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2026 SEASON



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FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TELLING STORIES ON THIS COUNTRY FOR MANY THOUSANDS OF YEARS, AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR INCREDIBLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE CULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL LANDSCAPE WE RESIDE IN. IN ADDITION, WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND RECOGNISE ALL FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE WITH WHOM WE WORK AND WHOSE LANDS WE TRAVEL TO IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA. WE PAY OUR RESPECTS TO ALL ELDERS PAST AND PRESENT, AND THEIR ANCESTORS WHO WALKED THIS COUNTRY BEFORE THEM, AS WE STAND UNITED TOWARDS A SHARED FUTURE.



In 2026 we begin with an iconic muse's scintillating response to a prophetic fairytale, followed by the return of a smash hit, tour de force portrait of a trailblazer.

We then move to a bold new adaptation of a world-renowned WA novelist's searing coming-of-age tale, and a tender exploration of parental love and the complexities of mental health. A brand-new WA commission takes us on an Al-inspired, Kafka-esque search for "a life well-lived".

As the State Theatre Company, our work goes far beyond Perth. After a sell-out season in 2025. Raised in Big Spirit Country heads to Broome in September - home to the people whose music and stories first inspired it. This vibrant concert event celebrates both the legendary artists of the region and the next generation carrying their music forward.

From there, an exciting co-production with Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company asks what is at stake when we lose touch with our roots and sense of integrity.

We'll also reconnect with communities across WA as The Pool tours regionally, sharing this joyful, site-specific, community-inspired tale to audiences far beyond the city, before returning to Perth for a strictly limited season.

I passionately believe our responsibility as a State Theatre Company is to commission, develop and present stories that reflect who we are today and respond to the social and geopolitical realities we face in our modern world.

That doesn't mean ignoring the past. Quite the contrary. We acknowledge and refer to the past through the lens of contemporary retelling.

Every work this season is less than ten years old and every voice is Australian.

I'm proud that Black Swan continues to lead in bringing fresh voices, local experiences and thought-provoking perspectives to the stage.

Enjoy!

Kate Champion

its principal arts investment and advisory body.











DANCE WE WILL AND DANCE WE MUST.

From a chorus of hairy fauns to singing swans and showgirl stars, experience an unforgettable, frenetic song-and-dance into meaning.

Having wowed New York's Carnegie Hall, the world-renowned performer behind Meow Meow's Little Match Girl and Meow Meow's Little Mermaid now urgently remedies The Red Shoes. This fairytale by Hans Christian Andersen brutally punished its covetous protagonist with an ever-dancing curse that propelled her far from heaven's gates. Meow Meow asks: what if she could never start dancing at all? Can we save her? Can we save the world?!

A musical celebration that will shock you out of stagnancy and into ecstatic oblivion from 'the queen of chanson' (*Berliner Zeitung*) with 'devilish funny bones and heavenly vocal chords' (*Evening Standard UK*), Meow Meow.

Leave in love with life again - and remember why you wanted to dance in the first place.

Director Kate Champion

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Cast

Meow Meow Kanen Breen Mark Jones Dan Witton Jethro Woodward

Musical Director & Sound Designer
Jethro Woodward

Set & Costume Designer Dann Barber

Lighting Designer Rachel Burke

26 FEBRUARY – 1 MARCH

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE

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PERTH FESTIVAL SUPPORTED BY

WHITE SWANS GIVING CIRCLE

BLACK SWAN STATE THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS A SYDNEY THEATRE COMPANY PRODUCTION



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! AUSTRALIAN LEGEND, HEATHER MITCHELL, RETURNS TO THE STAGE IN HER AWARD-WINNING PERFORMANCE AS RUTH BADER GINSBURG - AN INTIMATE THEATRICAL PORTRAIT OF ONE WOMAN WHO CHANGED HISTORY.

The second woman appointed to the US Supreme Court. A trailblazer in the American judiciary. A fierce advocate for gender equality and reproductive rights. A woman of intellect, courage, determination and empathy.

From life as a young Jewish woman questioning gender inequality, to holding her ground in the Oval Office through multiple US presidencies, *RBG: Of Many, One* celebrates the legacy and tenacity of this cultural icon.

Written by Suzie Miller, Olivier Award-winning playwright of *Prima Facie*, and directed by Priscilla Jackman, this once-in-a-generation performance invites you into the room with Ruth at the most pivotal moments of her life.

The 2024 Perth season sold out – book now and leave inspired by the woman who reminded the world what justice really looks like.

THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD

THE WEST AUSTRALIAN

★★★★★ STAGE NOISE

> 19 MARCH – 4 APRIL

Heather Mitchell

Director

Designer

Designer
Paul Charlier
With

Priscilla Jackman

David Fleischer

Lighting Designer

Alexander Berlage

Composer & Sound

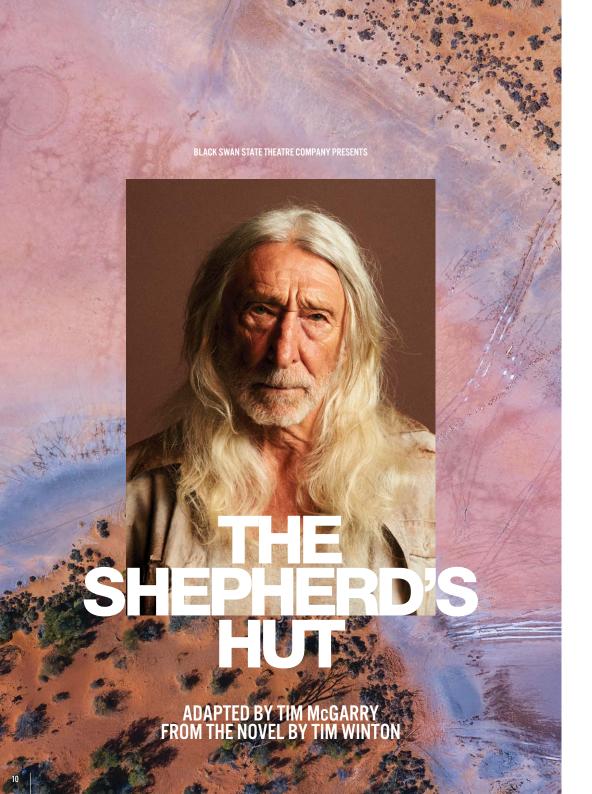
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A SYDNEY THEATRE COMPANY PRODUCTION

SYDNEY THEATRE COMPANY

SEASON PARTNER

CLAYTON UTZ



A POWERFUL REIMAGINING OF TIM WINTON'S ACCLAIMED STORY.

Change is hard and hope is violent.

Jaxie Clackton is 15, furious, and on the run from the wreckage of his past.

Crossing WA's saltlands, he doesn't know exactly what he's looking for... maybe freedom, maybe himself.

What he finds instead is Fintan MacGillis, a disgraced Irish priest living alone in exile, in a crumbling shepherd's hut at the edge of the world. The two outcasts form an unexpected and fragile bond. But as dangerous secrets surface, man and boy are forced into a reckoning with their past; each confronted with a life-changing choice.

Commissioned by Black Swan and premiering in Perth, this stunning new adaptation of Tim Winton's beloved novel is brought to the stage by acclaimed playwright Tim McGarry (*Boy Swallows Universe*, *Tim*) and director Matt Edgerton.

The Shepherd's Hut is a raw, poetic and unforgettable exploration of masculinity, isolation, forgiveness... and the violence of hope.

irector

Matt Edgerton

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George Shevtsov

Set & Costumer Designer Bruce McKinven

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Lighting Designer Lucy Birkinshaw

A Black Swan Commission

9 – 31 MAY

> HEATH LEDGER THEATRE

COMMISSIONING PATRON

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WHO DECIDES WHERE CARE STOPS AND CONTROL BEGINS?

Anna has been medicated for as long as she can remember. Her childhood was defined by pills and prescriptions. Now, at 18, she's finally daring to ask: who am I without all that? Could she fall in love? Go to uni? Write something brilliant? Could she even just... feel like herself?

As Anna searches for answers, Renée, her mother, clings tightly to the calm they've fought so hard to keep. But Anna's choices are no longer her mother's to make.

The Almighty Sometimes is funny, raw and heartbreakingly honest. A play about a mother and daughter locked in a battle over the most impossible question: how much risk is too much when it comes to the people you love?

Winner of the Judge's Award at the Bruntwood Prize for Playwriting and acclaimed around the world, this is one of the most powerful Australian plays of the last decade.

"A FUNNY, HEARTBREAKING, ACUTELY ALIVE PLAY."

THE GUARDIAN (UK)

"SHARPLY OBSERVED, DRILY FUNNY AND COMPASSIONATE."

