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Songs For The Fallen

Critical Stages and Shane Anthony, Australia



Photo: Louis Dillon-Savage

The Famous Spiegeltent is transformed into an opulent 19th century Parisian boudoir for a birthday celebration with Paris' original party girl.

In the rollicking and romantic cabaret comedy the woman who inspired *La Traviata*; **Marie Duplessis**, a peasant girl-turned-courtesan, party girl, liar and legend, gets up, orders a bottle of champagne, puts on a dress and invites you into her intimate, candy-coloured chambers for one last wild soiree.

In an outrageous, corset-busting performance, Australian cabaret star of screen and stage, **Sheridan Harbridge** channels the delectable lady of pleasure, accompanied by a live electro-baroque score by **Basil Hogios** and directed by **Shane Anthony**.

Songs for the Fallen has been a huge hit both in Australia and in New York where it won the awards for *Best Show* and for *Most Outstanding Actress* (Sheridan Harbridge) at the 2015 New York Musical Theatre Festival.

There are songs, stories and bouffants to be reckoned with. Opera-worthy tragedy has never been such a raucous good time.

Where	The Famous Spiegeltent, Meriton Festival Village
When	19-24 January at 10.30pm
Duration	90 minutes no interval
Price	\$65 Priority Entry \$55 / \$50 General Admission
Bookings	Sydney Festival on 1300 856 876 sydneyfestival.org/au/fallen

Auslan interpreted performance on 23 January. Bookings essential

"A hilarious romp. The singing is exquisite, the performances are divine"

ArtsHub

"4 STARS. If there's a more intriguing performer currently working in Sydney cabaret and theatre than Sheridan Harbridge, I certainly don't know who it is."

Time Out

"4 STARS. Harbridge excels as a messed up mistress of ceremonies and sings up a storm over composer Basil Hogios' lush electro-baroque arrangements, played live."

Sydney Morning Herald

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