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## Ulrike Meinhof Sings Presented by Turtle Lab

**Ulrike Meinhof (Baader-Meinhof group), a journalist of fierce intelligence and political sass, led an armed revolution against her own nation. We are thrown into her heart and mind in the last moments before her controversial death in Stammheim prison. Nadia Townsend (City Homicide, Knowing) returns to the theatre in this powerful one-woman performance piece written by Christopher Barnett. Presented by Turtle Lab**

'Protest is when I say this does not please me. Resistance is when I ensure what does not please me occurs no more' - Ulrike Meinhof

Ulrike Meinhof - of the Baader-Meinhof Group - led an armed resistance against her own country. Outraged by the atrocities being committed in Vietnam at the time, and the mass national indifference to it, they decided to bring the war home. She is now remembered as one of history's most iconic terrorists.

Renowned actress Nadia Townsend (City Homicide, Knowing) returns to the theatre with this powerful and controversial one woman performance piece based on the life and times of Ulrike Meinhof.

Nadia follows in her journalist father Simon Townsend's footsteps. As one of Australia's most vocal and publicised Anti-Vietnam War protesters, Simon was famously jailed in 1968 for refusing the national draft. Now, over thirty years after these events, Nadia continues the cry of outrage through the words and actions of iconic terrorist Ulrike Meinhof.

'Though my father as an advocate of non-violence, he too was fighting against a world that did not please him. Both my father and Ulrike were journalists of fierce intelligence. Both willing to do what needed to be done, at all costs.'

\*Images of Simon Townsend can be arranged on request.

<http://www.turtlelab.com.au>  
<http://vimeo.com/26988740>

### Ulrike Meinhof Sings

#### VENUE

Fringe Hub - Errol's Cafe Upstairs  
69-71 Errol St  
North Melbourne, Victoria 3051

DATES: 1-2 and 4-8 Oct

TIME: 7.15pm, Sun 6.15pm (60min)

#### TICKETS

Full: \$20

Concession: \$15

Tightarse Tuesday: \$13

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