THE TIMES (UK)

Director

Emily McLean

Cast includes

Harry Gilchrist 'Ana Ika

Amy Mathews

Alison van Reeken

Set & Costume Designer

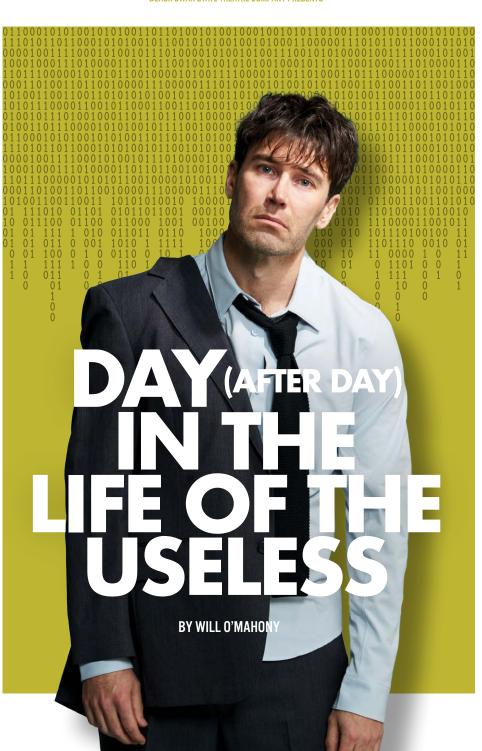
Fiona Bruce

Lighting Designer

Karen Cook

19 JUNE -5 JULY

SUBIACO ARTS
CENTRE



THERE ARE BAD DAYS AND THERE ARE BAD DAYS. AND THEN THERE ARE VERY, VERY, VERY BAD DAYS.

Pete's been dumped. Days before the wedding, his fiancée calls him "a robot", and bails for a new lover.

So, he does what anyone would do: turns to AI for advice. "The best revenge is living well," it replies in all of 1.49 seconds.

So Pete - the hapless, the loser, the schmuck - does just that. Tries to live well. If only it were that simple.

What follows is a spiral of outrageous encounters, disastrous own-goals, and spectacular bad luck, as Pete stumbles through a world that seems determined to leave him behind.

Unravelling in 45 chapters, Will O'Mahony's darkly hilarious new work asks: What happens when the world moves faster than our legs can run? If you've been kicked off the bus of life, is there any chance of climbing back on?

And is it possible our AI overlords are among us, hiding in plain sight?

Director

Adam Mitchell

Cast includes Will O'Mahony

Associate Director

Will O'Mahony

A Black Swan Commission

29 AUGUST – 20 SEPTEMBER

HEATH LEDGER
THEATRE



"A NIGHT OF MUSIC, LAUGHTER, AND DANCE..." "MORE THAN JUST A CONCERT, RAISED IN BIG SPIRIT COUNTRY IS A CELEBRATION OF HISTORY, RESILIENCE, AND THE UNIFYING POWER OF MUSIC."

THEATRE REVIEWS PERTH

HONOURING THE PAST. INSPIRING THE FUTURE.

Associate Artistic Director, Naomi Pigram-Mitchell leads a stellar cast of Broome's finest musicians, vocalists, dancers and performers in a concert that pays homage to the legendary artists who came before and amplifies the voices shaping the future.

Naomi was born amongst the artistic giants who created the 'Broome sound' - they were loud, they were proud, and they were masters of their craft. Now, she stands at the crossroads of Broome's vital history, her own music and the next generation of performers.

Following a sell-out Perth season in 2025, Raised in Big Spirit Country is heading home to Broome in September 2026.

Produced by Pigram Productions and Black Swan, this joyous event celebrates the enduring spirit of Big Spirit Country through the collective power of Broome's artists – a powerful fusion of culture, connection and song.

