

MEDIA RELEASE

Twisted Melon presents

The Mockingbird The story of a one-way ticket and a second-hand novel

Written and performed by Peter Lead
Directed by Adam Gelin

The Mockingbird is inspired by the rediscovery of a second-hand copy of Harper Lee's classic novel, *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Our hero has a life brimming with close friends, romances, and opportunities provided by fate.

But a big decision needs to be made. Stay in Sydney to be with a friend and, maybe, a soul-mate; or fly to Perth to be with a stranger and, maybe, a lover?

The Mockingbird is honest, funny, and a little bit sexy.

Peter Lead borrows from his experience in comedy, rock 'n' roll, and physical theatre to recreate a personal journey. Behind the laughter, the drama and the dancing, this is really just a story about some cool and crazy things that happened once upon a time when he was "23, single, and open to whatever the world had to offer."

Learn the perils of owning a loft bed, why you shouldn't read to kids, and how to make a good caprioska.

Pete has toured Australia with comedy and improv shows, including shows at the *Melbourne International Comedy Festival*, *Cracker Comedy Festival*, and Sydney's first improvised comedy festival, the *Twisted Melon Impro Fest*.

He performed in the Sydney premiere of *Urinetown*, Terry Pratchett's *Men at Arms*, and just returned from the Melbourne International Comedy Festival. Old Fitzroy patrons may have seen Pete in Twisted Melon's *Like There's No Tomorrow* and *BLANK the Musical*, and Impro Australia's *An IMPROper Christmas*.

Pete finished his first novella earlier this year and is halfway through writing a fairytale for the young-at-heart.

Season info

Venue: Old Fitzroy Theatre, 129 Dowling St Woolloomooloo

Dates: Preview: Thursday 31 July, 2008 @ 9:30pm

Sunday 3 August, 2008 @ 8pm

Thursday 7 August, 2008 @ 9.30pm

Sunday 10 August, 2008 @ 8pm

Thursday 14 August, 2008 @ 9.30pm

Sunday 17 August, 2008 @ 8pm

Thursday 21 August, 2008 @ 9.30pm

Bookings: Moshtix: 1300 GET TIX
<http://rocksurfers.org>

Prices: \$16 adult
\$12 concession
\$24 beer, laksa and show deal

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