
powerhouse youth theatre

2016

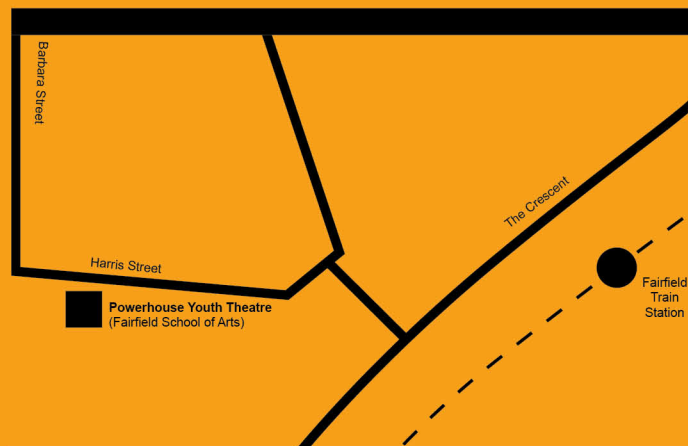
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2016 marks my third year in Fairfield as Artistic Director at PYT and it's the most exciting yet. Our young artists will be seen performing on main stages that traverse across East and Western Sydney, regional NSW and Melbourne. Our professional development programs are cemented locally and continue to feed into our community and inspire. I am very lucky and proud to be working with such a broad spectrum of talent here in Fairfield as I can see and experience first hand the creation of Australia's cultural future. I look forward to seeing you here at PYT.

Karen Therese, Artistic Director.

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General Manager Amanda Wright
Company Administrator Caitlin Gibson
Associate Artist Kate Worsley
Designers Province
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calendar of events

jump first, ask later (melb)	3–5 August
tribunal	12–20 August
jump first, ask later (syd)	22–2 Sep/Oct
women of fairfield	7–8 October
suburbist	26–29 October
dance diaries	september – december
motion pictures	year round
funpark	year round
pyt ensemble	year round
pyt pilots	year round

women of fairfield

partner: C3 West, MCA Australia
& STARTTS
& IWHS



Women of Fairfield is a major new site-based work that will engage over 100 local women from the Fairfield community working in collaboration with outstanding Australian artists. Through the creation of large-scale immersive installations and performances, this project will celebrate women and open up a public dialogue about some of the critical issues that affect our women of Fairfield. Supported by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

dates 7 + 8 October, presented onsite Fairfield CBD

curators Karen Therese and Anne Loxley

artists Kate Blackmore, Hissy Fit and Maria Tran,
Claudia Nicholson & Zoe Scoglio

tribunal

partner: Griffin Theatre Company



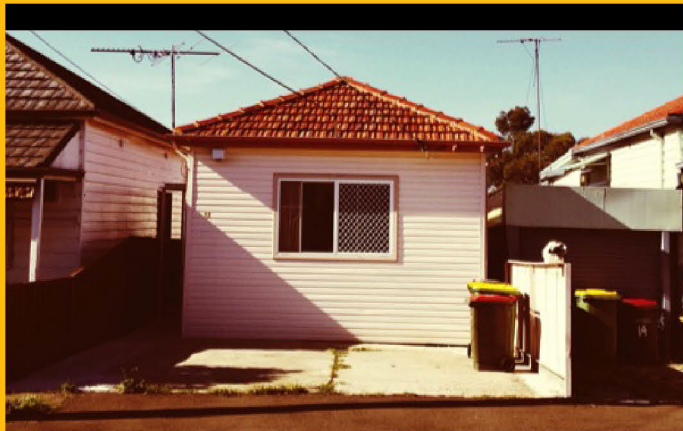
TRIBUNAL is an ambitious new participatory performance project that brings together artists, human rights activists, lawyers, young leaders and outlaws. An Australian Truth and Reconciliation Tribunal will be created to interrogate and explore notions of truth and lies around the politically contentious labels of refugee and asylum seeker.

dates 12 – 20 August, presented at Griffin Theatre

creative team Karen Therese, Paul Dwyer,
Nadeena Dixon, Mahdi Mohammadi,
Joe Tan, plus special guests

suburbist

partner: ATYP (Cameo)



The sense of identity derived from the suburb in which we reside is at the core of **SUBURBIST**. Through recorded interviews and investigation into the movement, rhythms, landscape and density of one of the world's largest sprawling cities, **SUBURBIST** is an exciting new theatre work exploring Western Sydney.

dates 17 – 21 October, presented at PYT
26 – 29 October, presented at ATYP

concept
/director Kate Worsley **dramaturg** Julian Larnach

performers
/co devisors The PYT Ensemble
with Ben Pierpont (sound) and
Emily Ayoub (movement)

jump first, ask later

partner: Force Majeure



'Astonishing work. It is an entirely recommended experience for all ages. Inspiration plus. Exhilarating'. **Kevin Jackson, Theatre Diary**

After a sensational debut in Fairfield last year **JUMP FIRST, ASK LATER** will tour to Arts Centre Melbourne and the Sydney Opera House. This new dance theatre work tells the collective stories of six young champions of Fairfield's underground parkour and street style community.

