

Gasworks Arts Park proudly presents

Gone Girls

Written and performed by Patrick Livesey and Annabel Larcombe

28 July - 6 August, 2022

Gasworks Arts Park - 21 Graham Street, Albert Park VIC

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Developed and receiving a rave review premiere season during some of Australia's (and the world's) most chaotic political times, **Gone Girls** returns this July/August for a limited season at Melbourne's **Gasworks Arts Park**.

Written and performed by **Patrick Livesey** and **Annabel Larcombe**, **Gone Girls** is a dragged-up, camped-up, and very well-dressed-up ode to Women in Power, bipartisan wine nights, and yes, **that** speech. Tearing through the halls of Parliament (and the last decade of Australian politics) **Julia Gillard** and **Julie Bishop** are back and teaming up to take down the Patriarchy. The Boys Club better be ready.



Hailed as "a cheeky yet decidedly clever comic take on the two mightiest women of Australian politics in our time" (**The Advertiser**) and with glowing reviews from previous audience members including **Penny Wong's** entire staff, **Gone Girls** is the hour of politics you've never seen before and always needed. A fast-paced, quick witted drag-fantasy that works incredibly hard to destroy everything you thought you knew about these two leading ladies of #Auspol.

"I'd wanted to play **Julia Gillard** for a while so my first conception of the show was that desire", explains creator **Patrick Livesey**. "It all stemmed from a deep respect for her and what she had achieved, and an unabashed fury that she wasn't given proper recognition as being one of our best prime ministers. The underlying catalyst was a desire to right the wrongs. The art of drag is a huge inspiration with the show, in particular that special combination of joy, reverence and tongue-in-cheek-ness that makes it a genuinely thrilling artform. Even though we're tackling real people and real issues and touching upon some genuinely uncomfortable aspects of our political history, drag helps us keep an eye on what is most important - and that is nothing and everything. We're making it fun for people. The show also inspired one woman in Adelaide to run for politics. So there's that!"

Initially slated to play in 2021, but instead a casualty of the Victorian Covid Lockdown, **Gone Girls** is one of the many in-house produced shows by **Gasworks Arts Park**, highlighting the crucial and ongoing support for local artists and new Australian work provided by the organisation. A vital and recognised Arts Hub in Melbourne's South, **Gasworks Arts Park** contributes to the creative evolution of arts and culture in the beachside suburbs and beyond. They create and present quality visual and performing arts programming, cultural activities, and community events.

Running for **six shows only** and with **multiple four and five star reviews** already on the board, **Gone Girls** is quickly shaping up to be a wildly entertaining, hot ticket season on the Melbourne Arts Calendar. Not to be missed!

Created by Patrick Livesey - Written and performed by Patrick Livesey and Annabel Larcombe - Co-Directed by Wil King - Sound Design by Sidney Millar - Graphic Image by Athatha - Produced by Gasworks Arts Park

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Thurs - Sat 7:30pm, Sat 4pm

Tickets: \$45 Full, \$40 Concession and Under 30, \$30 Grps 6+

Bookings: (03) 8606 4299 or online at www.gasworks.org.au/whats-on/gone-girls

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