

## **P&O Cruises Australia Unveils Brand New Show, Blanc de Blanc - Uncorked**

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*The high-octane Blanc de Blanc – Uncorked is performed by an international cast: Mykhailo Makarov (Ukraine), Neven Connolly (Australia), Alexander Makardish (USA), Dwoira Galilea (USA), Zoe Kelly (New Zealand) and Cassandra Merwood (Australia).*

**Sydney, 18 August 2022** — P&O Cruises Australia today announced it is partnering with internationally acclaimed Australian director - Scott Maidment of Strut & Fret, to bring a brand new adults only show to the sea, "Blanc de Blanc – Uncorked". The new risqué, Parisian-inspired show premieres this Saturday, 20 August coinciding with the first guest cruise for P&O's Pacific Encounter, and will also be a program fixture on Pacific Adventure when she commences sailing in October.

An adaptation of the internationally acclaimed and equally sassy "Blanc de Blanc", P&O's exclusive Uncorked version takes Strut & Fret's renowned high production, creative set design and stunning costumes to a new level in P&O's Black Circus theatres. The six-member cast will dazzle, surprise and entertain guests with their showcase of world class cabaret and acrobatic performances.

Counting down to the onboard premiere, **P&O Cruises Australia's Head of Entertainment, Brett Annable**, said this was a momentous occasion for the cruise line.

"The past two years have been challenging for both the cruise and entertainment industries and we are absolutely thrilled to be back cruising again, and to have the opportunity to partner again with Scott to bring this high-energy show to our guests.

"Anyone who has sailed with us before will be familiar with Scott's incredible work with fan-favourite shows including Love Riot and Purple Rabbit. With Blanc de Blanc – Uncorked, Scott again delivers a stunning production with plenty of cheek, so bring your sense of humour and a glass of bubbles to the show for a special night out."

**Director and founder of Strut & Fret, Scott Maidment**, said Blanc de Blanc has enthralled guests around the world with glitz, glamour and showmanship.

"Blanc de Blanc – Uncorked is centred around my fascination with vintage French culture and Moulin Rouge. It is outrageous, fun and demonstrates the unbelievable skill of our all-new cast joining us from across the globe, including Australia, New Zealand, the US and the Ukraine and we can't wait to bring this to P&O guests for an experience they'll never forget, " said Maidment.

For more information on Blanc de Blanc – Uncorked, visit <https://www.pocruises.com.au/ships/pacific-adventure/blanc-de-blanc>. Tickets for P&O Pacific Encounter and Adventure passengers can be booked in advance or onboard using the new P&O app, and start from \$20, with VIP Champagne packages also available.

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#### **About P&O Cruises Australia**

For 90 years, P&O Cruises Australia has taken Australians and New Zealanders on dream holidays to amazing destinations along the Australian coast as well as the idyllic South Pacific. The homegrown cruise line delivers a holiday with great entertainment, world-class dining and unforgettable onboard experiences while sailing to some of the most incredible destinations in the Pacific. Delivered in the Aussie way, you can choose to do everything, or nothing at all, with P&O Cruises Australia.

#### **About Strut & Fret**

*BLANC de BLANC - Uncorked* is produced by Australian theatre and events company, Strut & Fret. The company is renowned for innovative entertainment, high-flying spectacle, nu-circus, extreme theatre, and dynamic music experiences. With over 25 years' experience, Strut & Fret have delivered hundreds of world-class events across more than 25 countries, from Brisbane to Bogota, Perth to Prague.

Strut & Fret has also partnered with major events, including Edinburgh Fringe, Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane Festivals, Melbourne International Comedy Festival and Kermezzo(o) Brussels. They are also co-presenters of The Garden of Uearthly Delights at Adelaide Fringe. More:

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