

A traditional, fun-filled, professional Pantomime

Mon 18th Dec- Sat 30th Dec 2023



WHAT'S ON: AUTUMN/WINTER 2023

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Welcome

This past season we have seen some spectacular shows treading our humble boards. Whether local groups or professionals, we are excited to see what the rest of 2023 will bring!

Stantonbury Theatre turns 49 this December and we have selected an assortment of shows for a variety of ages. We have always prided ourselves on endeavouring to provide a 'Theatre4Kids' programme to keep theatre available and accessible for little ones throughout the year with upcoming shows such as Tricky Teddy's Family Magic Show (which was a sell out last year!), The King of Nothing - a fabulous reimagining of 'The Emperor's New Clothes' and laugh out loud comedy with Comedy Club 4 Kids!

We have a mix of local and professional productions for the adults. Kicking off our season is Etcetera Theatre Company's adaptation of **Agatha Christie's Towards Zero**, with other local groups filling the Autumn with exciting shows such as **Jack the Ripper**, Bram Stoker's **Dracula** and musical classic, **Godspell**!

Stantonbury Stand-Up comedy nights are making a return with our first show back headlined by ITV 'The Chase's' The Sinnerman, Paul Sinha!

Professional improvisers, The Make 'Em Ups, will be joining us for an improvised adventure for adults, **Bumper Blyton**, based on the work of Enid Blyton. Twice this season we are bringing back the 'radio-play-live-on-stage' with the lost episodes of **Hancock's Half Hour** and a festive treat with **A Christmas Carol**, starring Doctor Who's **Colin Baker** as Scrooge and Blue Peter's **Peter Purves** as Charles Dickens!

Pantomime season is also upon us, we have once again partnered with **Rare Pantomimes** to bring you **Snow White!** With our 2024 program building up nicely, we are hoping to bring you more surprises and some lovely treats as we build up to the Theatre's **Golden Anniversary**.

Ryan Truscott
Theatre Administrator



Artwork by local artist, Graham Mills, who exhibited with us in January 2023.



YOUTH THEATRE

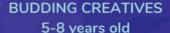


Black Sheep Collective deliver a weekly creative programme in collaboration with Stantonbury Theatre. This is an exciting opportunity for both organisations. Black Sheep Youth Theatre members have the opportunity to use and access the resources of the theatre whilst also giving Stantonbury Theatre a fully functioning creative learning programme.

To enrol on any of the programmes or for further information, please contact Georgia on: georgia@blacksheepcollective.co.uk or call the Black Sheep Production Office on 01908 804257 For more information, visit blacksheepcollective.co.uk or stantonburytheatre.co.uk



YOUNG COMPANY 13-18 years old Monday's 6pm - 7:30pm



Tuesday's 4pm - 5pm

YOUNG PERFORMERS 9-12 years old Monday's 4pm - 5pm



ADULT ACTORS 18+ Tuesday's 7pm - 9pm

An adult acting class runs alongside the existing Black Sheep Youth Theatre programme.

The sessions focus on developing performance skills and exploring various theatre practices. The group will be working towards various performances throughout the year!



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ARE PROUD TO PRESENT....

COMEDY

STANTONBURY STAND UP COMEDY NIGHT

Recommended Age: (18[†])

Stantonbury Stand-Up is back!

Hosted by Caroline Mabey and headlined by the hilarious Paul Sinha, best known as 'The Sinnerman' on the hugely popular ITV quiz show 'The Chase', Paul has played every major comedy club in the UK, performed in eighteen other countries across the globe and been three times nominated for Best Club Comedian at the Chortle Awards, winning in 2014!

Opening the show is the brilliant and award winning comedian **Tom Ward** and accompanied with up-and-coming comic, **Josh Baulf**!



HEADLINE ACT







FEATURING









Hancock's Half Hour

Apollo Theatre Company

From the producers of the critically acclaimed tours of *Round the Horne* and *The Goon Show* comes another radio comedy classic live on stage.

