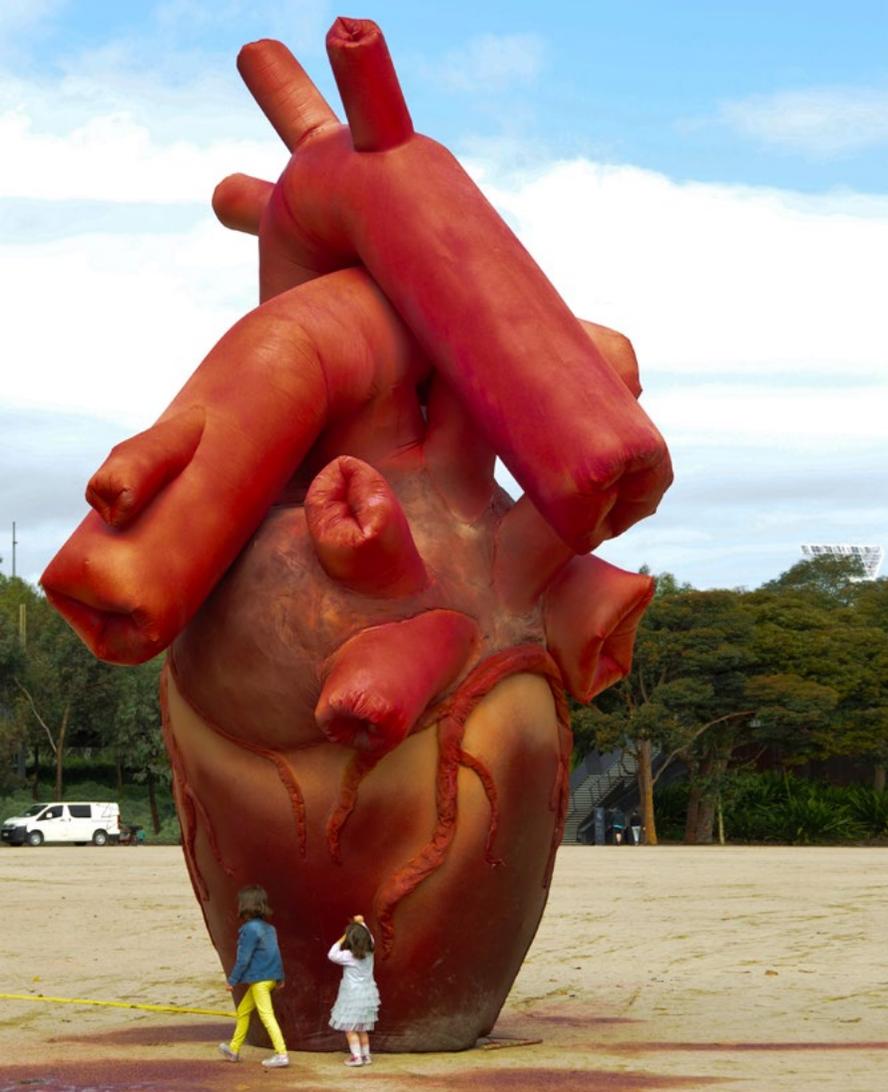


SNUFF PUPPETS



"In an age defined by digital spectacle, there is a renewed sense of wonder in these handcrafted illusions" - The Age



Snuff Puppets has been unleashing its giant puppet spectacles on millions of people worldwide since 1992.

The work is a collision of visual art, sculpture, design, engineering, music, movement, performance and physical theatre.

We have three streams of work:
theatre, **roaming acts** & **workshops**

THEATRE

Unashamedly hand-made and experimental we make visceral performance that breaks down the distance between audience and performer.

Previous theatre show tours include:

- Melbourne Festival
- Sydney Olympics
- Theatre of Nations Festival, China
- National Theatre of Korea
- Jogja International Performing Arts Festival, Indonesia
- World Theatre for the Streets, Germany
- Festival De Artes Escenicas De Lima, Peru
- Darwin Festival
- World Theatre Festival, Brisbane
- Bath International Puppet Festival, UK



"So much marvellous theatrical raw material and intelligence at their disposal." - The Sydney Morning Herald



Swamp

SWAMP is an oily primordial muck, where life begins with blood and ends with ash. A darkly comic allegory of violent transformation on the cusp of the Anthropocene.

