Perth Festival

Lotterywest Films

22 November 2021 to 3 April 2022

Films Brochure

Founder The University of Western Australia

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 WELCOME TO LOTTERYWEST FILMS

Perth Festival acknowledges the Noongar people who remain the spiritual and cultural birdiyangara of this kwobidak boodjar. We honour and respect the significant role they play for our community and our Festival to flourish.

We are all different and UWA Somerville offers a special movie experience for everyone. Whether you come to be transported on a night under the stars with friends or you’re seeking creative connections from around the world and from the local community. Maybe you’re after something extraordinary, something wild; that chance to experience the world’s greatest film artists testing the boundaries. Perhaps cinema itself is at the heart of your world, and you just want to see the best there is. Or maybe you want to try something for the first time. It’s with all this in mind that I’ve put this program together. I’ve loved every one of these 21 films, all in different ways, and I can’t wait for you to see them – in your own way.

**TOM VINCENT**

PERTH FESTIVAL PROGRAM ASSOCIATE: FILM

Lotterywest Films supported by Principal Partner Lotterywest and The University of Western Australia

**STAYING COVID SAFE**Being COVID safe is a shared responsibility so please follow COVID-safe practices when attending Festival events. That way we can all stay safe and enjoy the Festival.

* Stay home if you’re unwell
* Maintain physical distancing
* Wash hands regularly
* Check in via the Safe WA App

**SCHEDULE**

Godroo / Crawley
UWA Somerville

**Dates:** MONDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2021 to SUNDAY 3 APRIL 2022
Gates open 6pm

Entry by general admission. Seats cannot be saved prior to gates opening at 6pm.

Picnics and BYO drinks are very welcome. See **perthfestival.com.au** for food options.

Film screenings are subject to weather conditions. Updates on any changes to the film schedule are broadcast by 7pm online and on Perth Festival social media channels @perthfest

CTC: Check the classification

**Dates Monday to Sunday at 8pm**

22 to 28 November The Worst Person in the World

29 November to 5 December The Velvet Queen (screening on Friday 4 December at 8.30pm)

6 to 12 December Lingui, The Sacred Bonds

13 to 19 December Juniper

20 to 26 December La Traviata, My Brothers and I (no screening Christmas Day)

27 December to 2 January How to Please a Woman

3 to 9 January Benedetta

10 to 16 January Quo Vadi, Aida?

17 to 23 January Limbo

24 to 30 January Memoria (screening on Wednesday 26 December at 8.30pm)

31 January to 6 February Murina

7 to 13 February To Chiara

14 to 20 February Compartment No6

21 to 27 February After Love

28 February to 6 March Clara Sola

**Dates Monday to Sunday at 7.30pm**

7 to 13 March Flee

14 to 20 March One Second

21 to 27 March Hit the Road

28 March to 3 April encore screenings

**TICKETS & BOOKINGS**

 **SINGLE SESSION**

Adult **$20**

Friends **$17** (Limit two discounted tickets per night)

Concession **$18**

Student **$14**

Cheap Tuesdays **$11** for concession cardholders (Door sales only)

**FILM VOUCHER PACKS**

Standard 12-Voucher Pack **$207 (save $33)**

Friends 12-Voucher Pack **$183 (save $21)**

Concession 12-Voucher Pack **$198 (save $18)**

Standard 6-Voucher Pack **$108 (save $12)**

Friends 6-Voucher Pack **$96 (save $6)**

Concession 6-Ticket Pack **$102 (save $6)**

Film vouchers are available in flexible six and 12 packs.

Voucher packs will be issued as Mobile Tickets. View your vouchers online by logging into your Perth Festival account on our website and clicking the upcoming events tab.

**You can now redeem your vouchers for a specific session.** Contact our friendly box office team via WebChat or phone up until 12pm the day of the session you’d like to attend. Your voucher will be converted to a ticket to a film of your choice.

Film voucher packs and voucher allocations are strictly limited – to avoid disappointment, redeem your voucher in advance.

