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Hand-crafted and handson – that's how we see 2012 Season One at Arts House, and we invite you to get entangled!

An ever-expanding web of artistic threads winds its way through summer and autumn, creating unexpected crossovers and mapping out risky and colourful territories. Performance experiences unwind from all directions and dimensions – from sublime dances to knee-bustling junkyard theatre, from intimate live-art exchange to intriguing installations.

As well as our core program of local, national and international performance, we're excited to have Next Wave in residence at Arts House in May, with a basketful of fantastic shows from young and emerging creators. We're also hosting CultureLAB and other residencies, creating new artistic

connections within and across our community of makers and audiences.

Be sure to check out our Warehouse Salon soirées in the brand new Warehouse space. And don't miss the flame-jumpin' winter Solstice, the return of our 180 Seconds series, where artists – some from our CultureLAB, Warehouse and other programs – stand and deliver three-minute performances in a night of bespoke and unexpected wonder.

Season One is woven by many hands rather than curated to a single vision. Some work is selected by the Arts House Advisory Panel from a wide range of artists applying for the Arts House presentation grants, other work is selected and supported by Arts House's own programming funds. The season is developed through creative partnerships with artists, arts companies, independent arts producers,

international arts councils, festivals, and other venues across Australia. This process generates a program of vibrant energy and an eclecticism that is both a symptom and a celebration of the passion and pragmatism that is the DNA of contemporary work in Australia.

None of what we do could happen without a huge commitment from all our artists and collaborators, whose goal is to place their work in front of an adventurous and curious audience – that's you.

We want to take you to the unique and myriad junctions of local and international currents; of cultural exploration and art form experiment. The threads? Our dreams and desires, our heroes and friends, our skills and ingenuity, our familiar places and the paths to new worlds.

Angharad Wynne-Jones
Creative Producer, Arts House

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#### WORLD PREMIERE

"Ms Warby is a treasure.

She moves with an operatic fullness and emotes with shameless abandon, all the while remaining fascinatingly inscrutable."

New York Times (on Deborah Hay's 'The Match')

# ARTS HOUSE NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 22 - SUN 26 FEB

Wed 22 – Fri 24, 7.30pm Sat 25, 3pm & 7.30pm Sun 26, 5pm

Post show Q & A: Thu 23 **DURATION:** 50 minutes

TICKETS: Full \$30 / Conc \$25

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Tower Suites has been supported by the Australian Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, its arts funding and advisory body, the Victorian Government through Arts Victoria and the City of Melbourne through Arts House.

Image: Calista Lyon
Performer: Ros Warby

A choreography between dance, voice, cello and film, **Tower Suites** delves into the hierarchies of our relationships and our lives. Ros Warby's new collaborative work brings attention to our oftenconfused attempts to navigate the delicate terrain of human behaviour and the creation and collapse of the 'worlds' and structures we build around us.

Archival film of architectural landscapes, both at the pinnacle of achievement and in collapse, share the stage with Warby's unique performance, the pure and profound vocal work of Ria Soemardjo, and Helen Mountfort's haunting cello. Suggesting insights into the values developed by our culture and the possible inaccuracies of these perceptions, the performers' mature stage presence and compositional intelligence expose the subtle and transient moments of relationship and connection.

**Tower Suites** is the fifth major work from the critically acclaimed team of Warby/Medlin/Mountfort. Their 20-year collaborative history adds weight and resonance to this finely-judged new work.

Conceived/Directed: Ros Warby » Created in collaboration with:

Helen Mountfort, Margie Medlin, Ria Soemardjo » Choreographer/
Performer: Ros Warby » Light/Projection/Set Designer: Margie

Medlin » Composer/Performer (cello): Helen Mountfort » Performer (voice):
Ria Soemardjo » Cinematographer: Ben Speth » Editor (film): Martin

Fox » Costume Designer: Harriet Oxley » Tabla: Sam Evans » Production:
Bluebottle » Management: Moriarty's Project Inc.













"This is something very special and unforgettable which will resonate for every audience...

An outstanding piece of theatre." \*\*\*\*\* Fringe Review

# ARTS HOUSE NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 29 FEB - SUN 18 MARCH

Every fifteen minutes between: Wed - Fri, 2.30pm - 4.30pm & 6pm - 9pm

Sat, 1pm - 4pm & 5.30pm - 8.30pm Sun, 1pm - 4pm & 5.30pm - 7.30pm

No performances Mondays or Tuesdays.

Two participants per performance. Bookings can be made individually.

**DURATION: 20 minutes** 

TICKETS: Full \$15 / Conc \$10

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Warning: Themes and subject matter suitable for audiences over the age of 15. Performance contains some violence, very loud music and effects. People who suffer from claustrophobia may find this performance challenging. Audience will be fitted with video goggles.

Commissioned by White Night Brighton & Hove. Funded by the Arts Council England. Supported by Brisbane Powerhouse.

Image: Joe Murray

Anarchic, dreamy and dangerous, **And the Birds Fell from the Sky** is a work of subtlety, provocation, political resonance and technical ingenuity – a joyride from inside your head all the way to the edge of civilisation, crammed into a car with three Faruk clowns.

An immersive performance combining 'autoteatro' style instructions with film, by artist/devisor and 'autoteatro' pioneer Silvia Mercuriali (Rotozaza) and multi-award-winning filmmaker and artist, Simon Wilkinson, **And the Birds Fell from the Sky** casts you as the central character, located at the heart of the story.

Equipped with video goggles and headphones so that sight, hearing and movement through space are hijacked and fully fused with the work itself, get ready to enter a compelling fictional reality that becomes gradually more real and present than the world around you...

Written/Directed: Simon Wilkinson, Silvia Mercuriali » Performers:
Xelis Del Toro, Silvia Mercuriali, Simon Wilkinson, Matt Rudkin, Avis
Cockbill, Sharon Honour Mission, Lucy Joy, Joe Kenney, Ulysses Black,
Lewis Reid, Crystal Dave Reid » Cinematographers: Joe Murray, Simon
Wilkinson » Art Director: Matt Rudkin » Script Development: Matt
Rudkin » Audio/Video Editors: Silvia Mercuriali, Simon Wilkinson







#### WORLD PREMIERE - BLACK PROJECT 1

"...an hypnotic mass of overlapping motion which blurred the lines between the organic and the mechnical...technically sophisticated and visually complex."

