YvonneVirsi
MUST Artistic Director
Director - Kill Climate Deniers

As the Artistic Director of MUST, Yvonne has produced over one hundred productions and mentored hundreds of brilliant young theatre makers. She has directed work for many Australian Companies, was Vice President of the Australian Women Directors’ Alliance, and, is on the Green Room Awards Panel. She enjoys a good degustation.

Jason Lehane
MUST Technical Manager

Jason is a director, designer, lighting designer and performer who has been involved in theatre since 1983. In 2017 he was awarded a Green Room Award for his design work on Ash Dyer’s work ‘Tremor’. In previous lives he was a wrestler, blacksmith, remedial masseuse and barista. He has a farm in Cundare.

GeorgiaKateBell
Director - HOME and other mysteries
Fight Choreographer - Kill Climate Deniers
MUST Admin Support Officer

Georgia is a theatre maker that has been around MUST for a few years and has now moved into this brand new staff role! Georgia currently works professionally as an Intimacy Coordinator; as a Writer/Director with Fever103 Theatre; and as a Mechanist at the Arts Centre Melbourne. They are excited to be around MUST in this role and to continue to be in close proximity to GYG xx

GemmaLivingstone
Director - O-Show | Actor - Kill Climate Deniers
Co-curator - Musical Soirée
Bite Busters Podcast

Gemma is a fourth-year Arts/Music student, fresh off interning with Yvonne in 2021. You’ll be seeing her pop in and out this year lingering around like a good smell. You’ll most likely find her in the prod room trying to explain a TikTok trend to someone who is not on TikTok.
**Celeste Cody**  
**Director - The Imposter/Tartuffe**  
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**Co-producer - MUST Season Launch  
Actor & Co-creator - We, the Ocean**  
Amanda (she/they) is a so called 'person' who lurks around the corridor near MUST. If you find yourself requiring their services, a simple offering of a Squishmallow, bubble tea or your eternal soul will suffice (or just, like, a nice hug... god I love hug <3). If you ask them about vampires, prepare to cancel any and all plans you have for the rest of the day. If you guess how old they are you win a prize.

**Meg Heathcote**  
**Intern to the Artistic Director  
Choreographer - O-Show**  
Meg is an actor, choreographer, writer and occasional director / person who organises things. She is super excited to welcome new students into MUST, so please introduce yourself if she hasn't already waved at you with the enthusiasm of a musical theatre person. The best way to get Meg's attention is to loudly ask if anyone wants to grab coffee and you'll soon have yourself a new, now-coffainated, best friend for life.

**Ellie Singe**  
**Intern to the Artistic Director  
Stage Manager - Kill Climate Deniers  
Intern to the Tech Manager**  
Ellie is a proper theatre nerd who started on the stage and has since taken a turn around most of the other roles. Ellie is studying a double degree of Arts and fine Arts, where she produces mostly ceramic works. She also has a weird attachment to her indoor plant and fluffy babies, pip and jeffery, so please show her your plants and your pets, she will be very grateful.

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**Ryan Mangold**  
**Intern to the Tech Manager**  
Ryan Mangold is an audio/lighting engineer and producer quickly making a name for himself on the Melbourne scene. Since first working behind the scenes on the MUST Cabaret Festival in 2018, Ryan quickly became captivated by the tech side of theatre and has now worked on many musicals, independent works, live music performances and has even toured internationally to the WuZhen Theatre Festival in China. In 2022, Ryan is excited to be a tech intern for MUST and expand his skills under the guidance of Jason Lehane.

**Freya Solnordal**  
**Creative Director - Asynchrony  
Lighting Designer - Kill Climate Deniers  
Co-curator - Musical Soirée**  
Freya is an Arts/IT double degree student who is super excited about the possibilities of combining emerging digital technologies and video games with theatre!
Ruby Mattingley
Assistant Facilitator - B+I Workshops

Ruby is one of the Assistant Facilitators for MUST’s Beginners and International Student Performance Workshop this year and was one of the lucky participants of the same program last year. Although she has always been a theatre lover (especially musical theatre), she has only just started to dive into the exciting and addictive world of performing. I am always up for trying new things, giving back to others and love meeting new people, so if you ever want a chat (especially over some coffee), please let me know!