**HOW TO BOOK**

**Online** perthfestival.com.au

**Phone** 08 6488 5555

**In Person** atOctagon Theatre, UWA
Perth Theatre Trust Venues
Visit our website for opening times

**On the Night** atUWA Somerville
Monday to Sunday from 6pm

Spend less time in line and more time picnicking by pre-purchasing your ticket.

**THE WORST PERSON IN THE WORLD**

**‘A spirited and thrillingly uninhibited piece of filmmaking.’** SCREEN DAILY

**Winner Best Actress 2021 Cannes Film Festival**

Thirty-year-old Julie is having an existential crisis. Her older boyfriend wants to settle down but, as with most things in her life, she’s unsure. When she gatecrashes a party and meets the young and charming Eivind things start to unravel. Over 12 chapters this sparky, innovative comedy-drama follows Julie as she navigates life and romantic choices, eventually taking a realistic look at who she really is. Equally laugh-out-loud funny and heartbreaking, this is a film for grownups who feel like they still haven’t grown up.

**Country:** Norway
**Director:** Joachim Trier

**Cast:** Renate Reinsve, Anders Danielsen Lie, Herbert Nordrum

**121mins, CTC**

*Norwegian with English subtitles***Dates & Times:** Monday 22 to Sunday 28 November 8pm

This event is wheelchair accessible and is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content.

**THE VELVET QUEEN**

**‘An amazing piece of escapism and incredibly relatable.’** THE MOVEABLE FEAST

**Australian Premiere**

Poetic documentary *The Velvet Queen* follows two friends — an award-winning nature photographer and an adventurer — on a journey across the Tibetan highlands, in one of the last sanctuaries of the wild world, to document the mysterious and extremely elusive snow leopard. Deeply moving images of pristine landscapes and the marvellous creatures populating Tibet are brought to life by a vivid score from Warren Ellis, in a film celebrates the beauty of the world and starts a conversation about the place of humans in it.

**Country:** France
**Directors:** Marie Amiguet, Vincent Munier
**Documentary**

**Cast:** Vincent Munier, Sylvain Tesson

**Duration:** 92mins, CTC

*French with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 29 November to Thursday 3 December 8pm
 Friday 4 December 8.30pm
 Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 December 8pm

The venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**LINGUI, THE SACRED BONDS**

**‘The world it shows us, etched in fully felt performances and beautifully hued compositions, feels vividly present.’** Los Angeles TIMES

Single mother Amina lives on the outskirts of Chad’s capital, eking out a meagre wage selling stoves she makes from scrap metal. When she discovers her 15-year-old daughter is pregnant she faces an impossible situation in a society where abortion is condemned. In his latest film Chadian cinema pioneer Mahamat-Saleh Haroun takes us into the hidden lives of women and the often-secret networks they weave to survive. Effortlessly evocative and stunning in its weighted use of silence and reserved perspective, *Lingui, The Sacred Bonds* is a triumph of determination and bravery.

**Country:** Chad

**Director:** Mahamat-Saleh Haroun

**Cast:** Achouackh Abakar, Rihane Khalil Alio

**Duration:** 87mins, CTC

*French and Arabic with English subtitles***Dates & Times:** Monday 6 to Sunday 12 December 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**JUNIPER**

**‘Elegant, intimate, bittersweet and a must-see.’** NEWSHUB (NZ)

When self-destructive teenager Sam is suspended from boarding school he returns home to find his wheelchair-bound English grandmother, Ruth, has moved in. Ruth (beautifully brought to life by the legendary Charlotte Rampling) is a feisty ex-war photographer with a lust for life and a love of the bottle. The crazy time Sam spends with this funny, rude, fearless and flirtatious old woman turns both of their lives around.

Kiwi filmmaker Matthew Saville’s first feature length film is an entertaining yet unsettling family drama that breaks down generational boundaries with humour and poignancy.

