

## GRAVITY

## When Shakespeare collides with Star Trek

a new RYT production

Ryde Youth Theatre's new 2012 production - *GRAVITY* - will premier at the Lighthouse Theatre, Macquarie University, for a limited season.

Described as a 'fast paced, original production like no other', *GRAVITY* is a futuristic retelling of *Much Ado About Nothing*, that sees Shakespeare's classic comedy about love and rivalry collide with Star Trek!

"It's the fight for one planet, and the struggle for another's heart," says RYT member Diana Morgan, "and it's a wholly original concept created by a group of dedicated and very talented local youth."

Seventeen local young people, aged 13 - 17, have worked with Ryde Youth Theatre tutors, volunteers and City of Ryde staff on every element of the production from script writing and props, to marketing.

**GRAVITY** Two public performances only. Saturday 17 November, 2.00pm & 7.00pm. Lighthouse Theatre, Macquarie University, (access via Culloden Road) \$15 Adult / \$10 Concession (children 5-12, Seniors, Students) \$40 Family (2 Adults + 2 Children). Bookings: online at <a href="https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gravity">www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gravity</a> or at the door.

## **Ryde Youth Theatre**

The Ryde Youth Theatre is a youth led cultural project designed to develop confidence and skills for local young people through the performing arts.

RYT offers relevant, affordable, enjoyable and quality program initiated by young people for young people with support from the City of Ryde.

Workshops in acting skills and performance styles, including improvisation, clowning and street theatre are offered. Working with scripts, puppetry, children's theatre and stagecraft are other disciplines that have all be used to create a series of original productions, including *Dream Day* (2010) and *Finding Jane* (2011) and now *Gravity*.

For further information on the Ryde Youth Theatre and other City of Ryde Youth projects please contact Janice Nicholson on 9952 8313 or <a href="mailto:jnicholson@ryde.nsw.gov.au">jnicholson@ryde.nsw.gov.au</a>