In 1954, **Tony Hancock** burst onto the airwaves of the BBC Light Programme with a comedy show unlike anything the British public had heard before. Hancock's Half Hour was one of the first programmes in the genre we now know as sitcom.

Written by young up-and-comers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson, who later went on to create Steptoe and Son, Hancock's Half Hour redefined radio comedy and has had people laughing non-stop for the past 65 years. So come and take a trip to 23 Railway Cuttings, East Cheam to join 'the lad himself' and his motley crew for three classic episodes of this hilarious show!

Friday 13th October, 7:30pm Tickets: £15 | Concessions £13



Tricky Teddy's Family Magic Show

Krisgar Entertainments

Tricky Teddy's Family Magic Show features mind-boggling magic, ventriloquism, illusion, music, singing, great fun and audience interaction. With so much variety wrapped up in one show, there really is something for the whole family to enjoy!

This year, award-winning duo, **Krisgar & Tricky Teddy**, are back by popular demand for their second year at Stantonbury Theatre.

Last year's show was a **SELL OUT**, so book soon to avoid disappointment!



Saturday 14th October, 2:30pm Tickets: £10 | Concessions £8 Family Ticket - £32

Family Ticket - £32 (2 × Adults & 2 × Children)

Comedy Club 4 Kids

Makin Projects Ltd. Presents

Like the name says, it's a Comedy Club 4 Kids!

Cracking entertainment for everyone over six years old and under 400 years old (no vampires).

We have the best comedians from the UK and world circuit doing what they do best... but without the rude bits!

It's just like a normal comedy club, but it's on in the day, kids are allowed in, and thus there is a higher than usual chance of heckles like "why is that your face!?"

Sunday 22nd October, 2pm

Tickets: £10 | Children/Concessions £8

Family Ticket - £32

(2 x Adults & 2 x Children)

Since 2005, the Comedy

Club 4 Kids has been

getting the best stand-ups

and sketch acts from the
international circuit to do
international circuit to do
their thing for an audience
of children and their
families!













The King of Nothing

Monstro Theatre

King Reginald is a ruler who likes to keep in style. But the fashions change so fast, he's afraid he can't keep up...

Hearing of the King's predicament, two fasttalking "Weavers" head to the palace with their brand new fabric: it's "smart" and it's "in" and it NEVER goes out of fashion!

Soon the Kingdom is alive with talk of the magical cloth and Reginald can't wait to wear his "smart" new suit to the Big Parade.

But what are these "weavers" really spinning...?

Inspired by **The Emperor's New Clothes**, this wild new Puppet Musical sets out to prove... You'll Believe Anything!

Age

Wednesday 25th October, 2pm
Tickets: £10 | Concessions £8
Family Ticket - £32
(2 × Adults & 2 × Children)



Improvised Adventures For Grown-ups!

The Make Em' Ups

A riotous improvised parody chock full of puns and lashings of innuendo, in the style of the Nation's favourite author, Enid Blyton.

Cast yourself back to your childhood in a show that's spontaneous and utterly unique every time, with this satirical take on childhood favourite books like The Famous Five and Mallory Towers.

A cast of the UK's best-known improvisers invent an hilarious improvised adventure live on the hoof based on audience suggestions.

It's **Enid Blyton**...for grown ups!

Thursday 16th November, 7:30pm Tickets: £15 | Concessions £13 Honalee Media Ltd proudly presents
CRIME AND COMEDY THEATRE COMPANY'S
180TH ANNIVERSARY PRODUCTION of...



