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OF
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The Borrowers, 2022. Photography by Helen Murray

LAST YEAR AT THEATRE BY THE LAKE

2022-23 was the first full year that the theatre has been open following the pandemic. Here's a look at what we've achieved:

59,000 people came to see a show at Theatre by the Lake over **390** performances

65 schools came to see our 2022 Christmas production, The Borrowers

140 people saw The Borrowers with tickets funded by our Give the Gift of Theatre fundraiser

We produced **6** home-grown plays

We commissioned **2** new plays

We hosted **7** community productions

We programmed **42** visiting shows

We presented **23** Accessible performances

We held **10** exclusive events for our Members

We supported our artist development network, Cumbrian Creatives, which now has over **350** members

180 wonderful volunteers donated **9000** hours of their time to TBTL

We employed **143** freelancers alongside our full time team

18 young people performed alongside our cast of professional actors in The Borrowers

We were an official **Warm Hub** during the winter



Supported using public funding by
**ARTS COUNCIL
ENGLAND**



The 39 Steps, 2023. Photography by Tony Bartholomew

WE'VE ALSO RECENTLY

Completely **sold out** our summer 2023 production of The 39 Steps

Worked with **7** charity partners and wellbeing organisations on our production of Every Brilliant Thing

Provided our staff the opportunity to undertake training in suicide prevention, with **12** members of our team becoming **Orange Button Holders**

Toured our production of Every Brilliant Thing to **6 community spaces**

Transformed our building into an **interactive exhibition** about everything brilliant in the world

Thank you to our members, volunteers, supporters, funders, and of course you, our audiences, for helping to make all of this happen.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a member of Theatre by the Lake, see pages 6-7.

IN AUGUST 2024 WE WILL CELEBRATE THEATRE BY THE LAKE'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY. WE'RE SO VERY EXCITED TO SHOW YOU WHAT'S NEXT.

TBTL TICKET PRICES

MADE BY TBTL



Around the World in 80 Days, 2023. Photography by Chris Payne

BOOK EARLY FOR THE BEST SEATS AT THE BEST PRICE

All **Made by TBTL** shows follow the same pricing. For shows and events visiting us here at the theatre, ticket prices are unique to each event. Take a look through the pages in this brochure for full details on prices for each event.

BAND 1

STARTING AT £39.50

BAND 2

STARTING AT £35

BAND 3

STARTING AT £25

BAND 4

STARTING AT £12

Discounts are available for those aged under 26, students in full time education, access tickets. See [pages 29-30](#) for full details

A transaction fee of £1.50 is applicable for bookings made in person or on the phone.

There is no fee to book tickets online.

SEE MORE AND SAVE WITH A SEASON SAVER DEAL

THEATRE
by the
LAKE

Our Season Saver shows are:

**BOOK 4
SHOWS AND
SAVE 15%**

**BOOK 3
SHOWS AND
SAVE 10%**



Little Shop of Horrors
27 March - 20 April



Northanger Abbey
27 April - 17 May



Brassed Off
28 June - 27 July



The Hound of the Baskervilles
9 Aug - 7 Sep

Season Saver Deals are only available for Band 1 and Band 2 tickets (see page 4 for further information on ticket bands).

Discounts apply automatically when booking tickets for Season Saver shows at the same time.

Book your Season Saver Deal online, in person or by phone on **017687 74411**.

Become a Best Friend and save even more on your Season Saver - [see page 7 for details](#).

Season Savers also get the same discount on our Christmas 2024 show *The Jungle Book* if booked at the same time.

JOIN A COMMUNITY OF THEATRE LOVERS



Every Brilliant Thing, 2023. Photography by Chris Payne

Theatre by the Lake was willed into existence by the community in 1999 from a major campaign by theatre lovers across Cumbria and further afield. From our idyllic location on the banks of Derwentwater, we bring the world to Cumbria and Cumbria to the world through the magic of live theatre, opportunities to get involved and supporting Cumbrian artists to develop their skills.

We believe that theatre has an important part to play in inspiring and enriching the lives of people in our region. By becoming a member of Theatre by the Lake, you will be helping us to fulfil our mission and sharing your love of theatre with people across Cumbria. In return, you'll get a range of great benefits, bringing you even closer to the magic.

WE HAVE 4 LEVELS OF MEMBERSHIP:

FRIEND £40

- 7 days priority booking*
- No exchange or cancellation fees
- Hear about our new seasons sooner
- Regular members events
- Access to our exclusive monthly prize draw
- Access to theatre trips to shows across the UK

BENEFACTOR £500

All Best Friend benefits plus:

- Exclusive backstage experiences
- Personalised booking service



The Glee Club, 2022. Photography by Chris Payne

BEST FRIEND £120

All Friend benefits plus:

- 14 days priority booking*
- Member Super Saver Deal: save an additional 10% on your Season Savers - that means you save 25% when booking 4 shows or 20% when booking 3 shows**
Enjoy our Season Saver deal on two tickets for each show. Memberships last for a full year so you can double your discount when you buy tickets from our Autumn brochure
- 10% off meals at Lakeside Café Restaurant
- Behind the scenes content

CHAMPION £1000+

Includes all Benefactor benefits.

