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Mrs. Vincent Price - The Photographic Exhibition **The Dog Theatre @ Footscray Town Hall**

A Chorale for Coral
Her beauty and her shining wit
Sparkle beyond the grave
The girl who didn't give a shit
Preposterously brave...
Uniquely-minded Queen of Style
No counterfeit could coin you
Long may you make the angels smile
Till we all fuck off to join you
- Barry Humphries

Coral Browne's outrageous razor wit is renowned, and endless anecdotes of her circulated in theatrical circles from the 1930's and beyond.

At the Opening night of Peter Brook's production of Oedipus during which a giant golden phallus was unveiled onstage, Browne turned to her companion in the stalls and said loudly: "Nobody we know, darling."

Coral Browne was raised in Footscray, where she studied at the National Gallery Art School. Gregan McMahon snapped her up for her professional debut as Margaret Orme in Loyalties at Melbourne's Comedy Theatre on 2 May 1931.

At the age of 21, with just £50 and an introduction to Marie Tempest, she migrated to England where she became established as a stage actress. She began film acting in 1936, with her more famous roles being Vera Charles in Auntie Mame (1958) and Mercy Croft in The Killing of Sister George (1968). In 1969, Browne appeared in the original production of Joe Orton's controversial farce What the Butler Saw in the West End with Sir Ralph Richardson.

While making the film Theatre of Blood (1973), she met actor Vincent Price, and they married.

Browne was awarded the BAFTA Television Award for Best Actress in 1984 for her role in An Englishman Abroad. She later received the London Evening Standard's British Film Award for Best Actress in 1986 for Dreamchild. In 1976, the Los Angeles Theatre Critics named her Best Actress for her role in Travesties.

This photographic exhibition is a celebration of Australian Artistry, the Australian female artist. Raging desire, never forgotten.

Bravo!

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VENUE

The Dog Theatre at Footscray Town Hall
Cnr Napier & Hyde St
Footscray, Victoria 3011

DATES: From Wednesday to Saturday

21st Sept - 8th Oct

The Dog Theatre foyer @ Footscray Town Hall.

From 6pm

A Free exhibition

Supported by City of Maribyrnong - Festival City

TIME: Wed - Sat 6.00pm - 11.00pm

TICKETS

FREE

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