**Country:** New Zealand

**Director:** Matthew Saville

**Cast:** Charlotte Rampling, Marton Csokas

**Duration:** 94mins, M

**Dates & Times:** Monday 13 to Sunday 19 December 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible.

**LA TRAVIATA, MY BROTHERS AND I**

**‘A discreetly moving portrayal of a family struggling to get by.’** AWARDSWATCH

**Australian Premiere**

A long, sun-kissed summer in their downmarket coastal hometown lies before Nour and his older brothers. Nour is 13, old enough to work and so become more of a man, with each brother offering a version of what that could mean: Mo the cheeky lothario, Heidi the wily criminal and the eldest Abel the stern leader. Nour is drawn to the singing classes he hears on his summer job and this ‘feminine’ calling clashes with his macho culture. This warm, vivid film conjures empathy for all types of ‘bro’.

**Country:** France
**Director:** Yohan Manca

**Cast:** Maël Rouin Berrandou, Judith Chemla, Dali Benssalah, Sofian Khammes

**Duration:** 109mins, CTC

*French with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 20 to Friday 24 December 8pm
 Sunday 26 December 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**HOW TO PLEASE A WOMAN**

**World Premiere**

Fremantle life and some of Australia's finest filmmaking talent are front and centre in this holiday world premiere.

When her all-male housecleaning business spins out of control, Gina (Sally Phillips) embraces her own desires to make a new life for herself. A beautifully handled comedy-drama that expertly balances intimacy and humour, *How To Please A Woman* takes a warm-hearted look at sexuality and vulnerability at all stages of life.

**Country:** Australia
**Director:** Renée Webster

**Cast:** Sally Phillips, Erik Thomson, Alexander England, Caroline Brazier

**Duration:** 107mins, CTC
**Dates & Times:** Monday 27 December to Sunday 2 January 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible.

**BENEDETTA**

**‘Wild, intelligent, pulsating, provocative and vibrantly alive.’** DEADLINE

**Australian Premiere**In the late 17th century, with plague ravaging the land, Benedetta Carlini joins a Tuscan convent as a novice. Here her disturbing religious and erotic visions, stigmata and affair with a fellow nun upset and challenge the Church hierarchy. Director Paul Verhoeven (*Basic Instinct*, *Elle*) knows how to mix the serious and provocative with humour and self-aware outrageousness. *Benedetta* has his trademark shock factor style, but it is also a thoughtful, sensuous and sophisticated film – a must-see for anyone seeking a thrill.

**Country:** France

**Director:** Paul Verhoeven

**Cast:** Virginie Efira, Charlotte Rampling, Daphne Patakia, Lambert Wilson

**Duration:** 127mins, R18+

*French with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 3 to Sunday 9 January 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**QUO VADIS, AIDA?**

**‘A masterful high wire act of tension and devastating humanism.’** THE PLAYLIST

**2021 Nominee Best International Film Oscar**

Drawing on the true events of the 1995 fall of Srebrenica, Jasmila Žbanić’s astonishing, Oscar-nominated thriller tells the story of a United Nations translator attempting to save the lives of her family, whilst pandemonium and escalating conflict rages around them.

*Quo Vadis, Aida?* is a heart-rending story of courage and resilience in the face of man’s terrible capabilities and a profoundly moving, intensely personal story of a mother's fight to keep her family together. As fierce and spellbinding as its lead performance, this unforgettable film is testament to the indomitable human spirit.

**Country:** Bosnia and Herzegovina
**Director:** Jasmila Žbanić **Cast:** Jasna Đuričić, Johan Heldenbergh, Boris Isaković, Izudin Bajrović

**Duration:** 101mins, M

**Dates & Times:** Monday 10 to Sunday 16 January 8pm
*Serbo-Croatian, Bosnian, English, Dutch, Serbian with English subtitles*

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**LIMBO**

**‘A film as sweet as it is sad, as pertinent as it is absurd.’** EMPIRE MAGAZINE

**Winner Best Film 2020 Cairo & Macau Film Festivals**

Omar is a promising young musician separated from his Syrian family and stuck on a remote Scottish island. Barred from working and forced to take ridiculous cultural-awareness classes, he awaits the fate of his asylum request. With pitch perfect wit and crisp observation, Ben Sharrock’s melancholic comedy shines a light on the hearts and lives of those at the centre of a refugee crisis that most of us only experience through headlines.