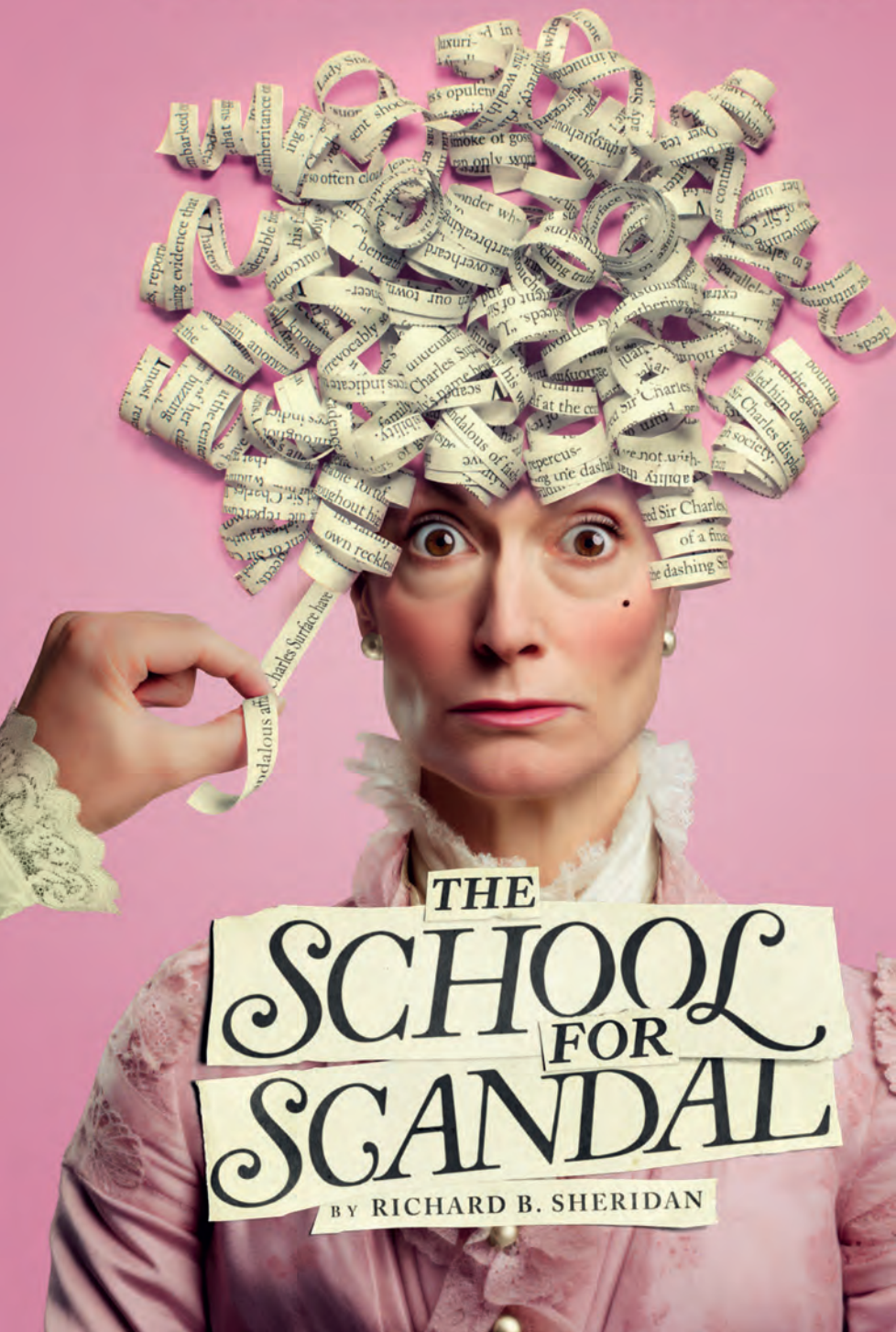
If you would like to discuss becoming a Champion and supporting Theatre by the Lake with a larger gift, please contact us at members@theatrebythelake.com

*Whilst we endeavour to programme 7 and 14 day priority booking periods for all TBTL shows, priority booking may not be available for all productions.

**Excludes preview performances. Subject to availability.

For membership terms and conditions, see theatrebythelake.com/membership.

A HILARIOUS COMEDY
OF MISCHIEF AND MANNERS



THURSDAY 7 - SATURDAY 16 MARCH

TILTED WIG AND MALVERN THEATRES IN ASSOCIATION
WITH THEATRE BY THE LAKE PRESENT

THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL

BY RICHARD B SHERIDAN

Sir Peter Teazle believes his young wife is sleeping with someone else. *She isn't.*

But she's starting to think if her husband believes it, she may as well give it a go. After all, if you're going to cause a scandal, you might as well enjoy it...

Deliciously naughty and outrageously silly, this timeless comedy is a masterclass in social satire and the art of gossip. Featuring an unforgettable cast of larger-than-life characters, each armed with a lacerating wit, **The School for Scandal** is one of the greatest comedies ever written. Join us for a lightning-paced evening of romance, revenge and rollicking fun that promises to leave you entertained, enamoured - and perhaps even a little scandalised!



"thundering laughs and giggles...a great feel good show" **West End Best Friend** on Tilted Wig's production of **Around the World in 80 Days**

MAIN HOUSE

- AD** Audio Described Performance
Thursday 14 March, 7.30pm
- BSL** British Sign Language
Interpreted Performance
Saturday 16 March, 7.30pm
- CAP** Captioned Performance
Saturday 16 March, 7.30pm

TICKETS: £32 / £25 / £12



WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH - SATURDAY 20 APRIL

MADE BY TBTL

THEATRE BY THE LAKE, HULL TRUCK THEATRE, OCTAGON
THEATRE BOLTON AND NEW WOLSEY THEATRE PRESENT

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

BOOK AND LYRICS BY HOWARD ASHMAN
MUSIC BY ALAN MENKEN

Based on the film by Roger Corman,
Screenplay by Charles Griffith.
Originally produced by the WPA Theatre
(Kyle Renick, Producing Director).
Originally produced at the Orpheum
Theatre, New York City by the WPA
Theatre, David Geffen, Cameron
Mackintosh and the Shubert
Organization. Presented by arrangement
with Music Theatre International.
Directed by Lotte Wakeman.

The mean green monster musical
comes to Keswick.

Downtown on Skid Row, weedy flower shop
assistant Seymour is down on his luck until
he stumbles across a mysterious new plant
with killer potential. Fame and fortune follow
but will this win the attention of the girl of his
dreams, or will the insatiable appetite of his
carnivorous plant get out of control?!

Feed the need for musical hilarity with this
devilishly delicious sci-fi smash hit musical
that has devoured the hearts of audiences
around the globe and now comes to Theatre
by the Lake in our brand-new production.
Filled with incredible rock and roll music,
be prepared to laugh, scream, and be
convinced to give up gardening for life!

MAIN HOUSE

- AD** Audio Described Performance
Thursday 11 April, 7.30pm
- BSL** British Sign Language
Interpreted Performance
Saturday 6 April, 7.30pm
- CAP** Captioned Performance
Saturday 6 April, 7.30pm
- RP** Relaxed Performance
Thursday 18 April, 12noon
- PSD** Post Show Discussion
Tuesday 16 April, 7.30pm

TICKETS

- Band 1:** Tickets starting at £39.50
- Band 2:** Tickets starting at £35
- Band 3:** Tickets starting at £25
- Band 4:** Tickets starting at £12

SAVE WITH A SEASON SAVER DEAL

See more and save with a Season Saver Deal.
See page 5 for details.