Sam Pringle
Access Officer | MPAC Intern
Character Assistant - HOME and other mysteries

Sam Pringle is a fourth year arts/science student studying maths and literature. Sam is super excited to help make student theatre as welcoming as possible!

Stephanie Dimitriou
Director & Tutor (B+I Workshops)

Hi! I am the Tutor for MUST’s Beginner and International Student Performance Workshop! I am also a Director, Dramaturg, and Ex-Muster (so you may see some old photos of me in the prod room) I’ll usually be running around the MUST space on a Tuesday before our Workshop at 6:30, so if you see me please say Hi!

Ryan Hamilton
Access Officer | Creator - We, the Ocean
Co-producer - MUST Season Launch
Rings & Fire Podcast | Actor - Kill Climate Deniers
Work in Development - Full Cream

I’m Ryan. I’m a fat queer theatre maker who wants to tell stories about a better future. Currently working on a big show called Full Cream with Em Keagan, all about glorifying obesity.

Nisarg Thakkar
Curator - Comedy Night
Marketing Manager - HOME and other mysteries

Nisarg is a Master of Business student who’s co-managing marketing for HOME and other mysteries and hosting a comedy night. He likes a quiet night of gaming and cuddling with his dog, while eating nutella on toast.

Harry Dowling
Producer - Kill Climate Deniers
Actor - HOME and other mysteries

Harry is a creative producer, stage manager and occasional actor. He graduated in November but, like the piece of gum on the bottom of his doc martens, he begs to stick around. Buy him a drink at launch and he’ll tell you about why So Fresh hits of spring 2008 is the most important release of the 21st century.
**Seamus Allan**  
*Producer - O-Show*  
*Assistant Producer - Kill Climate Deniers*  
Seamus is a current medical student, past gymnast and future world leader who loves to spend his time around MUST producing, marketing and just generally hanging out. Get used to his face because he’s either going to be in the graduating class of 2025 or 2026 so you’ll be seeing quite a bit of him. If you happen upon a soy latte, place it in his hands, he’d appreciate it.

**Sarah Matthews**  
*Social, Cultural & Community Officer*  
*Actor - Kill Climate Deniers*  
*Actor & Co-creator - We, the Ocean*  
Sarah’s choice of earrings once led her uni lecturer to describe her as “bright and eccentric.” She will concede that this is a fair assessment.

**Anusha Yellapragada**  
*Composer - HOME and other mysteries*  
*Band Member - Translucid*  
Anusha Yellapragada is a composer, saxophonist and vocalist currently studying composition and music technology at Monash University. She loves exploring new concepts through writing, performing and collaborating with various artists in a range of styles. Come say hello if you see her floating around :)

**Dhruvi Shah**  
*Intern to the Artistic Director*  
*Assistant Facilitator - B&I Program*  
Dhruvi has come back to Melbourne after two whole years and is excited to get back to theatre! Come have a chat with her about cooking, reading or anything under the sun she will surely talk your ear off.

**Caitlin Begg**  
*Intern to the Tech Manager*  
*Sound Operator - O-Show*  
*Assistant Lighting Designer - Kill Climate Deniers*  
I am an avid fan of pushing buttons and watching things happen (regardless of if the happening was intentional or not) and when I’m not involved in the crew of some kind of production you can likely find me playing video games for much the same reason. I’m always down to chat so come say hi!

**Patrick Edwards**  
*Intern to the Tech Manager*  
*Composer - O-Show*  
*Composer - HOME and other mysteries*  
Patrick is a musician, technician and composer who loves working creatively with others. He is extremely excited to be spending time at MUST this year in-person (woo) meeting and working with all sorts of creatives.
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