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ARDNA: OUR LAND

by Aseel Tayah & Jason Tamiru

Darebin City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this land and pays respect to their Elders past and present.



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Ardna: Our Land

A story of land. A story of home.

ARDNA: OUR LAND is an innovative new collaboration between Aseel Tayah and respected Yorta Yorta theatre maker Jason Tamiru for children 5 years and older, that uses Aboriginal and Middle Eastern dance, songs and storytelling to explore our connection to physical land. ARDNA is a beautiful, tactile experience for children that takes place in an open indoor/outdoor space that is transformed into an island of bushland.

Ardna is a cross-cultural, cross-artform, multi-authored performance work for families that explores themes of climate change, First Nations cultural practices and connection to Country.

About Bukjeh

Bukjeh is a Melbourne-based collective of artists, from refugee, migrant and First Nations communities.

Bukjeh translates to 'a small pack of belongings carried by travelers'. We encourage our communities to share their art and stories, embracing the diverse range of storytelling forms-spoken word, music, songs, visual arts and language. We invite audiences to peer into our figurative and (sometimes literal) suitcases, sacks and pockets. We are sharing our feelings, memories and experiences of home - and of having to leave it.

Bukjeh builds social cohesion, harmony and inclusion of those who have been displaced, creating a culturally safe space by embracing and respecting diversity of background, experience, ideas, thoughts and feelings. Bukjeh delivers a range of projects and activities to audiences all over Australia through virtual and in person programs and projects.

CREATIVE TEAM

Project Idea and Creator: Aseel Tayah

Production Consultant: Jason Tamiru

Director: Stéphanie Ghajar

Script: Didem Caia, Jason Tamiru, Aseel Tayah and Rania Ahmad

Performers: Kush KT Kuyi, Oz Malik and Allara

Dance: Caleena Sansbury

Dramaturgy: Stéphanie Ghajar

Cultural Mentor: Auntie Lou Bennet AM

Videographer: Jason Cheetham

Musical direction: Meena Shamaly

Music by: Allara, Jason Tamiru and Camile Fegahli

Outside eye and script consultant: Sarah Kriegler

Production Manager: Kush KT Kuyi

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