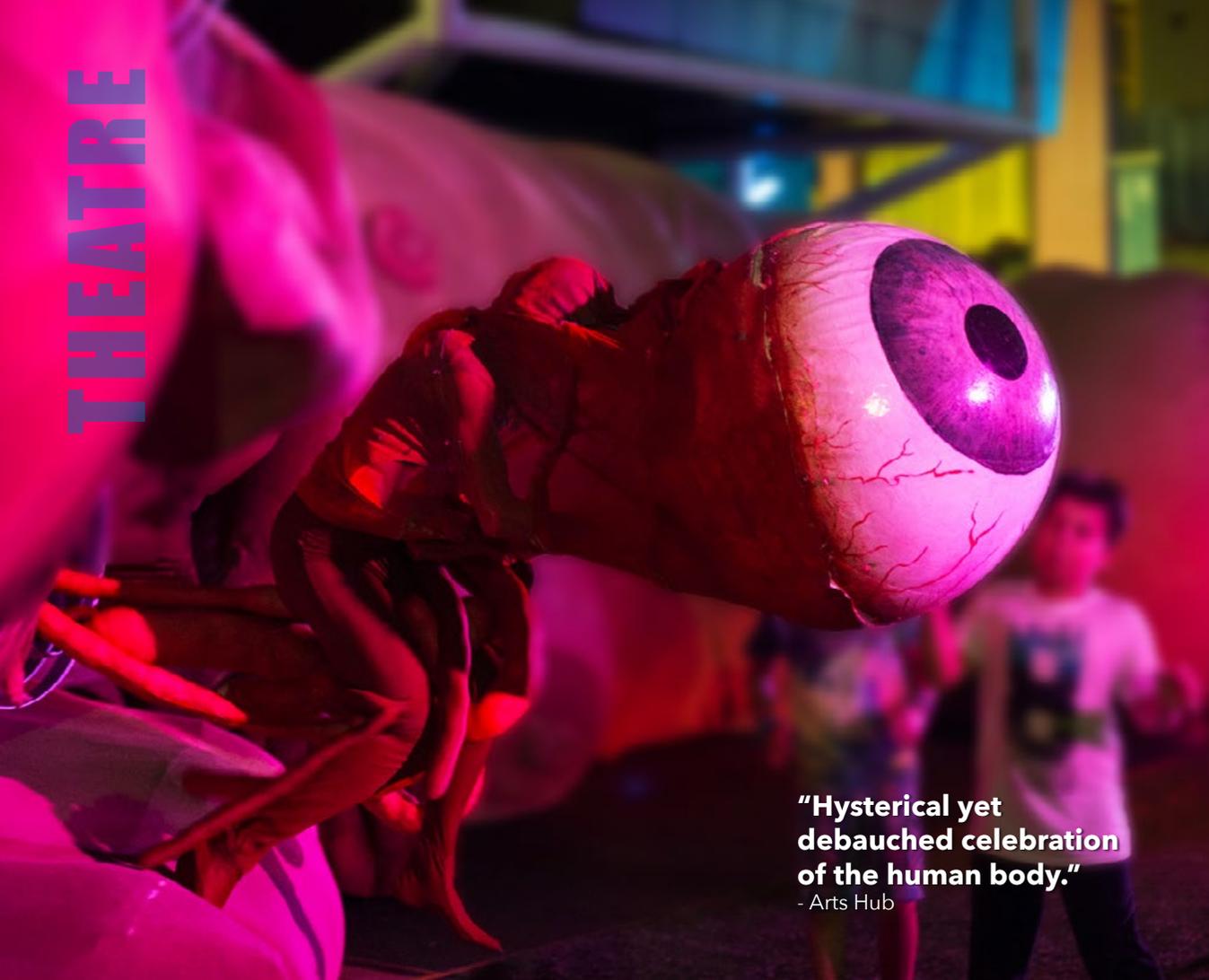
A Mosquito, Magpie, Lyrebird, Koala, Snake and Frilled-Neck Lizard each eke out their quiet lives. A Thylacine paces back and forth.

A dormant whirlpool begins to swirl, descending into a world of dust and blood, water and flame, strangled trees, dissolved skin, pools of tears, blankets of bones.

The Serpent consumes the scene, and then itself. Whether it's a cycle or an ending is up to us.

SWAMP blends Snuff Puppets' handmade aesthetic, irreverent performance style and dynamic use of music with live projection mapping and transformative sets.

SWAMP premieres May 2021 at the Footscray Drill Hall & will be broadcast online.



**"Hysterical yet
debauched celebration
of the human body."**

- Arts Hub



Everybody

Everybody features the world's biggest puppet, laying more than 26 metres long and performing with over 20 articulated, detachable and interactive body parts and organs.

