

Arts Centre Melbourne and Arch 8 present

Tetris

See a computer game brought to life this September holidays!



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, 16 September 2019 — A fun, interactive contemporary dance work for children inspired by a classic computer game will be brought to life at **Arts Centre Melbourne** during the September school holidays. The acclaimed **Netherlands-based Arch 8** company, led by choreographer and creator Erik Kaiel will present **Tetris** from **25 – 28 September** at **Arts Centre Melbourne's Fairfax Studio**.

This unique dance work uses strength, agility and acrobatic skill to mimic and reimagine moves from not only the cross generational game 'Tetris' but also 'Twister' and the all-time favourite 'Rubik's Cube'. Audiences are invited to watch the highly skilled acrobatic quartet navigate not only the stage but each other, twisting and interlocking to communicate with and create new meanings for their bodies.

Designed to get people involved, this participatory work invites the audience on stage to imitate the troupe and create moves of their own.

Choreographer and creator Erik Kaiel says *Tetris* responds to the computer game of the '80s and '90s, while dealing with human desires for community and individuality.

"Tetris was new when I was a pre-teen. I played Tetris all-night a few times, and there is definitely a hint of nostalgia involved. But to be honest, I wanted to make a real performance about real human beings using physical imagination to play - put down the controller, get off the couch, and go outside and play with friends," say Kaiel.

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And now, having seen how much joy it brings children all over the world, I still have to pinch myself that I get to share it with kids all over the globe."

Tetris will be performed at Arts Centre Melbourne as part of Melbourne Fringe and Arts Centre Melbourne's year-round Families Program. Featuring intimate and large-scale theatre from some of the world's most respected companies and a diverse range of interactive workshops, the Families program is robust and growing in size, scale and scope.

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25 - 28 September

25, 26, 27, 28 September : 11am

26 September: 11am, 2pm

Arts Centre Melbourne, Fairfax Studio

Accessibility : Wheelchair access, Assistive hearing, Companion Card, Visual Performance.

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