## Vanessa Cardoso

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Region: Avalon Peninsula

Willing to Travel: Yes

Available For: Prize Adjudication Readings Play/Screen/Script Writing Workshop Facilitation School Visits

## **Biography:**

Vanessa Cardoso-Whelan is a new playwright, multidisciplinary artist, street performer and clown hailing from Brazil, with a passion for contemporary theatre and body movement awareness. She likes to say that her writing comes from movement. Graduating in Theatre Arts in 2004, she has performed with several artistic groups onstage and in street productions, as an actress, Flamenco dancer, puppeteer and fire flow dancer. Vanessa has been actively engaged in the local arts scene since moving to NL in 2014. She had two plays produced in 2023; Happy Anniversay and Saudade. Vanessa likes to give her art back to the community, doing volunteer performances for new Canadians/refugees and nonprofit organizations. She's a pesquetarian and loves the mountains on the West Coast of NL because it reminds her of home.