



EDITORIAL

A VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

WHEN you see a fair bit of theatre around the traps, every now and then something leaps out and wakes you up and makes you realise the transformative power of a live performance.

Milk Crate Theatre turns 10 this year and last week held a party and retrospective show at the Edward Eagar Lodge in Darlinghurst. Lots of people who had been involved in past shows, friends and drop-ins turned up to take a look, have a laugh and enjoy the food.

Milk Crate works with homeless and disadvantaged communities around inner city and creates dramatic performances of people's life stories.

Shows are very interactive and lively - audiences are encouraged to stop the action and talk about how things are going. Many people get involved in the

performance side of Milk Crate Theatre and others like to watch and support from a distance. The demand for Milk Crate shows and workshops has grown and now the company co-operates with a number of services around the inner city, working with the people who regularly meet there.

The professional actors in the company are extraordinary people and the people at the former South Sydney Council who saw the value in creating a more permanent arrangement for a theatre group which works with homeless communities were prescient.

If you ever have the chance to see a Milk Crate show, don't miss it. And remember, what is the most important thing about a Milk Crate Theatre show? The food!

YOUR LOCAL



Every week we meet a local business owner. To learn more about local businesses, go to www.truelocal.com.au. What Elka Whalan has to say about Speedos Cafe on www.truelocal.com.au

Overlooking all of Bondi beach but tucked away, not in front of prying eyes, this cafe has a brilliant atmosphere, set right on the water, with indoor and outdoor seating, huge servings and the burgers are the best healthy, gourmet and delicious! Speedos Cafe is at 126 Ramsgate Ave, Bondi Beach, and online at www.truelocal.com.au.



WATER Stage 3 restrictions apply

60.2%

The dam level fell by 0.3%

Fines apply for water misuse, \$220 for individuals and \$550 for corporations. See sydneywater.com.au for water-saving ideas.

Last week: 60.5% Last year: 66%

5-DAY FORECAST

				
THURSDAY Max 22 Min 9 Mostly fine	FRIDAY Max 26 Min 11 Fine, Windy	SATURDAY Max 21 Min 13 Fine	SUNDAY Max 22 Min 12 Mostly fine	MONDAY Max 26 Min 15 Mostly fine

Source: Bureau of Meteorology

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