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JANUARY - DECEMBER 2025



# SPOTLIGHT

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# WE ARE TURNING 10!

For 10 years we have been proud to host an amazing array of live concerts, theatre, dance, comedy and countless other incredible events and we're not slowing down. We have a HUGE year planned so let's get this party started!

First up – acclaimed theatre company **Sport For Jove** are back performing Shakespeare's gravely funny *Much Ado About Nothing* with dazzling wit and dangerous possibilities.

We are honoured to host the **Standing Strong Band** featuring **Ray Dimakarri Dixon** in a beautiful celebration of country, culture and language in what promises to be a very special evening of music and song.

**The Necks** - one of the greatest cult bands in the world will grace our stage in a special one-off performance of their sublime music.

The party is only just getting started because then we're going to rock out with the **Sons of Sun** – a brilliant rock and roll play about Sun Records, with songs from Elvis, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee

Lewis, Roy Orbison and more.

Did you say more? Sure! We are thrilled to have **Katie Noonan and Karin Schaupp** coming to perform their latest co-creation *Songs of The Southern Skies Vol 2*. This will be an utterly spellbinding performance.

Then for something completely different and unmissable, we are proud to host **WATER MIRROR** - a breathtaking fusion of Taiko percussion, dance, acrobatics and cutting-edge projections. Will our theatre be able to handle it? You bet!

**Blue Mountains Musical Society** are returning in 2025 with the renowned musical *Come From Away* to welcome back **Blue Mountains Concert Society** with four exquisite fine music events.

In this special birthday year we bring you some of Australia's best stage plays with the Ensemble Theatre production of **The Queen's Nanny** and Echo Theatre's production of **God Of Carnage**.

These amazing performances are not to be missed – so much so we are offering in celebration of our 10th anniversary a **THEATRE LOVERS TICKET BUNDLE!** Check out pages 10 + 11 for more details!

Much-loved Blue Mountains musician **Jerrah Patston** will also be joining us to launch and perform his new album *Abandoned Cricket Games* along with a selection of fan favourites from his amazing career.

And we have PLENTY for kids (and the young at heart) too! ABC Kids stars **The Beanies** are coming to party with their new show *Big Beanie Boogie*.

We also have a new biological-musical-comedy-adventure joining in the fun with **You Are A Doughnut!**

Looking for something a little more gentle? **Imagine Live** will be helping us celebrate with the most beautiful show about creativity, friendship and our precious natural world.

All this and so much more is in store for 2025 so sign up for our monthly newsletter to ensure you don't miss any shows, artists or events yet to be announced.

Rightio - it's time to grab your tickets and get this party started!

Happy 10 years everyone!

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For details of all upcoming shows, visit [www.bluemountainstheatre.com.au](http://www.bluemountainstheatre.com.au)

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Bookings can be made through our box office in person or by phone during the hours outlined below, or online at any time

### Blue Mountains Theatre Box Office

106 Macquarie Rd, Springwood NSW 2777

Email: [hubreception@bmcc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:hubreception@bmcc.nsw.gov.au)

Phone: 02 4780 5050

### Box office phone service hours:

9.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday

### Box office counter service\* hours:

9.30am - 12.30pm Monday to Friday  
and one hour prior to performances.

*\*subject to change without notice.*

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# Much Ado About Nothing

**Presented by Sport for Jove with Blue Mountains Theatre**

Sport for Jove are thrilled to be back performing to the mountain's community with seasons at Everglades Gardens and Blue Mountains Theatre.

With dazzling wit, perfect comedy, dangerous possibilities and cruel deceptions, *Much Ado About Nothing* is deservedly beloved of audiences worldwide.

Sport for Jove's new production, directed by the wonderful Samantha Young (*Away* 2016; *A Midsummer Night's Dream* 2015), challenges the play's darkest edges while celebrating its extraordinary liveliness and famously tumultuous couplings – Benedick and Beatrice, Hero and Claudio – along with the wonderfully eccentric community that orbits them.

Don Pedro's army are home, peace has come, and so the war begins – can women trust men, can men recognise women, can love be expressed in something more than words?

**EVERGLADES GARDENS - 4th to 19th January**

3pm + 7:30pm performances (see website for full details)

**BLUE MOUNTAINS THEATRE - 22nd + 23rd January, 7:30pm**

## TICKETS

\$50 Adult | \$42 Concession | \$35 Youth | \$42pp Group 4+

Age recommendation 10+



**SPORT FOR JOVE**  
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# Standing Strong Band featuring Ray Dimakarri Dixon

**NGUKU : WATER IS LIFE TOUR & CONCERT**  
Presented by Blue Mountains Theatre

Standing Strong Band is a super group music collaboration featuring esteemed Northern Territory musician Ray Dimakarri Dixon and acclaimed emerging artist Stuart Joel Nugent, performing with Blue Mountains based musicians Terry Morgan, Ian Neil Morrison, Skye Evans, Nic Danta, Chet Miller, Lulu Levins-Skehill and Maizy Coombes.