RealTime (on Antony Hamilton's 'The Counting')

'the choreography, light, sound and visuals come together as an expressive totality, which impresses with its dynamism and produces an evening of thrills."

Tanzpresse.de (on Melanie Lane's 'Tilted Fawn')

# ARTS HOUSE NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 7 - SUN 11 MARCH

Wed 7 – Fri 9, 7.30pm Sat 10, 2pm & 7.30pm Sun 11, 5pm

Post show Q & A: Thu 8

**DURATION:** 90 minutes including 15 minute interval

TICKETS: Full \$25 / Conc \$20

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Warning: Loud music and smoke effects.

**Black Project 1** has been supported by Lucy Guerin Inc. and the Tanja Liedtke Foundation.

**Tilted Fawn** has been supported by Programm Kultur, Looping and Lucy Guerin Inc.

**Clouds Above Berlin** has been supported by the City of Melbourne through Arts House.

Image: C/O Antony Hamilton Projects

A catalytic double bill by choreographer/performers Antony Hamilton and Melanie Lane, in which the symbiotic elements of body, light, objects and sound occupy time and space to explode any perception of a static universe.

Hamilton's **Black Project 1** meditates on the synthesis between the gravity-bound body and its connection to the forces and minerals of the earth. Two beings relentlessly traverse a panoramic, linear terrain, leaving artefacts of human intervention in their wake as they go forth into solitude and emptiness.

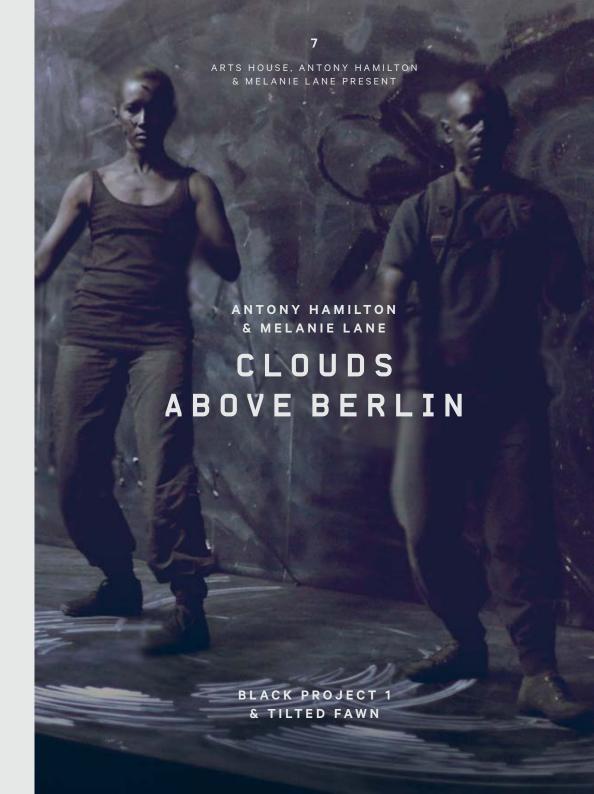
Lane's **Tilted Fawn** creates an intimate, intense, audio-sensitive universe where our urge to seek transformation through advanced technologies is brought into question. This is a world of sensory delight, in which an orchestra of lo-fi sonic objects propels a lone dancer through landscapes that are by turns luscious, melancholic, stark and utopian.

#### **Black Project 1**

Choreographer/Concept/Design: Antony Hamilton » Performers:
Antony Hamilton, Melanie Lane » Video Projection: Olaf Meyer » Set
Construction: Matthew Scott » Music: Robert Henke, Vainio and Fennesz »
Costumes: Antony Hamilton » Production Management: Matthew Scott »
Management: Moriarty's Project Inc

#### **Tilted Fawn**

Choreographer/Concept/Performer: Melanie Lane » Sound Composition and Installation: Chris Clark » Artistic Collaborator: Morgan Belenguer » Dramaturge: Bart van der Eynde » Costume/Props: Melanie Lane » Lighting Designer: Max Stelzl

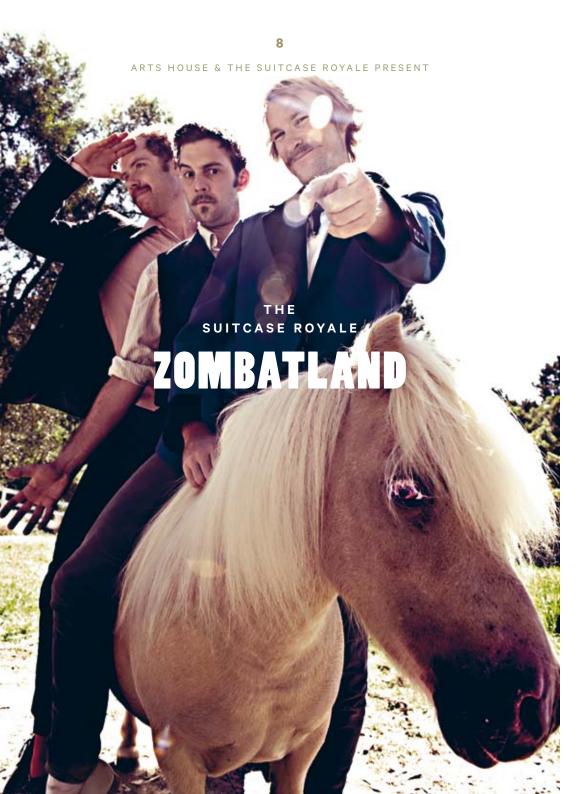












AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE

## "Tom Waits meets The Mighty Boosh in this piece of 24 carat entertainment."

The Guardian

#### **ARTS HOUSE** NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 14 - SUN 18 MARCH

Wed 14 - Fri 16, 7.30pm Sat 17, 3pm & 7.30pm Sun 18, 5pm Post show Q & A: Thu 15

**DURATION: 55 minutes** 

TICKETS: Full \$25 / Conc \$20

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Warning: Themes and subject matter suitable for children over the age of 12, at guardians' discretion. Contains horror themes, comic violence, frequent coarse language and very loud music/effects.

