

MEDIA RELEASE

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COLE by Michael Griffiths Something, Anything Goes

"Griffiths is extraordinary." The Age

Acclaimed writer Anna Goldsworthy and acclaimed cabaret performer Michael Griffiths join forces to explore the colourful life and timeless songs of American composer and songwriter Cole Porter in COLE.

In COLE, Griffiths explores the life of the inimitable Cole Porter and his timeless songs including *You're The Top, Night and Day, It's De-Lovely, I've Got You Under My Skin*. The narrative, written by South Australian writer Anna Goldsworthy reveals Porter's glamorous life, showbiz marriage and ultimately the hedonism and heartbreak that consumed it.

Port Augusta Performing Arts chairperson Yolande Morris said: "Port Augusta Performing Arts is delighted to be working with Country Arts SA to bring COLE, a fabulous cabaret show by Michael Griffiths to Port Augusta. He comes to us after sell out seasons in cabaret festivals around the world and I hear that his next stop after South Australia is the Albert Hall in London. So save on the air fare and come to Port Augusta to see him!

"We are delighted to have Cole on a Saturday night and we encourage our audience to dress up in your glamour clothes to channel the beautiful fashions of the 1930's. If you need a reminder of the fashions and some of Cole's wonderful hits take a moment to watch the movie 'De Lovely'. The bar will be open early and after the show so come and have a great night with your friends."

Porter's inimitable style and life was a mix of hedonism, grave misfortune, enduring love and a legacy that sparkles with wit and wisdom. Griffiths' grace and talent make it hard to separate him from the man himself.

COLE was written at the invitation of Sir Barry Humphries for the Adelaide Cabaret Festival 2015.

Enjoy a fabulous night with COLE in regional South Australia.

COLE (80 minutes)

May 6, Port Augusta Institute, 7.30pm

(Bookings: Cultural Centre Booking Office, Milhinch Jewellers)

Adult \$26

Groups 6+ \$23

Under 17 \$15



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