

Families

Summer
Autumn
2020





Welcome to Arts Centre Melbourne

Arts Centre Melbourne is a place where the whole family can enjoy remarkable performing arts. With a host of exciting works from both local and international artists, this season's Families program will delight little ones and the young at heart alike.

Start summer off with a bang with *10 Minute Dance Parties*, a free, participatory event for all ages and abilities. This inclusive event will take place inside a converted shipping container on the Arts Centre Melbourne forecourt. Families are invited to join Joseph O'Farrell (JOF) and a team of budding, local young DJs to have as much fun as they can in just 10 minutes.

February will see us partner with Asia TOPA, Arts Centre Melbourne's triennial festival of performing arts from the Asia Pacific. This year's program includes two wonderful works for families to enjoy. From Nouveau Cirque du Vietnam is *À Ố Làng Phố*, a dazzling acrobatic circus performance featuring juggling, balancing, contortion and daring feats. For babies aged 4 - 18 months and their carers comes *Flower* 꽃, a beautiful trans-cultural dance/theatre piece by Sally Chance Dance (Australia) and Masil Theatre (Korea).

Later in the season we are delighted to present the stage adaptation of the book *Charlie and the War Against the Grannies*. This musical comedy is created by actor, comedian and children's author Alan Brough (ABC *Spicks and Specks*). Commissioned by Arts Centre Melbourne, we are proud to host the world premiere of this brand new work for young audiences. Starring Alan himself, this hilarious and playful work combines live music, puppetry and theatre to tell the story of Charlie Duncan and his best friend Hils, two 12 year olds trying to stop a fiendish band of grannies plotting to take over the world.

In addition to enjoying the exciting works gracing our stages, families can get hands-on at The Channel. Lyric writing, magic, puppetry and DJing are just a few of the workshops on offer for budding creatives.

We look forward to welcoming you under the spire soon.

Claire Spencer

Claire Spencer
Chief Executive Officer
Arts Centre Melbourne

Summer & Autumn at Arts Centre Melbourne

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We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which Arts Centre Melbourne stands, the People of the Kulin Nations, and pay our respects to their elders, past, present and future.

All information in this publication, Families, is correct at the time of printing. Arts Centre Melbourne reserves the right to add, withdraw or substitute artists and vary the program as necessary.

*Ticket prices are correct at time of printing but may change due to market demand. Arts Centre Melbourne reserves the right to alter ticket prices and fees at any time without notice. To get the best seat at the best price, we strongly recommend booking early. To view the latest prices for the show you are interested in, visit the event page on our website. A Service Charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction applies. Arts Centre Melbourne is a member of Live Performance Australia and our ticketing practices follow the LPA Ticketing Code of Practice.

Cover images

Front right: *Charlie and the War Against the Grannies*, Image by Jason Lau. Front left and back: *À Ố Làng Phố*, Image by Nguyen The Duong. Back page: *Dr AudiYO's Giant Adventure*, Image by Pippa Samaya.

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"Enthralled the kids"

STAGE WHISPERS ON THE TREEHOUSE SERIES

"Dazzles and delights"

CANBERRA CRITICS CIRCLE

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Arts Centre Melbourne presents a CDP Kids Production

THE 91-STOREY TREEHOUSE

A play by Richard Tulloch.**Adapted from the book by
Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton.**

Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton's best-selling book comes to life on stage for children aged 6+ and their adults!

Andy and Terry's Treehouse has reached an amazing 91 Stories! It's now more fantastically dangerous than ever, with a deserted desert island, a whirlpool and a giant spider.

The team behind the 13-, 26-, 52- and 78-Storey Treehouses Live on Stage return with a fantastical trip through this wild, weird and wonderful world.

Just beware of the Fortune Teller...

