

SMALL METAL OBJECTS BACK TO BACK THEATRE

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GEELONG ARTS CENTRE STAGES BACK TO BACK THEATRE'S HOMECOMING PERFORMANCE; SMALL METAL OBJECTS.

For the first time since 2010, Back To Back Theatre are bringing their immersive performance of *small metal objects* back to Victoria. From 27 to 30 April, the International Ibsen Award winning theatre company pairs people watching with an enthralling urban thriller at Market Square Geelong.

ABOUT BACK TO BACK THEATRE

Based in Geelong and inspired by its own ensemble of actors, Back To Back Theatre is a leading voice in contemporary, avant-garde world theatre. In 2022, Back To Back Theatre were awarded what many dub the Nobel Prize of theatre: The Ibsen Award.

Considered as one of Australia's most important cultural exports, Back To Back Theatre is powered by a troupe of actors who are perceived as neuro diverse in their ethos to pursue a model of equality that champions diversity and challenges public perceptions.

Making work locally that leads and tours globally, this is an organisation that platforms each new project as a further investigation into stories of the now, curiosities of the unknown and everything that lies between.

SMALL METAL OBJECTS

An ingenious theatrical gem, *small metal objects* unfolds amidst the unpredictable pedestrian traffic of Market Square Shopping Centre.

Driven by an ensemble of actors with intellectual disabilities, *small metal objects* explores how respect is withheld from outsiders – the disabled or unemployed – who society deems 'unproductive'.

A very special addition to Geelong Arts Centre's 'Our Season 2023', *small metal objects* is part of Back To Back Theatre's larger body of work that questions the assumptions of what is possible in the world of theatre, and the assumptions we hold about ourselves and others.

On a raised seating bank with individual sets of headphones, the audience is wired into an intensely personal drama being played out somewhere in the crowd. Blending street performance with podcasting techniques, this work transforms public display into an intimate experience.

This performance runs for 50 minutes without interval.

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Tickets are on sale now at

geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/small-metal-objects/

Bookings can be made via the Geelong Arts Centre website, or by phoning the Box Office on 1300 251 200 between 9:00am and 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

Geelong Arts Centre's 'Our Season 2023' is proudly supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria, Major Artistic Partner, Deakin University, and Innovation Partner, Costa Asset Management.

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"Geelong Arts Centre feels incredibly privileged to be hosting the prestigious Back to Back Theatre company in their highly anticipated return to live performances within the Australian Theatre landscape.

We love to see Geelong's immensely talented community of local artists thrive off-shore and on home soil and will continue to support and celebrate their impactful work for a long time to come."

Quote attributable to Penny McCabe
Geelong Arts Centre Head of Programming

BILLING & CREDITS

Full billing and credits available at
geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/small-metal-objects/

VENUE, DATES & TIMES

DURATION 50 minutes, no interval

VENUE Market Square Shopping Centre Geelong,
Ground Floor

DATES & TIMES

THU 27 APR 12:00PM
FRI 28 APR 12:00PM
FRI 28 APR 6:30PM
SAT 29 APR 11:00AM
SAT 29 APR 2:00PM

Note: The 12:00pm sessions on Thursday 27 April to Friday 28 April include a Q&A after the performance.

TICKETS & BOOKINGS

<https://geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/small-metal-objects/>

TICKET PRICES

FULL PRICE \$49
SENIOR/CONCESSION/STUDENT \$44
CHILD \$32
GROUPS OF 10 OR MORE \$42