

SPEAR (PG)

Dir. Stephen Page, 2015, 84mins

Sun 20th March 2pm (\$15/\$13/\$7*)+ Tues 5th April 10.45am (\$7*)

Mercury Cinema, 13 Morphett St Adelaide www.mercurycinema.org.au

*Seniors tickets

A young man reconciles ancient tradition with the modern, urban world in this debut feature from Stephen Page, artistic director of Australia's renowned **Bangarra Dance Theatre**.

This visually arresting film may be Stephen Page's directorial debut, but Page is no stranger to the telling of stories through movement and images. As artistic director of the world-renowned Bangarra Dance Theatre, he has spent over twenty years interpreting the stories of Indigenous Australians for global stages. Now Page brings Bangarra's outstanding dance work SPEAR to the screen.

Primarily utilizing gesture and dance, with minimal dialogue, SPEAR follows a young man named Djali (Hunter Page-Lochard) from the Australian outback to the streets of Sydney on his quest to understand what it means to be a man with ancient traditions in a modern world. Despite the fragmentation of Indigenous cultures, it is in the complex interconnection between places that Djali will ultimately discover his own power — a power linking past, present, and future.