**Country:** UK
**Director:** Ben Sharrock

**Cast:** Sidse Babett Knudsen, Kenneth Collard, Amir El-Masry, Vikash Bhai

**Duration:** 104mins, M
*Arabic and English with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 17 to Sunday 23 January 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 50% Highly Visual Content.

All screenings of this film will have audio description available.

**MEMORIA**

**‘What originality and daring … a beautiful and mysterious movie.’** THE GUARDIAN **Winner Jury Prize 2021 Cannes Film Festival**

When a Scottish botanist living in Bogotá, Colombia starts to experience strange sounds that only she can hear, she sets out to find out why. Unique, deeply mysterious and with a twist that will make you question everything, *Memoria* is a languid, calm and patient narrative woven into a meticulously designed land and soundscape. It’s 100% cinema and 0% like anything else.

**Country:** Colombia / Thailand
**Director:** Apichatpong Weerasethakul

**Cast:** Tilda Swinton, Juan Pablo Urrego, Elkin Díaz, Jeanne Balibar

**Duration:** 136mins, CTC
*Spanish and English with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 25 and Tuesday 25 January 8pm
 Wednesday 26 January 8.30pm
 Thursday 27 to Sunday 30 January 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 50% Highly Visual Content.

**MURINA

‘An exceptional debut.’** VARIETY

**Australian Premiere
Winner Best First Feature Film 2021 Cannes Film Festival**

On the surface, 16-year-old Julija’s life looks like paradise, but a deeper dive shows she and her mother Nela must carefully navigate the oppressive rule of controlling father and husband Ante. Tensions rise when a charismatic and wealthy family friend arrives at their seemingly idyllic Croatian island home. Could he be Julija’s chance to escape her life?

Beautifully crafted, sensually charged and with some electrifying drama taking place (literally) beneath the Mediterranean surface, this psychological drama and tale of a young woman’s struggle for independence will completely captivate you.

**Country:** Croatia
**Director:** Antoneta Alamat Kusijanović

**Cast:** Gracija Filipović, Danica Čurčić, Leon Lučev, Cliff Curtis
Duration: 92mins, CTC

*Croatian and English with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 31 January to Sunday 6 February 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 50% Highly Visual Content

**TO CHIARA**

**‘Brilliant. Gripping and unpredictable.’** INDIEWIRE

**Winner Best Film 2021 Zurich Film Festival**

After her sister’s 18th birthday party, teenager Chiara wakes to discover her father has disappeared. She decides to investigate and her search takes her into the dark underbelly of the Calabrian mafia. Here she faces a momentous decision that will force her to decide what kind of future she wants for herself. What begins as a portrayal of adolescent bliss, becomes an emotional thriller about a young girl losing her innocence. Told with documentary-like authenticity by rising star of a resurgent Italian cinema, Jonas Carpignano, *To Chiara* is a touching, powerful drama of two kinds of ‘family’ - criminal and blood.

**Country:** Italy
**Director:** Jonas Carpignano

**Cast:** Swamy Rotolo, Claudio Rotolo, Rosa Caccamo, Grecia RotoloDuration: 121mins, M
*Italian with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 7 to Sunday 13 February 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**COMPARTMENT NO 6**

**‘Unexpectedly uplifting in its insights into human solitude and connection.’** THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

**Winner Grand Prix 2021 Cannes Film Festival**

When Finnish grad student Laura enters her cheap sleeper cabin on a train from Moscow to Murmansk in the early 1990s, she’s dismayed to find vodka-swilling, trash-talking young Russian Ljoha, who is heading to work in the mines. They have 1200 miles and two days together, a worrisome prospect at first, but what transpires between them is warm, surprising and achingly human. *Compartment № 6* is a wryly observed and intimate character study that celebrates the beautiful loneliness that ties us together.

