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+51 Aviación, San Borja

AUSTRALIAN EXCLUSIVE

Okazaki Art Theatre, Japan



Photo: Yuta Fukitsuka

"A formidable reputation for socially acerbic and sometimes absurdist works"

Japan Times

As part of the *About an Hour Series* at Carriageworks, Sydney Festival presents the Australian Exclusive of **Yudai Kamisato's** *+51 Aviación, San Borja*.

Yudai Kamisato is one of the most exciting young voices in contemporary Japanese theatre with his quirky, unflinching and poetic portrayals of life in Japan. The intensely personal *+51 Aviación, San Borja* references his grandmother's address in Lima, Peru, where there is a Japanese diaspora approximately 150,000 strong.

Shifting between reportage and fiction, the narrative unfolds around places Kamisato has travelled, from Tokyo to Okinawa to his grandmother's Japanese-Peruvian community, encountering Japanese immigrant communities who've built new lives in locations where Japan still exists in memory as 'the old home'.

Kamisato freely mixes the mundane with the extraordinary in a work that is thoughtful, charming and theatrically inventive. An exploration of identity and the resilience of culture for those living in foreign lands *+51 Aviación, San Borja* will resonate with anyone who's ever felt the gravitational pull of their homeland.

Yudai Kamisato was born in the city of Lima, Republic of Peru, and is currently Director of Okazaki Art Theatre in Japan. His works are extensions of his concern about his own identity and reflect upon the problems faced by immigrants and workers, the relationship between the individual and nationality, and communication with others living in the same age.

Performed in Japanese with English surtitles

Where	Carriageworks Bay 17
When	21 January at 7.45pm 22 January at 4.45pm 23 January at 6.30 & 9.30pm 24 January at 1pm
Duration	75mins
Tickets	\$35 General Admission Sydney Festival on 1300 856 876

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