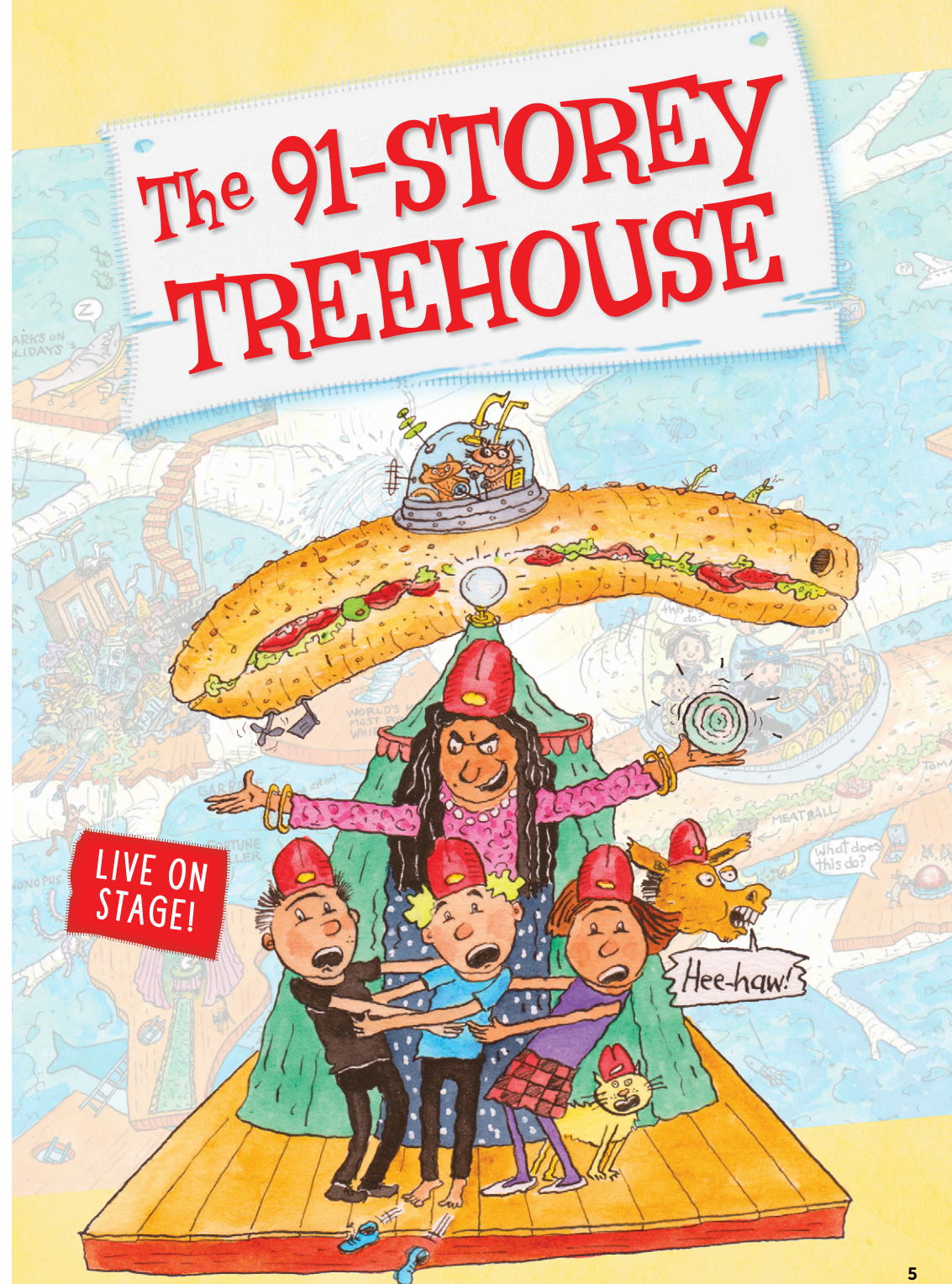
4 - 19 JAN**Playhouse****Premium: \$39****A Reserve: \$32****B Reserve: \$26**

(+ service charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction)

Run Time 1H

Auslan Interpreted Performance: Sat 11 Jan, 12pm
Relaxed Performance: Sat 18 Jan, 12pm

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AWARD-WINNING



**"as big a delight as a small
show for children can be"**

THE TIMES, UK



**"a joyful and
funny show"**

THE GUARDIAN, UK



**"wonderfully wise
and big-hearted"**

THE HERALD, UK

**AGES
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Arts Centre Melbourne, Andy Manley and Red Bridge Arts (UK) present

STICK BY ME

It's a stick. It's just a stick!