NORTHANGER ABBEY



SATURDAY 27 APRIL - FRIDAY 17 MAY

MADE BY TBTL

THEATRE BY THE LAKE, OCTAGON THEATRE BOLTON,
ORANGE TREE THEATRE AND STEPHEN JOSEPH THEATRE PRESENT

NORTHANGER ABBEY

BY ZOE COOPER BASED ON THE NOVEL
BY JANE AUSTEN
DIRECTED BY TESSA WALKER

Friendship is certainly the finest balm for the pangs of any sort of... disappointed love.

Catherine Morland knows little of the world, but who needs real-life experience when you have novels to guide you? Catherine seizes her chance to escape her claustrophobic family and join the smart set in Bath. Between balls and parties, she meets worldly, sophisticated Isabella Thorpe - Iz, to her friends - and so Cath's very own adventure begins.

Writer Zoe Cooper infuses the plot and spirit of Jane Austen's original with her unique voice, resulting in a play fizzing with imagination, packed full of humour and brimming with love.

"A small play with a big heart, a romantic comedy that's genuinely funny and unexpectedly powerful" **Evening Standard**
on Zoe Cooper's *Jess and Joe Forever*

"Whatever it is that distinguishes rare writing talent, Zoe Cooper has got it"
The Guardian

MAIN HOUSE

- AD** Audio Described Performance
Thursday 9 May, 7.30pm
- BSL** British Sign Language
Interpreted Performance
Saturday 11 May, 7.30pm
- CAP** Captioned performance
Saturday 11 May, 7.30pm
- PSD** Post Show Discussion
Wednesday 8 May, 7.30pm

TICKETS

- Band 1:** Tickets starting at £39.50
- Band 2:** Tickets starting at £35
- Band 3:** Tickets starting at £25
- Band 4:** Tickets starting at £12

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FRIDAY 28 JUNE - SATURDAY 27 JULY

MADE BY TBTL

THEATRE BY THE LAKE, OCTAGON THEATRE BOLTON
AND STEPHEN JOSEPH THEATRE PRESENT

BRASSED OFF

ADAPTED BY PAUL ALLEN
BASED ON THE SCREENPLAY BY MARK HERMAN
DIRECTED BY LIZ STEVENSON

"Three disasters. Two world wars, one bloody big depression. And every time, the band play on."

Brass runs in Shane's family, and in the midst of yet another cost of living crisis he looks back on the last great battle for the local pit and the defiant glory of Grimley Colliery Band.

It's 1994 and the tight-knit mining community of Grimley, Yorkshire, are fighting to keep their colliery open. Meanwhile, revered band leader, Danny, battles to keep his dispirited band of brass-playing miners together with the dream of qualifying for the National Championships at London's Albert Hall.

When the uncertainty around the pit's future becomes too much for the band members, loyalty is tested, pressure mounts and the community begins to break apart. With their whole way of life at stake, can the band find a way to play on?

Based on the smash-hit film, **Brassed Off** is a much-loved modern classic, full of grit, heart and northern humour. This production will feature live music from local brass bands to deliver a soul-stirring theatrical experience.

"One clear advantage of the staged version is the emotive impact of a large ensemble of brass-savvy professional actors and local musicians blazing through music"

The Guardian

MAIN HOUSE

- AD Audio Described Performance**
Thursday 18 July, 2pm
- BSL British Sign Language Interpreted Performance**
Saturday 20 July, 7.30pm
- CAP Captioned Performance**
Saturday 20 July, 7.30pm
- RP Relaxed Performance**
Thursday 11 July, 11am
- PSD Post Show Discussion**
Monday 8 July, 7.30pm

TICKETS

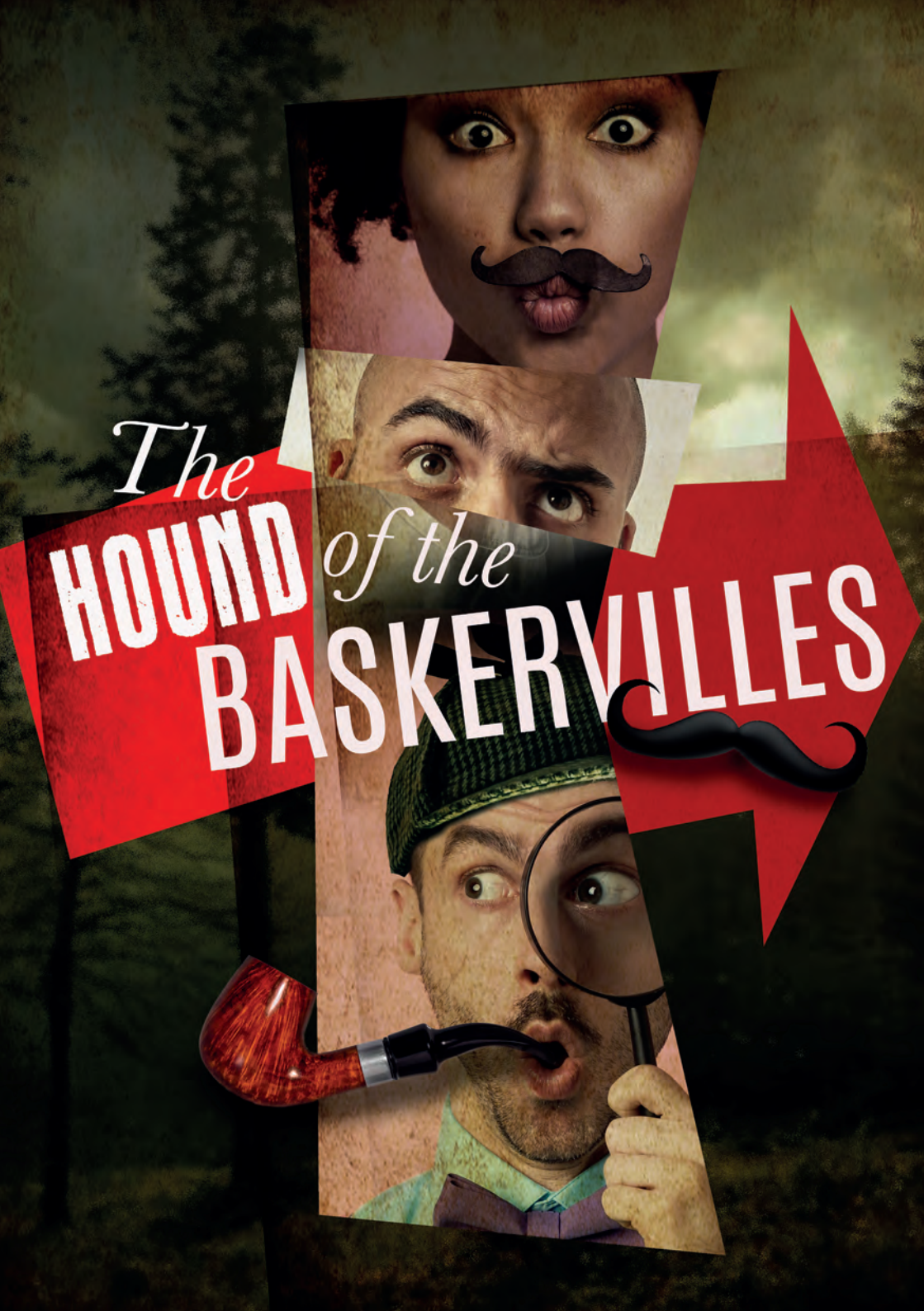
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- Band 3:** Tickets starting at £25
- Band 4:** Tickets starting at £12

