



Video Goggles + Theatre = Pure Escapism

Brisbane Powerhouse and Il Pixel Rosso presents

And the Birds Fell From the Sky

"a potent collaboration between a theatre and a film director, my response to the autoteatro-style instructions was as immediate and unquestioning as that of a sleep walker."

The Guardian

Escape into another world with Il Pixel Rosso's *And the Birds Fell From the Sky* – an innovative theatre experience where only two audience members can take part, armed with video goggles, MP3 players and a set of instructions. Coming to Brisbane Powerhouse from **19 - 26 February**, *And the Birds Fell from the Sky* is escapism taken to a whole new level.

The show is an adventure led by the Faruk – a race of clowns who inhabited the earth alongside humans until we evolved into straight-laced and uncurious creatures. The Faruk invite you into their world where thrill-seeking, danger and mystery abound and you're transformed from audience member to participant.

Creator Silvia Mercuriali said, "We've taken *And the Birds Fell From the Sky* to festivals in Edinburgh, London and Wales, and audiences have loved the show's combination of sensory deprivation and dream-like fantasy.

"We developed *And the Birds Fell From the Sky* in autoteatro style – where audiences are involved in the performance and ultimately there isn't an 'audience', only participants in a storytelling experience."

Il Pixel Rosso is the combined creative forces of Silvia Mercuriali, artist and deviser from internationally renowned theatre company Rotozaza who pioneered the autoteatro style performances, and Simon Wilkinson, a multi-award winning film maker and artist.

Brisbane Powerhouse is Brisbane City Council's leading arts performance venue helping to deliver a vibrant and creative city. World Theatre Festival is supported by Queensland Government, through Arts Queensland and Events Queensland.

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Date	Sat 18, Sun 19, Sat 25 and Sun 26 February
Time	Shows start every 15 minutes between 1pm – 10.45pm 2 audience members per show
Venue	Graffiti Room, Brisbane Powerhouse
Tickets	\$10 (Festival Passes also available)
Bookings	07 3358 8600 or brisbanepowerhouse.org

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