

EXPERIMENTAL Created and Performed by Ebony Rattle and Joseph Robinson




YOU'RE ALL INVITED TO MY SON SAMUEL'S FOURTH BIRTHDAY PARTY
A party. A fourth birthday party. A truly wonderful and lovely fourth birthday party.

EXPERIMENTAL Written and Performed by Mary Angley



Thank You To All My Voyeurs
A digital exploration, wandering through the lives of others online.

DIGITAL Presented by Tempest Theatre Co




The Beep Test by Neylon & Peele
Hearts will be broken, friendships destroyed, and someone may sh*t themselves!

MUSICAL THE- Directed and Created by Jackson Peele & Conor Neylon



The Cocoon
Fall in love with love at Melbourne Fringe Festival.

DRAMA



The Dream Room
A brand new musical about coronavirus

MUSICAL THE- Created and Performed by Rachel Naparstek



The Fly
Experience multidisciplinary storytelling at its best.

PHYSICAL THE- Written and Directed by Luca Romani



The Greatest Show In The Universe
The Greatest Show in the Universe is coming to Earth!

CIRCUS Produced by Joe Blanck and Richard Mueck



The Magic Play-Making Machine
Come on a journey of imagination and discovery, and the Magic of Theatre!

DEvised Created and Performed by Marley Baldwin, Eve Johnson and Lillah Summers Dixon



The Shy Manifesto by Michael Ross
You too can be proud to be shy.

STORYTELLING Directed by Gavin Roach




The Whisper
A 'tip off' that sparks a journey of Indigenous family survival.

NEW WRITING Written by Brodie Murray



The Woman Who Cooked Her Husband
"The way to a man's heart is through his stomach" takes on new meaning in this black comedy.

COMEDY Written by Debbie Isitt



The Year of Our Lord
Strong Economy, Strong Kindom.

NEW WRITING Presented by Plain English Theatre Company



This Is Living by Liam Borrett
Alice is cold, she's tired, and Michael won't stop telling her that she died twelve hours ago.

DRAMA Directed by Gavin Roach



This Is Where We Live
A darkly comic play about two isolated teenagers, resilience, love and family.

DRAMA Produced by Feet First Collective



Tree Confessions
Site-specific solo audio play told entirely from the point of view of a tree.

SITE SPECIFIC Curated by C ARTS | International independent arts programme



We All Die In The End
We All Die In The End is a dark comedy where four strangers have to face the end of the world.

COMEDY Performed by Luka Gracie, Joel Harris, Olsin O'Leary and Monique Solnordal




VISUAL ARTS & FILM



'A Rainbow of Tomorrows' Exhibition
A group exhibition exploring Blak queer futurism

EXHIBITION

Curated by
Stone Motherless Cold



'A Rainbow of Tomorrows' Life Drawing
Encapsulate the figures of posing Blak queer icons

PARTICIPATORY

Curated by
Stone Motherless Cold



All The Seasons
A photographic journey through the festival seasons Jacinta Oaten has captured across their career.


PHOTOGRAPHY



Art : Can : Spray
A celebration of street art and the spray cans artists use to produce their work.

STREET ART

Presented by
Pasteup, Authentic Australian Street Art



Back to Back on Screen
The Back to Back Theatre ensemble and guest artists present 30 years of community filmmaking

FEATURE FILM

Created by
Back to Back Theatre



CHAOS
Everything on the land is reflected in the sky.

PROJECTION ART

Written and Directed by
Irene Holub



Design Fringe
36 Years of Fringe Furniture, art and design: reimagined.

DESIGN


Presented by
Melbourne Fringe and Linden New Art



Design Fringe: Tactile Tour
Get up close and personal with some of the most extraordinary objects on display at Design Fringe.

TOUR


Presented by
Melbourne Fringe



DisGraceland: the Exhibition
Two queer alien Elvis's hit the road in this lurid visual art exhibition created by The Huxleys.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Created by
The Huxleys



EXTREMES: Visual Discourse #11
LEAVES OF TIME.

EXHIBITION

Curated by
Colleen Morris



FORWARD MOTION
Artists from Melbourne's West respond to a project brief aligned with Future Hindsight.

EXHIBITION

Curated and Produced by
Wunder Gym



Inner Journey
Come on a journey of inner discovery with these free video events.

IMMERSIVE


Presented by
Colin Mitchell



Layers of Blak
Powerful storytelling through exquisite contemporary jewellery.

EXHIBITION


Presented by
Koorie Heritage Trust



Layers of Blak: Blak Design Short Film Screening
Spotlight on First Nations creatives exploring jewellery and design showing why Blak design matters.

SHORT FILM

Presented by
Koorie Heritage Trust and Fed Square



Lyricism
A collection of drawings inspired by the emotional power of music..

EXHIBITION




Magic Miles The Face Painter
Wandering Face Painter Magic Miles will get you in the festive spirit with his mystical designs.

PAINTING



My Name is HE
A sneak peek of an independent Chinese female comedian's journey going to the UK for the first time.

DOCUMENTARY



nexus
Blak Dot is proud to present 'nexus' as part of this year's 40th Anniversary of Melbourne Fringe

EXHIBITION

Created by
wani toaishara



On The Move, The Place To Be
Is local the new global?

PUBLIC

Filed and Produced by
John Hipwell



Queer Hands
A showcase of Victoria's Deaf Queer history.

EXHIBITION

Produced by
The Rainbow Project at Expression Australia



RADIAL
Radial is a portrait of our community in motion

COMMUNITY


Created by
Back to Back Theatre



Resin Jewellery with Hollie Johnson and KHT
A resin making workshop with Gunaikurnai, Monero Ngarigo Artist Hollie Johnson

WORKSHOP


Led by
Hollie Johnson (Gunaikurnai, Monero Ngarigo)



Shroud of Remembrance
A short film capturing a collaborative embroidery project, about the safety of women in public.

PROJECTION ART

Created by
Larissa Linnell and Eva Abbinga



The Artistic Autistic Fashion Game
A celebration of divergency, diversity and authentic representations.

COMMUNITY


Artist
Louise Cooper



The Interlude
A group of young friends meet for an unnerving getaway in this experimental screen installation.

