

VCASS | THEATRE ARTS | 2023

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## THURSDAY & FRIDAY

# 11 - 12 MAY

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## Featuring four original ensemble

performances, devised by the 2023

## Year 12 Theatre Arts students

Tickets available through  
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## SECONDARY SCHOOL



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# TRUTH BE TOLD

We are told to tell the truth, in life and work. As actors, we are told to make it believable. But we lie and we are lied to – for all kinds of reasons. As children, we are told lies in the form of both magical tales and cautionary tales. We tell lies to protect others and to protect ourselves, as well as to deceive for our own ends. We live in a world of AI technology, conspiracy theories, and fake news. Who do we believe and why? And what happens when we discover that what we thought was true is in fact a lie?

As part of their VCE Drama studies, Year 12 students have worked in small ensembles to devise their own performances exploring the concept of Truth and Lies. Each of our two programs feature two original ensemble performances.



**TARA DANIEL**  
HEAD OF ARTS  
(THEATRE & VISUAL)

# THERE ARE THINGS THEY DON'T WANT US TO KNOW

MAY 11, 2023 @ 6PM, VCASS | RECITAL ROOM

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Often when you think you have been told the truth, it turns out to be a lie. In this world, we are constantly blindsided, often to the point where we no longer know what is true and what is not. As a society, we are losing the ability to distinguish the truth from a lie. If we don't know the truth, are we safer? Maybe it is for the better. Will we ever know? It can't hurt us, or can it? We might be lying to you right now, and you'd never know. After all, time is a construct, so who knows what else is constructed. The media, conspiracy theorists, parents, children, celebrities, me, you, we are all actors in one big performance.

Chloe Crellin, Bethanie Matic, Coco McCuaig & Jessica Wardle



# PERJURY AND PINING

MAY 11, 2023 @ 6PM, VCASS | RECITAL ROOM

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Humans can fall into the trap of lying out of their own selfish greed, but where does it end? *Perjury & Pining* explores these very questions through Verbatim Theatre, Melodrama and a little bit of a song and dance. Jaded lovers, political puppets and a controversial court case in Bali, all sculpted by greed and cycles of lies. Time after time, the cycle continues... Is it worth it?

Eva Tegart, Michael Douthwaite, Tate Newman,  
Emma Mitchell & Lily Moran



# DECADES OF DECEPTION

MAY 12, 2023 @ 6PM, VCASS | RECITAL ROOM

We, the citizens of the world, grow up being lied to. Our past, present and future is an unsolved mystery. And so, by denying the truth, you deny the facts. The question is, how do we separate the truth from the lie? At what cost do we, the people, sacrifice our understanding and intuition for an untrue life? Big or small, lies are lies. Come explore our world's history and the events caused by the dishonesty of humanity; a reality of the world we live in. What you choose to believe is up to you.

Keely Baird, Storm Maksutova, Cass Hansen & Natasha Nette





# WELCOME TO THE LIEBRARY

MAY 12, 2023 @ 6PM, VCASS | RECITAL ROOM

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Sometimes we prefer to hear lies than the truth. Sometimes we need to tell lies to keep ourselves safe and secure. Lying is a human experience, a global phenomenon. We've been told lies all of our lives; that there is only Good and Evil, Right and Wrong, Lies and Truth. In fact, lying is inevitable. It is human nature to lie, for both the purposes of survival and to attack others. It's not just black and white. Everybody lies, it's impossible not to. Or are we lying to you now?

Scarlett Brumby, Darcy Dowling, Yianni Paikoupoulos  
Rahnee Parker & Dante Tierney





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**EVA  
TEGART**



**DANTE  
TIERNEY**



**JESSICA  
WARDLE**



## 2023 YEAR 12 THEATRE ARTS STUDENTS

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### VICTORIAN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS SECONDARY SCHOOL

**PRINCIPAL**  
Hilary Bland

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS**  
Donatella Mannolini & James Rust

**HEAD OF ARTS (THEATRE & VISUAL)**  
Tara Daniel

**PRODUCTION MANAGER**  
Tom Backhaus

**PROMOTIONAL DESIGN  
& PHOTOGRAPHY**  
Dylan Breninger

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- **MUSIC | Year 11 & 12 Solos Concerts**  
16, 17 & 18 May @ VCASS Recital Room
- **MUSIC | Year 7-12 Ensembles**  
1 June @ VCASS Recital Room
- **MUSIC | Winter Jazz**  
22 June @ VCASS Recital Room

### SAVE THE DATE

- **THEATRE ARTS | Our Town**  
31 May - 1 June @ Lawler Theatre
- **DANCE | Major Performance**  
24, 25 & 26 August @ Malthouse Theatre
- **MUSIC | And Whether Pigs Have Wings**  
17 August @ Melbourne Recital Centre

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