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This show is being presented in the round.
See seating plan at the back of this brochure
or contact us for more information.

Brassed Off



FRIDAY 9 AUGUST - SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

MADE BY TBTL

THEATRE BY THE LAKE PRESENT

THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES

BY SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE
ADAPTED BY STEVEN CANNY AND
JOHN NICHOLSON
DIRECTED BY JOHN NICHOLSON

The world's most famous detective gets a hilarious makeover in this spectacularly theatrical comedy.

A terrible murder, a terrifying family curse, a killer on the loose and a gigantic beast on the moor; this sounds like a case for Sherlock Holmes! Can the great detective and his faithful companion Dr Watson unravel the mystery surrounding Sir Charles Baskerville's death and save the life of the last remaining Baskerville, Sir Henry, before it's too late!?

The Hound of the Baskervilles has gripped imaginations since it first appeared in print in 1901. This West End hit adaptation from famed physical comedy theatremakers Peepolykus takes all the familiar elements of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's classic tale through an exhilarating ride of ridiculously funny performances, witty dialogue and buckets of chaos. Expect the unexpected in this side-splitting Sherlock story.

"Infectiously enjoyable"

The Stage

MAIN HOUSE

- AD** Audio Described Performance
Thursday 29 August, 7.30pm
- BSL** British Sign Language
Interpreted Performance
Saturday 31 August, 7.30pm
- CAP** Captioned Performance
Saturday 31 August, 7.30pm
- RP** Relaxed Performance
Thursday 5 September, 11am
- PSD** Post Show Discussion
Monday 2 September, 7.30pm

TICKETS

- Band 1:** Tickets starting at £39.50
- Band 2:** Tickets starting at £35
- Band 3:** Tickets starting at £25
- Band 4:** Tickets starting at £12

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FAMILY FRIENDLY

MADE BY TBTL



FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2024 - SUNDAY 5 JANUARY 2025

THEATRE BY THE LAKE BY ARRANGEMENT WITH
CHILDREN'S THEATRE PARTNERSHIP/FIERY
ANGEL LIMITED, LONDON PRESENT

THE JUNGLE BOOK

BY JESSICA SWALE

MUSIC BY JOE STILGOE

BASED ON THE STORIES BY RUDYARD KIPLING

DIRECTED BY KASH ARSHAD

Tickets from £12

FAMILY
FRIENDLY

A high flying adventure for all the family...

Raised in the Indian jungle, Mowgli the man cub spends his boyhood days running wild with his wolf friends and hunting with the pack.

But Mowgli finds himself in great danger when a band of dastardly monkeys deliver him into the lair of the evil tiger, Shere Khan. With the help of his friends, Baloo the bear and Bagheera the panther, Mowgli manages to escape the tiger's jaws.

Shere Khan will stop at nothing to ensnare Mowgli, and when he tries to turn the wolf pack against the man cub, Mowgli must summon the courage to face his enemy. To triumph, he must first learn the law of the jungle and discover who he truly is.

Based on the adored children's classic by Rudyard Kipling, Theatre by the Lake is excited to present Jessica Swale's acclaimed stage adaptation of **The Jungle Book**. Featuring loveable characters, catchy songs and charming puppetry, this playful tale of adventure, friendship and belonging is the perfect treat for all the family this Christmas.

See all performance times on our website.
Book early to get the best seats!

"Fresh, ambitious and inventive"
The Times

SWINGING INTO KESWICK NEXT CHRISTMAS...
TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

STUFF AND NONSENSE THEATRE COMPANY

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS

Main House

Sat 17 February 2pm

Sun 18 - Tuesday 20 February 11am & 2pm

Tickets: £14 / £12

Age guidance: 3 - 10

FAMILY
FRIENDLY

There's a wolf coming... but for now, **The Three Little Pigs** have tricked him onto a bus. If he catches them, he'll huff and he'll puff and we all know how that ends...

On the run and with the need to build a strong shelter, our three problem-solving pigs call on you to save their bacon. Be blown away by the world of Stuff and Nonsense in this joyful retelling of a classic tale. Told in a unique physical style with raucous puppets, this is high-octane family theatre that will make you howl!



INDEFINITE ARTICLES

CLAYTIME

Studio

Tue 9 April

11am & 2pm

Tickets: £12 / £10

Age guidance: 3 - 6

FAMILY
FRIENDLY

The award-winning Indefinite Articles present their work for the very young: **Claytime**, a play with clay, where the audience are invited to participate.

Come to a place where the earth's natural material

MARK THOMPSON'S AWARD WINNING

SPECTACULAR SCIENCE SHOW

Main House

Sat 24 February 3pm

Tickets: £17 / £15

Age guidance: 4 - 12

FAMILY
FRIENDLY

You think science is boring, think again; this is science like you have never seen it before. Designed for children and adults alike, Mark's **Spectacular Science Show** explores the strange and magical properties of matter with exploding elephant's toothpaste, vortex-generating dustbins and even howling jelly babies!



meets with children's imaginations: a world of fabulous forms, amazing animals and morphing monsters.

Each Claytime is totally unique - creating its own world, its own characters and its own stories drawn directly from its young audience.



FAMILY FRIENDLY



INDIGO MOON THEATRE THE LOST FOREST

Studio
Tuesday 2 April, 11am & 2pm
Tickets: £12 / £10
Age guidance: 5+

FAMILY
FRIENDLY

There's magic and mayhem in the rainforest! Animals' homes are at risk as bulldozers and diggers crash through the trees. Who will come to the rescue and fight the evil Endorro? Can we save the rainforest?

