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The Contortion and Hand-balancing Spectacular! Performers from Australia and the World

Never before in Australia has there been a circus show consisting exclusively of contortion and hand-balancing, until now. In an Australian first, the Contortion and Hand-balancing spectacular will bring together some of the best talent from around Australia and region to perform to Melbourne audiences over 2 amazing nights this October.

Over 2 unique shows audiences will witness a variety of short performances including ground based contortion acts, aerial contortion acts, and hand-balancing. The performances will include local artist and contortionist Jacinta Rohan, Australian born Mim Conyers (who has performed overseas and was recently invited to the International Contortion Convention), South Australian based Christine Danton (a 66 year old Contortionist proving that age is no barrier) as well as special guest performer Teame Gebregziabher (Ethiopia) who performed recently with Cirque Mother Africa.

The show is suitable for all ages and will be held at Red Bennies Nightclub in South Yarra. Tickets are \$20 each available through Melbourne Fringe Ticketing or at the door.

The show will be part of a larger festival for Contortion and Hand balancing, also being held in Melbourne this October. The festival will incorporate daily classes in contortion and hand balancing open to all ages and levels and include a student performance night for those wishing to perform.

"We wanted to create a show that would promote the amazing art of Contortion and Hand balancing here in Australia" - organiser, Andrew McQueen

"It's so rare to see contortion or hand balancer, so we created a festival to really help grow these arts in Australia."
- organiser, Andrew McQueen

<http://www.australiancontortionfestival.com>

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VENUE

Red Bennies
Lv 1, 373 Chapel St
South Yarra, Victoria 3141

DATES: 5 Oct and 8 Oct

TIME: 7.30pm 5 Oct, 7.00pm 8 Oct (60min)

TICKETS

Full: \$20.00

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