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## “Serial Killings: A Forgivable Act?”

CentrStage is wrapping up its 2008 season with the award winning play *Frozen*, by Bryony Lavery.

The production delves into the mind of Ralph Wantage (Robert Lewis), a serial killer who is being studied by academic Agnetha (Nicole Dobson), in her thesis “Serial Killings: A Forgivable Act?”

They are joined by Nancy (Stephanie Briarwood) who is the mother of ten-year-old Rhona who has gone missing. Drawn together by horrific circumstances these three embark on a long, dark journey which finally curves upward into the light.

Director Paige Rattray said the play studied the way people were affected by their actions.

“One of the first things that drew me to this play was how stimulating it was intellectually and emotionally,” she said.

“All the information we receive about the mind of the serial killer Ralph is based on factual research, we also have the character of Nancy, who is the heart of the play, and we follow her through her stages of grieving and eventually, her healing process.”

The continuous pull of conflicting arguments in *Frozen* add to what is a very interesting and entertaining drama.

***Frozen* is showing at the Annexe Theatre at 7pm from September 24 to 27. Tickets are available on (03) 6323 3666.**

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