Friday's Flock

Presented by Te Pūanga Whakaari Theatre and Taki Rua Productions by Reihana and Karla Haronga In Association with Circa Theatre Starring Craig Geenty

Te Parnya Whakaavi THEATHE PROPERTIES

Circa Two 8 – 17 Nov \$25 Preview – Weds 7 Nov

Tues – Sat 7.30pm, Sun 4.30pm \$25 – \$35

After sold-out houses at the 2017 Kia Mau Festival, Te Pūanga Whakaari Theatre Productions' piece *Friday's Flock* will return to Wellington at Circa Theatre this November.

Presented in partnership with Taki Rua, *Friday's Flock* is a *'bittersweet nod to our agricultural heart'* (Pantograph Punch, 2017). A one man show starring well-known performer Craig Geenty, *Friday's Flock* follows the lives of the locals at 'Saleyards Café', a real-life café next door to an agricultural saleyard in Feilding.

The touching comedy was written in 2016 by Feilding locals Reihana and Karla Haronga after visiting the Saleyards Café. Surrounded by farmers and stock agents, they recognised some real personalities within the decades-old establishment.

"It was small and intimate and full of history." says Reihana. "When we went there for lunch, the characters and the people were already there."

Public Service Annoucement: Ghosts of Christmas Parties!

Presented by the No Fefe Collective Directed by Hannah Smith and Anya Tate-Manning Written by Thom Adams and Carrie Green

Circa Two 24 Nov – 23 Dec

Tues – Sat 7.30pm. Sun 4.30pm \$25 – \$35 \$30 Specials – Fri 23 & Sun 25 Nov

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Looking for the perfect office christmas party? Wanting something with laughs, drinks and the chance to let your hair down at the end of year? Come join us for a christmas party to remember - *Public Service Announcements* - Wellington's longest running political satire, is bringing its irreverent and raucous brand of comedy to Circa Theatre for the first time.

Starring a dynamite line up of comedic actors, *Public Service Announcements* is the perfect end of year outing for your office, club or government department. Come join us for a laugh and a drink, no politician or party are safe and everyone is treated with same irreverence. Deliberately non-partisan, PSA mocks all sides of the political spectrum, the only agenda is laughter!



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Since then, *Friday's Flock* has performed many times at Saleyards Café, for the very same locals who inspired the script. The café's tables, chairs and even the pie warmer are transformed into a set for the site-specific play. Actor, Craig, will play seven characters including the café owner, farmers, retirees and even a dog named Jack.

The play made its Wellington debut at BATS Theatre as part of the 2017 Kia Mau Festival. The 2018 Circa Theatre performance will see the development of an entirely new set, recreating Circa Two studio into a regional café.



Public Service Announcements is Wellington's most frequently recurring political satire show, making work every year since 2011. Under their banner "The No Fefe Collective", Co-Creators James Nokise and Anya Tate-Manning set out in 2011 to fill the void of political satire, and have made fourteen shows over the last eight years. PSA is both specific and broad comedy, aiming to entertain those working in the heart of the Beehive and also for an audience that doesn't know their David Seymours from their David Langes.

It's the night of the Beehive Christmas Party, and the MPs are relaxing, mingling, and shedding the craziness of the last year. But as crackers crack and leakers leak, each party will come face to face with their own ghosts and discover the true meaning of Christmas.