



## Monash Uni Student Theatre (MSA) in 2022... *planning in progress*



### GET INVOLVED! GET TO A PERFORMANCE! GET WITH THE PROGRAM!

Monash Uni Student Theatre is a department of MSA, run by professional theatre makers, and a theatre company that creates vibrant performances by and with Monash students, for everybody. Shows are diverse, ranging from devised pieces to adaptations, from festivals to intimate experiments to digital offerings! Students are involved in every area: direction, marketing, stage management, design, music, tech, acting & more. MUST pairs new people up with experienced student mentors and holds workshops to develop skills. Involvement is open to ALL Monash students.

#### Monash Uni Student Theatre, MSA

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and hundreds of enterprising student volunteers!

Homepage via MSA site [msa.monash.edu/must](http://msa.monash.edu/must) | Platform for online projects [musttheatre.com](http://musttheatre.com)

Facebook & Insta [musttheatre](https://www.facebook.com/musttheatre) | Grnd Flr, West, Campus Centre, Monash Clayton

#### Some of the MUST 2022 Student Leaders

Interns to the Artistic Director:

Meg Heathcote, Dhruvi Shah

Interns to the Technical Manager:

Patrick Edwards, Caitlin Begg & Ryan Mangold

Access & Inclusion Officers:

Ryan Hamilton & Sam Pringle

Social, Community & Cultural Officer:

Sarah Matthews

MPAC Programming & Marketing Intern:

Sam Pringle

#### The MUST O-Show

Scooby-Doosical: The Case of the Outrageous O-Show (FREE)

Free 40min shows throughout O-Week @ MPavilion - 26 Ancora Imparo Way, Monash Clayton

The Monash Uni Student Theatre (MUST, MSA) O-Show is back in 2022, providing new students with all the inside tips and tricks about life on campus! Inspired by Scooby-Doo, The O-Show will see the Mystery Gang and a cast of wacky characters re-awaken life on campus after an extended hibernation!

*Written by Paris Balla, Directed by Gemma Livingstone, Produced by Seamus Allan, Composed by Daniel Parr, Freya Parr & Patrick Edwards, Musical Director Daniel Parr, Choreographed by Meg Heathcote*

#### Also during O-Week...

##### Welcome to Monash Uni Student Theatre Info Sessions

Mon 21, Tues 22 & Wed 23 Feb, 3.30pm - 4.30pm (FREE)

Meet staff and student leaders of MUST. Learn about the company, what we have planned for 2022 and how to get involved in a myriad of projects & roles, onstage and off!

##### Toe in the Water - Fun Acting Games with MUST

Tues 22 & Wed 23 Feb, 2.30pm - 3.30pm (FREE)

Cut loose and join in for an hour of fun theatre games with MUST's Artistic Director and friendly students.

#### Lots more Workshops and Training to be announced...

## Semester One

### The MUST Season Launch Party

Thursday 3rd March 6pm till late in The MPavillion

Theme: Royalty: from Versailles to Lil Nas X. Meet our innovative creatives, experience entertainment from talented students, engage with new and old community members and hear about our plans, all at a great party! *Produced by Ryan Hamilton, Amanda Dhammanarachchi and designed by Geo Valentine*

### The MUST Beginners & International Student Performance Program

Tuesday nights across semesters, starting week 3.

A program of free, fun, accessible performance workshops designed to build confidence, self-expression & performance skills and to inspire new voices - culminating in public performances in September!

