Junior Education Newsletter



The Autumn of 2012 is fast approaching and we already have a fantastic season of shows to fill your diary for 2013!

To finish off 2012 in style we have our traditional family pantomime, *Aladdin*, written, directed by Richard Gauntlett who is performing the Dame duties as well. (Cast details inside)

We have three new productions next season: **Spot the Dog**, is celebrating his 20th birthday, and *Roald Dahl's* book, **James and the Giant Peach**, is brought to life in a musical adaptation by the Birmingham Stage Company. Last, but by no means least, that inquisitive character **Dora the Explorer** is finding her way to the theatre & toyland for some exciting adventures.

To round off this newsletter edition, *Angelina Ballerina* is dancing her way back on to the Norwich Theatre Royal stage with her spectacular Mousical.

So book now for the best children's entertainment in the region.

This newsletter is also available online at www.theatreroyalnorwich.co.uk

!!!!!!!WATCH OUT FOR COMPETITIONS IN THE FORUM CHILDREN'S LIBRARY AND WATERSTONES BOOK SHOP!!!!!!!!

Room on the Broom Friday 26th, 1.00pm - Saturday 27th, 10.30am & 1.30pm, October 2012

A magical, musical delight for children aged 3+

The witch and her cat are flying happily along on their broomstick when a stormy wind blows the witch's hat, bow and wand away into the night. With the help of a daft dog, a beautiful bird and a friendly frog, her belongings are retrieved. But this broomstick's not meant for five and – CRACK! - it snaps in two! When a hungry dragon appears, who will save the poor witch?

And will there ever be room on the broom for everyone?

Prices: £10.00 & £5.50, Schools & Groups of 10 or more, Bands A - D £8.50, Schools: 1 free with 10 or more, **Under Ones Free**

Spot's Birthday Party Friday 15th @ 1.30pm - Saturday 16th February 2013 @ 10.00am & 12.00pm

It's the Birthday of everyone's favourite puppy! All Spot's friends will be here; Steve the Monkey, Helen the Hippo and Tom the Crocodile plus Spot's mum and dad, Sally and Sam. Special guest Marco the Rabbit Magician shall be there too, ensuring there's never a dull moment.

Prices: £10.00 - £5.50 Schools & Groups: 10+ Bands A - D £8.50 each 1 ticket free with 10 tickets booked *Under Ones Free* Fun & Games at:- www.funwithspot.com





ALADDIN ~

Tuesday 18th December 2012 - Saturday 19th January 2013

Popular pantomime dame Richard Gauntlett is returning to Norwich Theatre Royal for the 2012-13 festive spectacular, *Aladdin*. He will once again be writing and directing the show as well as donning an array of fancy frocks in the pantomime opposite an all-star cast. A double welcome return to Norwich for Andre Vincent as 'Wishee Washee,' & Nick Aldis as 'The Genie of the Lamp'. Joining these will be Lucy Dixon (*Hollyoaks, Waterloo Road*) as 'Aladdin', Graham Cole will play our baddie, 'Abanazar', (*The Bill's* PC Tony Stamp).



Prices: £20.00 - £5.50, Under 18s Special Price: £2.00 off Bands A - D, *Under Threes Free*

Signed Performance: Sat 19th Jan @ 2.30pm & 7.30pm Signer: Jim Dunne

Audio Described Performance: Fri 11th Jan @ 6.30pm & Sat 19th Jan @ 2.30pm

Autism Friendly intro to Panto: Thurs 20th Dec @ 4.30pm & Thurs 10th Jan @ 4pm, Running time: 40mins. Tickets FREE including carers must be booked in advance through the Box Office.

Post-show Q&A Event: Thursday 10th January 2013 following on from the 10.30am performance.

