

SHORT+SWEET SYDNEY 2012

Week 3 Highlights bring laughter, satire & heartbreak

Spin Doctors, Amateur Dramatics and a teacher's life-saving care for a child

Week 3 at Short+Sweet – Wed-Sun at the King Street Theatre in Newtown - features another terrific selection of new short plays – most of them by Aussie playwrights.

You Can't Eat It – written and directed by Carol Dance, features Melissa Spiteri as a teacher who cares enough to try to find the key to unlock the puzzle of tough little school girl and her deeply damaged soul. 10-year-old Emmanuelle Mattana (who appears in another play in the festival!) makes her brilliant debut...

Through the Chair by Mark C. Bourne (himself a veteran British thespian) is a hilarious satire on the politics of Amateur Dramatic Societies. Directed by Tracey Keene for the northern beaches theatre company the Elanora Players (!), it stars James Belfrage as the awful chairman of a fictional (but recognizable!) society.

MacSpin by Seth Freeman (US) sees 'Mac' having a bad day... his spin doctors have their work cut out for them! Directed by Sharlene Zeederberg, it features Peter Morris, Brooke Davidson, Madison Mackoy and James Hartley.

Something to Be Done by Sepy Baghaei features Gabriel McCarthy as a man searching for inspiration. Like many before him... he struggles to find what he's looking for... Plus another 6 wonderful plays – all under 10 minutes long.

In the *Wildcard* section (Sat 3pm and Sun 1pm), Joseph Mifsud directs **The Couch** by Suzanne Bailie (US). John Cross and Daniel Felkai star as two brothers with deep-rooted issues, quibbling over their dead mother's belongings.

Yankees Bad, Stocks Worse by Tim Goodwin is about a hotdog seller and a shoe-shine boy contemplating their lives and 'business as usual' as the world of finance crashes around them on Wall Street 1929. Jimi Elwell, Roman Clef, Nathan Hale and Nicholas Barkl are directed by prolific author Robert Renshaw.



Yankees Bad, Stocks Worse

Getting Done Over by Short+Sweet veteran playwright Faith de Savigne is a comic take on renovating... ("It's difficult to know who is getting made over!"). Directed by Maggi Franklin and Maria Drossi, it features the highly experienced duo Frances Duca and Kathy Urokalo.

Taxi by Michelle Morgan and directed by Irving Gregory stars Heidi Lupprian, Kate McGinniskin and John Buencamino is a sparkling comedy set on the divorce day of a woman from her philandering husband. With her free-spirited BFF by her side for moral support she tries to get a cab 'outa there'... but her ex has other plans!

The full week three program is on the following page and the season's complete schedule of works for



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