But for one, all alone, this stick has something special. And soon the two are the best of friends. They run, play, hide and rest... and stick together when things get tough.

Stick By Me is a beautifully crafted production about friendship, play and the importance of treasuring little things. Andy Manley and Ian Cameron, creators behind the internationally acclaimed children's show *White*, return with this joyful and inventive production for families.

Winner of 'Best Production for Children and Young People'.

2019 CRITICS AWARD FOR THEATRE IN SCOTLAND (CATS)

14 - 18 JAN

Playhouse Rehearsal Room

\$26

(+ service charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction)

Run Time 40M



This performance is suitable for children with a range of disabilities. This work is non-verbal, highly visual and an assistive hearing loop is available in the space. We have resources to support your experience, including access notes designed to help you prepare for your visit.

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Image credit: Mihaela Bodlovic



ALL
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Arts Centre Melbourne and Joseph O'Farrell (JOF) present

10 MINUTE DANCE PARTIES

Welcome to the best dance party of your life.
Your time starts... now!

This free, interactive dance party for all ages invites you to have as much fun as you can in just 10 minutes. Shimmy, shake, bop and boogie inside a converted shipping container right out the front of Arts Centre Melbourne!

Led by artist JOF and DJed by young locals, join family and friends on the dance-floor in celebration of the universal nature of dance. There'll be world record attempts, dance move competitions, song dedications and ventures into the unknown.

BECOME A 10 MINUTE DJ
Help us bring the party to life!
Participate in a free one day workshop
for ages 13 - 18 at The Channel.
See page 19 for more information.

FREE

16 - 24 JAN

**Arts Centre Melbourne
Forecourt**

Run Time 10M

Open daily 11am - 3.30pm
No bookings required.
See website for session times.



When you are here, please let us know if you have any specific access requirements. There are elements of the experience we can tailor and adapt, including adjusting lighting, providing headphones/ear plugs and more.

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Image credit: Right: Kelly Champion



PART OF ASIA TOPA

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4-18M

Arts Centre Melbourne and Insite Arts present

FLOWER 꽃

By Sally Chance Dance (AUS)
and Masil Theatre (KOR)

This playful performance is for babies and about babies.

Flower 꽃 is a trans-cultural dance/theatre piece for little ones aged 4 - 18 months and their carers.

Using movement, sound and tactile elements, *Flower* 꽃 invites little ones to enjoy from a distance or be involved up close to the action.

Flower 꽃 overturns old ideas about a child entering the world as a blank slate, instead offering the view that parents have as much to learn and gain from their baby as their baby does from them.

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FLOWER 꽃

호주 샬리 찬스 댄스와 한국 마실 극단 협작

Flower 꽃은 아기들의 이야기를 담고있는, 아기들을 위한 공연입니다.

호주와 한국의 문화가 조화롭게 어우러져 춤과 연극으로 펼쳐지는 *Flower* 꽃!

4-18개월 영유아들과 보호자/부모님들이 함께 즐길 수 있습니다.

아이들은 직접 듣고, 만지고, 이동하면서 *Flower* 꽃에 참여해요.

한편, 부모님들에게는 아이들에 대해 기존에 가져왔던 진부한 생각을 바꿔줄 것입니다. 아이들은 백지상태로 태어나는 것이 아니라 부모들에게 가르침을 줄 많은 것을 가지고 태어난다는 것이죠!

