ROGER HALL'S WINDING UP Directed by SUSAN WILSON

CIRCA THEATRE 31 July - 28 August

PLAYMARKET



Circa Theatre has been operating since 1976 and has gained a reputation as one of New Zealand's liveliest and most innovative theatres.

In 1987, Circa Theatre established the **Theatre Artists Charitable Trust** (TACT) to provide financial support to the creative artists (actors, playwrights, directors, etc) and help them achieve a viable income and career as professional artists. The support the artists receive from TACT through founding sponsor **Chapman Tripp**, as well as **Deloitte Private**, **Creative New Zealand**, and **individual donors** such as yourself, is vital to ensure we can continue to bring world-class theatre to Wellington.

We have introduced the **Arty 500 Annual Campaign** – a fundraising campaign that with your help we hope can achieve its goal to raise \$100,000.

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Any donation, big or small, is greatly appreciated. Simply visit **circa.co.nz/arty500** to donate by credit or debit card.

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Circa Theatre staged its first production in April 1976 and in the succeeding years gained a reputation as one of New Zealand's liveliest and most innovative theatres. Circa also pioneered a collaborative system supporting creative artists who are the life-blood of our theatre. They emphasise the qualities of commitment and self-help which we greatly admire and which contribute to bringing our audiences professional theatre which is diverse and of the highest professional standard.

Circa Theatre is administered by a working council comprising:

Charlotte Bates, Neville Carson, Debbie Fish, Andrew Foster, Carrie Green, Carolyn Henwood, Ross Jolly, Simon Leary, Salesi Le'ota, Miranda Manasiadis, Jamie McCaskill, Gavin Rutherford, Lyndee-Jane Rutherford, Linda Wilson, Susan Wilson.

In November 1994 Circa moved to its new premises at 1 Taranaki Street, Wellington, and in 2018 Circa completed its cafe/bar and foyer renovations for all patrons to enjoy.

Theatre concept and design: Grant Tilly

Circa Theatre offers sincere thanks to the generous philanthropists and organisations who make it possible for us to continue to bring world class theatre to Wellington.

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Toi Tōtara Haemata (Arts leadership) investment programme

Circa was selected by Creative New Zealand as part of the Toi Tōtara Haemata (Arts Leadership Investment) Programme in 2013 as a key arts organisation in the region. This scheme allows Circa to collaborate with other arts organisations and provide leadership within the arts sector.

Opening night 31st July, 2021

Circa Theatre proudly presents

ROGER HALL'S WINDING UP

Set and AV Design Lisa Maule Costume Design Sheila Horton

Directed by Susan Wilson Lighting Design Marcus McShane Music and Soundscape Michael Nicholas Williams



BARRY Peter Hayden

SETTING

Wellington, June – October 2019

RUNNING TIME

1 hour 55 minutes (approx.) including a 15-minute interval

PRODUCTION TEAM

Stage/Production Manager	Deb McGuire
Technical Operator	Niamh Campbell-Ward
Sound Compilation	Deb McGuire
Publicity	Colleen McColl
Social Media	Luke Hempleman
Graphic Design	Rose Miller, Kraftwork
Photography and Photoshop	Stephen A'Court
Set Construction	John Hodgkins, Jared Lewis, Jacob Banks
Set Crew	Simon Manns, Scott McCready, Neal Barber,
	Rebekah de Roo, Giovanni Maule
Technical Crew	Isaac Kirkwood, Mitchell Sigley, Jack Sutton, Gen Poppe
Fight Director	Simon Manns
Intern	Lynn Bushell MFA (CP) in Theatre (VUW)
Box Office Manager	Sophie Laurenson
Front of House Manager	Harish Purohit

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PLAYWRIGHT'S NOTE - ROGER HALL

About three years ago, I started writing a play about a couple in their seventies and all the problems and events in that decade. It took me a while to develop them but they didn't really come to life. And then Gen and Barry knocked on the door and wouldn't go away.

They were in *Conjugal Rites*, a two-hander first produced at Palmerston North in 1990. It was rejected by TV here, bless them, because it then went on to a theatre production in

the UK (Watford), and then to Granada Television for two seasons.

After they knocked on the door, Barry and Gen brought not only themselves but their off-stage children as well. It didn't take me long to realise that now there are also grandchildren, all of whom remain off-stage.

Barry was a dentist, Gen a lawyer, now both retired. In *Conjugal Rites* their marriage was a bit rocky and went through some crises but they saw them through.

