



## **Hull Truck Theatre**

# Season Brochure: January 2022 – March 2023

## Large Print

You can book tickets online at <u>www.hulltruck.co.uk</u>, by calling the Box Office on 01482 323638 or by popping into the theatre on Ferensway.

If you are unable to book online, communicate via telephone or visit us in person, please email boxoffice@hulltruck.co.uk



## Welcome to our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season

Welcome to our 50th Anniversary season – an exciting programme of work that recognises our rich history not just by recreating it, but creatively reinterpreting it for 2022, alongside projects that reflect our present and give a glimpse into our future. After such a difficult time, we wanted to bring you a year of joy and laughter with funny, heart-warming stories that create that unmissable feeling of live theatre.

# <u>Over to you! Doing your bit for your</u> <u>special place</u>

We hope you're as excited as we are about the great programme, we've put together to celebrate Hull Truck Theatre's 50th anniversary. It's great to be back after our stages were dark for so long. But with most of our income still under great pressure, rebuilding will be a challenge – we're relying on your generosity and support more than ever. If the theatre has meant a lot to you, and you want to see it survive and thrive for the NEXT 50 years, then please take a moment to consider how you could play your important part:

**Supporting Cast:** If you'd like to pledge a modest, regular gift and get closer to the action, join our Supporting Cast at the right level for you, giving us the security to plan for the future.

**Dedicate a seat:** If you want to mark your connection to your theatre at this special time, dedicate a seat.

**<u>Give the Gift</u>**: If you've been inspired and entertained by our work over the years, could you Give the Gift of Theatre to open the door to a magical theatre experience for someone else? **Remember us in your will**: If you'd like to make a transformational difference to our future, remember the theatre in your will – once your family and friends are taken care of. All gifts, large and small, will have an impact on stage and in the community.

**71 Coltman Street Syndicate**: If you'd be interested in following the whole creative process of staging a major new commission, join our new Production Syndicate to invest in ambitious theatre and gain a fascinating insight into everything involved in bringing 71 Coltman Street to the stage.

If you'd like to find out more, all the ways you can help are on our website, or you can call us on 01482 323638, email development@hulltruck.co.uk or ask our staff when you visit. Thank you for EVERYTHING you make possible. Here's to the next 50 years!

## **Booking and Box Office Information**

#### **Box Office Opening Hours**

Tuesday – Saturday: 11am – 5pm and from one hour before the show on performance nights.

Tel: 01482 323638

Website: www.hulltruck.co.uk

Tickets can be booked online, 24hrs a day.

#### Pay What You Can

PWYC performances are a great way to try something new or attend the theatre for the first time. You can pay as little as £1 per ticket.

#### Pricing for online streamed events

We want our shows to be as accessible as possible to online audiences, so we are inviting you to choose your ticket price based on how many people are watching and what you can afford. Thank you for your support!

#### Hull Truck Hero - £28.50

(The usual best price seats in The Heron)

### Friends & Family – £20

(Two or more people watching together)

#### Theatre Lover - £15

(One person getting their fix of great theatre)

### Value - £10

(The usual cheapest price tickets in The Heron)

### Terms & Conditions

Hull Truck Theatre's T&Cs will be regularly updated to reflect the most up to date information with regards to your visit. Details can be found at www.hulltruck. co.uk – Booking Info – Pre-Booking Info.

#### Drama Deal

Get the best Band A seats and see more shows for less! Shows in the Drama Deal this season:

- Private Peaceful
- The Three Musketeers
- A Midsummer Night's Dream
- Teechers Leavers `22
- Ladies Unleashed
- Mumsy
- 5 shows for £70 Save over 50%!

4 shows for £62 - Save up to £13 per ticket! (Add a fifth for just £8!)

- 3 shows for £48 Just £16 per ticket!
- 2 shows for £34 Add a second show from just £5.50!

#### Beer & a Burger

Shoot the Bull Beer & a Burger offer is available throughout the season on certain shows and can be added to your order during the checkout process or when booking via the Box Office. Visit hulltruck.co.uk for availability or ask our Box Office Team when booking.

### **Accessibility and Access Dates**

#### **Relaxed Performances**

These are specifically designed to welcome people who will benefit from a more relaxed environment and include a friendly attitude to noise and movement in the space.