Join Indigo Moon Theatre as they present **The Lost Forest**, a mesmerising performance of puppetry and digital projection for young children and families. Discover a tale of climate change and deforestation as small creatures flee the destruction of their natural habitats.

This popular, long running show is timelessly relevant, taking environmental concerns and weaving a fun and dynamic show around them.

Integrating the age-old tradition of Wayang Golek (colourful rod puppets from West Java, Indonesia), stunning rainforest projections, shadow puppet theatre and original musical score, the show embraces innovative and interactive approaches to storytelling. Aimed at younger audiences with lessons for us all to think about nature and the world in which we live.

DRAMA

THEATRE BY THE LAKE OPEN SPACE

Studio
Saturday 6 April, 7.30pm
Tickets: £7

Be the first to experience new performances from local talent as artists present work-in-development of all types - from spoken word to music and dance to drama.

This much-loved annual event gives you the opportunity to meet and support creative people from Cumbria and be entertained, and perhaps even surprised, by their work.

There will be a selection of performances on offer, each lasting about 15 minutes and you'll be invited to share your feedback in a relaxed and friendly environment.



Artists: Do you have a creative idea you want to test on an audience? Get involved at theatrebythelake.com/scratch night.

NORTH CUMBRIA SCRIPTWRITERS LONELY CLOUD: ACT YOUR AGE

Studio
Saturday 20 April, 7.30pm
Tickets: £10

North Cumbria Scriptwriters present the six winners of the **Lonely Cloud** competition, **Act Your Age**, that was publicised via the BBC Writersroom. This evening offers a variety of themes and emotions, all with a common link: "Act Your Age". Some are light-hearted: meet a cleverly enterprising restaurant waiter, for example, or an over-optimistic tribute band promoter. Others are more thought-provoking: witness a grandma gardening towards trouble or foresee a distressing example of where AI could take us.

The winners of the Act Your Age competition were chosen by theatre maker, writer and producer and TBTL Associate Artist, Melina Barnett. These six short plays will be performed by community actors at TBTL and give a flavour of what scriptwriters with a link to Cumbria are up to these days.

The show will be followed by a discussion with the members of North Cumbria Scriptwriters and actors.



SAM DANSON IN ASSOCIATION WITH EMMERSON & WARD PRODUCTIONS PRESENT BI-TOPIA

Studio
Wednesday 12 June, 7.30pm
Tickets: £16 / £12
Age Guidance: 14+

Join Sam; a self-confessed people-pleaser, in the war room as he embarks on his biggest mission yet. Shame is coming in from the west flank and gay thoughts are sailing in from the east... This is war!

BI-TOPIA is a 'Hilarious, honest and raw' coming-of-age story, exploring the highs and lows of the bisexual experience, bravely delving into under-represented links between poor mental health, sexuality and masculinity.

Directed by award-winning Rikki Beadle-Blair, written and performed by northern theatre maker Sam Danson.

★★★★.5

"This compelling hour of story-telling is delivered flawlessly. Candid, powerful and gentle... A one man show that's all about the man."

The Reviews Hub.



MUSIC

RUBY TURNER

Main House
Friday 23 February, 7.30pm
Tickets: £27

Ruby Turner's major break came in the mid 1980s, when she was asked to join Culture Club at the height of their stardom. Signed to Jive Records, four albums and a "Best of" album were all released to critical acclaim over the next few years making Ruby a household name.

Her career to date has taken many directions, with major tours, theatre and TV appearances, and touring with Jools Holland.



THE PITMEN POETS

Main House
Tuesday 11 June, 7.30pm
Tickets: £26.50

A night of songs and stories laced with North East humour and humanity, from four legends of the folk music scene.

The Pitmen Poets features ex Lindisfarne singer Billy Mitchell, award winning songwriter Jez Lowe, distinguished singer and instrumentalist Bob Fox who played the Song Man in the West End and world tour production of War Horse, and Tyneside song connoisseur, Benny Graham.

All four members of the group were brought up in the shadow of the colliery with their fathers and grandfathers working long days and nights at the coalface. Not surprisingly, their experiences and memories are represented in their songs, stories, and poetry including The Pitman's Dream, These Coal Town Days and Black Diamonds.



Visit our website to find out more!

FESTIVALS & EXHIBITIONS



RED AND BLUE FILM PROGRAMMES BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL

Main House
Tuesday 13 & Wednesday 14 February, 7.30pm
Tickets: £18 / Concessions £16 / Group of 6+ £16 each / Book both nights £32
Early Bird Offer: all tickets £16 until Thursday 30 November

Witness a night of thrilling adventure - up on the big screen.

The Banff Mountain Film Festival features a brand-new collection of short films filled with extreme journeys, untamed characters and captivating cinematography. Join the world's top adventure filmmakers and thrill-seekers as they climb, ski, paddle and ride into the wildest corners of the planet.

There are two shows, each with an entirely different selection of films - the 2024 Red Film Programme (Tuesday 13 February) and the 2024 Blue Film Programme (Wednesday 14 February). Double the adventure by coming to both with a two-show discount.

With free prize giveaways, this is an unmissable event from the world's most prestigious mountain festival - guaranteed to ignite your passion for adventure, action and travel.

See www.banff-uk.com for further information. Picture by Antoine Mesnage.

KESWICK MOUNTAIN FESTIVAL

Main House

Full Festival Friday 17 - Sunday 19 May
At Theatre by the Lake Saturday 18 May

Tickets: from £15

The UK's Premier Mountain Festival is back and will kick off the summer festival season in style.

As ever expect exciting speakers and films, and a packed sports and local live music lineup. Each event attracts thousands of visitors to the iconic fells and lakes of Cumbria.

The full line-up of high profile speakers featuring at Theatre by the Lake will be announced in late 2023. Look out for some stellar names that you won't want to miss.



KESWICK FILM FESTIVAL

Main House

Friday 1 & Saturday 2 March

Book your tickets online with Keswick Film Festival or in person at Keswick Alhambra

The Keswick Film Festival is back for its 24th year at the Theatre by the Lake, The Alhambra and at Rheged. A fascinating, eclectic programme of 25 of the best independent films from around the world, plus the Osprey Short Film Awards and some special guests makes for the perfect spring weekend in Keswick.