아기들이 부모들에게 배우듯, 여러분들도 자녀들로부터 많은 것을 배우고 있다는 것을 *Flower* 꽃을 통해 직접 경험 해 보세요.

11 - 15 FEB**Playhouse Rehearsal Room****1 baby and 1 carer: \$25****Additional adult: \$20**(+ service charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction)**Run Time 40M**+ 10M post show play**2월 11일 - 15일****플레이하우스 리허설룸****영유아 1명 \$25 (보호자 1명 포함 금액)****추가 어른 동반시 어른 한 명 당 \$20**(+예매시 최대 \$8.95의 수수료 부과)**공연시간 40분**+ 공연 후 10분간 배우들과 만남의 시간이 있어요.artscentremelbourne.com.au
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ASIA TOPA



**"Vietnam's answer to
Cirque du Soleil"**

SYDNEY MORNING HERALD



**"A playful, exhilarating
production"**

ARTSHUB

Arts Centre Melbourne presents

À Ố LÀNG PHỐ

Vietnamese Bamboo Circus

Few works can claim to have pioneered a new art form, but *À Ố Làng Phố* has left audiences the world over enthralled by the extraordinary possibilities conjured when bamboo and circus meet.

The title translates as 'from village to city,' and over the course of this magical performance an expanding metropolis is constructed from bamboo poles, woven boats and baskets. From the idyllic beauty and rich culture of life in rural Vietnam to the bustle and sensation of cities on the rise, this transforming landscape is the playground for some of Vietnam's most talented acrobats as they fuse daring feats with contemporary dance and stunning visual theatre.

Directed by former *Cirque du Soleil* choreographer Tuấn Lê and set to a live score featuring traditional Vietnamese music and modern sounds, this vibrant portrait of a world in motion will leave audiences of all ages spellbound.

Image credit: Nguyen The Duong

27 - 29 FEB

State Theatre

Families (groups of 3+): \$25ea

Individual tickets: \$46

(+ service charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction)

Run Time 1H 10M

ASIA TOPA

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FAMILY ADVENTURES UNDER THE SPIRE!

Arts Centre Melbourne is a place where children can ignite their imagination and be filled with a sense of fun and wonder. Whether it's witnessing dazzling acrobatics, meeting a beatboxing superhero, participating in the shortest, most fun dance party of your life or discovering a new talent with a creative workshop, we have something for everyone to enjoy.



Image credit: Nicola Dracoulis

Arts Centre Melbourne presents

CHARLIE AND THE WAR AGAINST THE GRANNIES

Based on the book by Alan Brough
A play by Alan Brough with Sarah Kriegler
Commissioned by Arts Centre Melbourne

A rampaging musical comedy for children aged 5 and up!

Written by and starring Alan Brough (*Spicks and Specks*), this world premiere production comes to life with shadow puppetry, live music and three really stinky farts.

All 12-year old Charlie Duncan wanted was a simple paper round. What he uncovers is a league of evil grannies plotting to set up a 'Granny State', where everyone will be forced to wear brown cardigans, go to bed early and there will be NO CHILDREN!

Can Charlie and his best friend Hills save the day? Find out when this hilarious production full of warmth and ridiculousness lands on stage these Autumn school holidays.

Non-evil grannies welcome.

AGES
5+

28 MAR - 5 APR

Playhouse

Premium: \$39
A Reserve: \$35
B Reserve: \$27

(+ service charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction)

Run Time 1H



Auslan Interpreted Performance: Wed 1 April, 12pm
Relaxed Performance: Sat 4 April, 12pm

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WORLD PREMIERE

"I didn't want any
Grannies to explode. I just
wanted a paper round."



Image credit: Jason Lau

"Truly mind-blowing"

THEATRE TRAVELS



"A show that simply flies by as you look on in slack-jawed amazement."

FUNNY TONNE

Arts Centre Melbourne and Froudlist present

DR AUDIYO'S GIANT ADVENTURE

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8+

Kick your imagination into overdrive and be left dazzled and giggling by this sound-led, choose-your-own-adventure show for the whole family!