When the original *Conjugal* was on stage at the Fortune Theatre, one couple left at half-time because "We can get all this at home". I hope audiences will recognise the new situations in *Winding Up* – but stay to the end.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The *Winding Up* production would like to thank the following for their generous support: Simon Jordon, Simon Burling-Claridge, Hamish Maule, Hilary Norris, Averil Mawhinney & Tom Scott, Sainsbury Family, Jacquie & Andre Alves, Tim Gordon, Tim Seconi, Graeme Anderson, YOUTravel, Flight Centre Newtown, Bay Audiology, Professor David O'Donnell (VUW)

VOICE OVER ARTISTS:

Jeff Kingsford-Brown, Gavin Rutherford, Bronwyn Turei, Jthan Morgan, Emma Kinane



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What's on at Circa!



Every Kind of Weather

Written by Bruce Mason, Directed by Shane Bosher Performed by Stephen Lovatt Designers: Jane Hakaraia, Sean Lynch and Paul McLaney Company: Brilliant Adventures Circa Two | 18 August – 11 September, \$25 – \$52

A theatrical encounter with an iconic playwright

Following their critically acclaimed, sold-out run of *Things I Know to be True*, actor Stephen Lovatt and director Shane Bosher return to Circa for a not-to-be missed celebration of Bruce Mason – perhaps the most significant playwright in Aotearoa's theatrical history.

2021 marks the centenary of Bruce Mason's birth and to celebrate his extraordinary legacy, Brilliant Adventures and Circa Theatre are collaborating with the Bruce Mason Estate to make two of his greatest solo works – *The End of the Golden Weather* and *Not Christmas, but Guy Fawkes* – resound for a new age.



Crocodile Fever

Written by Meghan Tyler | Directed by Stella Reid Starring Karin McCracken, Hannah Kelly, Peter Hambleton Production Designer: Meg Rollandi Circa One | 4 Sept – 2 Oct | \$25 – \$52 | \$30 specials – Fri 3 & Sun 5 Sept

**** 'This play is a bloody masterpiece in every sense' – British Theatre.com

Following a stellar Edinburgh run, *Crocodile Fever* explodes onto Circa's mainstage. This thrilling dark comedy from Northern Ireland promises action, laughs and a killer finish. Fianna Devlin crashes through the window, returning to the family home. It's been 11 years since she saw her pious and guilt-ridden sister Alannah. Fuelled by gin, Tatyos and '80s anthems, the two sisters unite to escape the claws of a monster.

Starring award-winning Karin McCracken and Hannah Kelly and Circa luminary Peter Hambleton. It might not end happily, but it will end gloriously! Winner of Best Theatre Production, Edinburgh 2019.



Sundays at Ira's

Created by Jane Keller and Michael Nicholas Williams Directed by K.C. Kelly | Musical Direction by Michael Nicholas Williams Company: Hurst First Circa Two | 18 Sept – 2 Oct | Preview 17 Sept | \$25 – \$38

'It's delightful, it's delicious, it's de-lovely'

Jane's Great Aunt Alice was a close personal friend of Ira Gershwin and was a regular guest at his Sunday Soirées. Other regulars were Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, Noël Coward, George Gershwin and many others.

Alice dined out for years on the stories of rivalries, feuds and great friendships. Told with humour, charm and interlaced with songs from these marvellous early 20th Century composers, *Sundays at Ira's* is a nostalgic and entertaining night out. Jane is accompanied by Michael on piano.



CREATIVE NEIGHBOURS

It is an exciting time for Circa Theatre and Te Papa as we build our cultural partnership on the Wellington waterfront.

"We have much in common and, with our mutual talents, we can work together to make many opportunities for people to



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CAROLYN HENWOOD, CIRCA CO-FOUNDER & CIRCA COUNCIL MEMBER

A TRUE ARTISTIC TREASURE

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ANDREW FOSTER, CIRCA COUNCIL CO-ORDINATOR

A NIGHT OUT TO REMEMBER

"Circa's vision is to present our audiences with the best work from New Zealand and the world. This year we've got an incredible



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SALESI LE'OTA, CIRCA COUNCIL



WE LOVE WELLINGTON

"In our first 10 years, Circa staged over 20 plays by Wellington writers set in Wellington or relating to its people and places. We have continued this pattern and now in our programme you will always find a play by a Wellington writer with a story about Wellington and its people – their triumphs and tribulations."

SUSAN WILSON, DIRECTOR/CIRCA COUNCIL



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