The full festival runs at Theatre by the Lake, Keswick Alhambra and Rheged from Thursday 29 February - Sunday 3 March.

Visit www.keswickfilm.org/festival for details of the programme, tickets and the opportunity to sign up for our mailing list.

Tickets and passes will be on sale in 2024.



PERCY KELLY EXHIBITION

In 2024 Theatre by the Lake will host an extraordinary exhibition of the works of acclaimed West Cumbrian artist Percy Kelly, including never before seen footage of his works on 8mm.

In Spring 2023 Chris Wadsworth, founder of Castlegate House Gallery and representative of the Percy Kelly estate, received a mysterious email asking if she would be interested in a film and a letter from the artist himself addressed to a gallery owner in Paris. Chris replied with caution; Percy died 30 years ago leaving nothing about ever being in Paris. The correspondent had not been able to watch the 8mm cinefilm footage, but the letter, signed and dated 1964, proved to be genuine. What followed is an astonishing tale, which is still unfolding today.

Alongside the opportunity to view this never-before seen film, this special exhibition will support Theatre by the Lake with proceeds from sales of paintings, drawings and original prints donated to the theatre.

"Out of West Cumbria, a region largely marooned by the overly romanticised Lake District, Percy Kelly drew from a darker, more humble landscape. He emphasised the bleakness of the lichen green fells and the steely scales of the distant peaks. He celebrated the forgotten fishing ports which line the industrial coast south of the Solway and the terraces of the mining villages. For him they were places of mist and rain and intense aloneness.

"This complex man is to be found in every one of his landscapes... Each place was deeply felt."

Andy Christian, Artist, writer, critic, curator writing in the prologue to the Kelly biography The Man Who Couldn't Stop Drawing: The Extraordinary Life of Percy Kelly

OUR COMMUNITY

We are proud to welcome our local creative communities, from choirs, to musicians, and theatre enthusiasts to young actors treading the boards for the first time. To find out more about how we work with local groups, email enquiries@theatrebythelake.com

KESWICK THEATRE CLUB

LADIES DAY

Studio
Wednesday 1 - Saturday 4 May
Tickets: £15

Work, love and life are just one long, hard slog for the fish-filleting foursome Pearl, Jan, Shelley and Linda. But their fortunes are set to change when Linda finds tickets to Ladies Day at Royal Ascot. Out go the hairnets, overalls and wellies as the four ditch work, do themselves up to the nines and head off to the races for a drink, a flirt and a flutter. If their luck holds, they could hit the jackpot - and more besides.



COMMITTED2ROCK

Main House
Thursday 23 and Friday 24 May, 7.30pm
Tickets: £16

Committed2Rock community choir present
 Shades of Rock!!

We welcome back this entertaining and exciting group of singers from all over Cumbria on a journey through the colours of the rainbow in song.

Led by their energetic choir director, Cath Marcangelo, this family show will have you rocking in the aisles and belting out the words with gusto.

Expect the unexpected and lots of fun!

All Proceeds to Theatre by the Lake and Parkinsons UK in Cumbria.

KESWICK AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Keswick Amateur Operatic Society
Main House
Thursday 30 May - Sunday 2 June
Tickets: £28 - £13

KAOS is proud to present the final collaboration between Rodgers & Hammerstein which was indisputably destined to become the world's most beloved musical. Packed with songs and tunes that everyone either knows or finds familiar, the show is based on the incredible true story of a high-spirited novice nun and the courageous family she inspires with music. The story of Maria and the Von Trapp family is one of faith, love, passion and strength mixed into a cocktail with singing nuns, children and vile Nazis. A show definitely not to be missed.



Visit our website to find out more!



KESWICK MUSIC SOCIETY OPERA EVENING

Four Singers and Five Fabulous Musicians
Main House
Wednesday 12 June, 7.30pm
Tickets: £32 - £5

Wild Arts return to Keswick for another evening of opera highlights woven into a wonderful story of love and passion, wit and skulduggery.

These enchanting evenings of beautiful music have been gaining a great following in the last couple of years in theatres and stately homes around the country, so we are delighted to bring them back to Theatre by the Lake.

Expect some of the greatest hits of opera - arias, duets and ensembles - by Mozart, Puccini, Verdi and more, mostly sung in English by four exceptional young professional singers who are regularly on the stage at the world's great opera houses, accompanied by a live string quintet of top professional musicians.

When operas were the musicals of the day, leading composers frequently staged composite productions using some of their own music blended with the best bits of other composers' works, linked together within a more-or-less new story to showcase the most popular songs.

This evening brings the concept up to date and follows the four characters through a riot of opera blended with some classic hits from the musicals along with some surprises and gems from four centuries of great music. Wit, passion, comedy, tragedy...as you'd expect, it's all here.

YOUR VISIT



BOX OFFICE

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HOW TO FIND US

Address: **Theatre by the Lake, Lakeside, Keswick, Cumbria CA12 5DJ**

Find us a five-minute walk from Keswick town centre.

PARKING

Lakeside Car Park is owned and operated by Cumberland Council and offers pay and display parking (cash and card payments accepted or payment via the MiPermit app). The car park is situated next to the theatre and contains 235 parking bays, 14 disabled spaces and 4 coach bays. Parking after 7pm costs £1. The car park is extremely busy, particularly for matinee performances, with visitors to Derwentwater, Hope Park and Keswick town centre as well as the theatre. We advise planning in advance and arriving in plenty of time before performances. Further car parks in Keswick can be found at keswick.org/visitor-information/car-parks



LAKE SIDE

CAFE & RESTAURANT

The specially situated Lakeside Cafe Restaurant is nestled between the lake and the theatre and is the perfect place to enjoy breakfast, lunch, coffee and cake, or something more substantial before the show. A place where menus match the impressive views of Catbells.

View sample menus and reserve a table for dinner at theatrebythelake.com/food or call 017687 81102.

ACCESS

For Made by TBTL shows we offer regular Audio Described, British Sign Language Interpreted, Captioned and Relaxed Performances. Please see individual show pages or the diary at the back of this brochure for performance dates and times. An Access Guide is available on request by emailing enquiries@theatrebythelake.com

To book for an Access Performance or to request a copy of this brochure in an alternate format please contact us at:

017687 74411
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TICKETS FOR DEAF AND DISABLED PEOPLE

Tickets for all Made by TBTL shows are £12 for Deaf and disabled customers and their companion, personal assistant or carer. For shows visiting the theatre Deaf and disabled customers are entitled to one free ticket for their companion, personal assistant or carer.

