

ON TOUR FEBRUARY TO MAY 2004

A MULTICULTURAL EXPERIENCE

3 tales from around the World

in

Tales From The Gypsy Caravan

Using music, song, a beautiful set and our special performance style, this fantastic new production brings three travellers tales from around the world to life right before your very eyes. "The Spider and the Honey tree" is a delightful

African story about a little girl who goes into the forest to pick fruit. "Raisa and the Baba Yaga" is a Slovakian tale that is all about the quest for true love. There is a hint of the Cinderella

story with Raisa and her two horrible sisters! Then there is the Chinese story of Big Mouth, Skinfint and the Horse. This is a tale of greed that is bound to have you falling over yourselves with laughter. The Gypsy Caravan has pulled up at the side of the road for the night, the horses are feeding and there is nothing left to do but tell the stories that have been passed on down the generations. Sit back and join our travelling folk and share some of the traditions and culture of life on the road. The show combines the rich tapestry of traditional Storytelling with animated performance, music and song to create a production that is sure to both entertain and enthrall.



THE WIZARD OF OZ

Join Dorothy on her magical journey to the 'Land of Oz'. From the Cyclone that lifts her up in the air to her eventual final ride home this musical story will both fascinate and entertain. With colourful song, costume and action packed performance, this will prove to be a great treat for all who see it. Will the 'Wicked Witch of the West' triumph, or will Dorothy rid the land of Oz of the tyrant, once and for all?

She must kill both of the Wicked Witches if 'The Great Oz' is to help her back to her home in Kansas. And what about the Scarecrow, does he find his brains? All will be answered in this musical production!



ON TOUR MAY TO SEPTEMBER 2004

A NEW MUSICAL

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DRAGON WHO LOST HIS HOME



With spectacular set, costumes and toe tapping music this production introduces Eric the Dragon and his family. This play raises issues of the green planet and how changes to the environment have far reaching consequences. Our tale is told by Eric the Dragon and is sure to be enjoyed by both young and old alike. With a Filmatic musical score and two of the most loveable dragons you will ever meet this production is sure to be a hit in your School.



ALSO TOURING FROM MAY 2004

WIND IN THE WILLOWS



ALICE IN WONDERLAND



See our web site for photographs and more details on all our tours.

PERFORMANCE COSTS

Costs for shows in 2003 £240 + V.A.T for one show booked
£400 + V.A.T. For two performances in one day

No Travel fee charged!

Costs for shows in 2004 £250 + V.A.T for one show booked
£420 + V.A.T. For two performances in one day

No Travel fee charged!

Bookings are now being taken for Autumn and Christmas 2003
And for performances in the year 2004.

TEL. 01254 59590 NOW !

TERMS

Payment on the day of performance is preferable, but we will accept Local Authority Payment on receipt of an Order Number when booking.

THE STORYTELLERS THEATRE COMPANY

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Touring Sept 2003 - July 2004
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THE STORYTELLERS THEATRE COMPANY

'The Storytellers'

was formed by Pendle Productions in

1985 as an Educational Touring Theatre Company to

take adaptations of classics to all types of venues. The

Company, is directed by the founder, Timothy Lince, whose international work has included, three years as a commissioned script and musical Writer/Director for the B.B.C., Artistic Director of Manitou Arts in Toronto and numerous Major Musical and Theatrical tours throughout the U.K.

"From sell out audiences at Theatres, Arts Centres and Libraries, to International Theatre and Children's Festivals and Performances in Schools 'The Storytellers' have continued to grow in reputation and stature." 1998 saw two productions being filmed for Central and Border Television and in 1999 we produced a World Premiere adaptation of "James and The Giant Peach". The year 2000 saw new shows "Alice Through The Looking Glass" and "Tom Sawyer" produced. 2001 saw the arrival of "Martha The Magical Cat", with spectacular costumes, set and reviews to match. "Martha" has turned into a 'theatrical phenomenon'. In April 2002 we launched the third Martha production, "Martha the Cat's Great Big Adventure". 2003 saw the launch of "Martha the Cat's Lucky Escape" as well as the new production of "Tales from the Gypsy Caravan". We tour Nationally from the Highlands of Scotland to Jersey and our name has become synonymous with 'quality', providing you with performances that will remain in your memory for ever. Each show is brought to life by two actors using costumes, scenery, props, song and the special ingredient that has become synonymous with our performance style, a sense of fun! Productions last between one and one and a half hours in length (Check at time of booking) and are fully self contained. We require a performance space of no less than 18' by 16', two power sockets, and an audience to entertain.

TELEPHONE 01254 59590

TO MAKE A BOOKING OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

On occasions we may have late availabilities for shows which we can offer at a reduced cost, if you wish to be contacted about these please email: schools@pendleproductions.co.uk with your email and School address details.

COMMENTS ON PREVIOUS SHOWS

"The Secret's out, it was a great show! The Secret Garden proved totally compelling for all the audience who saw it last week at the Breuhouse Theatre.

John Hagen, Taunton Times.

"Magical production, very cleverly done".

Stuart Lyddon, Somerset County Gazette.

"The standard of production was once again excellent and thoroughly enjoyed by all our audiences. I am looking forward to the next instalment in Martha's Story"

Renee Gillan, South Ayrshire Council

"Children spellbound as stories come to life".

Bath Evening Chronicle

"I must congratulate you on the success of 'Peter Pan'. You made quite an impact on the audience".

County Librarian, Lancashire County Council.