71 Coltman Street: Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Mar, 7:30pm
The Paradis Files: Tue 26 Apr 2022, 7.30pm
Teechers Leavers '22: Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Jun, 2:00pm
A Midsummer Night's Dream: All Performances
Ladies Unleashed: Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7:30pm
Jack, Mum, and the Beanstalk: All Performances

**A Christmas Carol:** Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec, 2:00pm and Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, 7:00pm

Mumsy: Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 2023, 7:30pm

Great Adventures: All Performances

#### **Theatre Captions**

These are similar to television subtitles and convert spoken word into visible text for those who are d/Deaf, deafened and hard of hearing. It can also be beneficial to those whose first language is not English or for shows containing strong accents.

71 Coltman Street: Thu 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar, 7:30pm
The Paradis Files: Tue 26 Apr 2022, 7.30pm
Teechers Leavers '22: Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun, 7:30pm
A Midsummer Night's Dream: Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Jul, 2:00pm
Ladies Unleashed: Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7:30pm
A Christmas Carol: Thu 15<sup>th</sup> Dec, 7:00pm
Mumsy: Tue 21<sup>st</sup> Mar 2023, 7:30pm

#### Audio Description

This provides information about the visual elements of a show. The Box Office provides infra-red headsets, upon request, and audio description is delivered live, in between dialogue.

71 Coltman Street: Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar, 2:00pm
The Paradis Files: Tue 26 Apr 2022, 7.30pm
Teechers Leavers '22: Tue 31<sup>st</sup> May, 7:30pm
A Midsummer Night's Dream: Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Jul, 7:30pm
Ladies Unleashed: Thu 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7:30pm
A Christmas Carol: Tue 20<sup>th</sup> Dec, 7:00pm
Mumsy: Wed 22<sup>st</sup> Mar 2023, 7:30pm

#### <u> Touch Tours</u>

Touch Tours are available one hour prior to the audio described show and allow visually impaired patrons the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the set, costumes, and props. Places must be booked with the Box Office, 48hrs in advance. 71 Coltman Street: Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar, 12:30pm
Teechers Leavers '22: Tue 31<sup>st</sup> May, 6:00pm
A Midsummer Night's Dream: Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Jul, 6:00pm
Ladies Unleashed: Thu 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 6:00pm
A Christmas Carol: Tue 20<sup>th</sup> Dec, 5:30pm
Mumsy: Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar 2023, 6:00pm

#### **BSL Interpreted Performances**

BSL Interpreted performances enable Deaf BSL users to understand the performance through the signs of an interpreter. The interpreter will use gestures, facial expressions, and body language to communicate.

71 Coltman Street: Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Mar, 2:00pm
The Paradis Files: Tue 26 Apr 2022, 7.30pm
Teechers Leavers '22: Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Jun, 7:30pm
Ladies Unleashed: Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7:30pm
Jack, Mum, and the Beanstalk: Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Dec, 3:00pm
A Christmas Carol: Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec, 7:00pm

**Assistance Dogs** – Assistance dogs are welcome in both performance spaces. If you are going to be accompanied by an assistance dog, please call the Box Office so that we can offer you the best seating options. Alternatively, our Front of House Staff are happy to dog sit.

**Booking Access Tickets Online** – If you regularly require a wheelchair space or best view of captions screens/ BSL interpreter seats, we would love to show you how to book them online yourself. You can visit the Access page on our website and find instructions under 'Accessible Guides & Info', or contact the Box Office and we'll be happy to go through the process with you.

## **Covid 19: Keeping Our Audiences Safe**

We're continuing to take your safety very seriously and various Covid 19 safety measures may remain in place during the season. Please keep up to date with our all updates on our website and if you would like any further information, please contact our Box Office team. 71 Coltman Street & Teechers Leavers '22 have socially distanced performances where individuals or household groups will be seated 1m+.

## **Great Adventures**

Do you want to come on an adventure? Take on pirates. Explore the jungle. Journey across the desert. Save the day! Come to Hull Truck Theatre for an adventure that features an arts & crafts session followed by an interactive play that uses whatever you have made. Each Great Adventures is totally different and features a different new and theme every time.

#### Dates and Times

Saturday 22nd January, Saturday 12th February, Saturday 5th March, Saturday 30th April, Saturday 21st May, Saturday 11th June , Saturday 9th July.

**SESSION 1** 10am Arts & Crafts / 10.45am: Show **SESSION 2** 11.30am: Arts & Crafts / 12.15pm: Show

£6 per child. One free accompanying adult (no ticket required)

Designed for adventurers aged 3-6 and their families.