INSTALLATION


Written and Directed by
Holly Brindley



The Rest Is Up To You: Melbourne Fringe 1982 - 2062
40 years of our history (plus 40 imagined years still to come)

EXPERIMENTAL


Curated by
Melbourne Fringe Festival and State Library Victoria



THE ROAD
A 360 hybrid format that fuses the digital with animations & performance

HYBRID

Created and Performed by
Ulrika Malmgren, Katta Pålsson, Franco Veloz, Phylliswe Twijnstra, Fares Qadri



Thian ku yok (Hide and seek)
A ceramic and textiles exhibition across five Brimbank Libraries.

CERAMICS


Artists
Tereza Ayat and Yesterday's Creators



Toi Arahitanga - AR+guide
NativEye – an Augmented Reality and interactive experience of Indigenous values.

EXHIBITION

Artists
Regan Tamanui aka HA-HA



Virtues
A celebration of the 'good' by artist Sandra Tobias.

PAINTING


WORDS & IDEAS



'A Rainbow of Tomorrows' Blak Queer Futurism Panel
A panel discussion with some of our local Futurist thinkers.


PANEL

Curated by
Stone Motherless Cold



Backyard Stories
A hit Melbourne storytelling night. One topic, five storytellers, endless possibilities.

COMMUNITY



Design Fringe Keynote Talk & Industry Networking Night
Design The Future: Don't Waste Time

DESIGN

Presented by
Melbourne Fringe and Linden New Art



Design Fringe x MADA workshop - Empathy: Understanding Communication and Cognition
Monash Art, Design & Architecture presents this hands-on workshop as part of Design Fringe.

WORKSHOP

Presented by
Monash Art, Design & Architecture and Melbourne Fringe



Design Fringe x MADA workshop - Living in post-car Melbourne
Monash Art, Design & Architecture presents this hands-on workshop as part of Design Fringe.

WORKSHOP

Presented by
Monash Art, Design & Architecture, Melbourne Fringe and Linden New Art



Design Fringe x MADA workshop - Reimagining Digital Cities
Monash Art, Design & Architecture present this hands-on workshop as part of Design Fringe.

WORKSHOP


Presented by
Monash Art, Design & Architecture, Melbourne Fringe and Linden New Art



Design Fringe: First Nations Designer Panel
Hear from a panel of First Nation designers that have been commissioned as part of Design Fringe

DESIGN


Presented by
Melbourne Fringe & Linden New Art



Design Fringe: Meet the Designers
Hear from a series of Design Fringe participants in these artist led tours of the exhibition

TOUR

Presented by
Melbourne Fringe and Linden New Art



I Survived the Psych Ward Party
A celebration of people who have survived/are surviving the public psychiatric system.

DESIGN

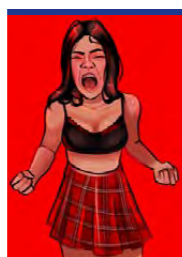
Presented by
Schizy Inc



love is the idea
love is the idea. embracing love in all of its forms. for the community.

PERFORMANCE


Performed by
Brendan Cameron



No I am not washing your dirty plate arts festival - Don't fkn touch my body!
Bringing artists together from around the world

SPOKEN WORD

Curated by
Koraly Dimitriadis



Pah! Deaf Storytelling Night
Settle in for a night of raw, passionate, accessible and inclusive storytelling and performance.

PERFORMANCE

Directed and Created by
Sam Martin



Periscope – view our world through the eyes of others
A diverse group of people with disability share their perspectives and showcase their works.

COMMUNITY

Editor
Guy Brown



Radical Access: Provocation for Change
Listen, learn and unite in a joint commitment to Cultural Equity

COMMUNITY



Shapeshifting
An afternoon of trans jubilation.

COMMUNITY

Produced by
Spilling the T Collective



Strange Bedfellows: First Nations Fashion vs Inclusive Architecture
Pairing two unlikely topics of design conversation in a lively tag-team discussion

TALKS

Presented by
Melbourne Fringe and Linden New Art



Stripped Queer
An evening of readings showcasing queer artists reading original works, completely naked.

PERFORMANCE

Produced by
Frankie van Kan



The Dance of The All and The Nothing
A celebration of humankind's vastness and frailty -through poetic sound and imagery.

SPOKEN WORD

Performed by
John C H Perry



The Rest Is Up To You: An unforgivably brief history of Melbourne Fringe with Dr Rob
Dr Rob takes the audience on a whirlwind dramatic tour of the history of Melbourne Fringe Festival.


COMEDY

Performed by
Dr Rob Reid



The Rest Is Up To You: Deadly Fringe Artists in Conversation
Hear from some of this year's First Nations commissions and their creative processes.


PANEL



The Rest Is Up To You: Eryn-Jean Norvill and the Future of the Arts
Let's talk about the future of art.


TALKS

Presented by
Melbourne Fringe and the State Library of Victoria



The Rest Is Up To You: Meet the curators
Join Simon Abrahams and Kate Rhodes for a curatorial tour of The Rest Is Up To You.

TOUR



The Tree of Growing Beliefs
A celebration of changing minds.

INSTALLATION


Created by
Rosa Zwiwer



The Week on Wednesday LIVE
The Week on Wednesday with Van Badham & Ben Davison LIVE podcast!

PODCAST

Presented by
Van Badham and Ben Davison



Trades Hall Tours
A rare chance to explore unique spaces and hear tales of this building's rich history.

TOUR



(Un)marginalised Season 2 Launch
A live recording of the raw intersectionality podcast, featuring an interview with Carly Findlay.

PODCAST

Written and Produced by
Liel K. Bridgford



Yalinguth Live
Immerse yourself in Aboriginal Fitzroy on this storytelling and musical tour of Gertrude Street.

STORYTELLING

Directed by
Jason Tamiru

MELBOURNE
FRINGE
GROUNDS

COMMON ROOMS

CABARET



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 28 Jul 7:00PM, Fri 29 Jul 7:00PM
(120 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$45

ABSOLUTE RIOT

It's CABARET, it's VAUDEVILLE, it's COMEDY, it's BURLESQUE, it's SO WRONG it's RIOT.

