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**FORM DANCE PROJECTS AND RIVERSIDE THEATRES PRESENTS
NEW WORK FROM DANCE MAKERS COLLECTIVE**

-- DADS --



Dance Makers Collective have called in some unlikely experts for their next show, their dads! From 2nd to 5th November, FORM Dance Projects and Riverside Theatres will present the new highly-anticipated work from Dance Makers Collective entitled *Dads*.

Director and performer Miranda When said, “*Dads* is about finding dance in the most unexpected places. As a professional dancer, I was very surprised to find that my dad also had a dedicated dance practice, the only difference being that his occurs behind closed doors...with a tambourine.”

Through interviews with their dads and sessions in the rehearsal studio, Dance Makers Collective have uncovered a secret world of dance practices including carport parties, door knobs as dance partners, sherbets for Dutch courage and the use of dance as a pathway for recovery.

Dads will journey to the heart of why we cannot help but dance, combining contemporary dance, recorded interviews with a variety of fathers and a soundtrack guaranteed to make you want to ‘slide around the floor’.

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Producer and performer Carl Sciberras said, “What I love about this contemporary dance work is the revealing insight it provides into our relationships with our dads. To enhance the storytelling aspects of the show, we employed some interesting radio documentary techniques throughout the process. Our dads were very honest and candid in their interviews because they were conducted by us, their children, and so the love is abundant. The things they told us about dance were often surprising, and those moments of discovery are the gems we facet in this show.”

Devisors and Performers: Matt Cornell, Anya McKee, Sophia Ndaba, Katina Olsen, Marnie Palomares, Melanie Palomares, Carl Sciberras, Miranda Wheen and Rosslyn Wythes.

When: 2nd to 5th November at 8pm; and 12.30pm on 4th November with Q&A

Tickets: Adult \$35 | Conc \$28. Bookings via the Box Office (02) 8839 3399 or www.riversideparramatta.com.au

Venue: Riverside Theatres – Corner of Church and Market Streets, Parramatta

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NOTES TO EDITORS

FORM DANCE PROJECTS is a dynamic hub for Australian contemporary dance, based in Parramatta, Western Sydney. Since 2011, FORM has grown into one of Australia’s leading dance presenters. FORM’s program spans five key areas - presentation, producing, education, community engagement and audience development. Its aim is to support Australian choreographers in all stages of their career; develop artists’ national profiles; provide valuable professional development opportunities; engage with the local community, including young people and cultural performers from Western Sydney, in meaningful ways; and connect with audiences.

DANCE MARKERS COLLECTIVE is a group of Sydney based dancers and choreographers. With a fluid, collective structure, DMC aims to support the development of new dance works by its members, from research stages right through to production, building vibrant and highly collaborative working relationships.