

AUSTRALIA / THEATRE WORLD PREMIERE



CARAVAN

Two acclaimed theatre makers **Susie Dee** and **Nicci Wilks** come together to present the world premiere of **Caravan**, a darkly comical look at family, the modern world and the universal need for love.

Written by four of the Australia's critically lauded and awarded theatre makers - **Patricia Cornelius**, **Melissa Reeves**, **Angus Cerini** and **Wayne Macauley** – it is presented on The Coopers Malthouse forecourt for Melbourne Festival audiences.

For years a mother and her daughter have lived together in a dilapidated caravan full of faded dreams. They have nowhere else to go. While Judy, big, bloated and perennially unwell, holds court from the caravan's double bed, Donna cooks liver, drinks from a goon sack and dreams of a Tinder date to take her away.

But each knows the other won't leave: they're stuck, and will be till the end.

Over the course of one evening, while Donna's phone pings and Judy sucks oxygen from her mask, they bicker and make up, scream and threaten violence and dream of better things.

For the past decade **Susie Dee** has developed new work with writers such as Angus Cerini, Declan Greene, Melissa Reeves and Patricia Cornelius. In 2013 Dee won a Green Room Award for her direction of Patricia Cornelius' award-winning play *Savages* and in 2015 directed Cornelius' *SHIT*, which took home four Green Room Awards.

Nicci Wilks was Assistant Director and performer for the Green Room Award winning show *Taxi* by Dee and Cornelius, co-creator (with Dee) of the highly acclaimed show *The Long Pigs*, and also performed under Dees' direction of Cornelius' *SHIT*.

'Director Susie Dee should be commended for shaping such vivid performances'

Cameron Woodhead, The Age (on *Shit*)

The Coopers Malthouse Forecourt

Tue 5 – Sun 22 Oct

Tue – Sun 7pm

Fri & Sat also 9pm

Fri 6 7pm only

1 hr 10 mins, no interval

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