Multi-award winning showgirl, Miss Friby is bringing her unique brand of highly physical comedy cabaret to the iconic Fringe Common Rooms! In a tornado of hilarious showmanship, this bold showgirl will attempt to make you feel absolutely fine about every single sh*tty thing in your life, the world, and the universe. Performing as though her life depends on it (debatable) Miss Friby's sultry vocals, wicked humour, absurd anecdotes, quick change illusions and modern-jazz-ballet-pilates-quick-change-magic are an Absolute Riot. Joined by wise cracking pianist and stage mastermind, Simone Mcgennissen, this is a double act that is sure to charm the pants off you, especially if they're in their size.1 Australia's Got Talent Finalist (2013)

Green Room Award Nominee (2012 / 2015)

Fields Award Nominee 'Contribution to Australian Vaudeville' (2015)

PRESENTED BY
Miss Friby

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 6 Aug 9:00PM
(270 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$15

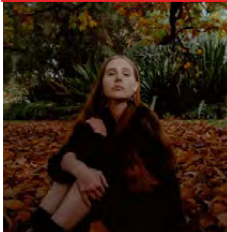
AUNTY

A fierce and fabulous First Nations, queer party!

Hosted by BEAT ENTERTAINMENT & RECK NING SOUNDS team, AUNTY is a celebration of Music, Black Women, Queer Icons, Indigenous Royalty and everything FABULOUS in between. The anthems that define ballroom culture are more than just old club hits, they also glorify the spirit of queerness and femininity; flipping words like "cunt" and "pussy" from put-downs into the highest praise. This unforgettable night celebrating our Blak Queens will feature a high-camp cocktail of artists, DJs, pop-up performances, impromptu voguing and delectable drink specials. AUNTY will be hosted by AUNTYS themselves 2Joocee & Samuel Gaskin and feature QTPOC royalty Miss Katalyna & DJ Hip Hop Hoe on the decks, plus LION performing BITCH I'm BLACK live. AUNTY wants you to be the ferocious QUEEN you are and step out onto that dancefloor like you are the love child of Beyoncé & Lizzo. Dress to impress in a look that taps into your most opulent and Indigenous tastes (you might even win a prize)! #Yasss #AuntyDoor sales \$20 if not sold-out. In association with Beat Entertainment, RECK NING SOUNDS is Melbourne's leading LGBTIQ & BIPOC entertainment group renowned for their original concepts and deep heart.

PRESENTED BY
BEAT ENTERTAINMENT and Melbourne Fringe

MUSIC



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 18 Aug 7:30PM
(240 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$18

Bec Sykes 'At Least' Single Launch

Bec Sykes will be joined by a full band to celebrate her new single 'At Least'

From the outer suburbs of Melbourne/Naarm, dream folk songwriter Bec Sykes has been deftly carving her own melody into the Australian music landscape with her striking voice, songwriting, and success. Bec will be joined by a full band and special guests Sannie and Patrick Lionel at Fringe Common Rooms to celebrate the release of her new single 'At Least'. The track is a bitter-sweet ode to emotional validation, taking aim at toxic positivity and the societal expectations to maintain a positive mindset amidst moments of darkness. Bec's music is a powerful exploration of melody and use of voice as an instrument. Describing the goal of her songwriting Bec states that "I aim to sing to things I'm afraid to say". Sonically this culminates in ethereal and atmospheric indie-folk pop punctuated by moments of catharsis. In the past two years, Bec has won Pieater's "Pie School" competition and the Josh Pyke Partnership. She was also named a Triple Uearthed Feature Artist and her music has been added to rotation on Triple J and Double J. Set Times:

Doors - 7.30pm
Patrick Lionel - 8.00pm
Sannia - 8.40pm
Bec Sykes + band: 9.35 - 10.30pm

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 25 Jun 9:00PM, Sat 27 Aug 9:00PM
(360 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$35

Blankø Pøp

A Neon Caba-rave

A neon caba-rave extravaganza, Blankø Pøp is the welcoming and unhinged party of your dreams feat. Sexy af house music and wildly interactive performance art. Bringing all things rave, circus and cabaret to the Fringe Common Rooms, Blankø Pøp will be presenting a diverse line-up of performer pals to delight and wonder with their radical self-expression and contagious sexuality immersed and integrated into deejay sets from Australia's best queer deejays.

PRESENTED BY
Scratch Arts

CABARET



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Fri 13 May 8:30PM
(150 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$35

BLUNDERLAND

The subversive breakout of the international cabaret and circus circuit!

BLUNDERLAND is back at Fringe Common Rooms with a strong dose of the stuff we've been all been craving: some outrageous nightlife naughtiness and club-kid antics, suffused with a heady dose of arthouse-weird. Born out of the New York underground queer nightlife scene over a decade ago, this show is titillating packed crowds enthralled with its uniquely whimsical and ridiculous performance combinations. BLUNDERLAND has partied in NYC, New Orleans, London and San Francisco. What should you expect? A selection of our favourite performers with special art direction and collaboration from our international sister shows for an evening of drag, burlesque, and circus you won't forget! Doors: 8.30pm for a 9pm start. Stick around after the show and party at CLUB BLUNDERLAND - Melbourne's hottest late-night hang-out club utopia is ready to make your evening a lot more fabulous. Your ticket for BLUNDERLAND the show includes entry to CLUB BLUNDERLAND. Skipping the show and just keen for the kickons? Tickets for CLUB BLUNDERLAND only (doors at 10.30pm) can be purchased HERE.

PRESENTED BY
Blunderland Variety

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Fri 13 May 10:30PM, Fri 24 Jun 9:00PM
(300 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$35

CLUB BLUNDERLAND

Melbourne's hottest late-night hang-out club utopia meets queer circus wonderland IS BACK!

