

### Ladies in Black

book by Carolyn Burns, music and lyrics by Tim Finn, based on Madeline St John's novel, *The Women in Black* 

16 January - 27 February Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Lesley takes a holiday job in Goode's department store, and for a few weeks she gets a glimpse of another life - the working life of the impeccable Ladies in Black, who dress the salubrious North Shore housewives with inimitable taste and grace.

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### Lungs

by Duncan Macmillan

5 February - 19 March

Arts Centre Melbourne, Fairfax Studio

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 1 February, 6pm

In Ikea – of all places – a man tentatively suggests to his partner that perhaps they should start a family, and whoosh – out fly all her pent up anxieties for the future. What follows are many months of this couple's unending questioning of their impending parenthood compressed into one seamless, funny conversation.

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#### The Distance

by Deborah Bruce

5 March – 9 April

Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 29 February, 6pm

Turn to your friends in times of trouble. That's sound advice and just what Bea does after leaving her marriage in Australia and returning to Britain. All her friends sympathise with her until she announces that her two small children will stay in Melbourne with their father.

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## Miss Julie

by August Strindberg

16 April - 21 May

Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 11 April, 6pm

Midsummer's Eve is Julie's time, a night when rules are broken, class barriers are set aside and the mistress of the manor can dance with whomever she pleases. She chooses her father's valet, and for a few hours, through the long twilight, they play a dangerous game of What If?

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# Straight White Men

by Young Jean Lee

6 May – 18 June

Arts Centre Melbourne, Fairfax Studio Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 2 May, 6pm

Christmas is for family, and Matt, Jake and Drew remember well their mothers' teachings that being heterosexual white males gives them an unfair advantage in America, but, as carefree youth gives way to mid-life anxiety, privileged is the last thing they feel.

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## **Double Indemnity**

by Tom Holloway, adapted from the book by James M Cain

30 May - 2 July

Arts Centre Melbourne, Playhouse

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 23 May, 6pm

Insurance agent Walter Huff has nosed around the business long enough to smell a scam, so when he meets Phyllis Nirdlinger to talk about her husband's insurance coverage he gets a perfumed whiff of trouble. But she has a very persuasive way of putting things.

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# Skylight

by David Hare

18 June - 23 July

Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 13 June, 6pm

A few years ago, Kyra broke off her relationship with a wealthy married man. When her former lover tracks her down to her cold London flat to rekindle their relationship, she must decide whether she could ever again be the person she once was.

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## Jasper Jones

based on the novel by Craig Silvey, adapted by Kate Mulvany

1 August - 9 September

Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 25 July, 6pm

Late one summer night in 1965, young Charlie is startled by hard rapping on the window of his sleep-out. It's local troublemaker Jasper Jones, begging Charlie to come see something, something awful, something that'll change his life.

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# Disgraced

by Ayad Akhtar

19 August - 1 October

Arts Centre Melbourne, Fairfax Studio

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 15 August, 6pm

Amir is living the American Dream. On track to make partner in his law firm, he hosts a dinner party with his artist wife Emily in their Upper East Side apartment. But when the topic turns to race, religion and identity, how quickly things fall apart.

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#### **Switzerland**

by Joanna Murray-Smith

16 September - 29 October Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Best-selling author Patricia Highsmith decided long ago that she didn't like people, any people. She certainly doesn't like the clean-cut young man from her publisher's office who turns up at her alpine retreat to convince her to write a final book. But he's much wilier than she first supposes.

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# The Odd Couple

by Neil Simon

5 November - 17 December Southbank Theatre, The Sumner

Free Cast & Artist Q&A: Monday 31 October, 6pm

Everything's set for the regular poker game at Oscar's place, but where's Felix? A call to his wife reveals that she and Felix have split up and he's taken it pretty hard. When he finally arrives, Oscar makes a proposal. Why not move in with him? It'll be paradise!

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# Lilith: The Jungle Girl

A Sisters Grimm Production

1 September – 1 October,
Southbank Theatre, The Lawler

When a young wild girl is captured in the rainforests of Borneo, all of Holland is set abuzz. The year is 1861, and pioneering neuro scientist Charles Penworth is called upon to raise the child from the pit of her animal nature. But who, indeed, is the real savage?

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### Egg

by Angela Betzien

29 June – 15 July,

Southbank Theatre, The Lawler

Across a dry and dusty desert two tinkers drag an enormous egg. They can't remember how long they've been dragging it, or why they've been dragging it, or where they are dragging it to. All they know is that it's really important. Life on their big bald egg of a planet depends upon it. Suitable for ages 8 to ancient.



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