

MEDIA RELEASE

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Shepparton families to get caught up in the fun of *Tangle*

Imagine a giant structure made from 132-kilometres of brightly coloured elastic woven around seven-metre poles, then add music, excited children, creative movement and lots of chaotic fun and you have Polyglot Theatre's *Tangle*. A huge, messy, fun, large-scale interactive installation work created live on site by children and their families.

With the assistance of VicHealth's MOTION Program, *Tangle* is heading to KidsTown Adventure Playground in Shepparton on **Saturday 24th** and **Sunday 25th November**.

Tangle is the culmination of four playgroup workshops run by Polyglot practitioners and Berry Street Playgroup in Shepparton, funded by VicHealth. Each Wednesday, a group of carers and their preschool-age children, come together to workshop artistic ideas at the Berry Street Playgroup, including games, craft activities and making their own small version of *Tangle*. The focus of the workshops is to engage children in physical activity through creative play.

Tangle will bring the children and families from the Berry Street Playgroup together to celebrate their ideas and new relationships. People of all ages are invited to join in this free public event.

"Our MOTION Program aims to encourage people to get physically active through art. Polyglot's *Tangle* is perfect for this, as it provides a chance for kids and their parents to be creative, get involved in arts activities, be physically active, have fun and feel great all at the same time," said VicHealth CEO, Jerril Rechter.

In Shepparton, *Tangle* will be facilitated by on-site artists and fuelled by live music to encourage physical movement, artistic decision-making, imaginative play and dramatic interaction. As the soundtrack changes, the performers alter their movements, which in turn affects the way the children move in the space and what they create.

Performance: *Tangle*

Venue: KidsTown Adventure Playground (located mid-way between Shepparton and Mooroopna on the Peter Ross Edwards Causeway, on the right hand side when coming from Shepparton, or on the left hand side when coming from Mooroopna/Bendigo)

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Time: 12 noon and 2.30pm, Saturday 24 November
10.30am and 12 noon, Sunday 25 November

This is an all-ages FREE event (all children must be accompanied by an adult).

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This project is part of VicHealth's [MOTION Program](#) to promote physical activity through arts, assisted by the Victorian Government through Arts Victoria, and funded by Berry Street, The R E Ross Trust and the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation. For more information on VicHealth's MOTION Program visit www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/motion