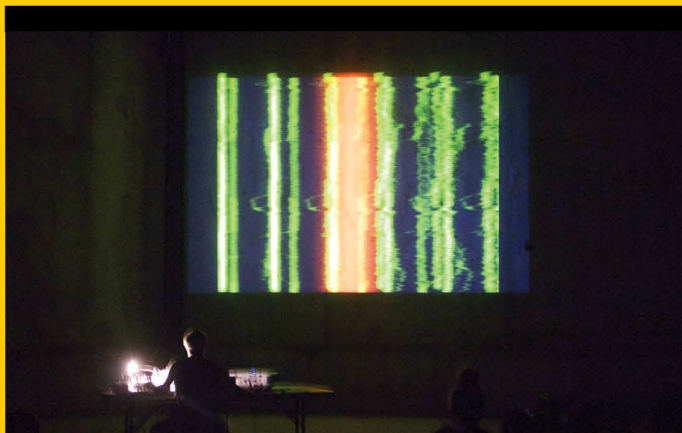
tour dates Arts Centre Melbourne 3 – 5 August
Sydney Opera House 22 Sep – 2 Oct

choreographer Byron Perry **sound design** Luke Smiles

performers Joseph Carbone, Justin Kilic,
Jimmy James Pham, Johnny Do, Natalie Siri
and Patrick Uy

motion pictures

A Festival of New Cinema



'Its respect for history and its openness to the diversity of screen forms old, new and to come made for an unflaggingly engaging and informative experience.' **Keith Gallasch, RealTime 127**

Motion Pictures is a bi-annual festival that aims to support the development and presentation of ambitious screen-based work. In 2016 **Motion Pictures** will focus on in-house professional development initiatives for young screen artists in Western Sydney.

curators

David Capra and Kate Blackmore

dance diaries

partner: Woodville Alliance



Continuing on from the successful 2015 program *Being Moved*, **Dance Diaries** will engage a choreographer, photographer, a video artist and mixed abilities artists from the Fairfield region.

Dance Diaries will be developed through a series of workshops that explore the extraordinary power our bodies have to move and to dance. The workshop series will culminate in an installation and performance series that reflects on the participants' concepts of home.

dates

September – December 2016

artists

Linda Luke, Heidrun Lohr,
Michael Toisuta and Martin Fox
in collaboration with participants
from Woodville Alliance

in development

Watan

In 2016 PYT and ATYP will embark on the development of a large-scale activist musical through a unique engagement with VIVID Ideas. This development period will incorporate the creative development, an interactive seminar and A Party.

partners ATYP and Sydney University
in conjunction with VIVID Ideas
dates April 2016
key artists Omid Tofighian, Karen Therese
and Fraser Corfield

Pagoda Parkour

PYT will head to Kandos in Regional New South Wales for a development of a new work created in the Wollemi National Park.

partner Cementa Festival
dates February 2016
artists Karen Therese, Alex Wisser & Greg Pritchard

META_NATURE

A new work exploring ties between Indonesian and Indigenous communities long before European colonisation.

partner Performance 4a
artists Jade Dewi Tyas Tunggal
Ria Soemardjo.

funpark

partners: Blacktown Arts Centre,
Bidwill Uniting, CuriousWorks
& the Urban Neighbours of Hope



FUNPARK is committed to sustained creative engagement within the Mt Druitt community. In 2016 FUNPARK will encompass workshops, walking tours, and artist commissions culminating in a community presentation.

Presentation 23 April in Bidwill, Mt Druitt

Workshops & artist commissions all year round

coalition Karen Therese, Paschal Berry,
Caitlin Newton Broad, John Dacey,
John and Lisa Owen and Therese Wilson

pyt ensemble

support: Fairfield City Council
& the Darin Cooper Foundation



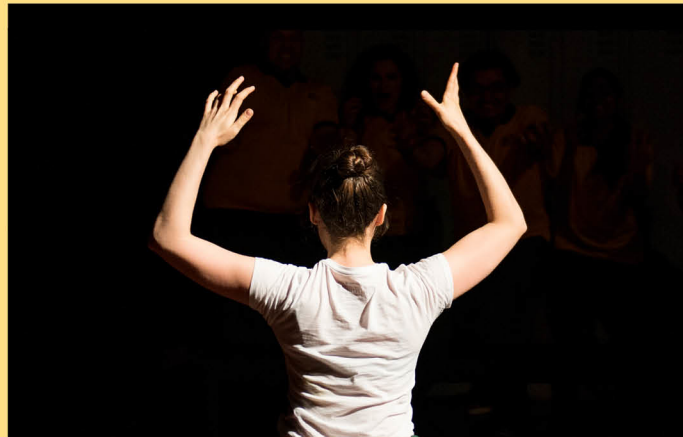
The **PYT Ensemble** program offers skills development workshops, on-going performance training, and local and national presentation opportunities to a select group of outstanding emerging artists from Western Sydney.

facilitator Kate Worsley

2016 Ensemble David Robertts, Amanda Sullo,
Monica Kumar, Luke Cignarella,
Barbara Schefer, Mahdi Mohammadi,
Lap Nguyen, Pedro Schweinitz,
Benjamin Kuryo and Sophea Op

pilots

support: Crown Resorts Foundation
& the Packer Family Foundation.



PILOTS is a workshop, leadership and professional development initiative for young people in the Fairfield region. PILOTS will engage young people aged 14yrs-18yrs in performance workshops culminating in the development of a final presentation

Are you interested in taking classes in theatre and performing?
Become a PYT pilot: info@pyt.com.au

Facilitators Kate Worsley, Luke Cignarella,
David Robertts and Monica Kumar