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-Peter Robb, *Independent Monthly*

#### About the Author

Timothy Conigrave was born in 1959 in Melbourne, Australia and educated at Xavier College and Monash University. He trained as an actor at the National Institute of Dramatic Art, graduating in 1984. He appeared in such plays as *Brighton Beach Memoirs* and *As Is*. He initiated the project *Soft Targets* and his other plays include *Blitz Kids* and *Thieving Boy*

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