

SHORT DESCRIPTION - March 2025

“I don’t belong here”

*A play with music written by Joëlle Rabu in collaboration with Kelly Wyatt
Music Direction / Arrangements by Nico Rhodes*

A poignant musical interpretation of a day in the life of residents at a dementia care facility.

Through a blend of grief and humor, the audience is invited to witness the daily struggles and triumphs of the residents as they grapple with the gradual loss of Self.

Moments of clarity intertwine with confusion, and bittersweet recollections are juxtaposed with fleeting glimpses of the present. Musically supported by the bold and aching melodies of the late Harry Nilsson provide a haunting backdrop for this performance exposé.

Joëlle’s compelling vocal interpretations and her chameleon-like portrayals of a dozen featured characters such as the residents, care aids and visiting family members alike are buoyed by Kelly Wyatt’s colourful supporting characters and vocal harmonies, while music director, Nico Rhodes, also playing supporting roles, renders homage with insightful musical arrangements of the timeless musical brilliance of the late Harry Nilsson.

“I don’t belong here” reflects on the profound importance of empathy, humour and sensitivity in the journey of caring for our elderly.