



The Blue Room Theatre

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Kaya Wanju

We acknowledge the land on which The Blue Room Theatre sits, Whadjuk Noongar Boodja and we pay our respect to elders of this land, past and present. We acknowledge that stories have been shared on this land over thousands and thousands of years, and that our theatre marks a footprint on what is and always will be Aboriginal land.

Welcome to The Blue Room Theatre's 2023 Season

It takes many hands to tell a story.

The hands in these stories reach through the pages to catch you when you're falling. They wade through rising tides and hellish waiting rooms.

Collecting raindrops, friendships, queue tickets.

Tireless knuckles in dough, they feed us, hold us, squeeze us. Sometimes reveal us. With fingertips full of pretzel dust, they gently brush away a single hair from a "friend's" face and furiously text during a painful family dinner.

Game pieces pressed into palms, they are sick hands that don't stop playing 'til the last breath. They slip over folds of skin and cut wrapping tape. Packing and unpacking boxes. Digging up the secrets of our lives.

They are hands that write policy, that fight policy. Red hands that get caught, quick hands that don't. Busy hands scrawling. Scripts, letters, applications.

It takes many hands to make a work, and we don't take it lightly.

We can't wait to share them all with you.

Book With Us

Secure your tickets at blueroom.org.au or call (08) 9227 7005.

To book in person, visit our Box Office. We're open Tues – Fri, 10am – 5pm and one hour before show time.

All tickets are \$32*. Members and concession tickets are \$27. Prices are straight up, all inclusive!

**Alex and Evie and the Forever Falling Rain*, presented in partnership with AWESOME Festival, is \$24, and member and concession tickets are \$19.

Find Us

You can find us at 53 James St, Northbridge in the Perth Cultural Centre.

We're tucked away behind the State Theatre Centre of WA and right beside PICA and Pretzel (pink shipping container).



Accessibility

For more detailed and regularly updated Accessibility Info, go to blueroom.org.au. If you have accessibility requests or questions, please get in touch with Box Office or via (08) 9227 7005 or email info@blueroom.org.au

Wheelchair Access

All performances are wheelchair accessible



Toilets

We have a universal access toilet and two gender neutral toilets



Toilet

Companion Cards

We honour Companion Cards with a second ticket at no extra cost.



Additional Venue Info

We're a relaxed venue, but we appreciate coming to the theatre can sometimes be a bit intimidating. Find out everything you need to know to make your visit comfy, including the latest COVID-19 venue info, at the 'Visit Us' page on our website, or call us for a chat.



Catch-22

Extinction approaches,
yet still, we dance

Rising seas swallow island nations. Animal extinctions reach an unprecedented rate. We are hurtling past the point of no return, and yet, we dance. *Catch-22* explores the moral dilemma of making art in a time of crisis. Tense, disorienting, and surreal, witness dancers walk on walls in search of purpose in a world turned upside down.

Presenter: Amelia Sagrabb

April

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	11	12	13	14	15	
	18	19	20	21	22	
		26	27	28	29	



Not Far from the Tree

A crackling radio,
warm bread, a revolution

You're invited to take a seat at the kitchen table and break bread with an Algerian Australian family, as they try to make a better life with a sense of humour, bright optimism and an unseen legacy. A warm, semi-autobiographical story about what we carry from our loved ones, and the past that makes us who we are.

Presenter: Sabrina Hafid

April/May

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	18	19	20	21	22	
		26	27	28	29	
	2	3	4	5	6	



Hell Is Other People

Yes, that means you

Three unlikely strangers meet in a waiting room. Each takes a ticket and waits for their number to be called. But what happens when their number is never called, the door locks & reality starts warping. Without the fire or torture devices, would you realise you were in hell? This bold reimagining of a Sartre classic is not to be missed.

Presenter: Monkey Brain

May

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	9	10	11	12	13	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	23	24	25	26	27	



Sisterhood of the Travelling Lighter

To the friendships that raise us

A vibrant, messy, heartfelt show for anyone who's grown up with the girls they met in the first year of high school. Four women on the cusp of graduating indulge in a trip down memory lane (quite literally) to retrace the landmarks of their friendship whilst coming to terms with what is driving them apart.

Presenter: Crash Theatre Co.

May/June

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	16	17	18	19	20	
	23	24	25	26	27	
	30	31	1	2	3	



Reconcile

Lay your conditioned mind to rest

Boyname beckons you under their skin. Through the fluidity of their body, the fester of old wounds, the grace of torn petals, theirs is a sermon of self-loathing and self-love, where each painstaking minute is curated by delicate, unflinching hands. Come, *Reconcile*.

