

**ATTENTION ASPIRING ACTORS AND  
ALIEN / PREDATOR MOVIE FANS!!**

**WIN THE CHANCE TO PERFORM AN ACTING ROLE IN  
SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY'S  
DE NOVO**

**NATIONAL TOUR  
JULY – AUGUST 2015**

**NORTHERN TERRITORY | SOUTH AUSTRALIA | VICTORIA | TASMANIA**



Sydney Dance Company is excited to announce a national competition for aspiring actors to perform a fun cameo acting role in their production of *De Novo*, touring to the Northern Territory, South Australia, regional Victoria and Tasmania this winter.

The Company is seeking to cast enthusiastic personalities in 11 cities and towns across the country with each of the winners enjoying an exclusive behind the scenes look at Australia's leading contemporary dance company in action, and the chance to join in a professional rehearsal ahead of their performance.

Applications are now open to aspiring male performers aged 18 or over in Darwin, Alice Springs, Whyalla, Port Pirie, Renmark, Mt Gambier, Adelaide, Bendigo, Frankston, Hobart and Launceston to have some fun and play a role in their local show/s.

To be in the running entrants need to record a 30-second video clip with their camera or mobile device, performing their favourite line from one of the *Alien* or *Predator* movies, and either email the clip to [marketing@sydneydancecompany.com](mailto:marketing@sydneydancecompany.com) or tag #SDCDeNovo and @sydneydanceco on Instagram, and also name the town they would like to perform in.

Finalists will be contacted directly by their local venue, where *De Novo* is touring.

Note this is not a dance role so no dance experience or skill is required.

Sydney Dance Company's *De Novo* is a trio of stunning dance works, brought to life by Australia's premier contemporary dance ensemble. This playful triple bill, which premiered to audience and critical acclaim in Sydney in 2013, features works by Sydney Dance Company Artistic Director Rafael Bonachela, Adelaide's Larissa McGowan and renowned Swedish choreographer Alexander Ekman.

A standout in this program is Larissa McGowan's *Fanatic*, a high energy, laugh out loud funny short dance work, which made its debut in Sydney in 2012, as part of the Sydney Opera House's Spring Dance Program, and following rave reviews, was incorporated into Sydney Dance Company's main stage program the following year, as part of their acclaimed triple bill *De Novo*.

Set in the living room of a disillusioned movie fan, who is using YouTube to vent his feelings on the *Alien vs Predator* franchise, *Fanatic* is a tongue-in-cheek look at sci-fi fan culture featuring a trio of Sydney Dance Company's dancers at their theatrical best, performing to a soundscape of movie-bytes from these two mega movie blockbusters.

Presented as part of Sydney Dance Company's national tour of *De Novo*, taking in 11 venues across Australia this July and August, *Fanatic* is sure to leave audiences energised and smiling wide, as the spotlight shines on a member of their own community, starring in a cameo acting role, as part of the *Fanatic* action.

*De Novo* will tour for the first time in 2015, with 17 performances at 11 venues across the Northern Territory, South Australia, regional Victoria and Tasmania - from Darwin to The Alice, Whyalla, Port Pirie, Renmark, Mt Gambier, Adelaide, Bendigo, Frankston, Hobart and Launceston, July 14 to August 17.

Book now at <http://www.sydneydancecompany.com/denovo2015>.

#### DE NOVO NATIONAL TOUR DATES

15 July, Darwin Entertainment Centre  
18 July, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs  
22 July, Middleback Theatre, Whyalla, SA  
25 July, Northern Festival Centre, Port Pirie, SA  
29 July, Chaffey Theatre, Renmark, SA  
1 August, Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre, Mt Gambier, SA  
6-8 August, Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide, SA  
12 August, Ulumbarra Theatre, Bendigo, VIC  
15 August, Frankston Arts Centre, Frankston, VIC  
20-22 August, Theatre Royal Hobart, Hobart, TAS

27 August, Princess Theatre, Launceston, TAS

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Image: Larissa McGowan's *Fanatic*, presented by Sydney Dance Company as part of *De Novo*. Photo by Jessica Bialek.

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### **ABOUT SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY**

Sydney Dance Company is Australia's leading contemporary dance company, presenting new works in Sydney, around Australia and internationally, under the Artistic Direction of Rafael Bonachela. Since 1985 the Company has been resident in purpose-built studios at Pier 4 in Sydney's Walsh Bay, minutes from the city's famed Harbour Bridge. Its studios house the largest public dance class program in Australia, attracting nearly 80,000 participants each year. A legendary force in contemporary dance in Australia, Sydney Dance Company will celebrate its 50th year in 2019.

More information, [www.sydneydancecompany.com](http://www.sydneydancecompany.com)