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TWIG – in development at the Market Building, Castlemaine

Tim Craker



TIM CRAKER

Tim Craker is a Melbourne painter, sculptor and installation-artist, currently residing in Malaysia. Following an Honours Degree in Fine Art from RMIT, graduating in 1993, he has exhibited extensively in Melbourne in both solo and group shows. Solo exhibitions have included Out of Print at Nellie Castan Gallery in 2004, Transcript at Monash University's Gippsland campus Switchback Gallery in 2005 and most recently Take(n) Away at the Substation, Newport in 2009. In Malaysia Tim is establishing an international artists' residency called cherrycake studios. The residency provides accommodation and a studio for visiting artists for periods of a month or longer for the purposes of art research, making and collaboration.

<http://castlemainefestival.com.au/2013/twig/>

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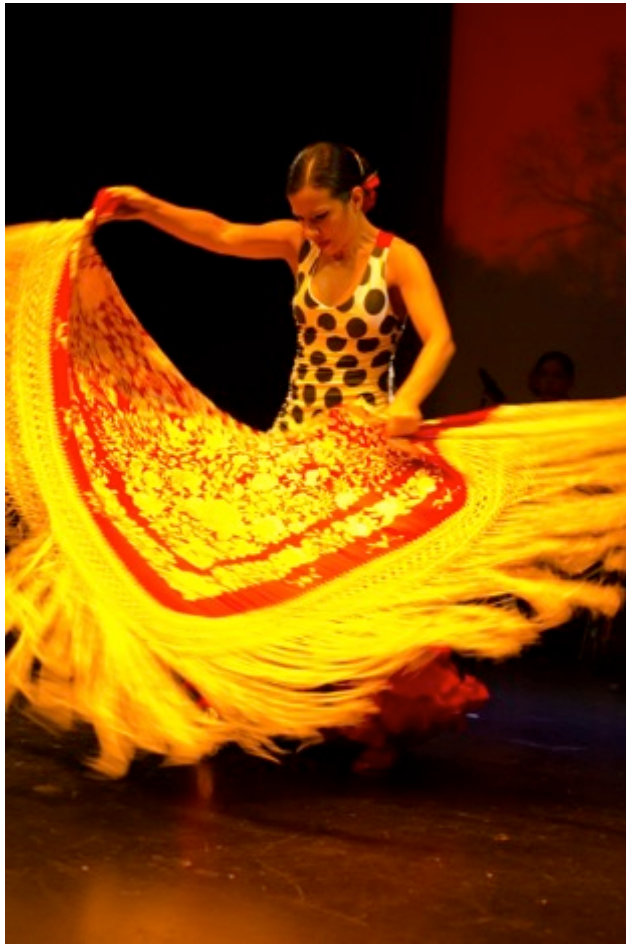


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ARREBATO ENSEMBLE announces guest artist: Flamenco dancer Chachy Peñalver

Wednesday 20 March, 8pm
Castlemaine Town Hall



CHACHY PEÑALVER

Dancer, choreographer and Flamenco teacher.

This Venezuelan has devoted most of her life to dance, moving through different disciplines since 7 years old (Contemporary Dance, Ballet, Flamenco and Spanish American Folklore). She has performed with international companies such as Garrido Siudy Company and Venezuela Viva Company, with whom she served as Soloist and Lead Company, for over 6 years. In her 12 years of professional career she has performed in Mexico, Colombia, USA, Germany, Netherlands, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Spain.

Currently, she is living in Sydney and teaches Flamenco to audiences of all ages. She also works with the Australian contemporary Flamenco group - Arrebato Ensemble, with whom she has performed in several concerts receiving high praise from audiences and critics alike.

<http://castlemainefestival.com.au/2013/arrebato-ensemble/>

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DUE TO HIGH DEMAND SECOND SHOW ANNOUNCED FOR CORSICAN A CAPPELLA GROUP: A FILETTA

With many shows already selling out, Castlemaine State Festival has just announced a second show for a cappella group A Filetta, coming from Corisca a French island in the Mediterranean Sea.

With their initial show at the Old Castlemaine Gaol already sold out, Festival Director Martin Paten has negotiated a second show for 11.30am on Sunday 24 March due to high demand.

"It's fantastic to be able to present another concert for A Filetta. Their sound is sublime and inside the Old Gaol's walls – I think the atmosphere will be haunting and powerful," says Paten.

Corsica has its own, singular, polyphonic vocal tradition. Tenderness and strength are equally crucial to A Filetta, who began humbly in 1978 as an 'amateur' all male choir. The name refers to the fern, which is very difficult to uproot.

A Filetta is now one of the world's greatest and most evocative a cappella vocal ensembles. For their concerts at the Castlemaine State Festival they will perform ancient liturgical and secular songs, plus beautiful new originals in the electric setting of the Castlemaine Old Gaol.

See them here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FU-wBJ4r3f0>

Details:

Date: Sunday 24 March 2013

Times: 11.30am (additional concert) & 2pm (sold out)

Admission: \$35/\$30

Venue: Old Castlemaine Gaol, Bowden St Castlemaine

<http://castlemainefestival.com.au/2013/a-filetta/>

