



**Artback NT**

Artback NT  
and GUTS Dance  
present



# VALUE FOR MONEY

Adelaide,  
Parramatta  
& Townsville,  
April - May 2023

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## Media Release

*"Value for Money is all instinct, muscle, pulse, balance and pure, transformative performance magic".*

-Geoffrey Williams | Stage Whispers

Artback NT is proud to announce the 2023 national tour of **Value for Money**, a GUTS Dance Central Australia production.

A powerful physical exploration of the value we place on human lives and bodies, with an incredible score by Tom Snowdon. **Value for Money** is a must-see production.

The first full-length work from award winning dancers and dynamic choreographic duo Sara Black and Jasmin Sheppard, **Value for Money** interrogates the rift between the calculable economic value of a life, and the intangible emotional and physical value of a person, as shaped by each culture and context, through the lens of our collective experience of contemporary Australia and by examining its history.

Delving into the polarity of power and vulnerability inherent within us all, **Value for Money** sees an exceptional cast of renowned Australian performers and creatives explore their stories and experiences; reflecting on the way we understand and value our fellow humans, pushing us to interrogate the unquestionable traits that bind us as a human race.

GUTS Dance, the visionary Mparntwe-based company is becoming known for pushing boundaries and creating deep immersive dance experiences, and '**Value for Money is no exception**' says Shay Vigona-Goudge, CEO of the Northern Territory's premier multi artform development and touring agency, Artback NT.

*"Their (GUTS Dance) commitment to creating strong work in their Central Australian home has seen a multitude of local and national artists come to the region to collaborate and build relationships with the company and the community, and we are really excited to embark on this next journey with GUTS Dance to bring NT made dance to national stages,"* says Shay Vigona-Goudge

### Watch the trailer.

Artback NT partners with and invests in NT artists and producers to tour high quality shows both nationally and internationally. Over the past 5 years GUTS Dance have established themselves as a creative force within the Northern Territory, creating, performing, and touring exceptional works, both locally and internationally.



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## Itinerary

27 - 29 April | Australian Dance Theatre, The Odeon, Kurna Yerta (Adelaide) SA

4 - 6 May | FORM Dance Projects, Riverside Theatres, Lennox Theatre, Burramattagal (Parramatta) NSW | As part of Dance Bites 2023

12 - 13 May | Dancenorth Australia, Gurambilbarra (Townsville), QLD

Tickets: <https://artbacknt.com.au/show/value-for-money/>

## Content warning

All **evening** performances contain scenes including full and partial nudity performed by a culturally diverse cast - audience discretion is advised.

## Cast and crew

**Concept and choreography:** Sara Black and Jasmin Sheppard

**Original collaborating performers:** Waangenga Blanco, Gabriel Comerford, Madeleine Krenek, Ashley McLellan and Frankie Snowdon

**Touring performers:** Frankie Snowdon, Chandler Connell, Samakshi Sidhu, Gabriel Comerford, Tara Robertson

**Sound design and composition:** Tom Snowdon

**Lighting design:** Chris Mercer

**Touring lighting technician:** Thomas Roach

**Tour Manager:** Ash Musk

**Dramaturge:** Jonny Rowden

**Research Assistant:** Tessa Snowdon

**Production Manager:** Amanda Harris

**Costume Design and consultation:** Elizabeth Verstappen and Andrew Treloar

**Produced by:** GUTS Dance // Central Australia

**Toured by:** Artback NT

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**Artback NT** are a multi arts touring and development arts organisation with offices in Garramilla (Darwin), Borroloola and Mparntwe (Alice Springs).

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