## <u> January 2022</u>

Sat 22 Jan, 7.30pm

## Oh! What a Night

Oh! What A Night takes you back in time on a musical journey through the incredible career of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons, now immortalised in the multi-award-winning show Jersey Boys.

Featuring songs such as Sherry, Lets Hang On, Big Girls Don't Cry, Can't Take My Eyes Off You and many many more!

Tickets: £24.50

## February 2022

Wed 2 Feb, 7.30pm

### **Bye Bye Blues Band – The Farewell Tour**

Four decades, over 4,000 gigs, 30 albums and a string of singles later, the Blues Band are taking to the road one last time to remind us just how eternally thrilling their version of live blues remains.

Tickets: £35

Fri 4 Feb, 8pm

### The Ballad of Mulan

Presented by Red Dragonfly Productions and Grist to the Mill Productions

Written and directed by Ross Ericson

Around fifteen hundred years ago China was split into two parts – the Northern and the Southern dynasties.

This was a time of great unrest, a time of civil war, a time when legends were born, and that is what 'Mulan' is - a woman, a warrior, a Chinese legend.

Based on the historical 6th Century Chinese poem, we follow Mulan who, to save her family's honour, disguised herself as a man and joined the emperor's army. Now the fighting is coming to an end, one last battle and she will be going home – but can she return to her old life, become a woman again. A search for identity in a violent world. The real heroine that inspired Disney's films.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Sat 5 Feb, 10am, 12.30pm & 3pm

*Produced by 509 Arts with Hull Truck Theatre, supported by Mind the Gap* 

### <u>Meal One</u>

A boy sleeps in his bed. The house around him creaks. An owl hoots. The sky brightens and the boy stirs. He suddenly sits up all surprised and calls out: "Who put a plum in my mouth?" "Me, me, me!" shouts Mum. And that is how it begins.

Helbert and his Mum prepare for the day by planting a plum stone in the bedroom floor unleashing a series of extraordinary adventures. Adapted from a children's book by Ivor Cutler, Meal One is a magical family show filled with music, songs, dance, breathtaking projections and digital surprises.

Tickets £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Sat 19 Feb, 8pm

## The Noise Next Door: In Charge

Join comedy's unstoppable force for an evening like no other... Hilarious scenes! Mind-blowing songs! Finely tuned anarchy! The charismatic quartet have always astonished with their ability to spin audience suggestions into comedy gold, but for this show they're putting you, the audience, in charge in brilliant and bombastic new ways. Recommended Age: 15+

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Thur 24 – Fri 25 Feb, 8pm

A Sheffield Theatres and Utopia Theatre Production

## Here's What She Said to Me

*Written by Oladipo Agbouluaje Conceived and directed by Mojisola Elufowoju* 

Meet Agbeke, Omotola and Aramide, the three generations of proud African women connecting with each other across two continents, across time and space. Together they share their struggles, their joys, tragedies, and broken dreams in order to find healing in the present.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

## February – March 2022

9 Feb - 23 Mar

### **Introduction to Stand-Up Comedy**

With Kevin Precious

Always fancied trying your hand at stand-up comedy but never got around to it? Ever watched a stand-up comedy performance and thought 'I'd love to give that a go?'

Our 7-week course is designed to be a comprehensive introduction to writing and performing stand-up comedy and culminates with each participant getting the opportunity to perform their first gig. Participants will develop methods and techniques for generating selfauthored comedy material; combined with the ability to deliver the material in front of a live audience.

Week 1 – 6: Every Wed, 7pm - 9pm

Course Fee: £80

Thur 17 Feb - Sat 12 Mar, 7.30pm Matinees: 19, 26 Feb & 2, 5, 9 & 12 Mar, 2pm Pay What You Can: Thur 17 Feb, 7.30pm

*Hull Truck Theatre presents a riotous new comedy to kick off our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations* 

## 71 Coltman Street

*By Richard Bean Directed by Mark Babych* 

'I want theatre to be sweaty, exciting, unpredictable...' Mike Bradwell is on a mission to revolutionise British theatre. He's sick of fancy plays by dead blokes and wants to tell stories about real people, living real lives. And it doesn't get more real than Hull. In a freezing cold house on Coltman Street, a motley crew of unemployed actors gather to improvise a play with no name, no plot, no budget, and no bookings. Richard Bean's (The Hypocrite, One Man, Two Guvnors) hilarious and irreverent comedy takes us back to the 70s and Hull Truck Theatre's origin story. It is a roaring combination of comedy, cabaret, farce, and drama. Join us for a celebration of where it all began...

