

## DIVERSE ENSEMBLE EXPLORES THIS FLEETING WORLD IN CUTTING EDGE THEATRE

**Cairns, 7th April, 2015** – Eight different cultures come together in *This Fleeting World*, a multi-media production from the Centre for Australasian Theatre (CFAT) that explores human behaviours and the bumpy road to non-judgement and acceptance.

The result is a richly woven, fully devised and responsive work that pushes the boundaries on new ways of telling stories for people from diverse backgrounds.



With an ensemble drawn from cultural backgrounds as diverse as Javanese, Papua New Guinean, Indigenous Australian and Japanese, the many different languages and performance styles are portrayed through film, costume, music, gesture and the physical interactions between the players.

*This Fleeting World* offers stunning and beautiful visual effects, and features the works of celebrated textile artist Linda Jackson and visual artist Mavis Ngallametta.

The work is a collaboration between Centre for Australian Theatre director, Dutch-born Guillaume Willem Brugman, and Australian actor Catherine Hassall, who set out to explore the transient nature of the material world from diverse personal, cultural and spiritual points of view.

“*This Fleeting World* is about adaptability, sustainability and acceptance of where we find ourselves now,” Mr Brugman and Ms Hassall said.

“It offers positive affirmation that we all have the opportunity to improve ourselves, and by improving the individual we improve the environment and the world at large. The local is related to the global, the micro to the macro.”

CfAT’s previous work includes the mesmerising play *The Colony*.

“I am very aware our local and regional audiences are hungry for works that inspire, challenge and move them. This work provides that. It is an epic, poetic and beautiful work,” Mr Brugman said.

*This Fleeting World* will run from April 16 to 25 at the Centre of Contemporary Arts. Tickets are \$24, concession/student \$19, under 15 \$12, and family of four \$52. Book online at [www.artscairns.com.au](http://www.artscairns.com.au)

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