Welcome to CLUB BLUNDERLAND! Are you ready to make your evening, more fabulous? Find endless desire, satisfaction, and disorientation on the dance floor. We've got DJ's spinning tunes that make you wanna wiggle, hot go-go dancers to set the mood. And shows from our resident wonder-making artists. Welcome to the fantasy. Crash into a stranger, find a dark corner and make a new friend of the best (or worst) variety. Get real, get cute and get down! Good gurls may go to heaven, but bad gurls go everywhere. So throw on your finest disco glam frock and lose yourself in the lights and madness at CLUB BLUNDERLAND. Leave all expectations at the door and prepare to be titillated. With shows from the best local burlesque, circus, cabaret, and queer scenes, Line-up includes (but not limited too):

Ms. Cairo
Bede Nash
Themme Fatale
Adam Malone
Chloe
Aif Alpha
Egson Ham
Nastia

THEATRE



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 2 Jul 1:30PM
(60 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$10, Conc \$6.50

Creating Matariki - The Experience

A collection of performances created by families inspired by the nine stars of Matariki

Creating Matariki - The Experience is a playful interactive event where you are invited to k roero and share time with our performers as we explore and CREATE MATARIKI.

This is a work in progress 'showing' of theatre, film, haka and waiata (songs) inspired by the stars of Matariki created by the T'HONI kapa haka community. Performances were developed across a single weekend at "Creating Matariki - The Journey", a noho w nanga where families stayed together and explored what Matariki means to them. Creating Matariki - The Journey and The Experience is facilitated by Cam T tokowaru Venn (Ng ruahine, Ng ti Ruanui, T' wharetoa) and Breanne Peters (Kai Tahu, Ng ti Ruanui, Bantu) of T'HONI Productions

WORDS & IDEAS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 19 Jul 4:00PM
(120 mins)

TICKETS
Free

Creative Access Workshop

We want Deaf and Disabled artists to join us in marking ambitious art

Unfortunately this event has been postponed. Ticket-holders have been notified. We will post details of the new session shortly. Combining mindfulness and exploration with Deaf and Disabled peers, this workshop explores authenticity and new ways to embed lived experience. Led by facilitator Pearl Blackk, this two-hour workshop is a gentle process in building collective trust to explore big questions about access in a playful, creative way. Fringe Common Rooms is wheelchair accessible and there will be a quiet room for people to retreat to. Auslan interpretation is available upon request. Please let us know if you would like to use this service for the event. Pearl Blackk's inclusive arts practice is based on the principle of establishing Deaf and Disabled alliance and advocacy through community, co-created artistic outcomes and lived experience. This workshop is part of Melbourne Fringe's Radical Access program, presented in partnership with Arts Access Victoria.

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 9 Jul 9:00PM
(360 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$35

Fanny Paq - A Queer Dance Party

A very, very Queer Dance Party

The folks at Fanny Paq are famous for some pretty epic, cute parties and the time has come to inhabit Fringe Common Rooms for a very special Fanny Paq party! Expect a night of dancing and mingling with the cutest, friendliest, most lovely queer gang. All facilitated by the best non-binary, butch and femme DJ's from Melbourne. Get in quick, tix will def sell out! Fancy a pre-party queer speed dating extravaganza? Get tickets for Fanny's Queer Speed Dating happening on Thursday 30th June at Fringe Common Room. Tickets and more info here.

CURATED BY
Fanny Paq Events

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 30 Jun 6:00PM
(240 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$45

Fanny's Queer Speed Dating

Cute queer meets! Come find mates or dates!

A queer speed dating extravaganza! An evening of fun and interesting speedy dates with cute AF activities for anyone who identifies as LGBTQIA+ . This event is open to all from Melbourne's queer communities and we ask that everyone come with an open mind and be respectful of each other's differing abilities, ages, sexualities and identities. There are no categories, this is ALL-in speed dating! There will be name tags that also include space to put your pronouns and any other info you want people to know about (like you're poly/bi/up for mates only or living with your parents or 45 cats...) Some people will be there for dates, others for mates, whatever you're after, you'll find it in a room full of lovely queer humans! Your tickets get you:

- A welcome drink (beer, wine, bubbles or soft drink)
- An evening of fun and interesting speedy dates
- Heaps of activities to keep you entertained including convo starters and a little craft! Fancy a Fanny's Queer party the following week? Fanny Paq - A Queer Dance Party happening 9pm til late at Fringe Common Rooms on Saturday 2nd July. Get your tickets here.

CURATED BY
Fanny Paq Events

MUSIC



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 2 Jun 6:30PM
(210 mins)

TICKETS
Free

Fresh Mint

A night celebrating music from Artists of Colour!

You will need:

- 3½ cups sugar
- 1 cup light corn syrup
- 1 cup water
- ¼ teaspoon peppermint oil

1 ticket to Fringe Common Rooms Fresh Mint For One Night Only, the Fringe Common Rooms presents Fresh Mint, a celebration of music and colour featuring Squid The Kid, JOTHI, Priscilla Stanley, and Jhm live in concert. Priscilla Stanley

Originally from Malaysia, Priscilla Stanley now calls Melbourne her home, blending carnatic singing, jazz, soul and R&B. Priscilla brings ethereal vibes to the stage, expanding the musical landscape to present a sound that is universal and fresh. Squid the Kid

Squid The Kid is solidifying his name as one of South East Melbourne's rising stars. Fresh off being named as a finalist for the 'Vans Musicians Wanted' competition, Squid The Kid rips through funky beats with slick flows, inspired by the sounds of Mac Miller and Anderson.Paak. Jhm

Singer-songwriter and producer Jessie Hillel takes on her alter ego as Jhm. Fresh off winning Federation Square's 'Fed Live' music competition and releasing her latest single 'Santorini' with Push Records, 2022 sees Jhm making her place known with a sound inspired by the likes of Tkay Maidza and Solange.

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 12 May 6:00PM
(180 mins)

TICKETS
Free

Fringe Fair

Get yourself rego ready!

