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World Premiere La Mama Presents



Written by Kate Herbert Directed by Nancy Black



A RADIO PLAY PERFORMED LIVE ON STAGE.

Lung is a rich new radio play about serious illness, the changes it wreaks, and the will to survive. Anna is a smart, successful and ambitious corporate lawyer who needs a life-saving lung transplant. For the first time she is forced to think about Life and Death. As the illness mounts, she confronts the loss of her former self, changes in all her relationships, and a wholly uncertain future. She begins to change. Her Lungs, like a sceptical Greek chorus, note her journey with wry humour. Writer Kate Herbert brings to life a woman we can all recognise, while enriching the narrative with surreal and imaginary sequences. The play will be "staged" with the actors behind microphones, no set, and minimal lighting. The audience's imagination will be fully wired!

Kate Herbert is a playwright, theatre reviewer and Theatre Arts lecturer with over 20 produced plays. Nancy Black is a director, dramaturg and producer and is Artistic Director of Black Hole Theatre.

Performed by Nikki Coghill, Geoff Wallis, Tony Rive, Carmelina Di Guglielmo and Alison Richards **Sound design** by Elissa Goodrich **Image created by** Joe Calleri

Hit & Run, La Mama, 2001: "Director Nancy Black has Coghill & Morritt spiralling round each other in a mesmerising descent to madness." Herald Sun.

LUNG was commissioned in 2021 by Victorian Seniors Festival for Radio Reimagined.

MAY 7 - 19, 2024 AT LA MAMA HQ

Running Time approx 50 mins. For all dates, times, bookings & details check La Mama's <u>website</u>

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