Follow the quest of Dr AudiYO, a beatboxing clown-come-superhero. Using only her 'magic looping bum bag' (and a little help from the audience), she sets off on a surreal adventure to slay The Beast, who's on a rampage to silence the city.

On a bare stage, using only her voice, a microphone and wireless looping technology, theatre-maker and comedian Holly Austin brings to life a wondrous world of giants, music and cats. Fusing old school clowning and miming techniques with new school beatboxing, this work invites the audience to become the true heroes, working together with Dr AudiYO to save the day.

9 - 10 MAY

Playhouse Rehearsal Room

\$28

(+ service charge of up to \$8.95 per transaction)

Run Time 50M



This performance is suitable for children with a range of disabilities. The work is highly visual, and an assistive hearing loop is available in the space.

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Image credit: Pippa Samaya



CREATIVE WORKSHOPS AT THE CHANNEL

Located in iconic Hamer Hall, The Channel is Arts Centre Melbourne's state-of-the-art workshop and performance space. Designed for children and their families, these workshops allow people of all ages to share creative, hands-on experiences. You never know what new talents you might discover!



Arts Centre Melbourne and Joseph O'Farrell (JOF) present

10 MINUTE DANCE PARTIES DJ WORKSHOPS

Learn how to DJ!

13 & 14 JAN

The Channel

FREE

Run Time 5 hours
(attend 1 day)

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13-18

We are throwing a party in a shipping container on the forecourt of Arts Centre Melbourne, and we need your help!

Collaborate with internationally acclaimed musician and artist JOF to make *10 Minute Dance Parties*, a free all ages event.

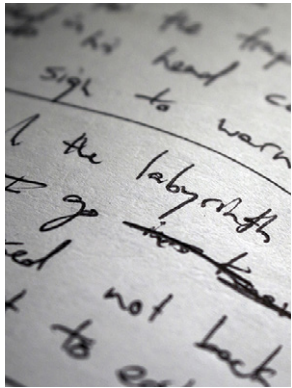
Help us bring this party to life and bring your set to the dancefloor. If you are aged between 13 - 18 years and would like to learn how to DJ, sign up to this free, one-day workshop. Limited places available.

What you need to do:

- **Register online.** You don't need to have any previous DJ experience, we will teach you everything you need to know. Register at artscentremelbourne.com.au
- **Learn how to DJ.** Workshops will be held Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 January at The Channel, Arts Centre Melbourne. You only need to attend one of these workshops.
- **Perform your DJ set** in the shipping container on one or more days between 16 - 24 January. See page 6 for more info.



Elements of this experience can be tailored and adapted to specific access requirements, including adjusting lighting, providing headphones/ear plugs and more.



Arts Centre Melbourne and Australian Music Vault present

LYRIC WRITING WORKSHOP

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Starting with a guided tour of the Australian Music Vault exhibition, this workshop takes you deep into the art of lyric writing. Inspired by some of Australia's finest lyricists, like Sia, Courtney Barnett and Midnight Oil, you will have the opportunity to analyse what makes a great lyricist using examples from the Vault, then create your own masterpiece with guidance from experienced songwriters at The Channel.

8 JAN

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 4H



This workshop is part of our Families Program and is designed to be a collaboration between a child and their parent/guardian. Children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult.



Arts Centre Melbourne presents Lee Cohen's

MAGIC WORKSHOP

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10-12

Discover the art of magic!

Step behind the velvet curtain and uncover the mysteries of magic with *The Magic Workshop*. Once you've sworn the magician's oath, you'll be let into a world of secrets and mind-boggling twists and turns! You'll even be given a goodie bag of tricks to take home to amaze your family and friends.

9 JAN & 3 APR

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 1H 30M



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Arts Centre Melbourne presents

INSTANT ROCKSTAR

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8-12

Do you have what it takes to be a rockstar?