ZOMBATLAND has been supported by the Australian Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, its arts funding and advisory body, the Victorian Government through Arts Victoria's International Touring Program, Battersea Arts Centre and the City of Melbourne through Arts House.

Hilariously inventive and Green Room Award-winning, The Suitcase Royale return to Arts House with the premiere of their newest work of 'junkyard theatre', a masterfully-mad tale from the dusty plains of the Australian outback.

At the Blue Lagoon Caravan Park, an idyllic paradise somewhere in the dead heart of Australia, wombats are the main attraction, loved by all. Until something goes wrong - very very wrong. A mysterious disease has turned the wombats into blood-thirsty demons.

Join Melbourne's most gritty, comedic and unique multiart-form rag'n'bone trio on a wild ride to ZOMBATLAND, packed with smokin' live music, junkyard sets and a caravan-full of The Suitcase Royale's famous brand of twisted humour.

Creators: The Suitcase Royale - Joseph Neil O'Farrell, Glen Lawerence Walton, Miles Henry O'Neil, Thomas Salisbury









#### WORLD PREMIERE

"It is a hair-raisingly gruesome transformation, a visceral undergoing engineered through remarkable physical manipulation and powerful imagery."

Fjord Review (on 'Buckets and Other Things')

# ARTS HOUSE NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 18 - SUN 22 APRIL

Wed – Fri, 7.30pm Sat, 3pm & 7.30pm Sun, 5pm

Post show Q & A: Thur 19

**DURATION: 50 minutes** 

**TICKETS:** Full \$25 / Conc \$20

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Warning: Loud music and effects.

More or Less Concrete has been developed and supported through Centre National de Danse Contemporaine (France), Sweet and Tender Collaborations, Victoria University, Dancehouse's Housemate Residency Program, Chunky Move's Maximised program, Lucy Guerin Inc, Open Archive and the City of Melbourne through Arts House.

Image: James Brown

Choreographer/performer Tim Darbyshire premieres a resonant and visceral new work, revealing the links between human movement and (found) sounds as triggers of emotion and memory.

The body is suspended between tangible and ambiguous experiences – analysed and obscured through states of containment, abstraction and repetition.

Drawing on references from Musique Concrète, Foley film sound, synaesthesia theory and percussive performance genres – **More or Less Concrete** promises an intriguing collaborative project realised by a diverse creative team.

Choreographer/Director: Tim Darbyshire » Performers: Sophia Cowen,
Tim Darbyshire, Matthew Day » Sound Designer: Myles Mumford
» Lighting/Production: Bluebottle » Dramaturge/Sound Theorist: Thembi
Soddell » Management: Moriarty's Project Inc















# "A spine-tingling encounter that will haunt you for days."

**★★★★** The Guardian

# ARTS HOUSE NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 18 APRIL - SUN 13 MAY

Every ten minutes between: 2pm – 9pm

No performances Mondays or Tuesdays.

Please arrive five minutes before scheduled time.

**DURATION: 20 minutes** 

TICKETS: Full \$10 / Conc \$5

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

**Warning**: Suitable for audiences over the age of 12.

Alma Mater was created with the support of Made in Scotland 2011.

Image: Eilidh MacAskill

Fresh from an extended sell-out season at the Edinburgh Fringe, and dubbed by one Scottish culture-mag as 'Glasgow's Live Art supergroup', interdisciplinary duo Fish & Game make their Melbourne debut with a work that straddles forms and invites a completely new view of the world.

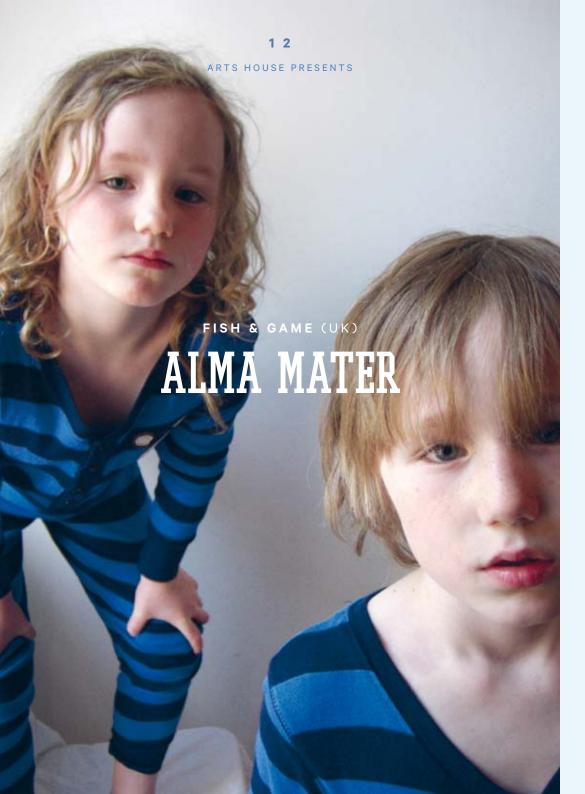
A filmic tour-for-one, **Alma Mater** fuses high-technology with lo-fi charm as individual audience members enter a specially constructed, full-scale child's bedroom to immerse themselves – via iPad – in the world of a little girl. With an original score by John De Simone performed by experimental octet Ensemble Thing, and cinematography from award-winning artist Anna Chaney, **Alma Mater** weaves a complex, handheld fairytale for the 21st century – a haunting meditation on family, familiarity and growing-up.

