

# MEDIA RELEASE

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### **AUSTRALIAN/INTERNATIONAL PREMIERE**

emmaandemma presents

## MAYBE YOU COULD CRACK MY STERNUM

In a few minutes I will need someone to dial 000.

A premiere Australian work *Maybe You Could Crack My Sternum* debuts at the 2014 Adelaide Fringe for one short season.

Two women meet and begin a friendship. But soon they discover they aren't really talking to each other. Where are they anyway? Personally, I'd rather be in a bird's nest on the top of a tall building. Personally, she'd rather be a mermaid. Maybe this isn't going to work out. I have a boyfriend anyway.

Emma Hall and Emma Smith are separated in age by just over a decade, at opposite ends of their twenties. Together, these emerging artists are **emmaandemma**, a company fast-building a reputation in Melbourne's theatre community for their playful experimentation with the immediacy, honesty, poetry and body flesh of live theatre.

Intimate and comical, Maybe You Can Crack My Sternum is emmaandemma's first full-length creation. The piece captures a unique and temporary view of friendship from two young women standing on the edge (and not-so-edge) of this fragile and immense thing called adulthood. How do we love each other? When is it too hard to help? Sternum explores these ideas with a healthy dose of humour, absurdism, music, and clean white cotton.

Assisted by the intricate design of Taryn Dudley (set) and Raya Slavin (sound), the world created by these young makers is stark and distilled: not-quite-conscious, not-quite-dreamlike, hovering between the known and the unknowable.

Described as 'beautiful', 'honest', 'moving' and 'crazy', emmaandemma are an exciting new addition to Australia's live arts scene.

This project has been selected to be part of the Adelaide Fringe Festival's *Honeypot* program and *BankSA Support Act* initiative.

Cast / Writers: Emma Hall, Emma Smith

Set Design: Taryn Dudley
Sound Design: Raya Slavin
Lighting Design: Jackson Trickett

### LISTING INFORMATION

**Venue**: Tandanya Firefly, 253 Grenfell St Adelaide 5000 SA **Preview:** Thursday 27 February 6.30pm *ALL TIX \$11* 

Opening night: Friday 28th February 6.30pm

Season: Thursday 27th February - Thursday 6th March 2014 6.30pm/ 8.00pm

Times: Thursday - Sunday 6.30pm, Tues-Wed 8.00pm

**Duration**: 50 minutes

Prices: Bank SA \$15 Adult \$17 Concession \$13

**BOOKINGS:** Adelaide FringeTIX

### **MEDIA INFORMATION**

For artist bios, further information and **high-resolution images** please visit <u>www.emmaandemma.com</u>. For interviews and more information, contact Emma Hall 0409 220 740 / <u>info@emmaandemma.com</u>