



MARGOT POLITIS

Artistic Director, Theatre
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EDUCATION

BA Hons Creative Arts
Flinders University Drama Centre
South Australia
2003

EMPLOYMENT

Artistic Director

Milk Crate Theatre
Sydney NSW
2018 - CURRENT

Associate Director

Milk Crate Theatre
Sydney NSW
2016-2018

Artistic Director / Founder

Self Help Arts
Sydney NSW
2015-2018

Accessibility Director

Shopfront Arts Co-op
Carlton NSW
2009-2016

**2014 + 2015 FINALIST NSW
Disability Industry Innovation
Awards*

**2013 Creative Partnerships
Australia Arts Access Award*

Performer, Tutor, Board

Restless Dance Theatre
Adelaide SA
2004-2007

COMPANY WORKS

2024 | *Hello, Are You Still There?*

Milk Crate Theatre + Shopfront Arts Co-op
Co-Director, Choreographer, Set & Costume Designer | Shopfront Arts Co-op, NSW

2023 | *SOLACE*

Milk Crate Theatre + Box of Birds
Co-Director, Choreographer, Costume Design | ARA Darling Quarter, Sydney NSW

2022 | *DUST*

Milk Crate Theatre
Director, Set & Costume Designer | Richard Wherrett Studio, STC, Walsh Bay NSW

2021 | *Tiny Universe*

Milk Crate Theatre + Shopfront Arts Co-op
Co-Director, Choreographer, Costume Design | PACT Theatre, Erskineville NSW

2019 | *Natural Order*

Milk Crate Theatre
Director, Set & Costume Designer | Petersham Town Hall, NSW

2017 | *Dignity of Risk*

Shopfront Arts Co-op + ATYP
Choreographer | Australian Theatre for Young People, Walsh Bay NSW
**2017 Sydney Theatre Awards, Best Production for Young People*

2016 | *It's Like This (film)*

Shopfront Arts Co-op, Bodylines Ensemble
Co-Director, Choreographer, Set & Costume Designer | Shopfront Arts Co-op, NSW

2014 | *Out of Line*

Shopfront Arts Co-op, Bodylines Ensemble
Director, Choreographer, Set & Costume Design | ATYP + Shopfront Arts Co-op

2013 | *Reaching Out, Over and Over (film)*

Shopfront Arts Co-op, Bodylines Ensemble
Director, Choreographer, Set & Costume Designer | Shopfront Arts Co-op, NSW
**2016 New York City Independent Film Festival Official Selection*

2006 | *Continual Unfolding of Now*

2005 | *Vocabulary (with Australian Dance Theatre)*

2005 | *Sustenance*

Restless Dance Theatre
Dancer

INDEPENDENT WORKS

2019 - CURRENT *Temperance*

Self Devised Dance Theatre work

- 2020 Ausdance Dance Artist in Residence (DAIR)
- 2019 Inner West Council Edge Spaces Program

2019 *Obscured*

Devisor & Performer

Multi artform installation and performance work

Murmuration Dance Theatre

Dir: Sarah-Vyne Vassallo

107 Projects Redfern

2017 *Heads Will Roll*

Creator, Director, Devisor & Facilitator

Immersive visual arts installation about mental health

SELF HELP ARTS: 2 year Arts and Mental Health project

Including Arts & Mental Health community panels and training

2016 *The Forest Unyielding*

Creator, Director & Devisor

Immersive theatre installation about mental health

SELF HELP ARTS: 2 year Arts and Mental Health project

107 Projects Redfern

2013 *UK Arts Research Tour*

Self Directed & Designed research & observation project in disability & person-led arts practice

Australia Council for the Arts Cultural Leadership Grant

Candoco Dance Company Summer Lab, Graeae Theatre, Stopgap Dance, Oily Cart, Kazzum, Mind The Gap, Firebird Theatre, Cambridge House

2010 *Cuckoo*

Creator, devisor & Performer

Solo dance theatre work

Developed with Tricia Brouk New York City

Skills Development project Australia Council for the Arts Presented Sydney Fringe

2009 *US Arts Research Tours*

Self Directed & Designed research & observation project in disability dance & accessible arts practice,

Development of solo work Cuckoo

2 x US tours funded by Ian Potter, Australia Council

Axis Dance Company California, Gabrielle Roth Moving Centers California & NYC, Theaterlab NYC

Work development with Tricia Brouk, NYC

FACILITATION & MENTORING

2017 - CURRENT Milk Crate Theatre Developing Artist Program

Lead Artist

2021 - CURRENT Shopfront Arts Set & Costume Design, various

Designer, support

2023 Shopfront Arts Members Show Zoe Ong

Mentor

2022 Dirty Feet Emerging Makers Program for young adults with disability

Lead Artist, Consultant

2015 - 2016 Dirty Feet The Right Foot Project

Lead / Facilitator

2015 - 2016 Accessible Arts NSW Catalyst Dance Program

Core Artist Team

2014 - 2016 Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre Disability Arts Program

Facilitator, support

2015 - 2016 Autism Spectrum Australia (ASPECT)

Aid, Theatre Artist

2015 Tasdance Artist In Residence | Inclusive Practice

Artist in Residence

2014 - 2015 The Song Room | Schools workshops

Facilitator

2014 - 2015 Autism Community Network

Facilitator

2014 Beyond the Square Disability Arts Program Riverside Parramatta

Lead Artist

TOURING, PRESENTATION & CONSULTATION

2023 Currency Press Festival of Playwrights, *Home Truths*

Panelist

2018 National Homelessness Conference with Homelessness NSW | Melbourne VIC

Presenter & Panelist

2017 How Can The Show Go On? Theatre Network NSW | Sydney Opera House

Presenter & Panelist

2016 Museum of Contemporary Art, Learn & Grow | Mental Health Awareness Mth

Panelist

2016 With One Voice: Arts and Homelessness Project, Streetwise Opera (UK)

Australian Delegate,

Olympic Games Arts Program, Rio de Janeiro

Milk Crate Theatre

2015 Health NSW Health and Arts Initiative with Chair of Ministry

Consultant

2015 Arts NSW Disability Inclusion Action Plan

Consultant

2014 ASPECT Autism in Education Conference

Presenter