

VCA Victorian College of the Arts
SECONDARY SCHOOL

presents

DAYS

BY
DEBRA OSWALD



WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 2021 @ 6PM

Southbank Theatre, The Lawler
140 Southbank Boulevard, Southbank Victoria

**SOUTHBANK
THEATRE**

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Chris Button
DIRECTOR AND YEAR 12
THEATRE ARTS TEACHER

Dags is the story of 'happy social cripple' Gillian as she navigates her way through the slings and arrows, brickbats and barbed comments of her sixteenth year. Written in 1987 by Australian playwright/author Debra Oswald, the play was an instant 'hit' on the youth and Theatre in Education scene. Some thirty years after its debut the play still commands respect for its humour, compassionate view of adolescence and accurately observed truths about being sixteen and angst-ridden, being popular and being true to yourself.

This Year 12 Theatre Studies class began their encounter with the play in January of this year. Since then they have worked at developing characters to fit the words left on the page by Debra Oswald and made production decisions to ensure that their 'creations' could be effectively rendered in performance. It has not always been an easy road for the production team, but they have persisted and delivered a play that is funny and challenging and sympathetic, but never moralising or cute.

I hope that you enjoy the Year 12 Theatre Studies presentation of *Dags*.

THE CAST



**Imogen Gailitis-
Gerraty**



Hayley Jobson



Toby Marlow



Josh Ballinger



Poppy Staley



**Mia Chenea
Robinson**



Molly Simpson





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