Instant Rockstar workshops let you be the star! First, compose your own piece of music using our library of thousands of sound samples. With so much to choose from, whether it's dubstep, jazz or rock you're into – we've got you covered. We will then use your song to create your own music video.

JAN - JUN

10 & 15 JAN, 15 FEB, 21 MAR,
2 & 7 APR, 9 MAY, 6 JUN

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 2H 30M



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Arts Centre Melbourne presents

PUPPETMASTERS WORKSHOP

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8-12

This workshop dives deep into the magical world of puppetry. Led by an experienced puppeteer, you will learn how to operate a puppet using the Bunraku technique. Bunraku is a Japanese traditional puppet theatre in which three puppeteers work together to bring a puppet to life! In this workshop you will have the opportunity to use professional Bunraku puppets, and work on a prototype of your own.

16 JAN & 1 APR

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 4H



Children must be accompanied by an adult. Accompanying adult free.



Arts Centre Melbourne and St Martin's Youth Theatre present

JOURNEYS MISCHIEF AND MONSTERS

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5-8

In this engaging workshop children will bring their imaginations to life through maps, artefacts, costumes and characters. Combining creative play and visual art, the group will invent their own story of sailing the seas to far off places with their family members. Let the adventures begin!

22 JAN

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 2H



Journeys Mischief and Monsters is facilitated by a lead artist from St Martins Youth Theatre with an inclusion artist supporting participants with accessibility needs. Parents or guardians are encouraged to participate in the workshop, as it is designed to be a collaborative experience.



Arts Centre Melbourne and Australian Music Vault present

HIP-HOP LYRIC WRITING WORKSHOP

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12-16

Hip-Hop culture has, and continues to be, a forum through which people can express opinions, raise issues, and have their voices heard. In Australia, Hip-Hop offers artists from diverse backgrounds with important conversations to start, a platform to promote Hip-Hop's core values of respect, inclusion and individuality.

In this workshop, students will be encouraged to think about issues that affect them and impact their lives. Working with N'Fa Jones at The Channel, students will be led in crafting those ideas into lyrics and song form.

6 APR

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 4H



Children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult. Accompanying adult free.

AUSTRALIAN
MUSIC
VAULT
INCORPORATING
THE MUSEUM
HALL OF FAME



9 APRIL

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 4H

Arts Centre Melbourne and Australian Music Vault present

ALBUM COVER DESIGN WORKSHOP

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10-16

This workshop encourages you to explore examples of music marketing from the Australian Performing Arts Collection currently on display in the Australian Music Vault exhibition, before creating your very own album cover design. Learn some simple ways to create kaleidoscopic digital images using a photograph of yourself, or from those you choose from an online collection. You'll then use Photoshop software to combine your image with text in the style of an album cover, and leave the workshop with both a digital and hard copy of your design.



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Arts Centre Melbourne and St Martin's Youth Theatre present

NEW PAPER WORLD

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5-8

Take the old daily news and make a magical new world out of it! Using recycled newspapers we will design a maze of spaces, objects and wearable items. We will invent stories and characters to populate our New Paper World. Step into our immersive paper fantasia for a guided show and tell.

9 APR

The Channel

\$25 (+ service charge of up to \$4 per booking)

Run Time 2H



New Paper World is facilitated by a lead artist from St Martins Youth Theatre with an inclusion artist supporting participants with accessibility needs. Parents or guardians are encouraged to participate in the workshop, as it is designed to be a collaborative experience.




ACCESS

We are delighted to present some of the best Australian and international performances and programs for children with disability and their families to enjoy.

"The Relaxed Performance initiative mean people like my son, Oliver, are included in the arts, it means he can form a meaningful connection to creativity which transcends his disability."

AUDIENCE MEMBER

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ADDITIONAL ACCESS OPPORTUNITIES

10 Minute Dance Parties

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Dr AudiYO's Giant Adventure

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WHEELCHAIR ACCESS

All venues are wheelchair accessible from street level, with lifts operating between levels in both the Theatres Building and Hamer Hall. Wheelchair spaces are available at all events, including many events at the Sidney Myer Music Bowl, subject to availability. Please contact us with your requirements before booking.