COLIN BAKER

(Doctor Who, The Brothers)

EBENEZER SCROOGE



Starring

PETER PURVES
(Blue Peter, Doctor Who)

CHARLES DICKENS

CHRISTMAS MAROL

By Charles Dickens A Radio Play Live On Stage

Adapted & Directed by Martin Parsons

The Entertainment Views

Cult Box

Reviews of our latest production, "The Hound Of The Baskerville

West End Best Friend

Sadie Takes The Stage

Be My Guest

Saturday 9th December, 2:30pm & 7:30pm

Tickets: £24 | Concessions £22



SMOW WHITE

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The story of Snow White tells the tale of a beautiful princess born with skin so fair and pure that her mother named her Snow White.

After the Queen's death, her father married a woman who was vain and wicked, and who was jealous of Snow White's beauty. When the step-mother's Magic Mirror told her that she was no longer the fairest of them all and Snow White's beauty was unsurpassed, she flew into a rage and ordered her Huntsman to kill Snow White!

In the forest the Huntsman was unable to follow his orders and told Snow White to go deep into the forest and never return!

After taking a bite of a poisonous apple, Snow White falls unconscious and is placed in a glass coffin so her beauty can still be admired.

Tickets

Adult £23.50 Concessions £21.50 Under 16's £17.50





Will Snow White be freed from her unconscious state by the kiss of a handsome Prince? Or will she be forever fated to her deep sleep?....

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When a house party gathers at the seaside home of Lady Tressilian, Gull's Point, Neville Strange finds himself caught between his ex-wife Audrey and his

of jealousy in the shadow of a savage and brutal murder. With reflections on suicide, depression and

Saturday 23rd September, 7:30pm Tickets: £16 | Concessions £14

Tickets sold by Etcetera Theatre Company - www.etctheatre.co.uk

MUSICAL THEATRE

A small group of people help Jesus Christ tell different parables by using a wide variety of games, storytelling techniques and hefty doses of comic timina.

An eclectic blend of songs, (ranging in style from pop to vaudeville and from folk to full-on rock), is employed as the story of Jesus' life dances across the stage.

Dissolving hauntingly into the Last Supper and the Crucifixion, Jesus' messages of kindness, tolerance and love come vibrantly to life.

The show is about community, relationships, friendship, loyalty and love. With a specially-written prologue setting this production specifically in our current troubled and challenging times, this will be a fresh production of a musical theatre classic!

Wednesday 18th - Saturday 21st October, 7:30pm

(£16 Concession tickets available for the performance on Wednesday 18th October only.)

Dracula.

A deliciously, dark adaptation of Bram Stoker's Dracula by Carabosse Theatre Company! A sensory feast with live music, singing and incredible projection mapping promises a

beautifully, magical and immersive show!

With support using public funding by Arts Council England, This is an immersive sensory experience you will not forget!

Featuring:

MK Women's Choir

Act Out/Act Up Drama Group

Illusions designed by David Penn, Illusionist

Dracula themed 'Pop-up' Gallery Exhibition curated by MK College Art Students 31st October - Press night. Optional audience dress code - 'Victoriana'!

Thursday 2nd and Saturday 4th November (Matinee) with BSL Interpreter





Saturday 4th November (Matinee) is a Relaxed show suitable for Neurodivergent and General Audience

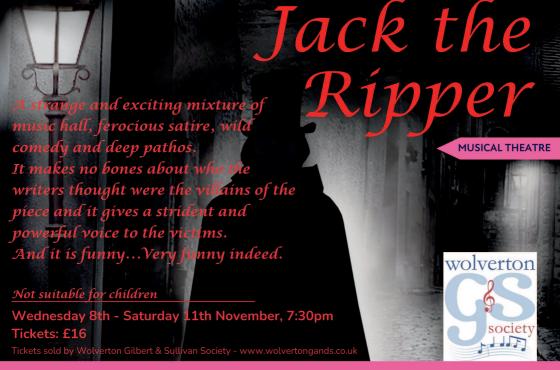


Tuesday 31st October - Saturday 4th November 7:30pm (Plus 1pm on Saturday 4th November) Tickets: £15 | Concessions £12

Age guidance 12+

Contains flashing lights, loud sound effects, smoke effects and periods of darkness in the auditorium.

