



## JUNE NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

### QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

The library will be closed on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Ebooks are available for borrowing during the closure.

### MUSICAL PERFORMANCE – FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

Rebecca Barnard grew up listening to Billie Holiday and Louis Armstrong, and started singing with her father's band when she was just 13.

At the age of 14 she heard Joni Mitchell and Bob Dylan and was hooked, and to this day the cross pollination of music styles is evident in her music.

Rebecca has had a long musical career, founding the band Rebecca's Empire, and singing with artists including Stephen Cummings, Paul Kelly, Tim Rogers, Renee Geyer, Deborah Conway and You Am I.

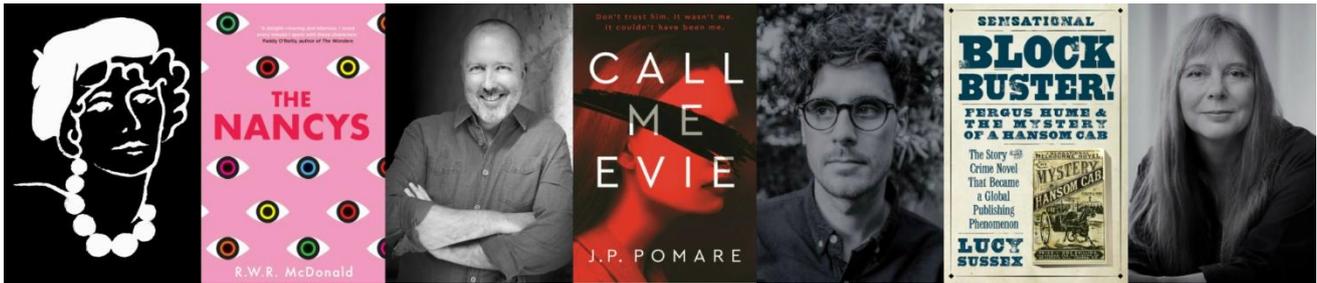


Rebecca will perform at the library on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 6pm. The event is free for members and guests pay just \$10. Bookings are essential, either by calling 9650 3100 or emailing [library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au](mailto:library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au)

If you RSVP for a musical event and are then unable to attend please let us know. We often have a waiting list to attend musical performances.



## MYSTERY IN THE LIBRARY EVENT – MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE



The Melbourne Athenaeum Library is about to join counterparts in London and Reykjavik in hosting a Mystery in the Library event run by the Ngaio Marsh Awards, New Zealand's literary prizes for crime, mystery and thriller writing.

As well as the annual awards ceremony in Christchurch, since 2015 award organisers have also run a series of author panel events in libraries around New Zealand, and overseas.

Three talented storytellers, each with a New Zealand connection but based in Melbourne, will meet at the Melbourne Athenaeum Library to discuss what makes the crime and thriller writing genre so fascinating.

Two new voices in crime writing, RWR McDonald and JP Pomare, will be joined by crime researcher and 'literary archaeologist' Lucy Sussex to discuss what draws them to mystery writing, how they craft memorable characters and the impact of local settings.

Entry is free to the Mystery in the Library event (Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June from 6pm) but RSVPs are required, either by calling 9650 3100 or emailing [library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au](mailto:library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au)

## PLAYWRIGHT IN RESIDENCE – ANGUS CERINI

Our 2019 playwright-in-residence, Angus Cerini, has taken up residence and has been working regularly in the library.

Angus, a writer, performer and director, will spend time this year working in the library and will develop a public event for library members. More information will be provided at a later date.

Angus has won the Patrick White Playwrights' Award and been nominated for numerous Green Room Awards.





Written by Patricia Cornelius and directed by Susie Dee.  
**Audacious. Raw. In-your-face.**

*SHIT* and *LOVE*, back-to-back in a limited double bill season presented by fortyfivedownstairs.

**Dates/Times:**  
*LOVE*: 23-26 May | Tues-Sat 7.30pm / Sun 4pm  
29 May-9 June | Tues-Sat 9pm / Sun 5.30pm  
*SHIT*: 29 May-9 June | Tues-Sat 7.30pm / Sun 4pm

**Tickets:**  
Double bill \$70  
Single show \$38 - \$48

**Bookings:**  
fortyfivedownstairs.com

Peta Brady    Tahlee Fereday    Designer: Marg Horwell  
Sarah Ward    Benjamin Nichol    Sound Designer: Anna Liebzelt  
Nicci Wilks    Carly Sheppard    Stage Manager: Rebecca Moore  
Lighting Designer: Andy Turner

LOVE is supported by the City of Melbourne Arts Grants Program 

## PATRICIA CORNELIUS PLAY

The library's talented 2018 playwright-in-residence, Patricia Cornelius, is back with two works directed by Susie Dee.

On now at fortyfivedownstairs (45 Flinders Lane, Melbourne), the two works, titled *SHIT* and *LOVE*, will close on June 9. Tickets are available to a single show, or the double bill on selected dates.

Following the limited season, Patricia and Susie will travel to Venice to present at the 47<sup>th</sup> International Festival of Theatre. They are the first Australian artists invited to present at the Venice festival. For bookings visit [fortyfivedownstairs.com](http://fortyfivedownstairs.com)

## NEW BOOKS ADDED TO THE COLLECTION

More than 100 new books are purchased each month. Book lists are added to the library website within the first few days of each month. Please check the website soon for May's new books or contact the library for the book list.

## COMMITTEE MEMBER CHRIS JOHNSON

Just a quick note to clarify that our newest committee member, Chris Johnson, is a solicitor and not a barrister, as mentioned in our May eNews.