Creators: Fish & Game » Directors: Robert Walton, Eilidh MacAskill » Producer: Eilidh MacAskill » Cinematographer: Anna Chaney » Music: John De Simone » Performers: Lucy Gaizely, Albie Gaizely-Gardiner, Lyla Gaizely-Gardiner, Raedie Gaizely-Gardiner, Gary Gardiner, Becki Gerrard, Thom Scullion, Mr Feathers » Music Performed by: Ensemble Thing - Colin Broom, Jay Capperauld, Helena Flint, Ed Lucas, Ross McCrae, Lizy Sirat, Seb Thirlway » Production Team: Jodie Wilkinson, Kevin Wratten, Ben Vale » Post-Production: Gavin Rizza » Boxes Design: Phil Bowen, Hugh Speirs









#### AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE

"We ask awkward questions and like to locate human warmth...
we think of art as good medicine." triage live art collective

# ARTS HOUSE NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

## WED 18 APRIL – SUN 6 MAY

2pm, 3pm, 6pm, 7pm, 8pm, 9pm

No performances Mondays or Tuesdays.

One person per performance. Bookings essential.

**DURATION:** 35 minutes. Please note performance length may vary up to 50 minutes in duration.

**TICKETS:** Full \$20 / Conc \$15

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

#### **ROVING PERFORMANCE:**

Please advise of any access requirements at time of booking.

Warning: Themes and subject matter not suitable for persons under the age of 18. Performance explores adult concepts of gender through conversation and requires close physical proximity to the performer.

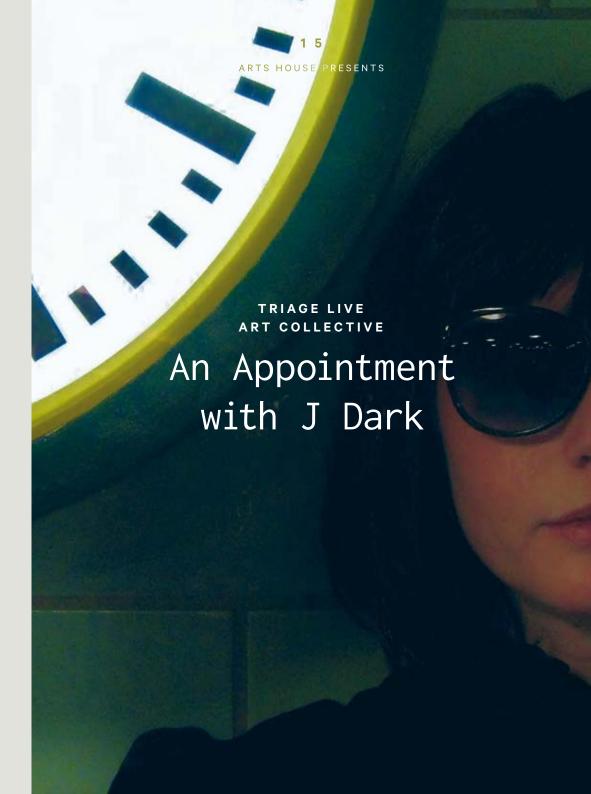
**An Appointment with J Dark** was developed with the support of Underbelly Arts.

Image: Katerina Kokkinos-Kennedy

Feeling misrepresented? Or perhaps misunderstood? Martyrdom got you down? Got a tale to tell? Untold passion? Maybe J Dark can help...

An Appointment with J Dark is a one-to-one participatory performance event, an individual appointment with an enigmatic stranger. In response to a calling card, individuals will rendezvous at an appointed time and place in North Melbourne, with a woman named J Dark. Each meeting becomes a unique and intimate journey – often playful, sometimes confronting and always surprising. J Dark looks forward to meeting you.

Writer/Performer: **Melanie Jame Walsh** » Director/Dramaturge/Writer: **Katerina Kokkinos-Kennedy** 





'He has the eye of a cinematographer... he manipulates and atomises the world but is incapable of dehumanising it.' The Australian (on 'Double Think')

# ARTS HOUSE, NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

#### WED 9 MAY - SUN 13 MAY

Wed 9 – Fri 11, 7.30pm Sat 12, 3pm & 7.30pm Sun 13, 5pm

**DURATION:** 40 minutes

TICKETS: Full \$25 / Conc \$20

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Warning: Loud music and effects.

One Show Only has been supported by the National Arts Council Singapore, Frontier Danceland and the City of Melbourne through Arts House.

Image: Byron Perry

A brand new work from director/choreographer Byron Perry, **One Show Only** explores how complex systems and patterns can emerge from a multiplicity of relatively simple interactions. Spontaneously, tiny rules extrapolate into larger structures, while complex systems can be reduced to a collection of discrete single functions.

Inspired by the cycles and patterns found in the generative systems of nature, **One Show Only** references the rhythms of the cellular and systematic, as well as life cycles and social patterns. The title refers to the one-off, linear nature of these organic systems and processes – a singular performance of sorts. A performance we're all part of, with a beginning we missed and an end we'll never see.

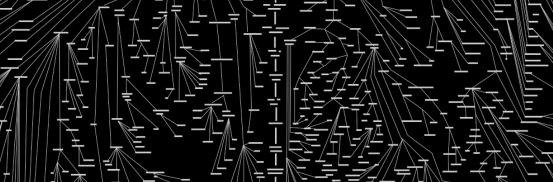
Choreographer: Byron Perry » Performers: Christina Chan Jia Ai, Foo Yun Ying, Bernice Lee Yixun, Rachel Lum Ruixia, Seow Yi Qing, Yan Xiangyi, Zhang Xuesong » Sound Designer: Luke Smiles » Costumes: Kate Tan, Maisha Miranda





CITY OF MELBOURNE





ARTS HOUSE & THE NATIONAL ARTS COUNCIL SINGAPORE PRESENT

**BYRON PERRY &** 

FRONTIER DANCELAND (SINGAPORE)

#### ARTS HOUSE & NEXT WAVE PRESENT

#### THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM 1

The Exchange is a reciprocal process of development, presentation and exchange between two young and exciting theatre companies: Italy's Dewey Dell and Australian collaborating artists Justin Shoulder, Toby Knyvett and Nick Wales. The project has been facilitated by artist and creative producer Jeff Stein.

Arts House and Next Wave present two programs of work featuring the exciting young artists of The Exchange.

#### **ARTS HOUSE** NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

## **SAT 19 - TUE 22 MAY**

**DURATION:** 75 minutes including a

#### TICKETS:

Programs 1 & 2 (refer Pg 22-23): Full \$50 / Conc \$40

#### **BOOKINGS:**

Warning: Loud music and strobe lighting.