Director, Vocalist, Guitar Naomi Pigram-Mitchell Musical Director Bart Pigram

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SEPTEMBER

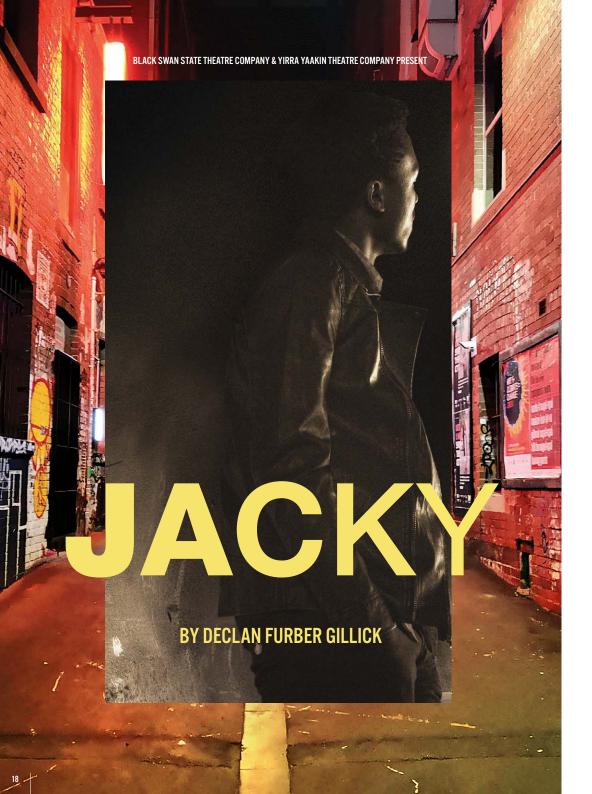
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"A SCINTILLATING, UNCOMFORTABLE COMEDY THAT LETS NO ONE OFF ITS HOOK - ESPECIALLY THE AUDIENCE." "FUNNY, BRUTAL, AND NUANCED – THIS IS EVERYTHING YOU WANT IN A CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN PLAY." CULTURAL BINGE

FAMILY, CULTURE, SURVIVAL... AND THE GAMBLE OF BALANCING IT ALL.

Jacky is a smart, enterprising young Aboriginal man making a life for himself in the city.

He's skilfully navigating the gig economy, skipping neatly from office internships to cultural performances to sex work. But when his little brother Keith shows up unannounced, Jacky's carefully compartmentalised lives are thrown into chaos.

Sharp, funny and unflinching, *Jacky* is a biting new play about family, work, culture and the compromises we make to survive. With wit, grit and a wicked sense of humour, Declan Furber Gillick shines a light on the cost of navigating identity, ambition and connection in contemporary Australia.

This bold new co-production brings two of WA's leading theatre companies together to deliver one of the most exciting new Australian plays of recent years. A work that is as confronting as it is hilarious, as personal as it is political.

Directors

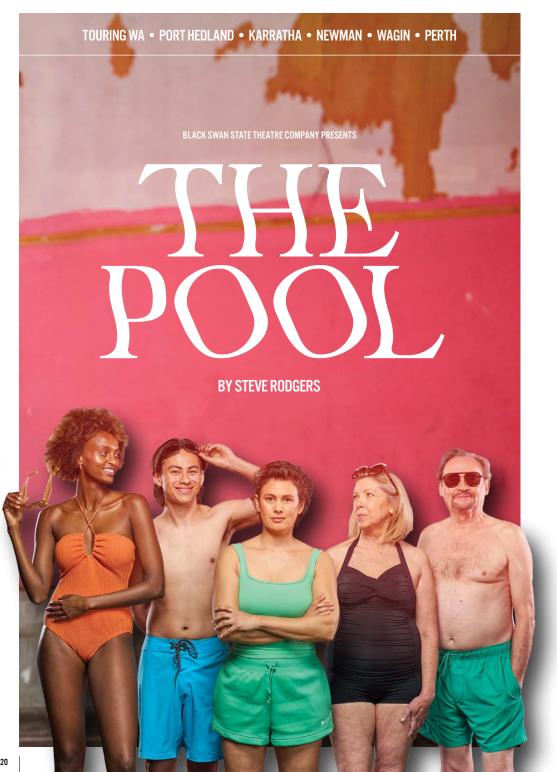
Kate Champion and Maitland Schnaars

23 OCTOBER – 8 NOVEMBER

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE

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THEATRE YOU CAN BRING A TOWEL TO.

Following a sell-out season in 2024, The Pool tours regional WA in 2026 before making a triumphant return to Perth.

Sit poolside and listen in on the lives of the people who call the local pool their second home. Through your own personal headset, immerse yourself in their stories, and watch their world unfold in front of you.

A mother tries to mend her fractured relationship with her grown-up daughter.

Two teenagers hide behind a white lie to find time alone.

The manager scrambles to cover up a messy mistake.

Bombies in the deep end while the lifeguard isn't looking, water aerobics classes, hot chips and choc milk, The Pool is an exploration of life as we know it and a celebration of our public spaces that create community. This is theatre like you've never seen or heard! - before.