Blue Mountains Theatre is honoured to host this auspicious concert celebration of country, culture, language and more, in what promises to be a very special evening of music and song.

**SATURDAY 1 FEBRUARY, 7:30PM**

**TICKETS \$40 Adult | Concession \$36**





## The Necks

Image: Nabeeh Samaan

### 'Bleed' album launch & concert presented by Blue Mountains Theatre

One of the great cult bands of the world. Chris Abrahams (piano) Tony Buck (drums) and Lloyd Swanton (bass) conjure a chemistry together on stage that defies description in conventional terms.

Their improvisational prowess and hypnotic live performance, feature lengthy pieces which slowly unravel, shift and metamorphose, where each performance is a spontaneous creation, making every live show a completely unique experience.

*"The Necks are one of the most entrancing live acts in the world."*

- Guardian UK

*"The Necks make the most beautiful music, at turns poetic then violent."*

- Warren Ellis

**SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY, 7:30PM**

**TICKETS \$50 Adult | \$46 Concession**

Blue Mountains Theatre presents

# Sons of Sun – Elvis, Jerry Lee, Johnny & Me

Written by Kieran Carroll, Directed by Louise Fischer  
Starring Matthew Charleston, Elena Smaniotto, Harrison Keen and Ben Maclaine

*Sons of Sun* is a rock and roll play about Sun Records, Memphis and the famous artists that started their careers there. Much like the famous Sun Records label itself, this Australian production has become the little music dream that rocks.

Told through the character of Sun Records founder Sam Phillips, his assistant Marion Keisker and the famous musicians that Sam recorded, the show features the show features a live band with CC Hall, Murray Cook and Phil Hall, performing excerpts of thirty-five songs from Elvis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison and more.

*"An innovative hybrid that is part play, part concert"*

- John Shand, The Sydney Morning Herald

*"The show sent shivers down my spine."*

- Glenn A. Baker

**SATURDAY 5 APRIL, 7:30PM**

\$50 Adult | \$46 Concession | \$46pp Group 6+



Image: Dusk Devi Vision





# Katie Noonan and Karin Schaupp

## Songs of The Southern Skies Vol 2

Katie Noonan and Karin Schaupp have an intuitive musical connection that has developed over the course of the 20 years of their creative relationship. Their collaborations to date have earned them an ARIA Award and widespread praise.

Their latest co-creation, *Songs of the Southern Skies Volume 2* once again promises to enchant national audiences with reimagined arrangements of songs by artists such as Aunty Ruby Hunter, Missy Higgins, Sia, Kate Ceberano, Sarah Blasko and more.

Katie Noonan's technical mastery and pure voice makes her one of Australia's most versatile and beloved vocalists. Guitarist Karin Schaupp is an internationally sought-after recitalist and soloist. These two virtuosi combine forces to create a unique sound and a spellbinding performance.

**FRIDAY 11 APRIL, 8PM**

**TICKETS \$59.90**

# The Beanies *Big Beanie Boogie*

Presented by Blue Mountains Theatre

Get set for a brand new live show from ABC Kids stars, The Beanies!

*Big Beanie Boogie* is an energetic, interactive concert designed to have Mini Beanies up on their feet and dancing the day away.

The Beanies bring the best dance hits from TV to life, creating a kaleidoscope of musical joy and infectious energy. Dive into a world of unforgettable tunes and dance moves that will have the whole family grooving.

Performing their mega hits *Groovy Train* and *Power*, as well as the brand new *Funky Feet*, this concert promises an unmissable fusion of laughter, song and dance!

Recommended for ages 2 to 8 years & their families

**WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL, 11AM**

**TICKETS \$30 Adult | \$26 Child | \$26 Group 6+**



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Blue Mountains Theatre presents

# WATER MIRROR

A Danza del Arte Production

Created and choreographed by Paulina Quinteros

WATER MIRROR is a breathtaking fusion of Taiko percussion, dance, acrobatics, and cutting-edge projection design.

The powerful rhythms of Taiko, led by virtuoso Ryuji Hamada, resonate throughout the venue, captivating audiences with Danza del Arte's athletic acrobatic dancers.

Set against a stunning multimedia backdrop, WATER MIRROR creates an immersive experience that engages all the senses.

With acclaimed reviews, award nominations and standing ovations, WATER MIRROR is a remarkable and unforgettable performance that will entertain and delight all ages.

