

# The Dinner

Devised by Joan Bellviure  
Director: Juliet O'Brien  
Company: The Improvisors

Circa One  
10 - 25 August

Tues - Thurs 6.30pm  
Fri - Sat 8pm, Sun 4pm  
\$25 - \$52



For the first time outside of Europe - Silver service comedy with a slice of drama.

## What is Unique about *The Dinner*?

*The Dinner* is an entirely new, full-length play improvised every night. Each performance is utterly unique. *The Dinner* has been performed hundreds of times in Europe to sell out houses and, through French resident Kiwi actor and Director, Juliet O'Brien, and The Improvisors premieres in New Zealand at Circa Theatre.

## How does the structure work?

Take six of the country's top comic improvisers, including Mark Wright, Ian Harcourt, Tim Gordon and Anna Kennedy, let the audience mold their characters and set the play at a Wellington dinner held in honour of a special occasion.

Each actor receives a sealed envelope from an audience member, determining whether they are the hosts or the guests for this performance. In groups, the audience, with the help of twenty questions devised by Joan Bellviure, develop the characters - their past, their social standing, their ties with the other guests or hidden secrets. That's it. That's all the actors know - their character, the occasion and the order in which they will arrive.



Not since *Suspect*, The Improvisors first full production, performed at Circa on Harris in 1990, has such an endeavor been attempted. Improvisation at its finest: wit, skill and comic genius - a full length totally new New Zealand play performed - only seen on that night and never to be seen again.

You don't have to guess who's coming to dinner - you decide.

## ALSO AVAILABLE ... Visa Wellington On a Plate Event

*The Dinner* "Theatre ticket and meal" package at Circa. A feast for your creativity and your taste buds for that Special Night Out! Visit [VisaWOAP.com](http://VisaWOAP.com) for more details.

# Relaxed Performance

10am Thursday 19 July  
\$10 per person



Relax this July School Holidays with Little Dog Barking's children puppet show *Black Dog!*

Circa Theatre prides itself on being a non-for-profit organization focused on creating high quality theatre accessible to all members of the community. We are pleased to announce that we will be staging a relaxed performance of *Black Dog!*

This is a performance designed with the needs of children and young adults who will benefit from a more relaxed environment. Including people with an Autism Spectrum condition, sensory and communication disorders or learning difficulties.



If you have any questions or require more information please email: [access@circa.co.nz](mailto:access@circa.co.nz)

Book now online or call the Box Office 04 801 7992

Congratulations to our **Friends of Circa Winner** *Judy Travers*. You have been selected as our Winner of the monthly prize draw! You will be receiving a double pass to an upcoming Circa Theatre production.



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