The Pool makes a splash across WA in 2026 with performances in Port Hedland, Karratha, Newman and Wagin - before a special return season in Perth (venue to be announced). Find full tour details at blackswantheatre.com.au







THE WEST AUSTRALIAN

LIMELIGHT

"THE POOL IS THE TYPE OF SHOW THAT SHOULD TOUR TO ALL PARTS OF AUSTRALIA - MAKING A SPLASH WHEREVER THERE'S A LOCAL AQUATIC CENTRE." STAGE WHISPERS

Director Kate Champion **Associate Director** Rachel McMurray Composer & Sound Designer Tim Collins Costume & Props Designer Amalia Lambert



Further details to be announced

THE 2026 SEASON



MEOW MEOW'S THE RED SHOES

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE 26 FEB - 1 MAR



HEATH LEDGER THEATRE



19 MAR-4 APR

HEATH LEDGER THEATRE 9-31 MAY



SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE 19 JUN - 5 JUL



HEATH LEDGER THEATRE 29 AUG - 20 SEP



GOOLARRI AMPHITHEATRE 3-5 SEP



JACKY

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE 23 OCT-8 NOV



TOURING WA NOV - DEC



KEY DATES

7 OCTOBER 2025

FRIENDS PRIORITY BOOKING OPENS

14 OCTOBER 2025

SUBSCRIPTION AND SINGLE TICKETS ON SALE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC



FRIENDS PRIORITY **BOOKING**

Friends receive a one-week priority booking period for the 2026 season, plus access to special discounted rates and exclusive offers from our Friends Partner Organisations. See page 30 for full details.



SUBSCRIBE & SAVE

Book 4 or more plays in one transaction and save 10% on all tickets.

All information correct at the time of print. Black Swan reserves the right to withdraw or substitute artists or productions as necessary.

3026 SEASON CALENDAR

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^{*}More info on page 33

TICKET PRICES

See more for less - choose a SAVER PERFORMANCE and enjoy lower ticket prices on early-week evenings and matinees.

Become a **FRIEND** or **SUBSCRIBER** for additional discounts of up to 20% on below ticket prices.

Single tickets are subject to demand-based pricing. Book early, subscribe, or become a Black Swan Friend to avoid price increases. Book online at blackswantheatre.com.au or call us on (08) 6212 9300.

Standard Performances

Thu, Fri & Sat evenings; Sun performances

Saver Performances

Mon, Tue & Wed evenings; weekday & Sat matinees

Concession and student tickets available. See our website for details or ask at the box office

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE

MEOW MEOW'S THE RED SHOES

	Saver	Standard
Premium	\$125	\$139
A Reserve	\$105	\$119
B Reserve	\$95	\$109
C Reserve	\$60	\$80
Restricted View	\$39	\$39

HEATH LEDGER THEATRE

RBG: OF MANY, ONE / THE SHEPHERD'S HUT / DAY (AFTER DAY) IN THE LIFE OF THE USELESS

	Previews	Saver	Standard
Premium	N/A	\$100	\$119
A Reserve	\$75	\$90	\$99
B Reserve	\$65	\$79	\$85
C Reserve	\$35	\$35	\$35

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE

THE ALMIGHTY SOMETIMES / JACKY

	Previews	Saver	Standard
Premium	N/A	\$75	\$85
A Reserve	\$50	\$65	\$75
B Reserve	\$35	\$35	\$35

Saver Performance pricing does not apply to Opening Nights. C Reserve seats at Heath Ledger Theatre and B Reserve seats at Subiaco Arts Centre may not be available for all performances and may have restricted views – please contact the Ticketing Office for more details. Concession pricing is available to Pensioners, Senior Cardholders, Health Care Cardholders and Veteran Affairs Cardholders (one ticket per holder). Student pricing applies to secondary and full-time tertiary students (one ticket per card holder), \$30 under 30 pricing available in select reserves for people 30 years old and under (limited two per order). Entertainment Book vouchers can be redeemed in person or by calling the Ticketing Office. Group discounts available for 8 or more tickets. Demand-based pricing may see prices increase or decrease at any time during sales period. See website for full details.

TICKETING INITIATIVES

\$30 UNDER 30

Theatre on a budget? We've got you. If you're 30 years old or under, you can grab tickets to any Black Swan show for just \$30*. That's the price of a pub meal, a couple of cocktails, or an Uber across town... but we promise this will be a night you'll never forget. Rally your mates, book your seats, and make theatre part of your social life.