Presenter: Boyname

June

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	6	7	8	9	10	
	13	14	15	16	17	



Where Water Once Was

A storm is brewing

Presenter: Evan Rickman

Under the Kelly's floorboards runs a stream, yet only Dylan seems to notice. Margaret's dementia grows worse by the day, but only Stephanie seems to care. Lily's love is seldom returned, no one seems to know she exists. But it wasn't always like this. The past made sense, the past was safe... but like a river flows to the sea, change is inevitable.

June

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	13	14	15	16	17	
	20	21	22	23	24	
	27	28	29	30	1	



We'll Always Have Bali

No place like Home

Presenter: Samantha Hortin

Somewhere in Australian suburbia, a family of 5 sit down for dinner. Between the usual offerings of a Coles roast chicken and how-was-school-today's, it seems like they'd rather be remembering. Three generations of the Wilson family reminisce on the good ol' days in this relatable and political family dramedy about the bewitching power of nostalgia.

July

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	11	12	13	14	15	
	18	19	20	21	22	
	25	26	27	28	29	



Same Time Next Week

Laughter is the best medicine

Presenter: Nick Pages-Oliver & Scott McArdle

When one of their own is diagnosed with cancer, four friends set out on an impossible quest: make time each week to play Dungeons & Dragons. Based on a true story, *Same Time Next Week* is a puppet musical about the joy of play, the healing power of laughter, and the stories we tell together.

August/September

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
	29	30	31	1	2	



Extraordinary Auspol

Absurd Tales of Aussie Political History

Presenter: BS Productions

A retelling of all the most surreal moments in Australian politics that you've never heard before. Tales of hubris, debauchery, romance and espionage. Every one of them unbelievably true. Thoroughly researched, joyously presented and utterly unique, this show will give you a completely different perspective on our shared political field and the characters you find within it.

August/September

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	22	23	24	25	26	
	29	30	31	1	2	
	5	6	7	8	9	



Alex and Evie and the Forever Falling Rain



For friendships greater than time

Presenter: every other theatre company

Evie just moved to a place where it's always raining. But before her 10th birthday tomorrow, she's going to stop it. Then, Alex arrives at her door. Evie doesn't trust him but, as her closest cat confidant points out, the rain isn't something you can stop alone. And so, the adventure, and the greatest friendship of all time, begins.

September

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
				22	23	
		27	28	29	30	



Salted Pretzels



Not here for hookups

Presenter: APK Productions

Cassius meets Dom (online, that is) and now it's time for a happily ever after. But it's not that easy, even if we're told otherwise. In this updated celebration of modern dating, love is the salty seasoning to a delicious night of dating that ends up as twisted as a pretzel.

October

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	3	4	5	6	7	
	10	11	12	13	14	
	17	18	19	20	21	



Much Stuff

Look at me

Presenter: Top Secret Shh Productions

Have you told your friend you're in love with them yet?

Join Blake and Charlie in a mess of gay panic and neurodivergency as they navigate the glorious awkwardness of the '20-something' identity crisis, the beauty of female relationships, and doing it all in a world not built for you (with arguable success).

October

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	10	11	12	13	14	
	17	18	19	20	21	
	24	25	26	27	28	



Everything Flickers

Tell me a story

Presenter: stop drop + roll theatre company

Everything Flickers is a tapestry of images constructed through the collaboration of dance, live music, performance and visual arts. It laments the ways that funding cuts have belittled the arts industry while celebrating the resistance of artists nonetheless. As we fight to salvage the universal language of art, the act of finishing a sentence will become, in itself, a revolution.

October / November

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	31	1	2	3	4	
	7	8	9	10	11	
	14	15	16	17	18	



Democracy Repair Services

Democracy is not a spectator sport

Presenter: Noemie Huttner-Koros

In the middle of a scorching summer election campaign, four teenagers get together to change the course of history. To not just be a part of democracy but rewrite it their way. Do we change the system from within or blast it open and create something entirely different?

November

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	7	8	9	10	11	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	21	22	23	24	25	

Careful of the explosion. Don't sit on the sidelines.

Memberships

The Blue Room Theatre exists to support our members who get to enjoy cheaper tickets to our shows, access to the artistic program, discounted rehearsal space and much more. Plus, every membership supports The Blue Room Theatre to do what we do. Head to blueroom.org.au to find out more about becoming a member.

Multi Show Passes

The only thing better than seeing a show at The Blue Room Theatre is seeing lots of shows at The Blue Room Theatre! Offering you flexibility and saving you money, our Multi Show Passes help you get the most out of our 2023 Season.

4 Show Pass

\$112 | \$88 for Members
Perfect to dip your toe in

8 Show Pass

\$216 | \$176 for Members
Take a chance on some more

14 Show Pass

\$378 | \$308 for Members
When you simply can't miss a show



The Blue Room Bar

Equal measures quicky and cosy, our bar is the perfect place to gather with mates before the show and meets artists afterwards. So drop by, grab a drink and a toastie. The bar is also available for hire for your next event!

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