Registrations for the 2022 Melbourne Fringe Festival will open on 9 May! To get your engines revved up for regos, we're throwing the first ever Fringe Fair for our artists and producers. Fringe Fair will bring together a bunch of Melbourne Fringe venues, artists, producers and staff for a mingle and a meet, as well as get the ball rolling on your 2022 Festival plans! If you're looking for the right venue, on the hunt for a producer or just wanting to chat Fringe, then you'll be able to catch some familiar faces and some new ones at this casual event. We'll be serving up some pizza and drinks will be discounted 40% all night so we can all celebrate the return of the Festival! Later in the night, a DJ will be spinning some tunes if you're down for a cheeky boogie. RSVPs essential. Let us know you're attending by RSVPing HERE

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 22 Feb 7:00PM, Thu 24 Feb 7:00PM, Sat 26 Feb 7:00PM, Tue 8 Mar 7:00PM, Thu 10 Mar 7:00PM, Sat 12 Mar 7:00PM
(55 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$22

FRINGE REBOUND: Angus Brown - Golden Delicious

Live! Laugh! Love! Drive a bus! Forget your child at a friends house!

Unfortunately this event will no longer proceed on Thursday 10th March or Saturday 12th March. Ticket holders have been notified. One time Angus was the bus driver for the Wu-Tang Clan, despite never having driven a bus before. Another time, Angus's dad tried to kidnap them, but in a funny way. Then there was the time the airport wiffl at Avalon airport shattered their perception of reality.

And all of this makes perfect sense when you see the show...

PERFORMED BY
Angus Brown

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 1 Mar 9:00PM, Thu 3 Mar 9:00PM, Sat 5 Mar 9:00PM
(50 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$24

FRINGE REBOUND: Being Frank

Imaan is Frank. Frank is Honest. Honesty is art. Art is a Farce. Come to my show

Jovial, charming, disarmingly honest and with a philosophical streak. With over a decade of performing and touring, Imaan is always ready to deliver with his disarmingly cheeky and honest comedy. An original, risk-taking and soul-searching comedian. Lucky for you the events of 2020 has compelled, obliged and even forced Imaan to stay put and finally showcase what's made him an internationally-renowned artist. Never heard of Imaan Hadchiti? Good. Now is the chance to blow off the cobwebs of lock-down and experience something new. A Vertically Challenged (little person) Lebanese-Australian queer adjacent comedian. "A total gem. Not only is his schtick and his outlook infectious and hilarious, but an hour with him is made poignant and exciting by his striking freshness, and his total honesty." Broadway Baby 2019

CREATED AND PERFORMED BY
Imaan Hadchiti

THEATRE



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 1 Mar 6:00PM, Wed 2 Mar 6:00PM, Thu 3 Mar 6:00PM, Fri 4 Mar 6:00PM, Sat 5 Mar 6:00PM
(40 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

FRINGE REBOUND: CANARY

"I don't know how she can have so much fun without me, when I can only be myself around her..."

Young, tough and worn down by a toxic workplace, this is a woman who doesn't fit in anywhere. Except for when she's with her sister. But things start to unravel when her sister falls in love and moves to Bayswater North with her boyfriend. When her rage can no longer be contained, who does she become? Following the success of 'What rhymes with orange?' and 'EMBER', Perversi is back with a gut-punching monologue; jam-packed with humour, heart and honesty. Theatre People (What rhymes with orange?) West End Best Friend (EMBER)

WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY
Isabella Perversi

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Wed 9 Mar 7:00PM, Fri 11 Mar 7:00PM, Sun 13 Mar 7:00PM
(50 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

FRINGE REBOUND: Daisy Webb - Debut

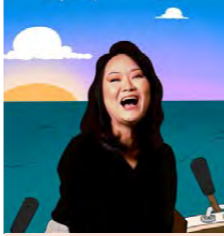
When you can't go anywhere, come out.

During the first big lockdown of 2020, Daisy came out as a transgender woman. This is her very first solo stand-up show, all about how awkward, silly, and fulfilling it is to find out who you are.

From having to tell her supportive but surprised parents, to navigating a job where she's undercover as a man, this show is a bit like Daisy's second puberty - timely, but a bit unpredictable.

PERFORMED BY
Daisy Webb

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 1 Mar 7:00PM, Thu 3 Mar 7:00PM, Sat 5 Mar 7:00PM
(40 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$24

FRINGE REBOUND: Fresh(ish) Off the Boat

Well Actually An Airplane

The zig-zag semi-autobiographical journey of a Chinese Chinese finding herself across different continents away from her home. This 40-minute stand-up comedy show is based on the performer's experience as an international student in the US and then many working abroad experiences and as a non-native English speaker trying to understand the different cultural norms and values between the world outside China and China. It is semi-autobiographical and self-exploring journey filled with jokes on family drama, romance and sex, language and culture explorations.

THEATRE



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Wed 23 Feb 7:00PM, Fri 25 Feb 7:00PM, Sun 27 Feb 7:00PM
(55 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$24

FRINGE REBOUND: Little Monster

The many faces and few delights of the inner demons we try to hide but can't ignore

WINNER - Best Work in Festival, 2021 Melbourne Fringe "Tuck yourself in and then turn out the light,

And let's take a good look at what isn't quite right/

Do you wake in cold sweats, or stew silent in doubt?

Pretend it's all good when it's gone up the spout?

Oh the lies we all tell, the facades we construct,

To hide that inside it's all really quite f*cked..." Written in the style of Dr Seuss, this wild tale of housemates, Hob Nobs and inner demons may sound like a kids' story, but listen closer. Because this is going to get dark. Very dark indeed.

CREATED AND PERFORMED BY
Telia Neville

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Wed 2 Mar 9:00PM, Fri 4 Mar 9:00PM, Sun 6 Mar 9:00PM
(50 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$22

FRINGE REBOUND: Ouch!

Ashley Apap has an invisible disability, which is hard for someone who loves attention.

For half of her life, Ashley Apap has plastered on a forced smile and pushed down her chronic pain - but not anymore. Through extreme openness, Ashley will listen to her gut to face her biggest fear, hopefully figuring out if there is something deeply wrong with her. Through this brain-fog fuelled combination of sketch, stand-up, storytelling and song, Ashley implements her special skill of oversharing to bring audiences a comfy reminder that we're all a little broken.

WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY
Ashley Apap

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 3 Mar 8:00PM, Sat 5 Mar 8:00PM, Sun 6 Mar 8:00PM
(55 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

FRINGE REBOUND: Josh Glanc: Preview/Trial/Sex/Buyer Beware Winner Best Comedy Adelaide Fringe Weekly Awards 2017 & 2018

This show was meant to be in September. Just think about that! Over the last two years Josh clocked up an impressive 293 days in lockdown - which is what happens when you spend 2020 in London and 2021 in Melbourne (the 3rd and 1st most locked-down cities in the world). To celebrate his return to the stage he's giving you a special sexy preview of his new show. It's going to be so sexy. Watch out.

CREATED AND PERFORMED BY
Josh Glanc

THEATRE



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Wed 9 Mar 8:00PM, Fri 11 Mar 8:00PM, Sun 13 Mar 8:00PM
(55 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$24

FRINGE REBOUND: MAD WOMAN

A dark comedy about an Irish expat's post-breakup rituals.

MAD WOMAN is a comedic one-person show exploring the world of the newly single Niamh. Notorious for making light of dark situations, Niamh navigates her own uncharted waters of online dating, therapy and life "Down Under". With her moderately unsuccessful spoon designing business, her liver of steel and blind audacity, we find Niamh travelling halfway across the globe from Ireland to Australia to embark on a post-breakup spree of dating, drinking and deep discussions with Uber drivers, Brazilian waxers and more. After the huge success of the filmed adaptation at the 2020 Fringe, MAD WOMAN makes its stage debut at Fringe Rebound 2022 with an expanded script and new characters. A seriocomic and fast paced piece of theatre about denial, heartbreak and independence.

WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY
Rosaleen Cox

EXPERIMENTAL



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 8 Mar 9:00PM, Thu 10 Mar 9:00PM, Sat 12 Mar 9:00PM
(50 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$30

FRINGE REBOUND: Sensory

An immersive Gothic pop-folk experience, engaging your senses to create connection without touch.

Part music, part immersive experience, part theatre, Lynn Jacob's one-woman show features original Gothic pop-folk songs performed on the ukulele, guitar, and piano. 'Sensory' is designed to engage your senses, to create connection without touch. Lynn's subtle, eerie, and powerful vocal quality takes you to intimate and uncharted places. Get lost in a warm darkness - maybe you are falling, maybe she will catch you. This project is amplified by Jewel Box Performances as part of the Jewel Box Grant.

CREATED AND PERFORMED BY
Lynn Jacob

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 22 Feb 9:00PM, Thu 24 Feb 9:00PM, Sat 26 Feb 9:00PM
(60 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

FRINGE REBOUND: Stay Home Stay (Japan Boy Stuck in Oz)

Japan's Quickest Comedy Export

Typical Japanese boy Takashi moved and stuck in Australia. 2020, COVID-19 destroyed his comedy life. But he had a girlfriend. She is Australian and originally from Perth. He decided to move to Perth with her just before national lockdown. That was very luckiest decision because Western Australia was one of the safest place in the world last year but in Perth he stayed at his girlfriends place with her parents. For 9 months. This show is about Japan boy lived with Aussie family together in Corona time. He had a wonderful and tough time. His girlfriend broke up with him (of course) but he still loves Australia. Big Bow.

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Wed 23 Feb 8:00PM, Fri 25 Feb 8:00PM, Sun 27 Feb 8:00PM, Thu 10 Mar 8:00PM, Sat 12 Mar 8:00PM
(55 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$25

FRINGE REBOUND: Teleport

An engineering presentation about the wonders of Teleportation technology.

Life is about the journey, not the destination. But in this presentation, two visionary engineers introduce a new technology that will eliminate the journey, so your life can finally be about the destination.

WRITTEN BY

Andy Matthews and Alasdair Tremblay-Birchall

CABARET



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Wed 2 Mar 7:00PM, Fri 4 Mar 7:00PM, Sun 6 Mar 7:00PM, Tue 8 Mar 6:00PM, Thu 10 Mar 6:00PM, Sat 12 Mar 6:00PM
(60 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$32

FRINGE REBOUND: The Chronic Cabaret

A Disability and Chronic Illness Burlesque and Cabaret Show

Putting a spotlight on disabled artists in cabaret! Showing a full cast of disabled and chronically ill performers all telling their stories through burlesque, circus, drag, song and more. From diagnosis to accepting help from mobility aids to navigating a world that wasn't built for us, each one of these artists has a unique story to tell. Featuring local disabili-babes (TBA) and hosted by local iconic chronic, Psychobilly Queen, Rosie Roulette! Please note this show will be partially captioned. Companion Card tickets are available for all performances at Fringe Common Rooms. If you have any issues getting your tickets online please call our ticketing team on (03) 9660 9666 or

email them on boxoffice@melbournefringe.com.au to book during business hours.

PRODUCED BY

Rosie Roulette

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sun 6 Mar 4:30PM
(90 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$35

FRINGE REBOUND: The Nick Caddaye Variety Hour featuring Nick Caddaye (duration 90 minutes)

A show for the whole family! (Assuming your family are weirdos).

A new variety show from Nick Caddaye (The Anarchist Guild Social Committee). Featuring sketch, stand-up, music, and whatever else we can rustle up from our special guests. Starring Amanda Buckley (Impro Melbourne), Brenna Courtney Glazebrook (Impromptunes) and Dr. Pam (Second-Hand Cinema Club)! With Jaron Why (The Big Hoo-Ha) and the Sunday Afternoon Orchestra. And special guests aplenty! It's the perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon at Fringe!

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Fri 4 Mar 8:00PM
(55 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$25

FRINGE REBOUND: The Stuart Daulman Farewell Reunion Show

Melbourne's Back

This is a stand up show of sorts and it's fun, and strange. And we think you'll like it. It had a sold out run at the 2021 Melbourne Comedy Festival, and that was cool. See what happens here hey?

MUSIC



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 17 May 6:30PM, Wed 22 Jun 6:30PM, Tue 12 Jul 6:30PM, Tue 23 Aug 6:30PM, Tue 13 Sep 6:30PM
(75 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

Glee Club

Melbourne's favourite singalong is back!