SCHOOLS PERFORMANCES

We believe the next generation should experience the power of live theatre, which is why we're offering exclusive performances just for schools in 2026:

- RBG: Of Many, One Tuesday 31 March, 11.30am
- The Shepherd's Hut Wednesday 20 May, 11.30am
- The Almighty Sometimes Thursday 25 June, 11.30am

Each performance is followed by a Q&A with the artists, giving students the chance to ask questions and dive deeper into the play.

School groups enjoy a special rate of \$25 per ticket, with one teacher ticket free for every 10 students.
To book, or to find out more, contact learn@blackswantheatre.com.au

CONNECTIX

Everyone deserves the chance to experience theatre. That's why our Connectix tickets are available for just \$25* to people facing social barriers to attending live performance, including those experiencing economic hardship.

To book, simply use the code CONNECTIX when selecting your seats.

Please note this code can only be used on A, B & C Reserve seats with a limit of 2 tickets per transaction. A limited number of Connectix tickets are available for each performance.

*Terms and conditions apply.



ACCESSIBILITY

At Black Swan, we believe everyone deserves the magic of live theatre. We aim to build accessibility into everything we do so more people can connect with our stories.

We know not everyone will use these services, but for those who do they mean everything; the difference between feeling excluded and feeling welcome. That's why we're proud to keep expanding them every year.

Recite Our website features an Accessibility and Language toolbar powered by Recite Me, offering translation, text-tospeech, screen reader support, styling options and reading aids. Look out for the accessibility button on our site and explore the features that work best for you.

COMING FOR 2026

We're excited to launch an audio version of our season brochure making it easier for everyone to access information about our shows. This is available at blackswantheatre.com.au and can be requested to be emailed from our Ticketing Office.

BOOKING ACCESS TICKETS

If you have access requirements, we recommend booking through our Ticketing Office. Wheelchair seating and Companion Card tickets are also available online via the ACCESS booking button when selecting your seats. All access services are included in the ticket price.

CONTACT US

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SHOW	VENUE	AUSLAN Interpreted Performances	AUDIO Description & Tactile tours	CAPTIONING
MEOW MEOW'S The red shoes	His Majesty's Theatre	1 Mar, 5pm	1 Mar, 5pm	28 Feb, 2pm
RBG: Of Many, One	Heath Ledger Theatre	4 Apr, 2pm	28 Mar, 2pm	28 Mar, 2pm
THE SHEPHERD'S Hut	Heath Ledger Theatre	26 May, 6.30pm	23 May, 2pm	30 May, 2pm
THE ALMIGHTY Sometimes	Subiaco Arts Centre	30 Jun, 6.30pm	4 Jul, 2pm	27 Jun, 2pm
DAY (AFTER DAY) IN The life of the Useless	Heath Ledger Theatre	15 Sep, 6.30pm	19 Sep, 2pm	12 Sep, 2pm
JACKY	Subiaco Arts Centre	3 Nov, 6.30pm	7 Nov, 2pm	31 Oct, 2pm



CAPTIONING

For patrons who are D/deaf or hard of hearing, captioning provides an accurate text display of the performance. Open Captioning is displayed on a screen, either above or to one side of the stage, while Closed Captioning can be accessed on individual devices provided by the venue or via the GoTheatrical app on personal smart devices.

All captioned performances will be clearly marked in our materials. A decision on whether captions are provided as open or closed will be confirmed closer to the time. Updated information will be available on our website or through our Ticketing Office.



AUSLAN INTERPRETED PERFORMANCES

Black Swan provides Auslan interpreters for selected shows. To access suggested seating online, enter AUSLAN26 as a promo code on the interpreted show, or contact our Ticketing Office for details on the best seating to view interpreters.



ASSISTIVE LISTENING SERVICES

Assistive listening services allow for sound to be amplified for patrons who are hard of hearing. This service is available for all shows. Sennheiser Infra-Red Assisted Hearing System Receivers are available for use (free of charge) and can be collected from the venue box office.

If patrons have a hearing aid with a telecoil switch, this can be connected to the relevant signal.





AUDIO DESCRIPTION AND TACTILE TOURS

Audio Description captures the visual elements of theatre performances by providing live verbal descriptions via a personal headset. Preshow tactile tours allow blind or low vision patrons and their companions to explore the set, props and costumes.



WHEELCHAIR AND **MOBILITY ACCESS**

Wheelchair seating is available for all our performances. For all bookings that require easy-to-access seats due to mobility limitations, please contact our Ticketing Office so we can find the best seats for your needs.



COMPANION **CARDS**

For patrons who require the assistance of a companion or carer, a second ticket is issued at no cost to the Companion Card holder.