Angelina Ballerina the Mousical Thursday 21st - Saturday 23rd February 2013 11.00am & 2.00pm, daily

Angelina Ballerina, pirouettes onto the stage in her brand new musical. Angelina and her friends think their dreams have come true when Camembert Academy wins the opportunity to appear in their favourite television programme 'Dancing With Mice!', but when the girls and boys have very different ideas for the show and just can't seem to agree on anything, it's up to Angelina as Dance Captain to ensure that the show goes ahead. So put on your ballet shoes and join Angelina, Alice, Gracie, Viki, AJ and Marco for the most stupendous Mousical of the year!

Adult Prices: Bands A - B £16.50, Bands C - D £14.50 Children's Prices: Bands A - B £13.50, Bands C - D £11.50 Family Ticket: 4 people including at least 1 Adult, £50 all performances *Under Ones Free* Group discounts all performances

Activities, Games and Learning at :- www.angelinaballerina.co.uk

James & the Giant Peach

Thursday 14th - Sunday 17th March 2013

Thursday 7.00pm, Friday 10.30am/1.30pm, Saturday 10.30am/2.30pm/7.00pm & Sunday 11.00am

The Birmingham Stage Company presents this brand new production, adapted by David Wood.

James is a lonely young boy who lives with Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker, two of the most revolting Aunts in England. They make him work and slave and never let him play with other children. Then one day he meets a mystical old man who gives him a bag that contains the strongest magic the world has ever known. When James accidentally spills the bag near an old peach tree, the most incredible things start to happen – and James's adventure has just begun! So don't miss this thrilling adventure.

Prices: Adults £16.00 - £5.50, Under 18's: £12.00 - £5.50 Schools: £8.00 Bands A - D, with one ticket in 10 tickets free all performances Family Ticket: 4 people including at least 1 Adult, £43.00 all performances

Sunday 17th March @ 11.00am, Signer: Clare Edwards





Dora the Explorer - Search for The City of Lost Toys Sunday 31st March 4.00pm, Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd April at 10.00am & 1.00pm

Everyone's favourite explorer is embarking on a LIVE musical adventure in Norwich, in Nickelodeon's *Dora the Explorer LIVE! Search for the City of Lost Toys*. Dora has lost her teddy bear Osito, and the search is on to retrieve him! With the help of the audience, Map, Backpack, Boots, Diego and their courageous friends, Dora uses her map-reading, counting, musical and language skills to successfully pass through the number pyramid and the mixed-up jungle to reach the City of Lost Toys. But watch out - you never know what that sneaky fox Swiper might be up to along the way!

Prices: Adults: £16.00 - £5.50, Under 18's: £12.00 - £5.50, **Under Ones Free**

Activities and Games at www.nickjr.co.uk/shows/dora/#!

WE'RE GOING TO THE THEATRE!

For first time visitors, the huge auditorium and rush of customers can seem daunting for the younger visitors, so this video was designed to give them an early look at the different areas of the Theatre as well as the etiquette and the behaviour expected of them.

The video addresses rules such as flash photography, the consumption of sweets and how to understand your ticket and take your seat.

The film is also meant as a guide for teachers/carers to show schoolchildren what a trip to Norwich Theatre Royal might be like and how to behave whilst there. It is primarily, but not exclusively, aimed at those who may not have been to a theatre before.

http://www.theatreroyalnorwich.co.uk/educationlearning/schoolvisitguidelines.aspx

Alternatively go to our website, Education & Learning section, then click 'School Visit Guidelines' on the left hand side.



WHAT IF...?

- You're organising a group to see a show? Then make life easier on the day by preordering interval ices or drinks. Forms are sent out with all group bookings but telephone us if you need spare copies.
- Your party is bringing a packed meal to eat after the show? Telephone us to see whether an area can be made available for you all. Space is limited and offered on a first-come, first-served basis.
- ⇒ You're bringing under three's to a children's performance? Buggies and pushchairs may be collapsed and stored in certain areas of the theatre, at owners' risk.

Useful Norwich Theatre Royal telephone contacts:

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