The Exchange has been supported by the

Cinquanta Urlanti, Quaranta Ruggenti, Sessanta Stridenti (Furious Fifties, Roaring

Image: V - Amy Gebhardt

Sessanta Stridenti - Demetrio Castellucci

#### Justin Shoulder (Australia)

Urban mythmaker Justin Shoulder creates a unique fusion of live performance and theatrical ceremony. Faith speaks of a God that created the angels pure and good, but subjected them to a test. Some passed triumphantly, while others rebelled and were eternally tortured in Hell. These are the devils and demons; implanting passion and obsession, they can utterly derange human faculties.

Calling to life a demon for today, the creature 'V' is manifest. In a ceremony of the senses the theatre becomes an altar for V to revel in the beauty and horror of contemporary idolatry and its fifteen minutes of fame.

Devisor/Performer/Costumes: Justin Shoulder » Vision Designer: Toby K » Original Music: Nick Wales » Creative Producer and outside eye: Jeff Stein

## Cinquanta Urlanti, Quaranta Ruggenti, Sessanta Stridenti

Dewey Dell (Italy)

Young Italian company Dewey Dell takes inspiration from the seafaring universe in this precisely and sensually choreographed work, named after the howling winds of the lower southern hemisphere – the most dangerous waters in the world. Reflecting on the union of sailors and their vessels at sea, the company creates a new protagonist - a single organism of world, mariner, wind, ship and ocean, inextricably combined. An offshoot of the ground-breaking Societàs Raffaello Sanzio, Dewey Dell describes a dreamlike journey though an undefined, bleak world.

Creators/Performers: Sara Angelini. Agata Castellucci. Teodora Castellucci » Choreographer: Teodora Castellucci » Original Music: Demetrio Castellucci » Sets and lighting: Eugenio Resta » Sound: Marco Canali » Set realisation: Rinaldo Rinaldi



AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE



(FURIOUS FIFTIES, ROARING FORTIES, SCREAMING SIXTIES)

SESSANTA STRIDENTI









#### ARTS HOUSE & NEXT WAVE PRESENT

#### THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2

#### **ARTS HOUSE** NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

THU 24 - SUN 27 MAY 7.30pm

#### DURATION:

85 minutes including a 15 minute interval

#### TICKETS:

Program 2: Full \$30 / Conc \$25 Programs 1 & 2 (refer Pg 20-21):

#### **BOOKINGS:**

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Warning: Loud music and strobe lighting.

The Exchange has been supported by the

The River Eats has been commissioned and

Grave was originally co-produced by Centrale Fies, Buda Kunstencentrum, Rencontres

Image: The River Eats - Rebecca Stegh

Image: Grave - Cesuralab per Fies

#### The River Eats

Justin Shoulder (Australia)

Articulating our fears about contemporary living, Justin Shoulder welcomes us to the Land of One Thousand Distractions. Here all the comforts of the modern world materialise in 3D as you click NEXT. Navigating this terrain is the creature 'Pinky': an over caffeinated, hyperactive, attentiondeficient demon. In this fable exploring distraction in the digital age and our changing relationship to the natural environment, the theatre becomes Pinky's landscape as we uncover instinct and primal impulse in Pinky's search for meaning.

Devisor/Performer/Costumes: Justin Shoulder » Vision Designer: Toby K » Original Music: Nick Wales » Creative Producer and outside eye: Jeff Stein

#### Grave

Dewey Dell (Italy)

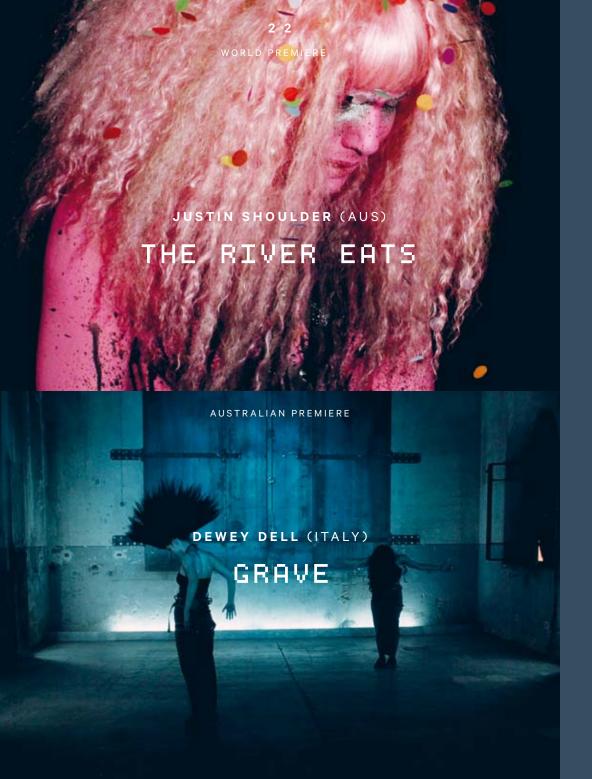
Grave is an Italian word indicating something that has a weight something subject to the force of gravity. Young Italian company Dewey Dell explores the sensation of a precipitating body, the slowness of its gestures as gravity brings it hurtling to the ground at breakneck speed. The movement is firm within the acceleration – a motionless moment inside the speed of a body that knows it's going to crash.