All levels of the Arts Centre Melbourne Car Park are fully wheelchair accessible. Accessible parking bays are available on both levels. Wheelchairs are also available for complimentary hire and can be pre-booked.

ASSISTIVE HEARING

Sound amplification systems are available for people who are deaf or have a hearing impairment. Available in most venues, for assistance please see staff.

AUSLAN INTERPRETED PERFORMANCES

Auslan Interpretation is suitable for people who are deaf and communicate using Australian Sign Language (Auslan). Available for select performances.

AUDIO DESCRIPTION & TACTILE TOURS

Audio Description and Tactile Tours enhance the live theatre experience for people who are blind or have low vision. Available for select performances.

OC CAPTIONED PERFORMANCES

Captions are displayed on a screen so the audience can read dialogue and other relevant parts of the soundtrack. Available for select performances.

HIGHLY VISUAL

Some performances are highly visual with little or no spoken word and are suitable for people who are deaf, have a hearing impairment or speak a language other than English.

RP RELAXED PERFORMANCES

Relaxed Performances have been modified to suit audiences who would benefit from a more 'relaxed environment', particularly people with autism, sensory sensitivities, learning disabilities, dementia as well as those living with anxiety or who have experienced trauma.

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

These experiences are participatory, highly visual, interactive and engaging.

COMPANION CARD

Companion Card holders are eligible for a complimentary companion ticket to all performances.



POSSIBILITY

Just \$25



\$25 buys a ticket for a child who might otherwise never see a live show.

Donate now at the Box Office or online at artscentremelbourne.com.au/donate25

Arts Centre Melbourne (Victorian Arts Centre Trust) is endorsed as a deductible gift recipient and a registered charity. Donations of \$2 and above are tax deductible. ABN: 83 295 983 059.



To Book

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Monday to Saturday: 9am to 8.30pm



Box Office at Theatres Building

Monday to Saturday: 9am – 8pm

Sunday: 10am – 5pm

Box Office at Hamer Hall

Monday to Saturday: 10am – 6pm

Sunday: 10am – 5pm

Opening hours on public holidays are subject to performance times.



Schools performances

Some of the shows have dedicated schools performances. Please check the event pages on our website.



Age recommendation

Arts Centre Melbourne provides age recommendations for all family performances. This is designed to help children and families get the most out of their experience. We work closely with the creators of the performances to determine a suitable age recommendation, however it is ultimately up to the parent's discretion.



Babes in Arms

Children aged under 24 months are admitted free of charge to some performances on their carer's lap without a pram. Please check event pages on our website.



Changing Places

An accessible public toilet with full-sized change tables and hoists is located in Hamer Hall on Level 3.



Baby Change

Facilities are available on-site.



Pram Parking

Designated pram parking is available.

All children under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult. All adults must have a ticket unless otherwise specified. All performances have no interval unless specified.

Images: Top left: *Invisible Orchestra*, January 2019;
Top right: *Down To Earth* by Bamboozle Theatre, May 2017;
Bottom left: *Families Program Launch*, November 2018



Kids Lunch Boxes

Available for selected summer shows. Please see website for more information.

Eat & Drink

Protagonist

On-the-go coffee, food & drinks

Mon to Fri, 7am until late*
Sat & Sun, 9am until late*

Café Vic

Traditional lunch & dinner
Daily, 10.30am until late*

Allegro

Small plates & sweet treats
Open 1hr prior to performances in the Theatres Building

Bombini Buzz

Café eatery bar
Mon to Thu, 7:30am - 5pm
Fri, 7:30am until late*
Sat, 3pm until late*

*Opening and closing times are subject to performances in Hamer Hall and Theatres Building and may change without notice

