

## Media Release

## JANE TURNER & ANTHONY LAPAGLIA JOIN THE CAST OF RAKE

**Jane Turner** (*Kath and Kim* co-creator and co-lead) and **Anthony LaPaglia** (*Sunshine, Annabel: Creation*) are joining the cast of *Rake* as cameras roll on the fifth season.

William McInnes (Unfinished Sky, Deep Water, Time Of Our Lives, Temora Tornado: The Paleface Adios Story), Helen Thomson (A Place To Call Home, Doctor Doctor, Top Of The Lake: China Girl), Jacek Koman (God's Blood, Breath, Romulus My Father, Doctor Doctor), Tony Briggs (Cleverman, Seven Types of Ambiguity) and John Gaden (Eye of the Storm, The Death and Life of Otto Bloom) are also joining producer Richard Roxburgh and the established returning ensemble including Kate Box, Matt Day, Adrienne Pickering, Caroline Brazier, Keegan Joyce, Damien Garvey, Sonia Todd and Tasma Walton.

Now an independent Senator in a crumbling Federal Parliament, will Cleaver step up to help Australia keep calm and carry on ... or add yet more chaos to his life and the lives of those around him?

ABC Head of Scripted Production **Sally Riley** said: "Rake is renowned for attracting the best talent in the business and this year is no exception. I cannot wait to see Jane, Anthony and Tony tear up the screen as they take on the inimitable Cleaver Greene."

Writer and producer **Peter Duncan** said: "We'll do our best with this motley crew of acting vagabonds and one-time street thugs. Some of them have potential. Watch this Roxburgh guy. Maybe one day. God bless the ABC for having faith in the criminal class."

With production underway in Sydney, *Rake* is an Easy Tiger and Blow by Blow production for ABC in association with Create NSW. Season five will air on the ABC in 2018.

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