

L A M A M A P R E S E N T S
AMLETH - NO-LANDER MARK



A retelling of Hamlet where East meets West, medieval meets modern, and moments of clarity spark from personal and collective crisis.

"We feel we are standing at a critical time... Theatre is a medium for enlightenment and finding a cure. This show reflects the truth of our time and the frustration some of us may feel with political and environmental life around us." – **ELNAZ SHESHGELANI**

In *Amleth*, groundbreaking director, storyteller and actor Elnaz Sheshgelani draws on a 3000-year-old Persian storytelling artform – *Naghali* – to breathe new soul and tension into one of Shakespeare’s most popular works. *Naghali* is considered an endangered artform, and women in Iran are banned from performing it. With only a handful of people in the world keeping this storytelling medium alive, Elnaz sees *Amleth* as an act of resistance and cultural preservation.

In *Amleth*, Persian dramatic storytelling and Shakespeare *"find each other"* Elnaz says, and in doing so create something new, profound, and deeply resonant with today’s shared sense of accumulating crises.

Elnaz Sheshgelani arrived in Australia from Iran in 2007. Since that time she has forged a strong and productive relationship with La Mama (which she describes affectionately as ‘her institute’). La Mama hosted Elnaz’s thesis performance when she graduated from the Victorian College of the Arts in 2020.

Directed & performed by Elnaz Sheshgelani
 Production & lighting by Simon Bowland
 Music by Piotr Nowotnik
 Costume Design by Danica Karaičić
 Image by Rick Evertsz and Elnaz Sheshgelani

SEASON Opening: Thursday 25th August
 Running until Sunday 4th September

PREVIEW Wednesday 24th August 6:30pm

TIMES Wed: 6.30pm
 Thurs, Fri, Sat: 7.30pm
 Sun: 4pm

VENUE La Mama HQ
 205 Faraday St, Carlton VIC 3053

LENGTH 25 minutes

TICKETS \$30 Adult | \$20 Concession

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