
powerhouse youth theatre

2015

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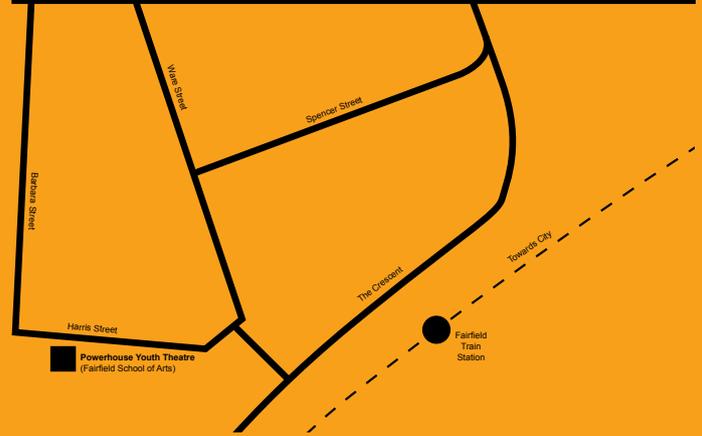
from the artistic director

In Fairfield I am constantly inspired by the skills, stories, and passion of the local young artists and community. I love talking and learning from them, I love eating lunch with artists in the amazing local restaurants, and I enjoy the energy of the theatre when 200+ young people come in and out of our building every week. Mostly I love introducing our local young people to some of Australia's best artists and seeing them learn and create work together, new contemporary performance works, that reflect their unique experiences of living in Western Sydney.

The result of all this activity has formed our exciting 2015 program; it includes new theatre and dance works, dinner parties, dance parties, exhibitions, a film festival and opportunities to get skilled up and become a part of pyt through programs such as pilots, the residency program or our pyt Ensemble program.

Get involved in some of the best ideas and work by Australia's next generation of artists – see you at pyt.

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calendar of events

motion room		february - april
in this fairfield	18-21	march
motion pictures	17-18	april
little baghdad	25-12	june - july
9Lives	19-29	august
team australia	8-24	october
the dance		december
pilots		year round
pyt ensemble		year round
pyt residency		year round
women of fairfield		in development

9Lives

partner: Force Majeure



9Lives is an urban choreographic portrait of the streets of Fairfield. This work will tell the collective stories of seven young members of Team9Lives, Fairfield's underground parkour and street-style champions.

dates Performances at PYT 19 – 29 August

artists Byron Perry, Team9Lives,
Sean Bacon and Luke Smiles

little baghdad

partner: the NSW Service for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors (STARTTS)



Over 100 members of the Iraqi- Australian community + 11 artists create an immersive Iraqi experience.
supported by the Australian Government Department of Social Services

dates **Little Baghdad** will culminate in three distinct events:
The Long Table, PYT 25-27 June
Let's Party like it's 620BC, PYT 10-12 July
1001 Nights in Fairfield, Fairfield Museum Aug - Nov

artists Nicole Barakat, Zahra Alsamawi,
Zanny Begg, Bashar Hanna and
the Choir of Love, Victoria Spence,
Oliver Slewa, Diego Bonnetto,
Province, Sean Bacon,
Karen Therese and Jiva Parthapan

team australia

presented with ATYP



Team Australia : Stories from Fairfield is a new contemporary performance work written and performed by the pyt Ensemble. Offering seven perspectives on their experiences as young Australians, Team Australia is intimate, irreverent and deeply political.