*Tutor & director Stephanie Dimitriou, Program Assistants Dhruvi Shah and Ruby Mattingley. | Limited places. Email Yvonne ASAP to express interest [yvonne.virsik@monash.edu](mailto:yvonne.virsik@monash.edu)*



### Asynchrony, An Interactive Minecraft Performance Experience

MUST & Sequence Break Productions In The Adelaide Fringe Festival, online  
2 - 19 March | Bookings via [asynchronyshow.com/tickets](http://asynchronyshow.com/tickets)

Wed 2, 9 & 16 March, 8pm AEST | Sat 5, 12 & 19 March, 11am AEST (Approx. 90 mins)

MUST's video game crossover event is back! Asynchrony is an online digital experience where actors and participants play multiplayer \*Minecraft together in a handcrafted multiplayer world whilst voice connected to a cast of mysterious and quirky characters. | *Creative Director Freya Solnordal, Assistant CD Gemma Livingstone.*

*\*Not an official Minecraft product. Not approved by or associated with Mojang.*

### Sunrise – RUSHES

15-minute slow motion film shoots, using a series of fun activations to shake off the cobwebs. 15 - 18 March. Part of Project Sunrise; a series of free, artist-led experiences to help the Monash community process, celebrate, and move on from the past couple of years. Email [project-sunrise@monash.edu](mailto:project-sunrise@monash.edu)

*MUST is a collaborator on Sunrise with Presenter / Producer Monash University Performing Arts Centres*

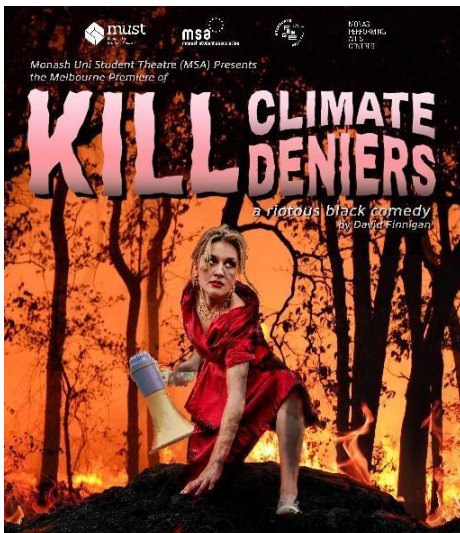


### HOME & other mysteries.

March 31 - April 9 in The MUST Space

Three different MUST playwrights have collaborated to create three unique stories of family, connection and finding your home. Combining energetic choreography with a beat-driven soundscape, HOME is a heart-warming snapshot of young Australians on the brink of change.

*Written by Georgina Bright, Paris Balla & Callum Robertson, Directed by Georgia Kate Bell*



### Kill Climate Deniers

**A raucous black comedy by David Finnigan**

The Alexander Theatre, 48 Exhibition Walk, Monash CLAYTON

Thurs May 5 & Fri May 6, 7.30pm | Sat May 7, 2pm & 7.30pm

As Fleetwood Mac take to the stage in our nation's capital, armed eco-terrorists storm the building and take the government hostage, threatening to kill them unless Australia ends climate change. Tonight! *Directed by MUST Artistic Director Yvonne Virsik. Proudly presented in collaboration with Monash University Performing Arts Centres (MPAC)*

### Tartuffe adapted from Moliere

May 19 – 28 in The MUST Space.

A hilarious, bold take on hypocrisy and performed gender roles.

*Directed by exMUSTer and guest professional director Celeste Cody*

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## **Musical Soiree of Singers**

Friday June 3rd, in The MUST Space

A fun and low stakes night of singing where people, as soloists or in groups can get the chance to sing to a crowd.

*Curated by Gemma Livingstone & Freya Solnordal*

## **Semester Two**

### **Sunrise Big Band and Shadow Show**

Saturday 13 August evening – on the Matheson and MPAC Forecourt

A massive, colourful night-time parade and public performance involving hundreds of students, with a huge improvisation band and projected shadow puppetry. Led by Dark Mofo artist Ian Pidd. Part of Project Sunrise; a series of free, artist-led experiences to help the Monash community process, celebrate, and move on from the past couple of years.

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### **The MUST Cabaret Festival – MUST CabFest**

in The MUST Space August 31 – September 10 A diverse, two-week festival filled with dynamic performances of music, comedy, circus, drag, magic and more.

*EOIs for artists are open now until July 31, email CabFest Co*

*Curators Annabelle Wemyss & Latchie via mustcabfest@gmail.com*

*Tech Manager is Ryan Mangold*

### **The Wolves by Sarah DeLappe**

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September 15 – 24 in The MUST Space

Left quad. Right quad. Lunge. A girls indoor soccer team warms up. From the safety of their suburban stretch circle, the team navigates big questions and wages tiny battles with the gusto of a pack of adolescent warriors.

