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Lucy Guerin Inc

Concept / Direction: Lucy Guerin Music: Cusp by Duplo Remote Producers: Michaela Coventry & Angharad Wynne – Jones

Frankston Arts Centre Season 2010 has all the Drama, Music, Song and Dance within its nine performances; in June we have Untrained.

So, you think you can dance?
Untrained is a quirky and irreverent theatrical exploration of skill and personality.

Lucy Guerin Inc operates within the vibrant context of Australia's contemporary dance scene. The company's strength and identity has grown out of the work it has produced over the years and the artists and collaborators involved in creating it.

Four men take to the stage. Two are highly skilled, experienced dancers who have performed in theatres across Australia; two have no dance training whatsoever and have been selected from a group of likely lads in Dandenong.

The complex, refined movements one can do with ease, another can only try and approximate. Its how they execute them that displays an individual portrait of each man's character, as well as unavoidable comparisons between the participants.

Untrained questions our ideas about what is worth watching in a performance. This casual theatrical exploration presents four men, in a humorous and courageous examination of themselves and their art.

All performers are given the same instructions. How they execute them constructs an individual portrait of each man and also an unavoidable comparison between them. This evolution of information, built up through units of action, points out what they have in common and where their physical histories set them apart.

"I left wanting to sit down and see it all again. It's wonderful inimitable stuff... a fascinating combination of dance, theatre, improvisation and multimedia all presented with just the right amount of quirk and irreverence"

Simonne Michelle – Wells Australian Stage March 2009



Thursday 3 June @ 8pm

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