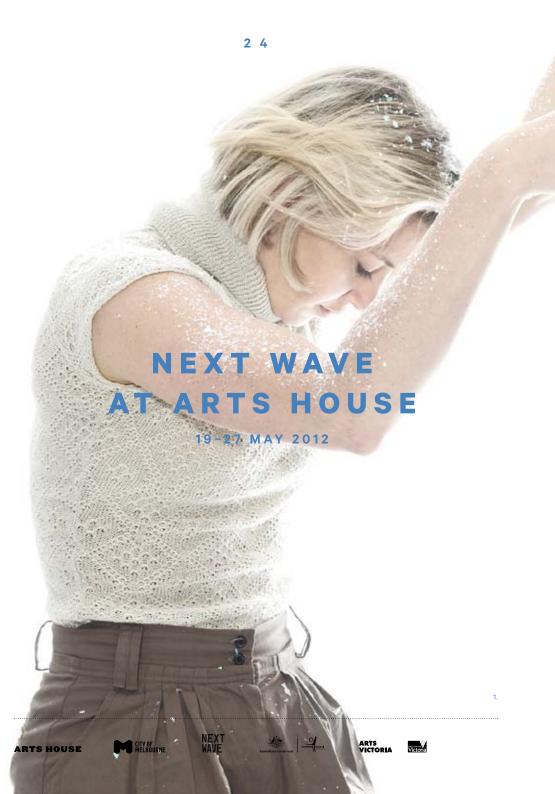
Concept: Agata Castellucci, Demetrio Castellucci, Teodora Castellucci, Eugenio Resta » Performers: Agata Castellucci, Teodora Castellucci » Choreographer: Teodora Castellucci » Original Music: Demetrio Castellucci » Lighting: Eugenio Resta » Costumes: Chiara Bocchini, Carmen Castellucci, Daniela Fabbri » Drawing: Clio Casadei » Production: Dewey Dell, Fies Factory















boundaries of what collaboration means and interrogating how we gather - from protest to parties in Wake up and wait for the sun to rise: 500 methods for a new beginning.

Join us for the 2012 Next Wave

The 2012 Next Wave Festival is

a nine-day, intrepid explosion of

new art experiences - immersive,

intimate, heartfelt and holistic. We

invite you to share some breakfast

and venture with us on whole-day

journeys into the next culture of

Exploring the twin concepts of

generosity and urgency, Next

Wave's 2012 program comprises six special projects and 33

curated projects independently

Australian, New Zealand, Italian

and British contemporary artists. At Arts House, North Melbourne, you'll experience eight resolutely ambitious, gallantly risky and beautifully bold contemporary performance projects. Next Wave will also be in residence prior to the festival: the keynote project sees five audacious emerging arts collectives stretching the

produced by the next wave of

new ideas.

Festival at Arts House!

Don't come looking for answers about contemporary art - our world is fractured, and we think it's the time for questions. So bring us your questions, your quibbles, your confusion and your madness. Let's try to figure it out.

2012 Next Wave tickets are on sale from Friday 16 March 2012. Visit artshouse.com.au or nextwave.org.au for details.



- 1. Wintering Aimee Smith, Rhiannon Newton, Aisling Donovan, Ben Taaffe, Trent Suidgeest and Ainsley Canning (Image: Eva Fernandez)
- 2. Hiatus Fiona Bryant and Lucy Farmer (Image: Kelly Bannister)
- 3. Wheyface Daniel Santangeli, Brian Lucas, Jonathon Oxlade, Genevieve Trace, Yeo Choong, Elizabeth Millington and Denis Hamilton (Image: John Feely)
- 4. BINGO Unit Team MESS: Sime Knezevic. Dara Gill, Frank Mainoo, Natalie Randall, Malcolm Whittaker (Image: Dara Gill)
- 5. Shamanic Organic Contemporary Cuisine Robin Hungerford and Thomas Hungerford (Image: Robin Hungerford)
- 6. Impossible Plays Alice Williams, Chloe Hughes, Alice Cooper, Alice Ansara, Cam Venn, Katherine Beckett, Erica Eaglert, Lawrence Williams and Harry Wynter (Image: Chloe Hughes)
- 7. Blindscape Skye Gellmann, Kieran Law, Dylan Sale and Thom Browning (Image: Dom Bonnice)

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ARTS HOUSE PRESENTS

# SOLSTICE

THE WINTER RETURN
OF OUR LEGENDARY 180 SECONDS SERIES,
IN WHICH LOCAL ARTISTS AND GUESTS TAKE ON
THE THREE-MINUTE
PERFORMANCE CHALLENGE.

Solstice is theatre on the run towards new horizons – a party, a risk, a chance to laugh, cry, make promises and leap into new beginnings. Join some of our finest creators from across the compass points, to test some new ideas, fly uncharted skies and herald the lengthening days in a spirit of celebration and experiment.

A ray of sunshine slashes through winter's clouds – or is that laser light? Keep your eye firmly on the heavens: make sure you're with us for the **Solstice**!

Participating artists include Robin Fox, Tristram Meecham, Ian Pidd, Tamara Saulwick and many more. Subscribe to e-news for further announcements.

#### ARTS HOUSE, MEAT MARKET

#### SAT 23 JUNE

Doors at 8pm

**DURATION:** 90 minutes

TICKETS: All tickets \$15

#### **BOOKINGS:**

artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713

Warning: Performances may contain nudity, course language, loud music, laser lighting and strobe effects.





# LIQUID ARCHITECTURE 13

ANTARCTIC CONVERGENCE

"THE AUSTRALIAN MUSICAL LANDSCAPE WOULD BE BARREN WITHOUT THE EFFORTS OF THIS BRAVE BUNCH OF SOUND ENTHUSIASTS."

THE AUSTRALIAN

Liquid Architecture's 2012 program brings together artists who explore sound as the starting point for the active process of listening. Specially curated by Lawrence English and Philip Samartzis, Antarctic Convergence presents a range of Australian and international practitioners who have undertaken fieldwork in locations throughout Antarctica. Comprising live performance works presented in surround sound, an exhibition of spatial-temporal works and a program of documentaries, Antarctic Convergence includes artists Lawrence English and Werner Dafeldecker, Chris Watson, Douglas Quin, Philip Samartzis and Robin Fox.

Not art-form specific, but sense-specific, **Liquid Architecture** is an annual festival founded in 2000 to celebrate the diverse methods of sound making and sound theory. Listening is a vital activity, often overlooked in our visually-dominated environment. You are invited to engage YOUR sensitive ears and listen

Liquid Architecture 2012 Program Gurators: Dr Philip Samartzis and Lawrence English :: National Production Manager: Byron Scullin :: General Manager: Bianca Durrant ARTS HOUSE,
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Installation/Exhibition
Fri 29 - Sat 30 June
Check website for opening hours.

