

**INTERVIEW**  
**TOM BONIN WINNER CHUNK VOLUME 1**

**ARTS**



Collection Store Tours: July - December 2024 Behind-the-scenes tour of the Australian Performing Arts Collection

The Australian Performing Arts Collection Tours allows unprecedented behind-the-scenes access to the Australian Performing Arts Collection.

Get behind-the-scenes access to Australia’s largest performing arts collection. Consisting of over 850,000 items, a significant portion of the Australian Performing Arts Collection (APAC) is now available to the public via behind-the-scenes tours of the Collections Store, located at Hamer Hall. The Collections Store is an operational space dedicated to the development, management, preservation and sharing of Arts Centre Melbourne’s extraordinary cultural heritage.

The collection has been in development since the 1970s, spanning circus, dance, music, opera and theatre. Led by a tour guide, this unique experience will shed light on how the curatorial team work closely with artists and arts organisations – from The Australian Ballet to Circus Oz – to not only acquire items, but also to unpack the stories of the performances behind each object, a process integral to the activity of the Collection Store.

The management of cultural collections will be explored, from quarantining through to exhibiting, along with conservation and preservation techniques. For the first time Arts Centre Melbourne is able to share unprecedented access to its collections via these behind-the-scenes tours of the APAC. \*

Standard

\$43.00

Concession\*

\$33.00

July - December 2024

\* footnote <https://www.artscentremelbourne.com.au>



What made you want to be a comic creator?

-I’ve drawn and read comics all of my life, I’m not sure there was an exact time that I decided I wanted to be a comic creator but I made my first comic when I was 17.

What are your favourite comic books?

-My favourite comics by and large are those created by Moebius, Enki Bilal and Mike Mignola. I also love 2000AD -it is a great anthology with lots of different creators and stories.

What inspires you to create?

-Deadlines. But I get most of my inspiration from mythology, animals and science.

What area of study led you to be a comic artist?

-I have always wanted to be an artist so I went to The Canberra School of Art to do a BA in printmaking, graduating in 2000 and then a Diploma of Illustration in 2015.

What other forms of art do you create?

-I illustrate Dungeons and Dragon games, paint portraits, storyboarding, album covers. For myself I like to paint pictures inspired by old sci-fi novel covers.

Tell us about what you have created for Chunk Volume 1?

-I love to use sci-fi and fantasy as a metaphor real life issues. I’ve come up with a story which reflects some of the situations going on in the world today. Though I’d like to see a more peaceful solution to the real world problems than the one I illustrated.

Does your environmental landscape surroundings inspire you?

-My immediate surroundings tend not to inspire me but certain small details such as a knot of tree roots or particular rock formation can inspire me.

What is your advice to aspiring comic artists?

-This is a very hard question to answer because what works for one person may not work for another and everything depends on what an individuals goals are. I think maybe the best advice I can offer though, is: don’t try and guess what other people may want of you. Just do what you do and do it well.

How would you describe your comic style?

-I find it very hard to describe what style I have... I don’t think I’m very consistent, I try to adapt my style to what the comic dictates.

What is your favourite music to listen to?

-Right now I’m listening to a lot of Mr Bungle and Paul Leary but bands I always have on rotation are Tom Waits, Metallica, Ween, The Butthole Surfers, The Pogues, Black Sabbath, Frank Zappa...and many more



**ABOUT SOMEONE YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT:**

Artist Robert Crumb

Surfacing in the 1960's with outlandish comic art. His stories and designs fully embodied the culture of the time. the fusion of use of recreational drugs and evolution of folk music to electric rock. His infamous album cover Cheap Thrills Big Brother and Holding Company Janice Joplin. He truly pushed limits of taboo with the disturbing encounters of Fritz the Cat. Stories you wouldn't dare read to the next generation.

**SPRING 2024**

**TOURS**

**Artemas you’re really early... the tour 2024**

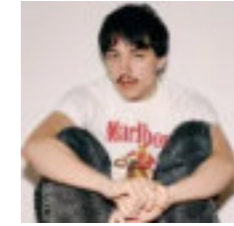
With over 650 million global streams and counting, self-taught songwriter/producer Artemas announces “you’re really early... the tour”. On his first visit to Australia and New Zealand, Artemas will perform special headline shows, proudly presented by MG Live, I OH YOU, Frontier Touring, triple j (AU) and The Edge (NZ).

Artemas Diamandis, known professionally as Artemas, is a Cypriot English singer, songwriter and record producer. He is best known for his singles “If U Think I’m Pretty” and “I Like the Way You Kiss Me”.

His hits simmer into your soul and awaken the hunger of romance and sexual awakenings between you and your lover.

Tue 19 Nov 2024 Northcote Theatre Melbourne

Thu 21 Nov 2024 Northcote Theatre Melbourne



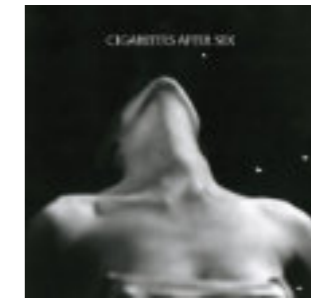
**Cigarettes After Sex** is an American dream pop band, formed in El Paso, Texas, in 2008 by Greg Gonzalez. The band is known for their ethereal, limerent and often dream-like musical style, lyrics often based on the themes of romance and love, as well as Gonzalez’s voice, which has been described as free of classification .

Rod Laver Arena Olympic Blvd

Melbourne, Australia

Mar 12, 2025

7:00 PM GMT+11



**New Order** are an English rock band formed in Salford in 1980 by vocalist and guitarist Bernard Sumner, bassist Peter Hook, and drummer Stephen Morris. Their fusion of post-punk with electronic and dance music made them one of the most acclaimed and influential bands of the 1980s.

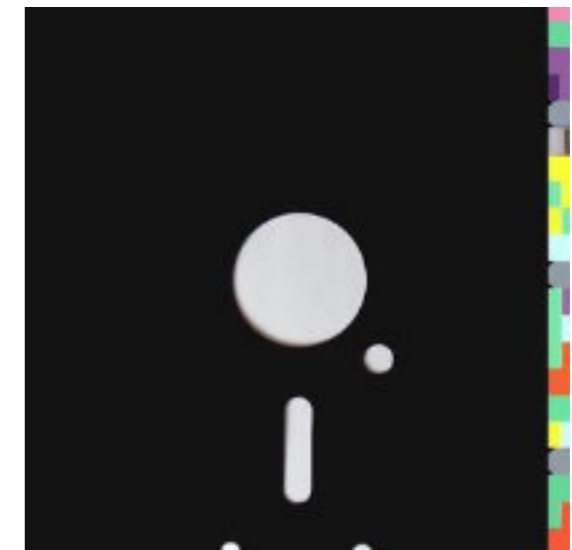
They rebuilt after the passing of incredibly gifted Ian Curtis of their first incarnation being JOY DIVISION.

New Order

Sat 08 Mar 2025

Sidney Myer Music Bowl,

Melbourne, VIC



**quiz**

What is the latest book release from Australian writer Tim Winton?

What is the title of the film and location which is directed by Tom Tykwer; a film with three possible scenarios, depending on Lola’s encounters... she has 20 minutes to save her boyfriend Manni... ?

Who won the Miles Franklin Award in 2023?