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Plans change? No problem. Transfer your tickets to another performance date at no extra cost



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Stay in the loop with regular email newsletters, casting announcements, and special offers.



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Go behind the scenes with Friends-only events, pre-show talks and more.



SPECIAL OFFERS

Receive a Friends Card that will unlock special discounts with our partners. Check our website for an up-to-date list of partners.



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Be in with the chance to win amazing prizes from us and our partners.



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Be the first to receive *On Cue*, our twiceyearly magazine packed with features, interviews and backstage stories.



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Friends always book first. Enjoy an exclusive one-week priority booking window ahead of the general public and secure the best seats in the house.

BENEFITS	FRIENDS	SUBSCRIBERS
Discounts	20% Off 4 or More Plays* 10% Off Single Tickets	10% Off 4 or More Plays*
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LET'S BE FRIENDS!

JOIN ONLINE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE OR CONTACT OUR TICKETING OFFICE ON (08) 6212 9300.

A Friends Membership lasts a full year from the date of purchase and can be renewed online, by phone, or in person.



SUBSCRIBE AND SAVE

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Choose a multi-play package of 4 or more shows, get 10% off.*

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OPENING NIGHT PACKAGE

Be part of the glitz and glamour at every Black Swan Opening Night.

Experience exclusive access, mingle with the cast and enjoy the party with this premium package.

PAYMENT PLAN

Subscribers who book before 11 November 2025 can enjoy our payment plan over 4 instalments. **

For more information and to book tickets, visit blackswantheatre.com.au

*Multi-play packages must be purchased in one transaction. The Pool and Raised in Big Spirit Country are not included in multi-play packages **Terms and conditions apply. Payment plans are only available on multi-play packages purchased before 11 November 2025. All payment plans must be paid in full by 10 February 2026. Payments will be taken in 4 instalments with the first payment taken upon booking



EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE

FROM THE MAINSTAGE, TO BACKSTAGE, TO THE CLASSROOM – A DONATION TO BLACK SWAN GOES FAR BEYOND WHAT YOU SEE AT THE THEATRE.

Your vital support helps us to keep making exceptional theatre that entertains, challenges and inspires audiences here in WA. Your gift can also help bring accessible theatre to schools, tour quality productions to the

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As a supporter, you're invited to step behind the curtain and experience the best of your State Theatre Company. We celebrate our donors with unique opportunities to engage with the artists that you champion, and to be a part of the stories you help put on stage. You'll be joining a community of like-minded people who come together to make the extraordinary possible.



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Join us before the show for a special cocktail party and enjoy the performance from the best seats in the house. Invitations to purchase a VIP Night Package are exclusive to supporters making an annual gift of \$500 or more to Black Swan.

To book your VIP Night Package contact us on (08) 6212 9300 or donate@blackswantheatre.com.au

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THE SHEPHERD'S HUT	Thursday 14 May
THE ALMIGHTY SOMETIMES	Thursday 25 June
DAY (AFTER DAY) IN THE LIFE OF THE USELESS	Thursday 3 September





A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR OUR DONORS

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OUR LEARNING PROGRAMS COMBINE EXPERTISE, HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES, AND CREATIVITY TO INSPIRE YOUNG PEOPLE AND SUPPORT TEACHERS IN DELIVERING CURRICULUM OUTCOMES ACROSS DRAMA, ENGLISH, HUMANITIES, AND CROSS-CURRICULAR LEARNING.

SPECIALIST WORKSHOPS

Offered as incursions or excursions to the State Theatre Centre, our Specialist Workshops bring Drama and English learning to life. Students of all levels explore text, character, design, and performance, connecting the curriculum to creativity, collaboration, and real-world theatre skills.

CROSS-CURRICULAR LEARNING

Building on a successful two-year pilot, the Bridge Program places a professional teaching artist in classrooms for four to six weeks, engaging Years 6–10 in English, Humanities and Social Sciences through arts-integrated learning that boosts comprehension, critical thinking, and a love of learning.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES LEARNING

Our Student Ambassador Program lets young theatre enthusiasts connect with peers and industry professionals, explore theatre and production facilities, and experience live productions up close.

STAGE TO THE CLASSROOM

We provide schools with exceptional learning opportunities through discounted school group tickets, post-show Q&As, and complimentary learning resources. These experiences spark discussion, deepen understanding, and explore the creative processes behind our productions, with resources aligned with curriculum outcomes in Drama and English.

