

# MEDIA RELEASE

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## Uta Uber Kool Ja

"my creativity is a process of elimination"

**You're invited to the hotel party of THE tragic fallen fashionista, Uta Uber Kool Ja. Tonight Uta is baring all: she'll dance for you; cry at you; laugh with you. Her intimate party takes place inside a chic room at The Cullen, Art Series Hotel in Prahran. Every inch of the room is Uta's stage, and the audience are her guests. Deeply funny and ultimately moving, Uta Uber Kool Ja is the solo debut of critically acclaimed actor Georgina Symes.**

Inspired by amazing women of the 20th and 21st century Uta Uber Kool Ja is a tongue-in-cheek fictional biography of Uta: an actor/feminist/pop star/artist/designer/exhibitionist/rock star.

Each night, a select group are snuck into Prahran's gorgeous and chic The Cullen, part of the Art Series Hotel group. Uta is in the mood to bare all, tell her secrets and ask for some in return. Before the champagne goes flat and the high heel snaps, Uta and her guests will share an experience.

Uta Uber Kool Ja blends dark comedy, intimate exchanges and glossy finishes with tragedy and perversion to ask 'what more can we get from scraping the bottom of a barrel?' It is a peek-a-boo car crash that is deeply funny and disturbing.

Uta Uber Kool Ja is the over-the-top alter ego of nationally recognised actor, Georgina Symes. Symes has acted around the country with some of Australia's greatest theatre companies, danced in Paris and recently appeared in 'Bad Behaviour', an award-winning independent film that screened at Cannes.

This premiere of Uta's first full-length solo work is part of the Melbourne Fringe Festival, and she will also be appearing around the Festival at various events and happenings (so keep an eye out for her). Guests are also encouraged to stay in touch via her website and social media, and she (or her assistant) promise to write back to everyone.

Of her upcoming visit, Uta says 'I have one mission while in town: begin building an army of love. Look out Melbourne, I'm coming to kick you in the c\*\*t, pash your girlfriend, and break your heart, mend it... then break your phone.'

"Symes is outstanding" - Jason Blake, Sydney Morning Herald

"Symes is superb" - Bryce Hallett, Sydney Morning Herald

"Symes... is a skinny powerhouse of attitude" - Stage Noise

<http://www.utauberkoolja.com>

<http://www.facebook.com/utauberkoolja>

<http://www.artserieshotels.com.au/cullen>

### Uta Uber Kool Ja

#### VENUE

Art Series Hotels: The Cullen

164 Commercial Road

Prahran, VIC 3181

DATES: 22-25 Sept and 5-9 Oct

TIME: 9.00pm (60min)

#### TICKETS

Full: \$26.00

Concession: \$22.00

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