Tickets sold by Carabosse Theatre Company - www.carabosse.org



MUSIC



Wolverton Light Orchestra Christmas Concert



Celebrate the start of the festive season with the Wolverton Light Orchestra at our annual concert of Christmas music! We will be joined by a chorus of singers from local groups including the Wolverton Gilbert & Sullivan Society. The concert will feature popular Christmas numbers as well as traditional carols for you to join in and raise the roof with your singing!

The Wolverton Light Orchestra presents a variety of concerts throughout the year. If you would like to be kept up-to-date with information about our concerts, please visit our website or find us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/WolvertonLightOrchestra

Sunday 10th December, 7.30pm

Tickets: £12

Tickets sold by Wolverton Light Orchestra via TicketSource or call 01296 715557 www.wolvertonlightorchestra.co.uk

Jive Talkin' perform The Bee Gees: Live in Concert

UK Theatre Shows

MUSIC

Renowned as the original and very best Bee Gees tribute show, and THE ONLY Bee Gees tribute show that has actually performed with the original Bee Gees! In 1997 Gary & Darren from Jive Talkin' performed LIVE on HEART FM with THE BEE GEES and received great compliments from both Maurice and Barry Gibb.



As with the original Bee Gees, Jive Talkin' is very much a family affair, with brothers Gary and Darren Simmons taking the roles of Barry and Maurice Gibb with Darren's son, Jack, joining the group in 2014 and taking on the role of Robin Gibb. The guys are supported musically by a four piece band with Lead Guitar, Violin, Cello and Drums, to ensure that every note in every song is just right! 🔷

For a truly amazing experience and an opportunity to hear all the great Bee Gees hits; Tragedy, Night Fever, Massachusetts, Stayin Alive, Jive Talkin, etc, in a two hour explosion of music and vocal harmony, this is a night not to be missed!

Friday 26th, Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th January, 7.30pm

Tickets: £28

Twitter: @UKTheatreShows Facebook: /BeeGeesTributeShow Instagram: /beegeestributeshow



Les Misérables School Edition. OPEN AUDITIONS

WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER SUMMERFIELD SCHOOL

Downley Ave, Milton Keynes, MK13 8PG 5pm - 7pm | 8 - 19 years old

SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER STANTONBURY THEATRE

Milton Keynes, MK14 6BN 2pm - 5pm | 8 - 19 years old

TO BE PERFORMED AT

STANTONBURY THEATRE

15TH - 17TH FEBRUARY 2024

NOTHING TO PREPARE FOR THE AUDITIONS JUST ARRIVE, BOOK IN AND AUDITION!

You only need to attend one audition. A show fee is payable by all successful applicants.

Les Misérables is the world's longest running musical — a true modern classic based on Victor Hugo's novel and featuring one of the most memorable scores of all time!

In nineteenth century France, Jean Valjean is released from years of unjust imprisonment, but finds nothing in store for him but mistrust and mistreatment. He breaks his parole in hopes of starting a new life, initiating a lifelong struggle for redemption as he is relentlessly pursued by police inspector Javert, who refuses to believe Valjean can change his ways.

Javert must finally confront his ideals during the Paris student uprising of 1832, after Valjean spares his life and saves that of the student revolutionary who has captured the heart of Valjean's adopted daughter.

This is a youth theatre show produced by RARE Productions.

AUDITIONS/MUSICAL THEATRE

Student Libretto

PIANO VOCALS

Thursday 15th & Friday 16th February, 7:30pm Saturday 17th February, 1:30pm & 6:30pm

Tickets: Adult £20.50 | Concessions £19.50 | Under 16's £18.50

2024 PREVIEWS

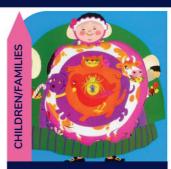


Done to Death, By Jove!