**Country:** Finland

**Director:** Juho Kuosmanen **Cast:** Seidi Haarla, Yuriy Borisov, Dinara Drukarova, Julie Aug
**Duration:** 107mins, MA15+
*Russian and Finnish with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 14 to Sunday 20 February 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**AFTER LOVE**

**‘Has the agony of a domestic tragedy and the tension of a Hitchcock thriller.’** THE GUARDIAN

**Winner Best Actress 2020 Thessaloniki Film Festival**

UK’s Joanna Scanlan gives the best performance of her career as Mary, a British Muslim convert who is devastated by the sudden death of her husband Ahmed. Sorting out his personal effects, she discovers a terrible betrayal – he was leading a secret life over the channel in Calais. Still numb she heads to France to learn the truth. As she grapples with her shattered sense of identity, her search for understanding has surprising consequences. With sensitive, insightful direction Aleem Khan’s stunning debut feature asks important questions about identity, culture and sacrifice.

**Country:** UK
**Director:** Aleem Khan

**Cast:** Joanna Scanlan, Nathalie Richard, Talid Ariss

**Duration:** 98mins, M
*English, French, Arabic and Urdu with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 21 to Sunday 27 February 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 50% Highly Visual Content

**CLARA SOLA**

**‘An atmospheric film that blends magical realism with psycho-sexual drama.’** DEADLINE

**Australian Premiere**

In a remote village in Costa Rica a 40-year-old healer, Clara, is believed to have a special connection to God. When a newcomer arrives in town, Clara experiences a sexual and mystical awakening that has disruptive effects on her family but sets her on a path to free herself from the repressive religious and social conventions that have dominated her life. Nathalie Álvarez Mesen's mesmerising debut is deeply immersed in nature and the sensory world, offering a defiant challenge to prejudice and repression.

**Country:** Costa Rica
**Director:** Nathalie Álvarez Mesén

**Cast:** Ana Julia Porras Espinoza, Daniel Castañeda Rincón, Flor María Vargas Chaves, Wendy Chinchilla Araya

**Duration:** 106mins, CTC
*Spanish with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 28 February to Sunday 6 March 8pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**FLEE**

**‘A stellar feat of cinema.’** THE PLAYLIST

**Winner Grand Jury Prize 2021 Sundance Film Festival**

Through vivid animation, and a smattering of archival footage, Danish director Jonas Poher Rasmussen’s groundbreaking documentary *Flee* weaves together a stunning tapestry of memories and reflections to tell the story of a man grappling with his past to find his true self and the real meaning of home. This Sundance Grand Jury Prize winner is heartbreaking, moving and impossible to forget.

**Country:** Denmark
**Director:** Jonas Poher Rasmussen

**Cast:** Anonymous, Jonas Poher Rasmussen, Daniel Karimyar

**Duration:** 89mins, M
*Danish, English, Dari, Russian and Swedish with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 7 to Sunday 13 March 7.30pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 50% Highly Visual Content

**ONE SECOND**

**‘Zhang Yimou's tale of the power of cinema has a gorgeous eye, a droll sense of humor and a big, full celluloid heart.’** VARIETY

**Winner Best Director & Best Newcomer 2021 Asian Film Awards**

A prison labour camp escapee sets off to catch a screening of a newsreel film containing a glimpse of his beloved daughter. Along the way he teams up with a scruffy orphan with her own reasons for wanting the film. The latest touching drama from giant of international cinema, Zhang Yimou (*House of Flying Daggers, Ju Dou*), celebrates cinema and its many powers. With elements of classic silent movie slapstick and set against a striking Gobi Desert landscape, *One Second* is thoughtful entertainment from a major film artist.