CREATIVITY AND WELLBEING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Building on a successful two-year partnership with Healthway and the Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport, our School Holiday Program delivers immersive drama-based workshops to youth across Regional WA. Guided by The Kids Research Institute Australia and Healthway's Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEW-Arts) Framework, these workshops help young people thrive, build confidence, and form meaningful connections.

For more information about our Creative Learning initiatives visit the learn page at blackswantheatre.com.au



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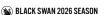










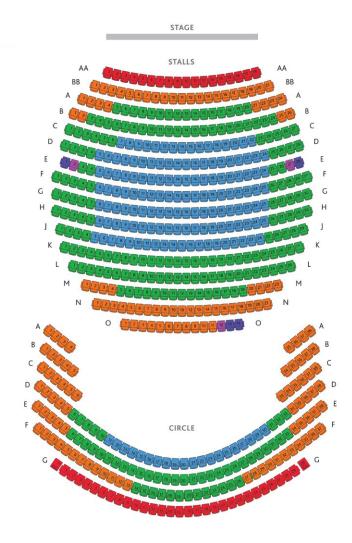


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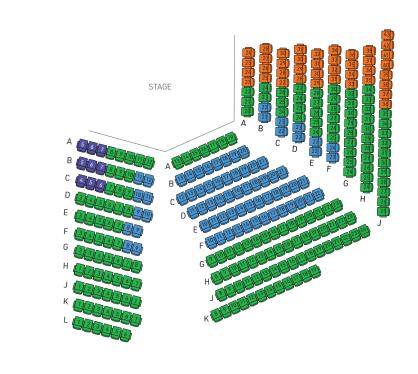




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SHOWS The Almighty Sometimes





For His Majesty's Theatre seating plan for Meow Meow's The Red Shoes, visit: blackswantheatre.com.au/seating-maps or simply scan the QR code



ENTERTAIN. CHALLENGE. INSPIRE.

BLACK SWAN'S VISION IS TO CONNECT ARTISTS AND AUDIENCES THROUGH THE POWER OF THEATRE TO ENTERTAIN. CHALLENGE AND INSPIRE.

We create exceptional, high-quality theatre that speaks to the world from our unique WA culture, landscape and moment in time.

Since its inception in 1991 under founding Artistic Director, Andrew Ross, Black Swan has been celebrated for its original

theatrical works. Western Australian stories, site-specific and promenade productions. Perth Festival presentations. extensive national and international tours. and cross-cultural collaborations that uplift and celebrate Aboriginal artists.

We remain true to this indomitable and inspired spirit, nurturing works that reflect imaginatively on Black Swan's place and time in bold and uncompromising ways - ways that will make people take notice and ways that will endure.

GENERAL INFORMATION

BUY WITH CONFIDENCE

Should any performance be cancelled or rescheduled, we quarantee your ability to credit your ticket towards future shows or receive a full refund.

ADDITIONAL TICKETS

Black Swan Friends can access their discount on additional tickets for family and friends.

Subscribers will only benefit from multiplay discounts on tickets purchased within a package in a single transaction. Any additional tickets will be charged at their full value unless eligible for alternative discounts.

TICKET EXCHANGES

Exchanges can be made in person at our Ticketing Office, or over the phone on (08) 6212 9300. Exchanges can be made for an alternative date but must be finalised at least 24 hours prior to the original date booked. No exchange fee applies for Friends or Subscribers. All other exchanges will be charged a \$3.95 fee per ticket. A price difference may be applicable if exchanging for a higher-priced ticket.

CONTENT WARNINGS

In general, Black Swan productions are suitable for ages 15+. Showspecific content warnings are available on our website in addition to age recommendations, where relevant.

PREVIEWS

Preview performances occur prior to a production's official Opening Night. Preview tickets are sold at a discounted price to account for any unforeseen issues that may arise during the performance.

REFUNDS

Requests for refunds and exchanges will be granted at the discretion of Black Swan in accordance with the LPA Ticketing Code of Practice and may incur a small fee of \$3.95 per transaction.

For more information about our refund and exchange policies, please visit the Ticketing Terms and Conditions page on our website.

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RBG: Of Manv. One was first performed at Sydney Theatre Company in 2022.

The Almighty Sometimes was first performed at the Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester (UK) in 2018.

Jacky was first produced by Melbourne Theatre Company in 2023.

The Pool was first produced in 2024 at the Town of Cambridge's Bold Park Aquatic Centre as part of Perth Festival.

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