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Stories from the 428

About the project:

Stories from the 428 is a theatre project which takes its inspiration from travelling on the 428 bus route from the tourist hub of Circular Quay to the urban heart of Canterbury. Written by award winning and emerging playwrights, this is a celebration of the communities that live and work along this bus line- their histories and the futures.

As you board, allow yourself to be taken on a journey from Sydney's bustling CBD, through its alternative hub, past factories, and finally on to the tree lined suburban streets. Frequently funny and sometimes sad, this season is a love letter to bus travel in Sydney- written about and for people who experience bus travel as a part of their everyday lives and beautifully written by some of Sydney's most loved and celebrated playwrights. You never know- you could have been the inspiration for this play!

Stories from the 428 will be presented at Sidetrack Theatre for a two-week season opening Wednesday 24th March running until the 4th April, 2010.

The aims of the project:

- To promote bus travel as a sustainable, environmentally friendly, safe and accessible method of transport
- To celebrate the history of Sydney's community along the 428 bus route
- To encourage high profile theatre practitioners artists based in the inner-west area to create work for and about the community that.
- To develop and promote new theatre writing to the general public.

The multi-talented Augusta Supple is developing the **Stories from the 428** project. Since graduating with honours in Performance Studies from the University of Sydney in 2001, Augusta has worked in theatre as a playwright, director, producer, carpenter, performer, dramaturge, stage manager, and musician. In the past 4 years, Augusta has created programs, panels and festivals to nurture, develop and celebrate new Australian performance writing. She is the Season Artistic Director for Brand Spanking New: a celebration of Australian Writing, a festival that she developed and implemented for New Theatre in 2008 & 2009 for which she commissioned 39 emerging and award-winning established writers from across Australia. In 2009, she implemented and developed Off The Shelf a hothouse for new plays at Fraser Studio Projects, managed by Queen Street Studio.

The writers involved in the project are:

Donna Abela, Vanessa Bates, Kit Brookman, Rebecca Clarke, Tahli Corin, Matt Edgerton, Joanna Erskine, Lexi Frieman, Noelle Janaczewska, Sime Knezevic, Patrick Lenton, Ned Manning, Jasper Marlow, Brooke Robinson and Phil Spencer.

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The Directors involved in the project are:

Laura Scrivano, Louise Fischer, Augusta Supple, Zoe Carides, Scott Selkirk, Ian Zammit.

We are currently seeking financial and in-kind support from local businesses along the 428 bus route to assist in the promotion and development of this unique production which celebrates and invests in the people and the businesses in our community.

Sponsorship Proposal-

PLATINUM SPONSOR

\$10,000 Donation will entitle your business to:

- a thank you in the programme and on the Stories from the 428 website under the banner of "Platinum Sponsor"
- one full page advertisement in the programme
- Logo and website link on the Stories from the 428 website,
- Verbal acknowledgement as Platinum Sponsor at opening night speeches.
- Eight double complimentary tickets to both opening nights,

GOLD SPONSOR

A \$5,000 donation will entitle your business to:

- a thank you in the programme and on the Stories from the 428 website under the banner of "Gold Sponsor"
- a half page advertisement in the programme,
- Logo and website link on the Stories from the 428 website,
- Verbal acknowledgement in opening night speeches.
- Six double complimentary tickets to both opening night performances.

SILVER SPONSOR

A \$2000 donation will entitle your business to:

- a thank you in the programme and on the Stories from the 428 website under the banner of "Silver Sponsor"
- Logo and website link on the Stories from the 428 website,
- Four double complimentary tickets to both opening night performances.

BRONZE SPONSOR

A \$1000 donation will entitle your business to:

- a thank you in the programme and on the Stories from the 428 website under the banner of "Bronze Sponsor"
- Two complimentary tickets to both opening night performances.

If your business is interested in being a sponsor of this fantastic new work or you have any further questions please get in contact with Gavin Roach on 0402302118 or

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