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**October 29 - November 15, 2003**

*Dancers are space eaters 03* puts the space back into dance through a multiplicity of approaches that celebrates real and virtual bodies and the infinite variety of contemporary dance theatre. PICA invites you to immerse yourself in three weeks of - funky moves, hot design, mobile bodies - featuring leading international and national dance artists and the best of WA's mature and emerging talent.

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Project Manager: Ellen Cressey

Graphic Design/Publicity/Marketing: Brad Rummer

Production Manager: Mike Nanning

Stage Manager: Peta Jurgens

Lighting operator: Matt McCabe

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# welcome . . .

. . . to the fifth *Dancers are space eaters* festival produced and presented by the Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts (PICA).

Established in 1995, *Dancers are space eaters* celebrates a world of theatricality encompassing various genres including but not limited to, dance theatre, text & dance, dance & multi-media, improvisation as well as dance inspired by popular forms such as hip hop, martial arts, slapstick and non-western dance practices. Consequently, *Dancers are Space Eaters* was established not only to showcase the wealth of talent in contemporary dance theatre in Australia and overseas, but to support and promote this very exciting and relevant field of the arts.

*Dancers are space eaters* invites audiences into a world that locates many of WA's independent dance artists and resident dancers with West Australian Ballet alongside their peers from throughout Australia and the world. The Festival encompasses exhibition, extant and new works by local, national and international dance artists; platform opportunities for emerging choreographers; intensive movement workshops, formal and informal opportunities for discussion and debate; and last but certainly not least, the opportunity for you, the audience, to be delighted and stimulated by the physical and conceptual skills and the generosity and humanity of an extraordinary line-up of dance artists.

It is a great pleasure to welcome artists of the calibre of Cazerine Barry, David Corbett & Paul Roberts, Rosalind Crisp, Lucy Guerin and dancers, Raimund Hoghe, Andrew Morrish, Wendy McPhee and Gerard Veltre and dancers to Perth for the 2003 festival.

*Dancers are space eaters* has been realised through the hard work and commitment of many, many people and organisations – but in this context I would particularly like to acknowledge Ellen Cressey, Project Manager and Co-Curator for *Dancers are space eaters*; Brad Rummer, Graphic Design, Marketing & Publicity; Mike Nanning, PICA's Production Manager and Peta Jurgens, Stage Manager. Special thanks to Simon Dow, Artistic Director of West Australian Ballet, Gabrielle Sullivan of STRUTdance, the staff at Ausdance WA, Buzz Dance Theatre and the Melbourne International Arts Festival, Maude Davey and Vitalstatix: National Women's Theatre, Carnivale Multicultural Arts Festival NSW, Omeo Dance, Sydney, SoftCore Inc and the many individual dancers and choreographers who have contributed their support, work, talent and ideas to make this such an exciting event.

We invite you to enjoy *Dancers are space eaters 03*.

Sarah Miller



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