# **BEAUTIFUL ONE DAY**By ILBIJERRI Theatre Company



Photo by Ponch Hawkes

# PRESENTER'S INFORMATION

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# **COMPANY PROFILE**

ILBIJERRI is Australia's leading and longest running Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Theatre Company.

We create challenging and inspiring theatre creatively controlled by Indigenous artists. Our stories are provocative and affecting and gives voice to our unique and diverse cultures.

ILBIJERRI tours its work to national, regional and remote locations across Australia, and the world.

We have commissioned 36 new Indigenous works and performed for more than 250,000 people. We deliver a broad program of artist development for new and emerging Indigenous writers, actors, directors and creatives. Born from community, ILBIJERRI remain a spearhead for the Australian Indigenous community in telling our stories of what it means to be Indigenous in Australia today. Our work possesses the power to reach out and remind audiences of every person's need for family, history and heritage. Our collaborative relationships with communities and artists are at the heart of our creative process and all our work empowers and enlightens our audiences.

# ABOUT THE SHOW

# SHOW SYNPOSIS

Palm Island 2004. An Aboriginal man is arrested, allegedly for insulting a police officer. Within 90 minutes, he lies dead on the watch house floor, his liver cleaved in two. The community protests, the police station is torched. A Senior Sergeant stands trial for manslaughter but is acquitted. Questions are raised about manipulation of evidence and a court suppression order. A protestor, jailed for inciting a riot, is out on parole on condition that he speaks to no one.

BEAUTIFUL ONE DAY is a co-production between ILBIJERRI Theatre Company, version 1.0, Belvoir St Theatre and the Palm Island community. Brought together via a shared sense of outrage over the death of Mulrunji Doomadgee, BEAUTIFUL ONE DAY interprets the events on Palm Island in 2004 against the full sweep of the island's history.

As raw as it is confronting, the show stars three Islanders in their first theatrical appearances. It combines documentary-style footage with conversation, reportage, stories and images, told in their own words.

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# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

# **Promotional Billing Requirements**

"This is a co-production between ILBIJERRI, Belvoir and version 1.0"

# Written By

Sean Bacon, Magdalena Blackley, Kylie Doomadgee, Paul Dwyer, Eamon Flack, Rachael Maza, Jane Phegan, Harry Reuben and David Williams

# **Composed By**

Paul Prestipino

# **Directed By**

Eamon Flack

# **Designed By**

Ruby Langton-Batty, Frank Mainoo, Paul Prestipino and Sean Bacon **Starring** 

Rachael Maza, Paul Dwyer, Jane Phegan, Harry Reuben, Kylie Doomadgee and Aunty Magdalena Blackley

# **BIOGRAPHIES**

To be provided

# PERFORMANCE SPECIFICS

# **DURATION**

80 minutes (no interval)

# SUITABLE VENUES

Proscenium Arch, Black Box

# MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES PER WEEK

6 performances

# MINIMUM BREAK BETWEEN PERFORMANCES

160 minutes

# LICENCING AGREEMENTS

N/A

### **APRA OBLIGATIONS**

N/A

#### **TOURING PERSONNEL**

The touring party consists of 8 people.

List the touring personnel below.

Name	Role
Rachael Maza	Self
Kylie Doomadgee	Self
Harry Reuben	Self
Magdalena Blackley	Self
Jane Phegan	Self

Paul Dwyer	self	
TBC	Stage Manager	
TBC	Production Manager	

#### PERFORMANCE HISTORY

Provide the performance history in the table below.

Year	Venue	Number of
		performances
2013	Arts House, North	7
	Melbourne Town Hall	
2012	Belvoir, Upstairs	38
	Theatre	

# **AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT**

All of our touring works are presented with presenters to engage the local Aboriginal community in the season. This is done through meetings between the Palm Island Elders and local elders, welcome to country at the opening of each season and through targeted invitations to local Aboriginal community organisations. We have held Q&A's at the end of each season we have presented to date.

# **MARKETING**

#### MARKETING COPY

One line

A theatrical documentary looking for a way to turn outrage into real understanding and new possibilities.

#### Short

Palm Island, 2004. An Aboriginal man dies in police custody. Members of the Palm Island community make a direct challenge to police power and the police station is torched. Eight years later, the people of Palm Island continue demand real justice, and all the while life continues.

#### Extended

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# MARKETING SUMMARY

This work has a wide ranging appeal as the themes are current and focuses on real, recent events. However, the past two seasons have seen three demographic groups make up the bulk of the audience.

These groups are:

- Young, politically interested 25-35 y/o men and women.
- Highly educated women aged 40 60 years
- Older Aboriginal families with teenage / adult children, often in a group of 4-5 pax.

As the work has strong political themes it generally appeals to a more left-leaning audience.

Also, it is good to note that 'The Tall Man' by Chloe Hooper is taught in some schools and although BEAUTIFUL ONE DAY is not directly derived from the book, the two works could sit well within a curriculum.