HEARING ENHANCEMENT



Our Main House front stalls are fitted with an induction loop and we have infra-red headsets available free of charge. Speak to our Box Office team by phone on **017687 74411** or email enquiries@theatrebythelake.com for advice on the best seats to use the induction loop.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS

Theatre by the Lake has a lift offering flat floor access to all floors and accessible toilets available on every floor. Wheelchair spaces are available in both our Main House and Studio.

To book a wheelchair space please contact our Box Office team by phone on **017687 74411** or email enquiries@theatrebythelake.com

ASSISTANCE DOGS



Assistance Dogs are welcome in all areas of the theatre.

RELAXED PERFORMANCES

For every Made by TBTL show, we offer a specially altered performance for people who would benefit from a more relaxed environment. Some alterations are specific to the show, but in general these include quieter sound and calmer lighting, a printed visual story of the show and the doors to the theatre space remaining open so that you can enter and exit at any time. Our Relaxed Performances are popular with people who live with Dementia, sensory communication disorders, autism and learning difficulties, as well as people attending the theatre with babies.

DEMANTIA FRIENDLY

We are a Dementia Friendly building and the majority of our staff and volunteers are Dementia Friends. We offer familiarisation tours and access packs on request. Email enquiries@theatrebythelake.com to request these.



AUDIO BROCHURE

For every Theatre by the Lake brochure we also produce a corresponding Audio Brochure available to listen to online. For more information on our audio brochures please email enquiries@theatrebythelake.com.



Blonde Bombshells of 1943, 2023.
Photography by Pamela Raith

WAYS TO SAVE



TICKETS

For all Made by TBTL shows tickets start at just £12. We recommend booking early to get the best seats at the best prices as these may rise as demand for tickets increases.

BAND 1: Tickets starting at £39.50

BAND 2: Tickets starting at £35

BAND 3: Tickets starting at £25

BAND 4: Tickets starting at £12

For shows and events visiting us here at the theatre, ticket prices are unique to each event. Take a look through the show pages in this brochure for full details.

SEASON SAVER DEAL

This season's Made by TBTL shows in our Season Saver Deal are: The Little Shop of Horrors, Northanger Abbey, Brassed Off and The Hound of the Baskervilles.

Book all 4 shows and save 15%

Book any 3 of these shows and save 10%

MEMBERS SUPER SAVER DEAL

Best Friends, Benefactor and Champion Members get an additional 10% discount on their Season Saver Deals.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND STUDENTS

Tickets for any **Made by TBTL** shows are £12 for children under 16 who are accompanied by an adult, people aged under 26 and people who are in full time education.

SCHOOLS

School tickets are £12 per person for all shows, plus get one free teacher ticket for every 10 pupils.

GROUPS

We offer great discounts for groups of 8 or more people. Groups of up to 20 people can book online and the discount will apply automatically. Groups of more than 20 people can book via our dedicated Group Bookings line: **017687 74411** (option 2) or email groupbookings@theatrebythelake.com

HOW TO BOOK

Our Box Office is open for in person and phone bookings Monday - Saturday from 12noon - 7.30pm (5pm on non-performance days). For any morning performances, the Box Office opens 30 minutes before the event. You can book online via our website at any time.

A transaction fee of £1.50 is applicable for bookings made in person or on the phone. There is no fee to book tickets online.

Gift Vouchers

Treat the theatre lover in your life with a voucher they can redeem against any show at Theatre by the Lake. Gift Vouchers are available to buy at Box Office or over the phone.

Ticket Protection

Tickets booked with Theatre by the Lake are non-refundable. Ticket Protection offers you protection against cancellation resulting from accidents, unexpected illnesses and other unforeseen circumstances. Just add to your order when booking.

Receiving your tickets

E-Ticket: FREE

By post: £1.50*

Collect from Box Office: £1

*Tickets booked less than 7 days before a performance are not available for postal delivery.

Performance Times

Please arrive in plenty of time for performances as latecomers may not be admitted.

Content Warnings

Some productions may contain content or themes that some audience members may find upsetting. Wherever possible, these are highlighted on our website.

Special Effects

Strobe lighting, smoke or stage effects and the smoking of stage-cigarettes or e-cigarettes may be used in productions. These may not be advertised in advance as they may not be known until the day of the performance.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Discounts

Only one discount per ticket is permitted. Discounts cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. All discounts and offers are subject to availability.

Children

Children aged under 4 will only be permitted to Family Friendly or Relaxed Performances. Booster seats are available on request. Lap Seats or Babe In Arms tickets for babies up to 18 months will not be charged but must be booked. Under 16s must be accompanied at all times. Theatre by the Lake cannot accept responsibility for unaccompanied children.

Data Protection

Theatre by the Lake is committed to protecting your personal information, being transparent about what data we hold and giving you control over how we use it. View our Privacy Policy online at theatrebythelake.com/privacy-policy.

Programme alterations

Every effort is made to avoid alterations to the programme. However, Theatre by the Lake reserves the right to cancel or alter events if this is unavoidable. In this unlikely event, we are committed to contacting all customers in advance wherever possible.

Ticket exchanges and refunds

Theatre by the Lake does not offer refunds unless the event is cancelled. We are happy to exchange tickets up to 48 hours before the event, for another date in the run of the same production. There is a £1.50 fee for this service.

For information on our refunds and exchanges policies please contact the Box Office on **017687 74411**.

All requests for exchanges or changes to an order must be made by the individual that booked the tickets. We are unable to process requests by third parties.



Visit our website to find out more!

