

Australian Theatre Forum – Making it

Theatre Network Victoria



The fourth Australian Theatre Forum brings together theatre professionals from across the nation to engage in inspiring conversations and provocations about the urgent issues facing contemporary Australian theatre.

Produced by Theatre Network Victoria (TNV) and Curated by award-winning theatre maker **David Williams**, the fourth biennial Australian Theatre Forum (ATF) will be an event that generates discussion around contemporary theatre practice by bringing together professional artists, presenters, producers, managers and policy-makers from across the country.

TNV Director, Nicole Beyer says, “The Australian Theatre Forum has come to be recognised as the main meeting place for this sector. We’re excited to be holding ATF 2015 as a part of Sydney Festival - we can mix with other artists and audiences, invite Festival guests along to the forum, and ensure that our conversations are informed by the extraordinary work we will be seeing in the evenings.”

Curator David Williams is keen to focus the event on “how we are ‘making it’ in theatre in Australia right now”. Williams adds, “Through a broad range of keynote speeches, panel discussions, workshops and activities, we will share some radical ideas about how theatre can and should make a difference. It will be a conversation with all corners of the sector – our writers, makers, designers and our elders – to ensure that we acknowledge our past in looking to the future”.

Key partners of ATF 2015 include Sydney Festival as Presenting Partner and the Australia Council for the Arts as Principal Funding Partner. In addition, Arts NSW, Destination NSW and Business Events Sydney have joined as Strategic Funding Partners to bring the ATF to Sydney and showcase all that Sydney has to offer.

Executive Director of the Sydney Festival, Christopher Tooher says, “As one of the country’s leading cultural events we are delighted to have joining us in January 2015 more than 300 of the country’s best and brightest from the theatre industry. We look forward to the dialogue as part of Sydney Festival”.

Williams adds, “We want this forum to define a new way for us to talk about theatre in Australia. Driven by strong artistic voices, and embedded within the Sydney Festival program, ATF 2015: MAKING IT will be a truly unique and transformative experience.”

Registrations for the 2015 Australian Theatre Forum are now open. ATF welcomes participation from all

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