#### MEDIA QUOTES

"A charged, affective and important piece of documentary theatre" - The Age "This is vivid, terrifying, funny and rewarding theatre" - Herald Sun

#### **VIDEO LINKS**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\_embedded&v=3yZhr730RaU

#### **IMAGES**

http://ilbijerri.com.au/productions/project/beautiful-one-day/

# MARKETING MATERIALS

Media Release
Included in sell-off
Company Bio
Included in sell-off
Product Photos
Included in sell-off
Broadcast quality raw footage for TVC
Included in sell-off

# CONTENT WARNINGS / AUDIENCES TO AVOID

Not suitable for people under 13 years of age

# TEACHER'S RESOURCES

Can be provided

# PRODUCTION DETAILS

# TECHNICAL SUMMARY

Technical Rating - B
Theatre Formats - Proscenium Arch, Black Box
Total bump-in time - 16 hours
First Possible Performance - End of day 2
Total bump-out time - 4 hours

# **CREW REQUIRED FROM VENUE**

Bump In Lighting Crew 2 x 8 hours Sound Crew 1 x 8 hours Staging 2 x 8 hours

# Performance

Lighitng 1 x 4 hours Sound 1 x 4 hours Staging 1 x 4 hours

#### Bump Out

Sound 1 x 2 hours Staging 2 x 4 hours Other (AV) 1 x 4 hours

#### STAGE

# **Staging Requirements**

BLACK TIMBER FLOOR CAPABLE OF TAKING CHALK DRAWINGS FULL BLACK SPACE INCLUDING FULL STAGE FLAT SMOOTHER UPSTAGE OF SCREENS PANORAMA FLAT BLACK CURTAINS PREFERRED

Min. stage width

8 METRES

Min. stage depth

**8 METRES** 

Min. stage height

5-7 METRES

#### Set

SCREENS SCREEN RIGGING ROLLED PIPE (SEE AV REQUIREMENTS) 6 X WHITE PATIO CHAIRS 6 X STANDARD REHEARSAL ROOM CHAIRS CHALK BORAD - TBA DEPENDING ON VENUE HAND PROPS AND COSTUMES TO BE SUPPLIED BY PRODUCER

**Wardrobe Requirements** 

# QUICK CHANGE AREA BACKSTAGE LAUNDRY AND IRONING FACILITIES REQUIRED 2 X DRESSING ROOMS

#### LIGHTING

SEE PLAN ATTACHED SHOWING THE USE OF:

23 X 1200 FRESNEL

22 X PACFIC PROFILES

6 X PAR 64 MFL

6 X PAR 64 NSP

NOTE: LAMP COUNT MAY CHANGE ONCE VENUE PLANS ARE DRAWN THE SHOW IS PLOTTED ON A ETC ELEMENT, VENUE TO SUPPLY ALL GEL IS TO SUPPLIED BY THE VENUE

# Company to supply

THE PRODUCTION WILL TOUR WITH THE PLOT FOR THE ETC ELEMENT

# Venue to supply

ALL GEL IS TO SUPPLIED BY THE VENUE

#### SOUND

**OUTPUT:** 

L&R MAIN MIX FLOWN SYSTEM FROM ONSTAGE OR WITHIN PROSCENIUM

L&R REAR FILL BEHIND AUDIENCE IN AUDITORIUM 2 X STAGE FILL ON DECK UPSTAGE OF SCREENS

ALL ASSOCIATED CABLES, AMPS, PROCESSORS GRAPHIC EQ 'S, ETC

#### **INPUT:**

SM 58 WITH CABLE ON STAND 4 X MONO DI'S FROM STAGE FOR AV PLAYBACK DELAY AND EFFECTS UNIT ALL PATCH CABLES FROM SHOW PLAYBACK OPERATING IN THE AUDITORIUM

# Company to supply

SHOW PLAYBACK - TO BE MIXED LIVE BY TOURING OPERATOR. MAC BOOK PRO WITH SOUND CARD AV PLAYBACK WITH AUDIO PATCH CABLES FOR DI INPUT (6.5M JACK) RADIO MIC BUD - DPA OR SIMILAR INC. TRANSMITTER & RECEIVER

Venue to supply
SOUND DESK
MIN 6 CHANNEL OUTPUT + SUBS

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THE PRODUCTION REQUIRES 4 X SCREENS (PRODUCER OWNED 1400X2500) TO BE RIGGED FROM A ROLLED PIPE TO ENSURE THE CORRECT RADIUS.

BEAUTIFUL ONE DAY Page 8 of 9 ALL RIGGING FOR THE PROJECTORS TO BE PROVIDED BY THE VENUE INCLUDING VGA CABLE RUNS TO ONSTAGE OPERATING POSITION - DS PRO

# Company to supply

- 1 X ROLLED PIPE TO RIG PROJECTORS (IN 4 SECTIONS)
- 4 X WHITE TIMBER PROJECTION SCREENS WTH RIGGING HARDWARE
- 4 X SHORT THROW PROJECTORS WITH POWER SUPPLY \* MOUNTS
- 4 X PLAYBACK COMPUTERS: 1 X MAC TOWER, 3 X MAC MINI
- 1 X AV MIXING SYSTEM
- 1 X CAMERA ON DO

Venue to supply N/A

# **WARDROBE**

Company travels with all costumes

#### FREIGHT NOTES

FREIGHT LIST: - 4 X PROJECTION SCREENS (1400 X 2500 X 300) - 4 ROLLED SECTIONS OF STEEL PIPE (APPROX 4M LENGTHS) - AV ROAD CASE (1400 X 2500 X 300) INCL. ALL TOURING AV EQUIPMENT - PROPS BOX (500 X 500 X 500) - COSTUME SUITCASE (1000 X 500 X 400) -STAGE MANAGEMENT CASE (100 X 800 X 400)

FREIGHT COMPANY SUPPLIED 3T TRUCK, TORT-LINER OR SIMILAR

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