Collett & Robinson
Friday 2nd February, 7:30pm



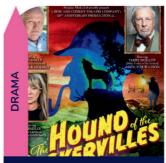
ABBA Sensation Grey Cat Company Friday 9th February, 7:30pm



There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly People's Theatre Company Saturday 2nd March



The Haunting Conn Artists Theatre Company Wednesday 6th March, 7:30pm



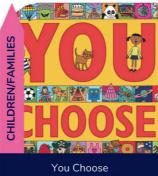
The Hound of the Baskervilles Crime & Comedy Theatre Company Monday 15th April, 7:30pm



Morgan & West Makin Projects Ltd. Saturday 20th April, 2pm



All Floyd: The Division Bell
All Floyd
Saturday 27th April, 7:30pm



Nonsense Room Productions
Wednesday 29th May, 2:30pm



Austen's Women: Lady Susan Dyad Productions Tuesday 11th June, 7:30pm

Please check back on our website and follow our socials to keep up-to-date when tickets go on sale!

Our Spring/Summer programme is still being finalised, so dates and show titles are still to be

confirmed. Information is correct at time of printing.

Booking & Access Information

BOX OFFICE: 01908 324466

ONLINE: www.stantonburytheatre.co.uk

IN PERSON:

- Monday Friday 9am 1pm
- Saturday & Sunday 1pm 3pm
- 45 minutes before performances at the theatre box office only.

Customers can print their own tickets or present their email confirmation on their mobile or tablet device.

Tickets cannot be exchanged or refunded once purchased.

Ticket reservations must be paid for within five days of booking or they will be released for resale and we are unable to reserve tickets without payment within the three days prior to the performances.

Extended reservation periods are available for groups and school bookings.

Children under 5 will not be admitted for any performance other than family shows. For family shows, children under 18 months will be admitted free of charge if they do not require a seat. A babes in arms ticket will be issued for this purpose, please advise the Box Office when booking.

SEATING PLAN



ACCESSIBILITY

There are wheelchair accessible spaces in the auditorium but limited access to the other areas.

The infra-red hearing system operates in the auditorium and headsets can be collected from the Box Office.

Your guide or hearing dog can stay with you - please advise the Box Office when booking so we can provide you with a suitable seating position.

A large print version of the brochure is available on request.

The information in this brochure was correct at the time of going to print. We reserve the right to make changes to the programme, times, ticket prices and opening hours.

We do not take responsibility for the content, quality or pricing for community hire productions. When you book for the first time, you will be asked if you would like to receive information from us. Your details will be stored on our Box Office system and will not be passed to third parties without your consent. Please let the Box Office know if you wish to be removed from the Mailing List by emailing theatre@stantonbury-tove.org.uk

This Brochure was made possible due to the kind sponsorship from the following local groups/companies.





OCTOBER HALF-TERM KIDS CLUB!

23rd October - 27th October 8:30am - 5:30pm

The fun never stops come rain or shine at our Kids Club holiday activity club designed for ages **5-13 years**.

We aim to make every day different with all the usual programmes that you expect from Kids Club - playing, swimming, sports and creative projects that will help them gain confidence and learn new skills all while having fun during the holidays!

Book a whole week, full day or half-day! Whatever suits your needs.



Full Week £154 Full Day £33 Half Day £22

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES ON OUR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY KIDS CLUB!

www.stantonburyleisure.co.uk

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SCHOOL IN ACTION - BOOK A TOUR TODAY!

We warmly invite students and their families to visit Stantonbury School and see our school in action. We are making rapid improvements since joining the Tove Learning Trust in September 2021.

We strive for each student to reach their full potential in a happy and secure environment. Our impressive facilities include a new £20 million science, math and technology teaching block!

Come and have a tour of our school and talk with our amazing staff and students.

To book a tour, please call **01908 324400** or email enquiries@stantonbury-tove.org.uk

Stantonbury School is part of the **Tove Learning Trust** – a highly successful and local multi academy trust.





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