"Thank you for your inspirational performance of the Railway Children"

The Old Town Hall Theatre, Hemel Hempstead

"Thanks for making our Book Week go so well. We had nearly 3000 children attend".

Alison Forest, Highland Regional Council.

"Thank you for the wonderful performance of 'Alice in Wonderland'. I was totally

entranced by the world you managed to so quickly create on stage".

Sarah Champion, Rotherham Arts Centre.

"The performance of 'Tom Sawyer', without reservation, was the best production I have seen in over 30 years".

Head Teacher, Longmoor Lane C.P. Liverpool.

"Your Actors were a delight to meet and the performance that they gave was truly stunning. The versatility and talent that they showed were an inspiration to all of our children".

Nancy Farrar, Headteacher, Gorseybrigg Infant School.

"The energy and professionalism of your actors is to be congratulated".

Stickney Primary School, Boston.

ON TOUR SEPT TO NOVEMBER 2003

OLIVER TWIST



paints a picture of the Victorian underworld in London as Dickens knew it. Using a full theatre



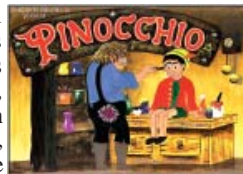
adaptation of this Classic Victorian tale has all the ingredients necessary to captivate all audiences. It follows the fortunes of 'Oliver', a young orphan with a mysterious past on an enthralling journey from the horrors of the workhouse, to the undertakers shop and on through the back streets of London. This all time classic tale not only tells the story of 'Oliver', 'Fagin', 'Nancy' and the evil 'Bill Sykes' but also



setting 'The Storytellers' re-tell the past as if it were today. With full Filmatic underscoring, Victorian Costumes, lighting and a full theatrical set this production is bound to enthrall all who watch. Powerful, dramatic and exciting are words too light to describe this production.

PINOCCHIO

This show is bright, colourful and full to the brim with toe tapping action. The one hour and ten minute long performance is sure to captivate all who listen and watch. Our production introduces Pinocchio as a lump of wood, and with his transformation into a walking talking puppet, takes us from Geppetto's wood shed, on through the wooden boys many adventures. With song, music, puppets, scenery and costume 'The Storytellers' bring this delightful performance to life.



HANSEL AND GRETEL

This production has a comic slant and is sure to have you laughing at the Children's mother who has a waist measurement of at least 200 inches and their rather short sighted father. With Hansel and Gretel lost in the woods, they follow the path that leads to the house made of sweets and Gingerbread. Never have you seen such a witch as lives there! Hansel is shut in a cage being fattened for the witches dinner and Gretel is forced to work as a slave. It all seems too terrible to contemplate, but like in all fairy tales there is bound to be a happy ending. How do the Children escape the wicked witch? And what becomes of their mother?



CHRISTMAS TOURS

NORTHERN TOURS, Lancs, West Yorks, Merseyside, Manchester

MARTHA THE CAT'S MAGICAL CHRISTMAS

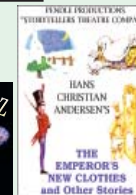
ALICE IN WONDERLAND

THE EMPERORS NEW CLOTHES

THE WIZARD OF OZ

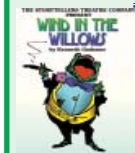


4 shows to choose from in the N.W



LONDON, Home Counties, Herts and Essex

WIND IN THE WILLOWS

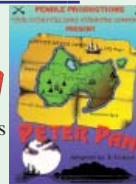


Follow Toad, Ratty, Mole and Badger in their entrancing tale of life on the River Bank. Kenneth Grahame's wonderful tale is brought to life, in glorious Technicolour, right before your very eyes. Packed to the brim with comedy, music and the thing that has become synonymous with our Storytelling technique, a sense of fun this one hour fifteen minute performance will have you wanting to see more.

South Yorks, Derbyshire, Lincs, Leicestershire



CHRISTMAS CAROL or PETER PAN



A difficult choice between two wonderful shows

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Why not satisfy everyone and book both!

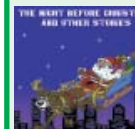
Midlands, Staffs, Coventry and Shropshire



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Suffolk, Norfolk and Cambs.

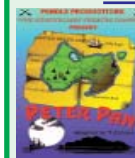
THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS



Two boys left in a room to play, discover the greatest adventure of their lives all contained within the pages of a book. An adventure of a lifetime, transported away to where Christmas is lived ever day. Meet the Elves reading the smoke, and find out why we have trees in our houses at Christmas. Join the boys on their fantastic Christmas eve flight to Greenland.

Bristol, S. West, S. Avon, Wilts and Gloucs.

PETER PAN



This is the tale about the boy who didn't want to grow up. An adventure with Pirates, Indian Braves and the Lost Boys on Never Never Land. Follow Wendy, Michael and John on their flight with Peter through their bedroom curtains and on towards the stars. On Never Never Land, Captain Hook awaits for Peter's return planning and scheming how to get rid of the boy who doesn't want to grow up.

North East England, Scotland and Cumbria.

ALICE'S ADVENTURES THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS



Alice is back, with more mad cap adventures, this time, 'through the looking glass'. Meet Tweedledum and Tweedledee, Humpty Dumpty and the Lion and the Unicorn and a host of other characters that will have you laughing, clapping and singing all at the same time. All the Red Queen speaks is nonsense, and The Storytellers Theatre Company bring Lewis Carroll's master piece of literature to life in an understandable fun filled fashion.

ALL CHRISTMAS TOURS 24th Nov to 24th Dec