MAIN HOUSE

Tue 13	BANFF Mountain Film Festival	7.30pm
Wed 14	BANFF Mountain Film Festival	7.30pm
Sat 17	The Three Little Pigs	2pm
Sun 18	The Three Little Pigs	11am
	The Three Little Pigs	2pm
Mon 19	The Three Little Pigs	11am
	The Three Little Pigs	2pm
Tue 20	The Three Little Pigs	11am
	The Three Little Pigs	2pm
Fri 23	Ruby Turner	7.30pm
Sat 24	Spectacular Science Show	3pm

Fri 1	Keswick Film Festival	
Sat 2	Keswick Film Festival	
Thu 7	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Fri 8	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Sat 9	The School for Scandal	2pm
	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Mon 11	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Tue 12	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Wed 13	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Thu 14	The School for Scandal	2pm
	The School for Scandal AD	7.30pm
Fri 15	The School for Scandal	7.30pm
Sat 16	The School for Scandal	2pm
	The School for Scandal BSL/CAP	7.30pm
Wed 27	Little Shop of Horrors PR	7.30pm
Thu 28	Little Shop of Horrors ON	7.30pm
Fri 29	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Sat 30	Little Shop of Horrors	2pm
	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm

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MAIN HOUSE

Mon 1	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Tue 2	Little Shop of Horrors	2pm
	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Wed 3	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Thu 4	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Fri 5	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Sat 6	Little Shop of Horrors	2pm
	Little Shop of Horrors BSL/CAP	7.30pm
Mon 8	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Tue 9	Little Shop of Horrors	2pm
	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Wed 10	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Thu 11	Little Shop of Horrors	2pm
	Little Shop of Horrors AD	7.30pm
Fri 12	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Sat 13	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Mon 15	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Tue 16	Little Shop of Horrors PSD	7.30pm
Wed 17	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Thu 18	Little Shop of Horrors RP	12pm
	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Fri 19	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Sat 20	Little Shop of Horrors	2pm
	Little Shop of Horrors	7.30pm
Sat 27	Northanger Abbey PR	7.30pm
Mon 29	Northanger Abbey PR	7.30pm
Tue 30	Northanger Abbey PR	2pm
	Northanger Abbey ON	7.30pm

Wed 1	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Thu 2	Northanger Abbey	2pm
	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Fri 3	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Sat 4	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Mon 6	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Tue 7	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Wed 8	Northanger Abbey PSD	7.30pm
Thu 9	Northanger Abbey	2pm
	Northanger Abbey AD	7.30pm
Fri 10	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Sat 11	Northanger Abbey	2pm
	Northanger Abbey BSL/CAP	7.30pm
Mon 13	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Tue 14	Northanger Abbey	2pm
	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Wed 15	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Thu 16	Northanger Abbey	2pm
	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Fri 17	Northanger Abbey	7.30pm
Sat 18	Keswick Mountain Festival	
Thu 23	Committed2Rock	7.30pm
Fri 24	Committed2Rock	7.30pm
Thu 30	The Sound of Music	7.30pm
Fri 31	The Sound of Music	2pm
	The Sound of Music	7.30pm

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MAIN HOUSE

JUNE

Sat 1	The Sound of Music	2pm
	The Sound of Music	7.30pm
Sun 2	The Sound of Music	5pm
Tue 11	The Pitmen Poets	7.30pm
Wed 12	Opera Evening	7.30pm
Fri 28	Brassed Off PR	7.30pm
Sat 29	Brassed Off PR	7.30pm

JULY

Mon 1	Brassed Off PR	7.30pm
Tue 2	Brassed Off ON	7.30pm
Wed 3	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Thu 4	Brassed Off	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Fri 5	Brassed Off	
Sat 6	Brassed Off	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Mon 8	Brassed Off PSD	7.30pm
Tue 9	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Wed 10	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Thu 11	Brassed Off RP	11am
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Fri 12	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Sat 13	Brassed Off	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Mon 15	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Tue 16	Brassed Off	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Wed 17	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Thu 18	Brassed Off AD	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Fri 19	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Sat 20	Brassed Off BSL/CAP	7.30pm
Mon 22	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Tue 23	Brassed Off	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Wed 24	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Thu 25	Brassed Off	2pm
	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Fri 26	Brassed Off	7.30pm
Sat 27	Brassed Off	7.30pm

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MAIN HOUSE

AUGUST

Fri 9	The Hound of the Baskervilles PR	7.30pm
Sat 10	The Hound of the Baskervilles PR	7.30pm
Mon 12	The Hound of the Baskervilles PR	7.30pm
Tue 13	The Hound of the Baskervilles ON	7.30pm
Wed 14	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Thu 15	The Hound of the Baskervilles	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Fri 16	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Sat 17	The Hound of the Baskervilles	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Mon 19	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Tue 20	The Hound of the Baskervilles	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Wed 21	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Thu 22	The Hound of the Baskervilles	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Fr 23	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Sat 24	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Mon 26	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Tue 27	The Hound of the Baskervilles	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Wed 28	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Thu 29	The Hound of the Baskervilles AD	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Fri 30	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Sat 31	The Hound of the Baskervilles BSL/CAP	7.30pm

SEPTEMBER

Mon 2	The Hound of the Baskervilles PSD	7.30pm
Tue 3	The Hound of the Baskervilles	2pm
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Wed 4	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Thu 5	The Hound of the Baskervilles RP	11am
	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Fri 6	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm
Sat 7	The Hound of the Baskervilles	7.30pm

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ACCESSIBLE PERFORMANCES

AD

Audio Described Performances

The School for Scandal: Thu 14 March, 7.30pm
Little Shop of Horrors: Thursday 11 April, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Thu 9 May, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Thu 18 July, 2pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Thursday 29 August, 7.30pm

BSL

British Sign Language Interpreted Performances

The School for Scandal: Sat 16 March, 7.30pm
Little Shop of Horrors: Sat 6 April, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Sat 11 May, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Sat 20 July, 7.30pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Saturday 31 August, 7.30pm

CAP

Captioned Performances

The School for Scandal: Sat 16 March, 7.30pm
Little Shop of Horrors: Sat 6 April, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Sat 11 May, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Sat 20 July, 7.30pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Saturday 31 August, 7.30pm

ON

Opening Night Performances

Little Shop of Horrors: Thu 28 March, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Tue 30 April, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Tue 2 July
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Tue 13 August, 7.30pm

PR

Preview

Little Shop of Horrors: Wed 27 March, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Sat 27 April, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Mon 29 April, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Tue 30 April, 2pm
Brassed Off: Fri 28 June, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Sat 29 June, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Mon 1 July, 7.30pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Fri 9 August, 7.30pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Sat 10 August, 7.30pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Mon 12 August, 7.30pm

PSD

Post-Show Discussion

Little Shop of Horrors: Thur 16 April, 7.30pm
Northanger Abbey: Wed 8 May, 7.30pm
Brassed Off: Mon 8 July, 7.30pm
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Monday 3 September, 7.30pm

RP

Relaxed Performances

Little Shop of Horrors: Thursday 18 April, 12pm
Brassed off: Thursday 11 July, 11am
The Hound of the Baskervilles: Thursday 5 September, 11am

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centre stage every day.



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