Melbourne's original singalong is back! It doesn't matter if your voice is fit, rusty or only been heard in the shower - we guarantee no solos, no scary bits and you can drink as much as you like while you sing! Our singalong queen, Vicky Jacobs will be leading the festivities and we know you'll leave feeling great and with a song stuck in your head. We're celebrating all our favourite songs and we'd love you to join in! Doors open: 6:30pm

Singing starts: 7pm Upcoming Glee Club:

Tuesday 23rd August: Olivia Newton-John

Tuesday 13th September: The Seekers Fringe Common Rooms is an All Ages, Licensed Venue. Under 18s can attend events only if with a parent or guardian.

HOSTED BY

Vicky Jacobs

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 28 May 9:30PM, Sat 16 Jul 9:30PM
(330 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$35

HONCHO DISKO Melbourne – SOLID GOLD

We are back and we are beaming bigger and brighter than ever as we serve... SOLID GOLD!

Birthing as a weekly party in Melbourne before spawning a monthly art club night in Sydney, Honcho Disko is a masterclass in underground disco partying. Featuring all the filmic dancefloor trimmings you need, nightclub lighting, throbbing sound system, PLUS intermittent drag shows and subversive performances. Honcho is known for iridescent self-expression, unbridled creativity and seriously good times, with this safe LGBTQIA+ party space guaranteed to give you a night of revelry to remember. The music and magic

Know you can catch it

You let the songs take control Dress:

* GOLD ON GOLD ON GOLD

* OSCARS and BULLION

* 80's SPANDEX DANCE Note – Self/Creative expression in looks is encouraged – appropriation is not – other people's culture is not your inspiration, Darcel Leonard Wynne is. This month at the HONCH!!

LUMA

AUBERY HAIVE

PANCETTA LOVE

ALEXANDER MCKWEEN With your DISKO fuelled DJ's:

COMEDY



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 7 Jul 6:00PM, Wed 7 Dec 6:00PM
(180 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$25, Conc \$10

Kungari Comedy

Presented by Kungari Entertainment and Deadly Fringe

Enjoy an evening of big laughs from Victoria's funniest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander comedians! This line up of deadly talent will blow you away with hilarious stories and unique perspectives on being Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander in Australia. Featuring Aunty Denise McGuinness, Kimmie Lovegrove and MC'd by Ben Moodie. And following the comedy, don't miss first Koorie Lip Sync Battle! Plucky competitors will bring their A-games to the stage, ready for some legendary lip sync. Who will go down in history as the Koorie Lip Sync Battle Champion?

PRODUCED BY

Kungari Productions

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Fri 2 Sep 7:00PM
(120 mins)

TICKETS
Free

Melbourne Fringe Festival 2022 Program Launch

Celebrate the launch of Melbourne Fringe Festival's 2022 Program!

Celebrate the launch of a very special Festival program with us, the first in-person Melbourne Fringe Festival in three years AND Melbourne Fringe's 40th Birthday! We can't wait to reveal the 2022 program, which our bold and most ambitious yet. There'll be the requisite speeches plus spectacular entertainment, banging tunes and a great time, we promise. It's been a long time between drinks, and we hope you can celebrate with us, at last.

THEATRE



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Tue 7 Jun 8:30PM, Wed 8 Jun 5:30PM, Wed 8 Jun 8:30PM, Thu 9 Jun 8:30PM, Fri 10 Jun 6:00PM, Sat 11 Jun 3:00PM, Sat 11 Jun 6:00PM, Sun 12 Jun 5:00PM
(60 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$40

Janet's Vagrant Love

Hard truths, humour and heartfelt song told in a commanding performance.

A bare single mattress, empty water bottle and a small table are the seemingly barbones scaffolding of Janet's Vagrant Love. But when combined with the commanding performance and song of Elaine Crombie (Pitjanjatjara, Warrigmai and South Sea Islander), that simple set becomes a powder keg of emotion. Janet's Vagrant Love is a work 20 years in the making. Crombie shares her truth, telling stories of childhood trauma and the struggles of raising your Blak men as a single mum doing the best she can for her boys. Raw and intimate songs and experiences are punctuated with wicked one-liners and sharp observations. Janet's Vagrant Love is a refusal to lie down and be silent. Use codeword COMMUNITY at the check-out for \$20 tickets for First Nations audience members in acknowledgement of the traditional custodians of these lands. There will be a Relaxed Performance on Friday 10th June. Note: Tickets are also available via the RISING website HERE.

PRESENTED BY

Melbourne Fringe and RISING

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 4 Jun 9:00PM
(360 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$30

MARY! presents Your Local Member

A (highly democratic) gay ass disco for every body

It's time to get your democracy sausage out as MARY! – Melbourne's favourite gay-ass disco for every body – hits the campaign trail. During these unprecedented times, you can count on MARY! to stand up for all you decidedly un-ordinary mortals. On Saturday 4 June all the true disco believers can bask a musical manifesto by DJ's the Sugar Plump Fairy, Mr Weir and special guest Mz Rizk. MARY! looks forward to seeing all you fabulous queer folks at Fringe Common Rooms in Melbourne's iconic Trades Hall for a fair shake of the sausage bottle and the odd bit of pork-barrelling.

MUSIC



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Thu 23 Jun 8:30PM, Thu 11 Aug 8:30PM
(240 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

Queer-aoke

Naarms favorite queer karaoke!

Led by the incomparable Bae Marie and featuring extra special guest performers as well as powerhouse dancefloor DJ Ronnie Rai, Queer-aoke is a rambunctious late night karaoke dance party celebrating music's biggest queer names. Throw on a lewk, warm up your voice, dust off those dancing shoes and join us at Fringe Common Rooms to sing your heart out with an evening of music by divas of every variety including Lady Gaga, Janelle Monae and Freddie Mercury! Tickets are sure to fly out the door for this queer Naarm staple. Raise your voice in the queerest group singalong in town! Sequins are essential. You can book tickets via the Midsumma Website here!

MUSIC



Samuel Gaskin & The Merindas celebrating RECKÖNING SOUNDS' second single RÄIN

A party, a dance, and a celebration of culture.