Everybody celebrates the human body in all its surreal and visceral beauty, an experience of the wonder that is every human body.

The promotional video of *Everybody* went viral, with millions of views, generating debate around the role of art and the human body.

Touring History:

- Summersalt Festival, Melbourne Recital Centre
- Virada Cultural for Australia Now, Sao Paulo, Brazil

ROAMING ACTS

Larger than life and dwarfing audiences, Snuff Puppets' roaming puppets are an interactive, versatile outdoor attraction – from surreal street theatre and public interventions through to large-scale outdoor festivals. Our giant puppets transform the familiar dramatically changing audience's reality.

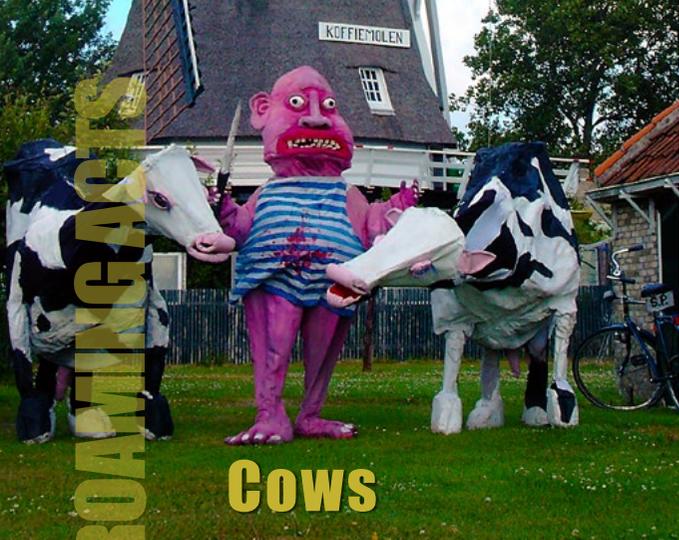
Past roaming act tours include:

- Tollwood Summer Festival, Germany
- Aarhus Festival, Denmark
- Malmo Festival, Sweden
- Greenwich + Docklands International Festival, UK
- Sziget Festival, Hungary
- Santiago A Mil Festival, Chile
- Shanghai World Expo 2010, China
- Shanghai Arts Festival, China
- Singapore Arts Festival
- Arts Centre Melbourne



"It was so good! My kids haven't stopped talking about it."

- Beechworth audience feedback



Cows



The Boom Family



Mirabelle the Snail



Human Body Parts



Albrecht the Rhino



Skullies



Beasts Of Oz



Seagulls

WORKSHOPS

Snuff Puppets offer two workshop models:

- **People's Puppet Project:** an intensive 2 week creation workshop and,
- **Snuff Skool:** a one or two day performance-making workshop

Our workshops are suitable for all participants over 14 years and from any background or experience level: artists, students or members of the general public.

Workshop participants are placed at the heart of the creative process, using their own perspectives and local stories to drive the development of the finished work.





People's Puppet Project

WORKSHOPS

Snuff Puppets' community engagement program, the People's Puppet Project is a unique workshop in which diverse community groups work intensively with Snuff Puppets and local artists to design, build and perform their own giant puppet spectacles.

The workshop process engages with local artists and community, inspiring participants to celebrate their creativity, while contributing to and participating in their own culture.

People's Puppet Project have been held in: Australia, Brazil, Demark, Democratic Republic of the Congo, England, India, Indonesia, Japan, Netherlands, People's Republic of China, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan & Thailand.

"To produce a local story with local people and stories really touched my heart."

- PPP Participant

Snuff Skool

Snuff Skool, is a one-day physical theatre and puppetry workshop in which participants learn the Snuff approach to performance: improvisational, group-devised, spontaneous and always with the freedom to play.

Students learn a unique performance style merging puppetry and formal contemporary movement theories to create character-driven giant puppet performances on stage, in the street and among crowds.

Snuff Skool workshops are suitable at a masterclass level for artists and students or open to the general public.

Previous Snuff Skools:

Creative Brimbank, Melbourne, 2021
Goulburn & Nth East Arts Alliance, Wangaratta, 2021
East African Women's Foundation, Melbourne, 2021
WinterWild, Apollo Bay, 2019
One Night In Footscray, Melbourne, 2018
Floriade Fringe, Canberra, 2017
Internationales Straßentheaterfestival, Ludwigshafen, Germany, 2017
Big West Festival, Melbourne 2015
West Kowloon Art Park, Hong Kong, 2014



"Such an immersive, supportive and fabulous environment, really amazing!" - Snuff Skool Graduate

WORKSHOPS



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