

A group of friends gather in the crumbling remains of a fast-food restaurant, desperate to finish their school project. Their task: Disprove government plans to eliminate organic matter and reclaim planet earth for mining production. As their due date rapidly approaches, the group must devise a solution quickly, the fate of their grades depends on it! But they're never going to use this in real life, right?

Happy Meals Happy Kids was inspired by my own context as a student, and the immense pressure myself and my generation are under to be perfect, studious, happy, in the face of climate disaster. This production was written and produced as a solo project for my drama course "Entrepreneurship in Drama" a semester long extension class challenging me to push the boundaries of what it means to be a youth artist.

Over the semester I wrote, cast, directed and marketed the production, concluding with a sold-out performance to an immensely supportive Canberra Theatre community. What began as a passion project inspired me to advocate for the youth voice in arts and politics, and support and affirm my own voice as one of autonomy, expression and undeniable power.

Happy Meals Part 1

Happy Meals Part 2

Happy Meals Part 3