**Country:** China
**Director:** Zhang Yimou

**Cast:** Zhang Yi, Fan Wei, Liu Haocun

**Duration:** 104mins, CTC
*Mandarin with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 15 to Sunday 20 March 7.30pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**HIT THE ROAD**

**‘Damned near to being a masterpiece – if it isn’t simply one already.’** CINEVUE

**Winner Best Film 2021 London Film Festival**

A lively young boy, a grumpy dad, an emotive mum, a taciturn older brother, a soulful dog. A family is on a road trip across Iran to a mysterious border destination. On the way there is much hilarity, much scolding and much chatting about pop music and Batman. But there’s also pain, of a kind that we can glimpse occasionally, and which only comes fully into view in this film’s beautifully transformative final stretches.

**Country:** Iran

**Director:** Panah Panahi

**Cast:** Pantea Panahita, Hassan Madjuni, Rayan Sarlak

**Duration:** 93mins, CTC
*Farsi with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 21 to Sunday 27 March 7.30pm

This venue is wheelchair accessible and this film is classified as 75% Highly Visual Content

**SHORT FILMS**

Our international program of features gets a distinctly local flavour as we bring you three Western Australian short films to screen before select features.

**SPARKLES**

A 30-something-year-old woman with Down syndrome leaves her past behind and runs away from a small country town, heading towards the city. Along her way, she makes an unlikely friendship with a drag queen from the outback and the two embark on a journey together.

**Country:** Australia

**Director:** Jacqueline Pelczar

**Cast:** Siria Kickett, Gary Cooper

**12mins**

*English with English subtitles*

**Dates & Times:** Monday 27 December to Sunday 2 January 8pm
Screening before *How to Please a Woman*

**TWO SANDS**

As Garang struggles on his first day at high school in Australia, memories of being lost in South Sudan are triggered. When past and present collide, Garang must find a way to bridge the gap between where he is and where he's come from.

**Country:** Australia

**Director:** Poppy van Oorde-Grainger

**Cast:** Garang John Deng, Tyroe Muhafidin, John Deng Geu, Nhial Majok

**7mins**

*Dinka with English subtitles***Dates & Times:** Monday 6 to Sunday 12 December 8pm
Screening before *Lingui, The Sacred Bonds*

**WIRUN**

Noongar high school student Erin wants to perform like the others in her drama class, but Shakespeare’s old language won't come out. Determined to prove herself she practices to breaking point, using her cultural strength and specifically her language to finally find some form of meaning. This is a First Nation story for those finding their voice in a colonial world.

**Country:** Australia

**Director:** Chad O'Brien

**Cast:** Ebony McGuire, Ana Della Rossa, Coco Martel, Nazaree Dickerson

**9mins**

*English and Noongar***Dates & Times:** Monday 14 to Sunday 20 February 8pm
Screening before *Compartment № 6*

**ENCORE SCREENINGS**

Didn’t get a chance to catch that must-see flick? Keen to experience your favourite film again? Well you just might be in luck.

In the last week of our Lotterywest Films season we’re bringing back some of the best of the year, with a different movie from the program screening each night. What a perfect way to use up those film vouchers!

Documentary, thriller, comedy, romance – what will you see at our encore screenings? Films announced in 2022.

 **Dates & Times:** Monday 28 March to Sunday 3 April 7.30pm

VENUE & ACCESS

VENUE INFORMATION

UWA Somerville
The University of Western Australia, Crawley
Info 08 6488 1732
Venue 0410 699 075
Lost Property 08 6488 7092

Door sales from 6pm nightly.

Venue entry is general admission. Limited seating – grass seating available.

Picnics and BYO drinks welcome. Licensed venue with food and drink available for purchase.

Wood-fired pizza, fresh salads, cheese plates, cakes and hot meals available from Charlie's Pizza every night. Check out their menu and order your pizza at charliespizza.com.au

**ACCESS INFORMATION**

All films are wheelchair accessible

Selected films are fully subtitled while others are partially subtitled or include dialogue.

Download our Access Guide at **perthfestival.com.au**

**WHAT WILL BE THE FAVOURITE FILM OF 2022?**

**THE CHOICE IS YOURS!**

**Perth Festival Audience Award
Lotterywest Films Golden Deckchair 2022**

**Cast your vote for the Perth Festival 2022 Audience Award at the venue.**