*Directed by Chelsea Jones, Assistant Directed by Sam Pringle,*

*Produced by Meg Heathcote*



### **The MUST Beginners and International Student Program Performance Showcase**

In The MUST Space September 29 – October 1,

*Facilitated and directed by Program Tutor Stephanie Dimitriou Semester 1; Yvonne Virsik Semester 2*

### **Into the Woods!**

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, Book by James Lapine

6 - 15 October in The MUST Space

A Baker and his wife wish to have a child, Cinderella wishes to attend the King's Festival, and Jack wishes his cow would give milk. When the Baker and his wife learn that they cannot have a child because of a Witch's curse, the two set off on a journey to break the curse. Finally musical theatre comes back to MUST with one of Sondheim and Lapine's most beloved shows!

*Directed by Emily Keagan, Assistant Directed by Lucas Rindt, Musical Direction by Pat Edwards, Vocal Direction by Lachie Trappett, Produced by Jemma Law.*

## Works in Development

### We the Ocean

Performance dates TBC, in The MUST Space

The Ocean and Jules Verne are having a picnic, of sorts. You're invited. Here, your teaspoons become schools of fish and your teacups become icebergs. The Ocean can't speak. Verne won't stop. You want to know: how do we save the world? *Created by Ryan Hamilton, Georgie Wolfe, Amanda Dhammanarachchi and Sarah Matthews*

### Sound and Music artist residences in The David Li Sound Gallery

Jaslyn Robertson, Patrick Weyland Smith and Translucid

*Proudly supported by Monash University Performing Arts Centres*

### Full Cream

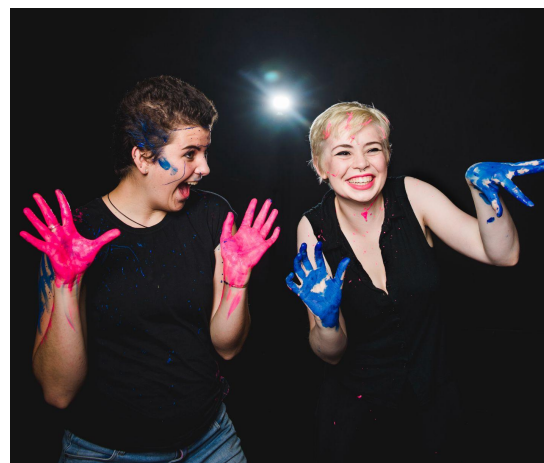
Fat MUSTers Emily Keagan and Ryan Hamilton are working on a piece called 'Full Cream' which imagines a theatre and a world in which fat people are happy and cared for. They're looking for fat people to chat to and connect with about the lived experience of fatness and would specifically like to talk to people from marginalised backgrounds.

*Created by Emily Keagan and Ryan Hamilton*

### In the Loony Bin

We meet five patients in a psych ward and their professional carers.

*Written & Co directed by Sam Pringle*



## Podcasts

### Bite Busters

B-grade shark movies. Reviewed and discussed by Gemma Livingstone and Callum Cheah

### From MUST Till Dawn

Each episode introduces a new guest to see if their chosen film can hold its own against cult classic From Dusk Till Dawn. Created by Callum Cheah

### Rings and Fire

Investigating the dramaturgy of the art, design, and performance of the modern Olympic games.

Created by Emily Keagan and Ryan Hamilton

## And More Fun Events...

### MUST Wrap Party and Awards

Off campus in a cool venue in late November

Our legendary Wrap Party incorporates student performances, humorous recaps of the year, awards, celebrations and general post-exam revelry.

### MUST Training Camp

Away somewhere glorious – hopefully Falls Creek again in early December for a week

50 student artists and facilitators, removed from their comfort zones (and Melbourne) for a week of intensive



workshops, provocations and



art-making!