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Finding a mate is all about the chemistry, according to *Pre-Coital* star Chris Krishna-Pillay. Picture: NICOLE CLEARY

When looking for love becomes a science project

When you're scanning a bar for a hottie, Chris Krishna-Pillay knows what's firing your radar.

And he's turned it into a cabaret act.

Pre-Coital is the carnal mix of Krishna-Pillay's CSIRO smarts

and observations of his randy mates at a comedy festival.

He's convinced science can help people find their ideal mate, and he's willing to pick on tonight's audience to prove it.

"We'll actually do a

pheromone demonstration, we'll get someone out of the audience and we'll find someone their perfect match, physically speaking at least.

"My ultimate aim is for someone to ring me up years later

and say they conceived a child because of the show," he joked.

Pre-Coital is at the Kaleide Theatre RMIT tonight. Go to www.scienceweek.gov.au/yourstate/vic

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