Q&A immediately after the performance with the performers and choreographer.



MUSIC, PERCUSSION, DANCE

**SATURDAY 3 MAY, 7:30PM**

**TICKETS** \$54 Adult | \$49 Concession  
\$35 Student | \$49pp Group 6+



*"A spell binding work designed to be experienced... performed live by a high calibre ensemble of Australian musicians and dancers at the pinnacle of their crafts."*

- **Limelight Magazine**

Image: Jaime Plaza

Blue Mountains Theatre presents An Ensemble Theatre Production

# THE QUEEN'S NANNY

Written by *Melanie Tait*

Directed by *Priscilla Jackman*

Inspired by historical events, a royal scandal ignites a blistering fire between the steely Queen Mother and her children's doting nanny in Melanie Tait's sparkling new comedy drama.

Marion 'Crawfie' Crawford adored her job as governess to Princesses Lilibet and Margaret Rose... until she was ostracised without warning, despite dedicating the best part of her life to raising, educating and caring for the young royals. The reason? A tell-all memoir.

From the creative team behind the sell-out success of *THE APPLETON LADIES' POTATO RACE*, this blackly funny play imagines a series of pivotal moments between two strong-spirited women harbouring complicated resentment.

★★★★★ "This is a superbly-written play where every emotion is felt by the audience ..."

- Musical Theatre AU

★★★★★ "a tartly funny version of the story of a woman who gave her all to *The Firm*"

- Jason Blake, *Limelight Magazine*

Q & A directly after the show with the performers.



Image: Phil Erbacher

**SATURDAY 28 JUNE, 7:30PM**

**TICKETS \$77 Adult | \$72 Concession | \$72 Group 6+ | \$35 Student**

**THEATRE LOVERS BUNDLE TICKETS**

**The Queens Nanny plus God of Carnage tickets \$126**



Blue Mountains Theatre presents An Echo Theatre Production

# GOD OF CARNAGE

*Written by Yasmina Reza*

*Directed by Jordan Best*



Image: Photox Ben Appleton

**FRIDAY 12 SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM**

**TICKETS** \$65 Adult | \$60 Concession | \$60 Group 6+ | \$25 Student

**THEATRE LOVERS BUNDLE TICKETS**

The Queens Nanny plus God of Carnage tickets \$126



By Arrangement with ORIGIN™ Theatrical. On Behalf of Samuel French. A Concord Theatricals Company.

Two eleven-year-old boys, a stick and some broken teeth are the catalyst in this classic comedy, which Echo Theatre have reimaged in a vibrant new production. When two couples meet to discuss the playground incident between their sons, the evening begins quite amicably. Soon, however, the afternoon deteriorates from one of mild unease and discomfort, into a deluge of accusations, recriminations, jealousy and rage.

There's aging parents, drug side effects, precious catalogues, abandoned hamsters, not to mention drinking, fighting, and the destruction of some rather lovely tulips. Boys will be boys, but can the grown-ups be grown up enough to resolve their differences without losing sight of right and wrong?

**Winner Best Director - Canberra Critics Circle 2023 Awards**

*"Directed with razor sharp acuity".*

**- Peter Wilkins, Canberra Critics Circle**

*"...a classy, highly engaging and most accessible production."*

**- Jo Woodward, City News**



BLUE MOUNTAINS MUSICAL SOCIETY PROUDLY PRESENTS

# SWEET CHARITY

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BASED ON AN ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY BY FEDERICO FELLINI, TULLIO PINELLI AND ENNIO FLAIANO

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Blue Mountains Theatre presents

# YOU ARE A DOUGHNUT

**A biological-musical-comedy-adventure!**

From the creators of "The Alphabet of Awesome Science" comes a brand-new multi-award winning family show...

**YOU ARE A DOUGHNUT!**

It's true! YOU are a great big fleshy lump with a remarkable hole running all the way through your middle — your digestive system.

Join biology teachers Oesoph A. Gus and Dewey Dean as they embark upon an utterly brilliant all singing, all-dancing (and all-clowning), exploration of every twisting tube and remarkable organ — with sketches, songs, and sensational science.

Along the way you'll encounter a frenzy of enzyme powered ping pong balls, sing along with a rainbow collection of poop puppets, and witness the weirdest poetry performance you've ever seen.



