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## Guerin tops State grants

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The independent dancer and choreographer, Lucy Guerin, has received \$50,000 from the State Government to develop *Melt*, her second full-length work in two years.

Melt's Melbourne season opens at the new Malthouse Plaza from September 19 and it will tour the United States as part of the American National Dance Project.

The Arts Minister, Mary Delahunty, says the funding is part of this year's development grant program, worth a total of \$646,000.

Neonheart, the company formed by playwright Matt Cameron, received \$40,000 to develop his new play, *Ruby Moon*.

The Footscray-based Women's Circus also received \$40,000 for the presentation of its new work, *Ghosts*, an exploration of loss.

And the Footscray Community Arts Centre received \$25,000 for *Vietnam — a psychic guide*, by the Melbourne playwright Chi Vu.

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