

## At The Vanishing Point – Contemporary Art, Newtown, hits the road

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At The Vanishing Point – Contemporary Art, Newtown, hits the road with its inaugural multidisciplinary contemporary arts showcase at Oxford Art Factory, Darlinghurst, Thursday, May 28.

Featuring an action packed line up of live bands, DJs, MCs, performance art, video art, installation art, dance and live art making onsite, the night is set to be a massive launch to this new contemporary arts adventure.

Curated by Luisa Velasco, ATVPs debut at O.A.F. will be "a celebration of contemporary art, within the unusual context and place of a club venue. Our projects aim at providing opportunities for the building of communities and new audiences for contemporary art through the very accessibility of it. There will be over 60 emerging artists involved in the night including musicians, visual artists, video and new media artists, installations artists, sculptors, photographers, a cartoonist and roaming performers. It will be a literal explosion of art happening simultaneously, while some of Sydney's hottest new bands play".

Melodiqa (aka George Tillianakis) will be gyrating through a set of old-school rap while doing an amazing queer performance inspired compositions for solo artist, which will feature on his upcoming album. LaDonna and Lori's Long Kiss Goodnight (Richard Gurney and Tim Hilton) will also inhabit the venue's performance cube exploring artistic queer contemporary performance. New media artists Rhys Turner and Mel Ramos will be operating a new interactive video installation, where the audiences will be morphed into 3D characters up on the big screen.

Six-piece electro-acoustic (with poetic rants) band Big Fat Squid perform with intensity and melody, accompanied by stunning visual projections, and Peter Newman will mix up a storm live with experimental video and sound. Kaleid will introduce the night with improvised experimental music accompanied by a posse of contemporary belly dancers. Svelt will cap off the night with an energetic live drum and bass set to get the crowd dancing.

At The Vanishing Point presents ... will also feature the following artists;

MC: Adonis

Live Music: Sleep Debt, Svelt, James Nichols and his Dub Table, Big Fat Squid, Last Gypsys, Kaleid, Melodiqa, Peter Newman, Daniel R Muller.

Performance Art: Feva, MamaDada, Cherries Ripe, Narcissus & the Billymen, Goran Tomic, Ebony Secombe, Hilary Cinis, Jessica Herrington, La Donna & Lori.

Installation and Video Art: Rhys Turner, Mel Ramos, Lou Steer, Gus Boke, Chris Retallack, Anastasia Zaravinos, Mark Wotherspoon, Pamela Brenner, Ingrid Dernee, Darinka Maya, Tara Cook, Elfin Floyd, Matthew Moore, Philip Carach, Brent Harpur.

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