*"...absolutely top shelf entertainment"*  
- Kids in Adelaide



*"...a sure winner for the whole family"*  
- Glam Adelaide

**2023 Adelaide Fringe Festival Science at the Fringe Award**

**2022 & 2024 Adelaide Fringe Festival Weekly Award: Best Kids and Family**

**TUESDAY 15 JULY, 10AM + 1PM**

**TICKETS** \$30 Adult | \$26 Child  
\$26 Group 6+

For ages 5 to 12 and their families



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# Jerrah Patston

**Abandoned Cricket Games Album launch and concert  
Presented by Blue Mountains Theatre**

Acclaimed Blue Mountains musician Jerrah Patston is performing his latest album in full, along with a selection of fan favourites from his career.

*Abandoned Cricket Games* is Jerrah's third full-length album and it traverses detailed and vivid themes. Recorded over two days at MONA's Frying Pan Studios through the ex-Abbey Road REDD.17 recording console (as used by The Beatles and Pink Floyd), the album is a stunner and Jerrah's best work yet.

Noted for his whimsical style and beautiful harmonies from previous albums, both of which were launched at the Blue Mountains Theatre to rapturous reception; Jerrah works with his songwriting collaborator Sam Worrad at Club Weld, a studio for neurodivergent musicians located at ACE in Parramatta.

He has recorded at the Opera House, appeared on ABC TV'S 7:30, played live at several festivals, and performed for Governor-General Sam Mostyn.

*Abandoned Cricket Games* was made possible by a grant from Blue Mountains City Of The Arts Trust.

**FRIDAY 15 AUGUST, 7:30PM**

**TICKETS \$32 Adult | \$27 Concession**





Blue Mountains Theatre presents

# IMAGINE LIVE

**"IT'S ABOUT ANIMALS!"... "IT'S ABOUT IMAGINATION!"... "IT'S ABOUT OUR HOME!"**

Magical and meaningful, IMAGINE LIVE is a celebration of creativity, friendship and our precious natural world. With the help of the audience, performers play and sing their way through the pages of Alison Lester's iconic best-selling book, and quickly discover there is WAY more to these pages than they first thought.

Spot a leopard, dive with a dolphin or dig up a dinosaur as this iconic book springs into life before your eyes.

IMAGINE LIVE combines live action and animation with digital puppetry in a large-scale, multi-screen performance. Underscored by original music, characters and objects travel between real and animated worlds, responding in real time to audience input.

Beautiful and meaningful, IMAGINE LIVE is a celebration of the transformative power of creativity - an interactive musical performance for families... Nana's are especially welcome!

**TUESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER, 10AM + 1PM**

**TICKETS** \$30 Adult | \$26 Children  
\$26 Group 6+

For ages 4 to 12 and their families



**RIVERSIDE**

## Braemar Gallery

Braemar House is part of the Blue Mountains Theatre and Community Hub precinct. It is home to Braemar Gallery and a planned creative co-working space.

Opened in 1988, Braemar Gallery is a community non-commercial gallery, hosting changing exhibitions each month that showcase works of local and regional artists. The gallery presents an annual program of exhibitions from local artists coordinated by a Management Committee and run by a team of volunteers.

Open 10am to 4pm, Thursday to Sunday  
Free admission



## Hub Upstairs Gallery

Opened in 2023, the Hub Upstairs Gallery is a new display space in Springwood, showcasing our vibrant Arts community with regularly changing exhibitions from Blue Mountains visual artists.

Located on Level 1 of the Blue Mountains Theatre and Community Hub, the gallery is open 9am to 6 pm weekdays, 10 am to 4 pm weekends and when the theatre is open for events outside of these hours.

Admission is free.



## Love Local Makers Market

The Love Local Makers Market is an artisan crafts market held on the forecourt of Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub.

This curated market brings together a range of contemporary local artists and producers, with all goods crafted by hand in the Blue Mountains.

Market visitors can browse a variety of unique handmade wares, relax with a coffee and sweet treat, enjoy free entertainment and watch live demonstrations.

Saturday 8 March  
Saturday 16 August  
Sunday 30 November



The Blue Mountains  
**Concert Society**

**2025 Season**  
4 Concert Series



**Simon Tedeschi and  
George Washingmachine:**  
Gershwin and more!  
Sunday 23 March, 2pm



**The Australian Tenors**  
Sunday 22 June, 2pm



**The Orava Quartet**  
plays Beethoven  
Sunday 10 August, 4pm



**Ian Cooper's Afternoon at  
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The Blue Danube Orchestra**  
Sunday 16 November, 2pm

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### GROUP DISCOUNTS

Gather a group of friends for a night out and receive a discount for selected shows.

### ACCESSIBILITY

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### GIFT VOUCHERS

An ideal present for any occasion, gift vouchers are available in any denomination and are valid for 3 years. Gift vouchers can be purchased online or at the Box Office.



**The City of the Blue Mountains is located within the Country of the Darug and Gundungurra peoples.**

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