Performance Concert Series Fri 29 – Sat 30 June, 7.30pm

**DURATION:** 120 minutes including an interval

BOOKINGS: Liquid Architecture tickets are on sale from March 2012. Visit artshouse.com.au or liquidarchitecture.org.au for details.

Warning: Loud music and effects.

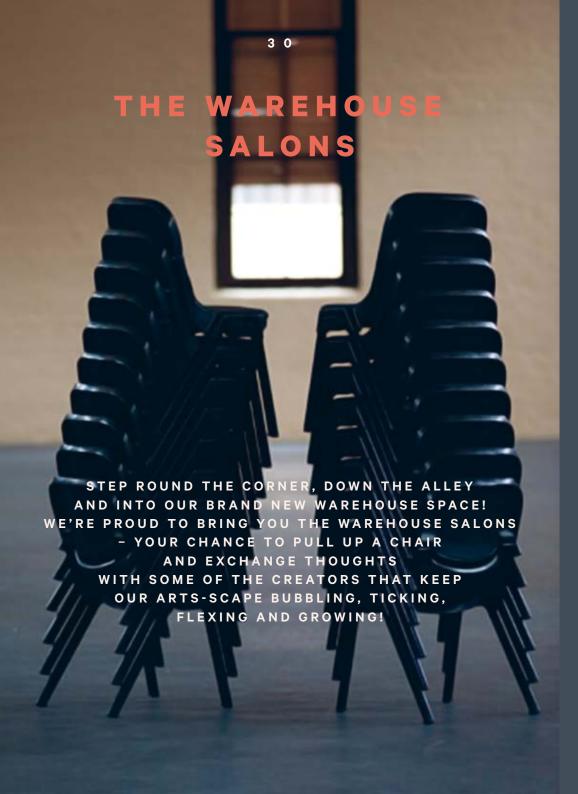
Liquid Architecture has been supported by t Australian Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, its arts funding and advisory body and the City of Melbourne.

Image: Are FrodeSøholt

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The Warehouse Salons are a space for intimate work-in-progress showings, for talks and discussions, and for our audiences and artists to connect and share ideas, feedback and inspiration... Come join us for drinks, snacks and nights to remember, with our first two salons, featuring Berlin's Rimini Protokoll, and a specially curated evening by Melbourne's Rachael Maza. And as marvellous as the content is the cost – just \$5!

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## Rimini Protokoll Thursday April 19th 7pm

A special, international Warehouse Salon to kick off proceedings... a chance to 'meet and feast' with Berlin-based Reality-Trend Theatre Specialists, Rimini Protokoll.

Rimini Protokoll visit Melbourne in April to present their new work 100% Melbourne: A Statistical Chain Reaction. While they're in town, Arts House will host a special supper for Rimini Protokoll: a rare opportunity to meet and feast with Stefan Kaegi, Helgard Haug and Daniel Wetzel, the three artists who make up this internationally renowned and award-winning company.

100% Melbourne is an extraordinary theatre work involving 100 everyday Melburnians in a part-reality, partgame, part-theatre spectacle, and using census data to bring the demographics of our city to life.

Warehouse Salon an unbelievable \$5 - bookings essential.

Image: Iko Freese



## Rachael Maza, Ilbijerri Tuesday June 5th 7pm

A Warehouse Salon for World Environment Day.

Rachael Maza, Artistic Director of Ilbijerri Theatre Company, along with associates, curates and hosts a night of speeches, songs, poems, jokes and ultimatums to mark World Environment Day.

Warehouse Salon an unbelievable \$5 - bookings essential.

Image: Taras Mohamed





# BEHIND THE SCENES CultureLAB

CultureLAB is Arts House's dedicated, venue-based creative development program, conducted in partnership with Arts Victoria. From creative collaborations and explorations to mentor programs, CultureLAB supports artists across all art forms to create powerful, exciting, ground-breaking and original works. Have a look at what our first group of 2012 CultureLAB artists will be up to...



Focusing on collaboration in contemporary art, this 2012 Next Wave keynote project features five young and emerging artist collectives: Hossein Ghaemi and Claire Finneran (NSW), Tully Arnot and Charles Dennington (NSW); Applespiel (NSW), Tape Projects (VIC); and Lucky PDF (UK).

During a four-week CultureLAB residency, **Wake up and wait for** 

the sun to rise, 500 methods for a new beginning will develop new artist-driven social spaces that encourage us to imagine new possibilities for being together. The projects created during the residency will be launched at Westspace during the Next Wave festival, which runs from 19–27 May.

# Intermission Matthew Day

Matthew Day will undertake a twoweek residency to develop a new solo work, **Intermission** – the final instalment in his trilogy series, following Thousands and Cannibal. In week one Matthew will work solo to organise and disorganise choreographic concepts, scores and approaches to the work. In week two he will be joined by creative team Martin del Amo (dramaturge), James Brown (sound designer) and Travis Hodgson (lighting designer) to further explore the dramaturgical and design dimensions of the work. **Intermission** will premiere at PACT Centre for Emerging Artists, Sydney, in June 2012.

# Human Encyclopaedia of Animals

What makes humans human?
Is it possible to be more human than someone else? Is it possible to distil the essence of humanity?
Can you form a meaningful relationship with an algorithm?
Encyclopaedia of Animals (EOA) believe it's time to investigate both sides of the argument: for and against the digital utopia.
Birth, death and the singularity.
This is the second show from the team that produced *Urchin* (2010), written and directed by Christopher Brown and Rhian Hinkley.

## Laser Development (RAUM & LIVE) Robin Fox

The objective of Robin Fox's four-week residency is to develop new (and expand on existing) techniques for the visualisation of audible electricity using audiocontrolled laser systems. These explorations can be divided into two distinct areas - the first is the extension of his RAUM series of installations, which seeks to articulate certain rooms both sonically and visually using diffraction gratings, mirrors and other reflective surfaces; working in the Meat Market t apply these techniques to a large space. Secondly, he will explore new techniques for the live performance of this audio-visual his techniques developed to date.