Markets, Tours & Exhibitions

Sunday Market

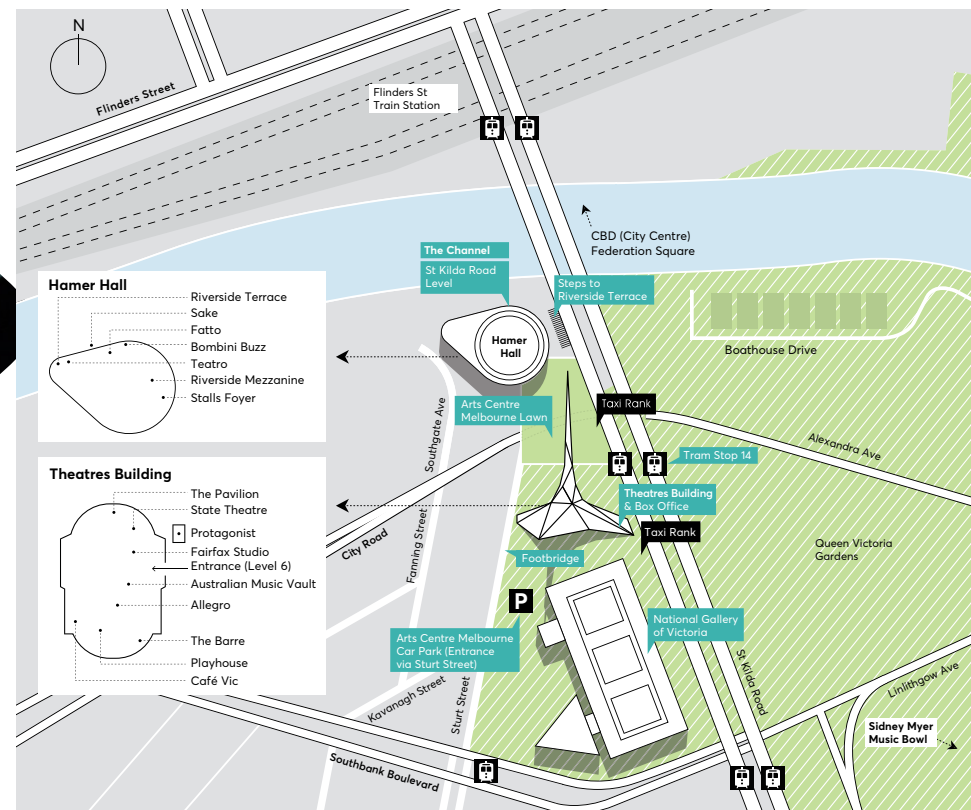
Hand crafted goods from local artists
Every Sunday, 10am - 4pm
Arts Centre Melbourne Lawn along St Kilda Rd

Tours

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Venue tours run daily at 11am. Meet at the Welcome Desks in the Theatres Building

Australian Music Vault

Free exhibition, Open daily
Celebrate the Australian contemporary music story – past, present and future.



Getting here

Car: Undercover parking is available 24 hours, 7 days a week. Enter via the corner of Sturt and Kavanagh Streets, Southbank. Pre-booked valet parking is available.

Bus: Parking is available on St Kilda Road opposite Arts Centre Melbourne. If you would like to reserve bus parking please visit Melbourne Council Parking Permit website.

Train: Alight at Flinders Street Station and cross Princes Bridge to reach our venues.

Tram: Stop 14 on St Kilda Rd is located directly in front of our venue. Accessible via routes 1, 3, 5, 6, 16, 64, 67 and 72. We are located just outside PTV's Free Tram Zone.

Taxi: Designated taxi zones are located in front of the Theatres Building on St Kilda Rd and directly in front of the Arts Centre Melbourne Lawn.

Exclusive Parking Offer

Audiences attending selected daytime performances Monday to Friday will automatically receive an early bird offer when entering the car park before their performance. This offer applies to ticketed performances in the Arts Centre Melbourne families program only. For more information visit artscentremelbourne.com.au

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