Unfortunately this event has been cancelled. After capturing hearts and souls with its Melbourne Fringe Festival debut, it's time to start sharing the music of RECKÖNING with the world! The second single from the powerful show to be released will be celebrated the only way we know how: a PARTY full of Waiata culture, waiata and dance. The release of the single and an exclusive never before seen behind the scenes package screening of RÄIN. The bar will be open, Samuel Gaskin and the cast of RECKÖNING will be performing a song or three and The Merindas will deliver a stunning set of their fierce Indigenous SLAYONCÉ style pop. Reckoning is about reclaiming our power.

Reconnecting with and rediscovering our Ancestry.

Rediscovery of our indigenous blood lines.

Reclamation of the parts of ourselves we've forgotten and been made to forget. Door sales \$20 if not sold-out. In association with Beat Entertainment, RECKNING SOUNDS is Melbourne's leading LGBTIQ & BIPOC entertainment group renowned for their original concepts and deep heart.

VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Fri 5 Aug 7:00PM
(240 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$15

PRESENTED BY

RECK NING SOUNDS & Melbourne Fringe

WORDS & IDEAS



Strange Bedfellows > Cyborgs and Slow Food

We knew this would get your attention.

This event will no longer be proceeding, ticket-holders have been notified. Strange Bedfellows brings together two speakers talking for 20 minutes each, in tag-teamed lectures discussing Cyborgs and Slow Food. Gather your friends, prepare to learn some weird and wonderful facts, and see if you can come up with the winning question that unites these two topics. Compete to win a prize for the best question on the night! This event is presented in partnership with Photo 2022 and Melbourne Fringe.

VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Fri 20 May 6:30PM
(60 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$25

PRESENTED BY

Photo 2022 and Melbourne Fringe

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



Wet & Wild

Join Melbourne's indie cult choir sea shanty sensation as they team up with the wildest acts around for a night of nautical naughtiness.

Expect banging tunes and a riotous dancefloor that will leave you drenched from head to toe. Plus some of the queer club scene's favourite deviant divas will be dropping by to amp up the maritime madness.LINE UP

THE SHANTIES CHOIR

AUBREY HAIVE (RuPaul's Drag Race Down Under, Season 2)

JUNIPER WILDE (Green Room, Golden Gibbo and Multi-Melbourne Fringe Award Winner)

DJ ALEX MORRIS (Gay Times Festival, Homo Erotica, POOF DOOF)

VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 30 Jul 8:00PM
(300 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$20

Discount pre-sale tickets now available, so what are you waiting for? Get onboard, gather your (ship)mates, trim your sails and prepare to rock the boat all night long.

Warning: this event is slippery when wet.

Tickets available on the door subject to availability

PRESENTED BY

The Shanties Choir

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 3 Sep 9:00PM
(360 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$17.50

Sickest House - Burning Seed Fundraiser

A taste of what's to come for Burning Seed

Hype is high for this year's Burning Seed after a long 3 year wait and we've been getting ready ever since! Our dreams for a Theme Camp have been large, and have grown larger and larger as the contrivers of this arena have brought their concepts to the table. The only thing is, is our dreams don't come cheap. So we'd love to showcase a taste of what's to come for the Burning Seed attendees and the General Public who missed out on the SOLD OUT Festival with a night of Artistic Installations and a mix of highly talented DJ's & performers in an unusual venue to keep your interests high! Line-up includes:

Rakish

Rem Siman

Whiskey Drop

Skovil

Hades

Akaicia

Leo K

Pods1

Liquid Klutch

With performances by:

Barbarella

PARTIES & SOCIAL EVENTS



Tony King's Video Disco

It's music like you've never seen it!

Tony King's Video Disco brings your favored club bangers to life with a DJ / VJ set of custom made visuals interweaved with news clips, film snippets and internet nonsense. A collision of Rave, Rock, Soul and Pop mashed up to celebrate all aspects of club culture that will have you rocking the dancefloor and rolling in the aisles. From a residency at Carl Cox's night in Brighton to Big Day Out and everywhere in between, Tony King's latest endeavour is a celebration of music and club culture brought to life with the energy of one of his raucous DJ Sets. Performed live on four decks and a video mixer the Video Disco is a collision of beats and video that's guaranteed to get the dancefloor popping! Support Acts: Andrew McClelland (Finishing School) and Disco Not Disco DJs. All tickets \$20 on the door. Unfortunately this Saturday's (17/9) edition of Tony King's Video Disco will no longer be proceeding. Looking forward to partying with you in November instead!

CREATED AND PERFORMED BY

Tony King

VENUE
Fringe Common Rooms
Cnr Victoria and Lygon St, Carlton

TIME
Sat 17 Sep 9:00PM, Sat 26 Nov 9:00PM
(300 mins)

TICKETS
Full \$18

THEATRE



When All Is Said And Done

PLAYREADING - a new work by Daniel Keene

"There was a time, a brief time, when whatever lived seemed sacred. The blades of grass, the insect on the back of your hand, that bird, the last bird you'd ever see, passing overhead." Writer's Note

This piece was written as uncontrollable fires decimated the east coast of Australia; when I stepped out of my front door in the western suburbs of Melbourne, the stink of smoke hung in the air and the sky was slate grey. What had been foretold had come to pass. What could have been done had not been done. All futures had been abandoned and all the past denied. We lived in that kind of country. This piece was written when it felt useless to write anything. And yet I imagined these voices, this imagined future, this end. I hope that I'm wrong. I want to thank the Copyright Agency for the Create Grant that allowed me to write this piece, and also Stephen Armstrong for his generous, ongoing, support. I gratefully acknowledge Beng Oh and the cast and crew for their commitment and generosity during a difficult time for everyone who works in the performing arts.

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Brunswick Mechanics Institute

Builders Arms Hotel

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Caz Reitops Dirty Secrets

Classic Southside

Club Voltaire

Coburg Court House

Coburg RSL

Collingwood Yards

Curate Space

Dancehouse

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Pasteup

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The Butterfly Club

The Fitzroy Art Collective

The Gertrude Hotel

The Improv Conspiracy

The MC Showroom

The Motley Bauhaus

The Parlour

The Rose Street Market

The Rubber Chicken

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