The Australian and New Zealand tour, organized by the Department and the Guild, follows the successful tour in Britain last year by playwrights Michael Cook, David Fennario, Ken Gass, Ken Mitchell and Rick Salutin and is part of the Department's programme to promote Canadian playwrighting abroad.

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