## article of faith Rinske Ginsberg

article of faith brings together a quartet of mature performing artists whose practices include physical theatre, visual arts, music, sound composition and scenic design. Rinske Ginsberg, Paul Newcombe, Dan Witton and Steph O'Hara form the creative team in collaboration with dramaturge Leisa Shelton and Bluebottle as lighting consultant.

article of faith investigates the murky territory of uxoricide – wife killing. A husband vows to love, honour and protect. A wife places her faith in that belief. A house, a home, a picture of domestic bliss, a crime scene...

Extrapolating from several recent, notorious local crimes, this development utilises sound, silence, shadow and scenic design to explore the notion, 'if the walls could speak...'

# 23 Moments of Abandon Anna Tregloan

Anna Tregloan, Iain Grandage, Ben Cobham and Beatrix Christian together create a musical, playable, exquisite performance installation built entirely from abandoned, weathered pianos and disused fencing wire – and populated by performers in moments of abandon.

Alice down the rabbit hole;
Orpheus looking back; Romeo and
Juliet in the tomb; Dorian Grey in
opium-infused decadence – our
cultural past is littered with
moments of abandon, where the
self usurps the future. Here they
will be twisted into a seething
mass of music, song, lecture,
dramatisation, acrobatics,
spatial dynamism and extremeimagination.

#### 23 Moments of Abandon

celebrates re-use over 'nouveau', exploiting abandon in all its past and present glories.

23 Moments of Abandon is supported by the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body and the City of Melbourne through Arts House







ARTS HOUSE PRESENTS

# GOING NOWHERE

NOVEMBER 2012 - AN INVITATION

#### The idea

An international event of live art, conversation and performence:

Going Nowhere connects audiences, artists, economists, environmentalists, scientists, designers and engineers across the world in a new-form event which honours the delight of going somewhere different, meeting new people, recalibrating your perceptions, feeling connected.

anyone getting on a plane.

## The ambition

We know in our heart of hearts a low-carbon economy is as inevitable as running out of milk.

Going Nowhere addresses the biggest part of our carbon footprint – air travel. Which is probably the hardest to give up (especially for Australians). So if we can re-imagine that connection we're on the way to feeling good about what's next. And in the process of reimagining we'll explore other ways of receiving, touring and creating art as an exchange, a franchise or a barter.

We'll recycle ideas and histories and upcycle concepts. We'll be talking about responsible mobility, exchange and copyright, grief and optimism. **Going Nowhere**  hopes to contribute to redesigning the way we live, reimagining the consumption of travel for the aesthetics of exchange. And if the accrual of wealth is the accrual of carbon, then this is one event that can celebrate its moderate budget with its participants and audiences.

## The process

There'll be vodka and broken promises. There'll be laughter and new friends you might never meet.

- Four days of aesthetic elaborations and conceptual adventures involving performing, talking, thinking, witnessing, eating bargaining, walking, gardening, cooking, following instructions, creating instructions, listening, uploading, downloading.
- Ten interlocutors economists, environmentalists, scientists, designers, philosophers, geographers, historians, lawyers, politicians, Indigenous leaders and futurists rigorously articulating, critiquing and analysing the value of the exchanges that are occurring and creating their own market of knowledge and functionality.
- A plethora of artists and YOU helping create new and imaginative connections across our precious planet.

## Food Forest at the Meat Market

Patrick Jones (Artist as Family) is developing a Food Forest permaculture garden at Arts House Meat Market with the local arts community and residents. The garden will provide the food for a Harvest Supper on the final night of Going Nowhere.

### Get involved

If you have an idea or would like to get involved in **Going Nowhere** and/or Food Forest, contact us at going.nowhere@melbourne.vic.gov.au or by phone on 03 9322 3714.







# **ARTS HOUSE**

## Arts House Advisory Panel

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#### **About Arts House**

Arts House presents contemporary arts in programs encompassing performance, exhibitions, live art, installations, residencies, events and other activities that nurture, support and stimulate cultural engagement. We value work in which artists at different stages of their careers, as well as our diverse audiences and communities, are actively involved in creating an imaginative, just and environmentally sustainable global society.

Arts House's programs include two curated public seasons of multidisciplinary work each year. From 2013, approximately half of each season's programming will be selected through a new Expression of Interest process. We will be seeking artists who are responding to the urgent issues of our time in imaginative and surprising ways, taking artistic risks and offering multiple ways for audiences to engage with or co-author their work.

Arts House is a City of Melbourne contemporary arts initiative. For more information about our programs or our Expression of Interest process, please contact us on 03 9322 3720 or visit artshouse.com.au.

Australia is home to the oldest living culture on earth. Respect and engagement with this ancient culture and its contemporary lineage continues to make a unique contribution to creativity in this place and inspire our collective consciousness and understanding. Arts house acknowledges and respects the customs and traditions of Indigenous Australians and their special relationship with the land. The artists and organisers respectfully acknowledge that this program takes place on the land of the traditional owners of the Kulin Nation.

## **Green Tix for Nix**

In case you haven't heard, Arts
House is paving the way to a
cleaner, more sustainable future
with Green Tix for Nix! This season
we've nominated One Show Only
as our Green Tix event. ALL tickets
for the 3pm performance of One
Show Only on Saturday 12 May
are FREE if you follow the simple
rule: get to the event without using
the car.

Help us offset our carbon footprint by taking public transport, walking, cycling or one of the many other ways to travel green. We will want to see your bike helmet, public transport ticket or smokin' soles when you arrive. And although your ticket is free you will need to book in advance either online, using the promo code GREEN, or by phoning (03) 9322 3713.

Get here green and we'll keep the tickets lean. Completely, utterly and resolutely FREE!

## **Booking Information**

Tickets can be purchased online at artshouse.com.au or 03 9322 3713.

Please note there will be a \$1.50 transaction fee per booking when booking online or by phone.

Tickets may be purchased at the performance, subject to availability.

#### **Public Transport**

To Arts House, North Melbourne Town Hall: Tram 57 - stop 12, Corner Queensberry & Errol Streets

To Arts House, Meat Market: Tram 59 - stop 17, Corner Flemington Road & Blackwood Streets

See metlinkmelbourne.com.au for more info.

#### **Access Information**

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