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Frankenstein In Love

A dictatorial government has been overthrown. Guerrilla fighters led by the scarred El Coco have taken the city. There are whispers that in a dark vault, a doctor is creating monsters and the dead have found a way to walk. Frankenstein in Love by Clive Barker is a gothic feast presented by Monash Uni Student Theatre, directed by emerging artists Emma Palackic and Sophie Phillips and performed at the atmospheric Collingwood Underground Arts Park.

Frankenstein in Love is an unnerving descent into a world where the deformed and the dead rule. It is a gothic play for the senses, a black comedy and a grotesque parade of all that humanity should fear.

Drawing on Grand Guignol Theatre and Bouffon, an ensemble of young artists will bring to life a host of tormented and beguiling characters, creating a fantastical and grotesque aesthetic that is sure to both thrill and disturb. Frankenstein in Love will be performed in the Collingwood Underground Arts Park, an evocative and dynamic venue perfectly partnered with Barker's gothic tale.

Frankenstein in Love is a grand romance, a macabre and twisted journey exposing the fate of monsters who are haunted by their humanity and humans who have transformed into monsters.

Clive Barker, an English author, film director and visual artist, is a master of the horror genre whose works are macabre, fantastical and gripping. His written works include the best-selling Abarat series, and his collection of short stories, The Books of Blood, were a huge cult success. Several of his contemporary horror/fantasy fiction works have been adapted into motion pictures, notably the Hellraiser and Candyman series. Barker is also a fan of comic books and computer games and collaborated on creating the horror computer game, Clive Barker's Undying. Stephen King once said of Barker, "I have seen the future of horror, and his name is Clive Barker."

<http://clivebarkersfrankensteininlove.tumblr.com/>

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VENUE

Collingwood Underground Car Park
44 Harmsworth St
Collingwood, Victoria 3066

DATES: 16-17 and 19-25 Sept
TIME: 8.00pm, Sun 5.00pm (2.5hr)

TICKETS

Full: \$18.00
Concession: \$14.00
Tigtarse Tuesday: \$11.00
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