

# Riverside's Upstage Club 2021 Program

## EVENT 1 - DEVISING THEATRE/ GETTING TO KNOW YOU- Compulsory Event

Date: Saturday 20 March 2021

Workshop Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm

Show Time: 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Facilitator: Fraser Corfield- Artistic Director of ATYP

Workshop Content: Get to know your fellow Upstage Club members while learning about the art of 'devising' theatre- or creating a piece of theatre in collaboration with others.

Show Info:

### I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU

This is a work full of questions. Asked by young people. Answered by adults. Transformed inside a theatre-turned-playground-turned-battleground delivered by Generation Up Next. Watch as age collides with experience in a revealing one-hour tell-all, where adults take a backseat as a powerful gang of 9-13-year-olds drop some truths... and the mic.

<https://riversideparramatta.com.au/show/ivebeenmeaningtoaskyou/>

## EVENT 3 - SOLO PERFORMANCE/ MONOLOGUE

Date: Saturday 1 May 2021

Workshop Time: 10:30am- 1:30pm

Show Time: 2:30pm – 3:45pm

Facilitator: Kate Gaul- Director

Workshop Content: Learn some tips and techniques for performing monologues with director Kate Gaul

Show Info:

### **GOOD WITH MAPS**

When the world map was full of gaps, the Amazon topped the list of places unknown to western explorers. In 2020 are there any 'unknowns' left? On a trip to the Amazon, the writer ponders this + other questions as she struggles to deal with her father's journey through Parkinson's disease towards what is perhaps our last great unknown—death. Sometimes sad + confronting this performance essay also funny + thoughtful + celebrates the power of reading and literature to transport us to places both real + imagined.

<https://riversideparramatta.com.au/show/good-with-maps/>

### **EVENT 3 - STAGE MANAGEMENT**

Date: Saturday 5 June 2021

Workshop Time: 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Show Time: 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Facilitator: Nicola Sinclair

Content: Learn about what is involved in being a Stage Manager, from rehearsals to calling the show.

Show Info:

### **ZOMBIE THOUGHTS**

Zombie Thoughts is the story of two best friends Sam and Pig, avatars in an epic fantasy video game where all of Sam's deepest darkest fears comes to life. Sam has +5 intelligence, anxiety and is armed with a book. Pig has +3 humour, is often distracted and armed with a rubber chicken. A touching and hilarious journey in, around and through anxiety. Choose your own adventure with this live, interactive show where the audience influences the outcome.

<https://riversideparramatta.com.au/show/zombie-thoughts/>

### **EVENT 4 - STORYTELLING THROUGH MOVEMENT**

Date: Saturday 17 July 2021

Workshop Time: 4:30pm - 6:30pm- Workshop

Show Time: 7:30pm – 9:30pm

Facilitator: TBC

Content: Techniques in using theatrical movement to tell a story

Show Info:

### **CHASING SMOKE**

The spark that ignites the question "Who am I?" flickers inside us, but only some have the courage to pursue the answer. Chasing Smoke is a unique glimpse into the world's oldest living culture told by Australia's only indigenous contemporary circus ensemble. Featuring striking aerial and acrobatic floor work, intimate storytelling, sketch comedy and dance, this show will capture your students' imaginations and take you on a powerful journey from the Dreamtime to the modern day.

<https://riversideparramatta.com.au/show/chasing-smoke/>

## **EVENT 5 – INTRODUCTION TO THEATRICAL DESIGN**

Date: Saturday 4 September 2021

Workshop Time: 11:30am - 1:30pm- Workshop

Show Time: 7:30pm – 9:30pm

Facilitator: Imogen Ross – Theatrical Designer

Content: Designer Imogen Ross explores the essential principles of stage design and offers starting points for young performance makers to develop and broaden their visual concepts. This workshop includes practical design activities and examples of professional practice.

Show Info:

### **BLUE BONES**

Based on the true story of two teenagers' romance as it blossoms then warps in the heat of bustling Singapore, Blue Bones is a vibrant, uplifting one-woman show told with incredible honesty by Merlynn Tong (White Pearl). Combining multiple characters, song and arcade games, Blue Bones is a whirlwind of love and sex, violence and courage, with the wreckage continuing to be felt across the years.

<https://riversideparramatta.com.au/show/bluebones/>

**BONUS SHOWS:**

**Bonus shows** are where we offer you \$18 tickets to any performance with the discount code for yourself and your friends. The 'Upstage' Night is a designated night where club will try and attend so you are able to catch up between events. Your tickets will be allocated together. You do not have to attend this performance and the discount can be used for any performance of the show. Successful applicants will be given a list of Bonus Shows and the relevant discount codes once membership fee is paid.