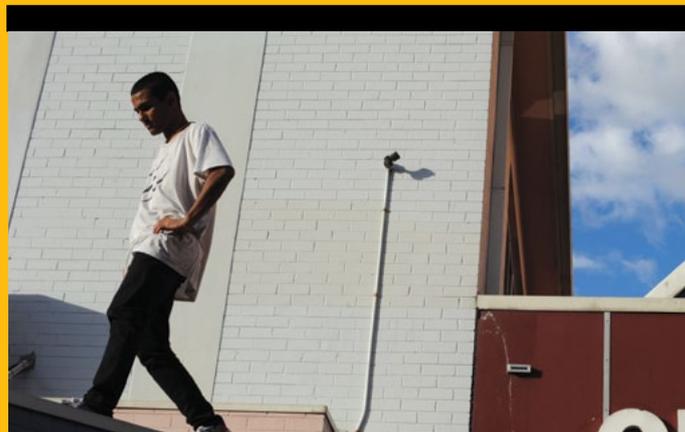
dates Performances at PYT 8-10 October
Performances at ATYP 21-24 October

artists The PYT Ensemble
with Karen Therese,
Sean Bacon, Kym Vercoe
and Bhenji Ra

in this fairfield

return season

presented by Riverside Theatre, Parramatta



After two hugely successful seasons in 2014 at pyt and ATYP, **In This Fairfield: Romeo and Juliet in the West** has been invited to be part of Riverside Theatre's 2015 program. Part verbatim text, part Shakespearean tragedy, the project investigates ideas of love and family amongst the historic divisions in Fairfield, the most culturally diverse region in Australia.

dates Performances at Riverside Theatre 18 – 21 March

artists David Williams, Kate Worsley,
James Brown, Andy Ko
and the PYT Ensemble

motion pictures

partner: Fairfield City Council for Youth Week 2015

MOTION PICTURES

A Festival of New Cinema

Motion Pictures is a new festival for Western Sydney that supports the development and presentation of experimental and ambitious screen-based work.

Paying tribute to Western Sydney cinema pioneer A.J. Beszant, Motion Pictures invites young and emerging Western Sydney artists and filmmakers aged 17-25 yrs to submit short video works that utilise the screen in adventurous and ambitious ways.

dates Screenings & Events at PYT

17-18 April

curators Kate Blackmore & David Capra

the dance

in collaboration with
Woodville Community Services



In 2015 PYT will begin **'The Dance'** a collaboration between a choreographer, photographer and mixed abilities artists from the Fairfield region.

The Dance 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 into an exclusive photographic book celebrating the unique ways in which we can move.

dates PYT

December

artists Linda Luke, Heidrun Lohr

supported by Fairfield City Council

women of fairfield: concepts of home

partner: C3West (MCA Australia)



in development

supported by the Australian Government Department of Social Services

Women of Fairfield will be an intergenerational site responsive project exploring the lives of local women and their notions of home – be they birth country, a church, a shop, a kitchen...

curators Karen Therese & Anne Loxley

pyt ensemble

supported by Fairfield City Council



The pyt performance Ensemble program focuses on the training and development of outstanding emerging Australian theatre artists.

The **2015 pyt Ensemble**: David Robertts, Jackson Stewart, Amanda Sullo, Monica Kumar, Luke Cignarella, Barbara Schefer, Mahdi Mohammadi, Jennifer Capello and Zena Kacho

pilots

supported by the Crown Foundation



PILOTS is a workshop, leadership and professional development initiative offering drop-in classes once a week after school for 13-18 yr olds with theatre-maker Kate Worsley alongside the inaugural participants of the pyt co pilots program. 2015 co pilots are: Monica Kumar, Luke Cignarella and David Robertts.

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

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

motion room

partner project with Think+Do Tank

pyt residency



pyt Artist-In-Residence program offers professional arts practitioners the opportunity to spend up to three weeks in Fairfield, to develop new work, share their skills and engage with the local community.

pyt's 2015 resident artists are: Mahdi Mohammadi + Katie Green, Province (Laura Pike + Anne Louise Dadek), Zanny Begg, Josipa Draisma and Opal Vapour (Jade Dewi Tyas Tunggal + Ria Soemardjo + Paula van Beek).

The Motion Room aims to bring neighbourhoods that are close to one another, yet socially disconnected, together, with the aim of more equitably spreading the benefits of growing economic development.

dates Miller, Hinchinbrook & Cecil Hills February - April
artists Jane Stratton, Katie Green, Province and Monica Kumar



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