Tickets: £28.50 - £10 (concessions available)

Recommended Age: 14+

## <u>March 2022</u>

Wed 2 – Thur 3 Mar, 8pm An Arc Stockton Production

## You Heard Me

Made by Luca Rutherford with Maria Crocker, Melanie Wilson, Tanuja Amarasuriya, Bethany Wells and Jenni Jackson

A story of discovering quiet power in a moment of making a lot of noise. You Heard Me is about the stories we tell. The ones that get retold. The ones we hide behind. The ones we have the power to re-make, remould and disrupt.

Tickets £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Fri 11 – Sat 12 Mar, 8pm

Buglight Theatre presents

## Jane Hair: The Brontës Restyled

Written by Kirsty Smith and Kat Rose-Martin

Join stylists Anne, Emily & Charlotte Brontë for an explosive evening of sibling rivalry and literary debate in Bradford's most creative beauty salon. A play about modern day versions of the Brontë sisters.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Sun 13 Mar, 7.30pm

## The Billy Joel Albums Show

Starring Elio Pace and David Brown

The award-winning Elio Pace and his amazing band, along with their special guest, David Brown (Billy Joel's lead guitarist for 13 years), perform two Billy Joel classic albums in their entirety, street life serenade and 52nd street... in one sensational show.

Tickets: £31 (concessions £2 off)

Wed 16 Mar, 8pm

### Kiri Pritchard-McLean: Home Truths

It's been a big few years for most of us and Kiri is no different. She's moved back to her home island of Anglesey, struggled with lockdown, and got herself some rescue chickens. You can expect jokes about skinny jeans, learning Welsh and white supremacy – something for everyone.

Tickets: £15 (concessions £2 off)

Thur 17 Mar, 7.30pm

#### Eric & Ern

For all the family from 8 to 108 Eric and Ern is a brilliant homage to Morecambe and Wise crammed full of those famous comedy sketches, from Grieg's Piano Concerto, Mr Memory...'Arsenal', to the paper bag trick!

Tickets: £24

Fri 18 Mar, 7.30pm

## Simon Brodkin: Troublemaker

World-famous prankster and creator of the hugely popular Lee Nelson is back on stage with Troublemaker, his sensational new stand-up show. After showering Sepp Blatter with banknotes and handing Theresa May her P45, the critically acclaimed comedian explores what it's like to be chased by Donald Trump's bodyguards and what to do when you're outed as a Jew by the Ku Klux Klan.

Tickets: £21.50

Thur 17 – Fri 18 Mar, 8pm

A Northern Stage Production

### The Invisible Man

If you had the power of invisibility, what would you do? Would you use it for good or for personal gain? Griffin is a frustrated young man from the Northeast, with a troubled past and violent thoughts inside his head. He claims he has discovered the power of invisibility. But Griffin's 'powers' have led to him being placed into Government care. After all, a normal, ill educated kid can't just invent invisibility. Even Dr. Sara Kemp, a promising young therapist can't convince him to tell the truth about his talent. Griffin is thrown into a downward spiral of anger and eventually into a fatal 'reign of terror'.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Sat 19 Mar, 1pm

## Fireman Sam

A spectacular live show for all the family

When all of his friends go away, Norman Price decides to find adventure in Pontypandy and become the star of a visiting circus. But with a tiger on the loose and faulty lights, the adventure soon turns to danger. Can Fireman Sam come to the rescue and save the circus? Join Sam, Penny, Elvis, Station Officer Steele, and Norman in an all singing, dancing, action-packed show. You can become a fire-fighter cadet and then watch the magic of the circus. So, come along to Pontypandy and watch the adventures unfold!

Tickets: £17.50 (concessions £1 off)

Family Ticket: £60

Wed 23 Mar, 7pm

# <u>Hull Truck Theatre's Comedy Graduates</u> <u>Performance</u>

In the final week of the stand-up comedy course with comedian Kevin Precious, our graduates embark on their first 5-minute sets. This is a great opportunity to support a range of new comedians at the start of their stand-up comedy journeys; all of which will be compered by a professional comedian. Come and be the first to witness a star of the future

Tickets: £8

#### <u> March – April 2022</u>

Wed 30 Mar - Sat 2 Apr, 7.30pm

Matinee: Sat 2 Apr, 2pm

Bite My Thumb Theatre present

## <u>Rent</u>

Set in the East Village of New York City, the iconic musical Rent is about falling in love, finding your voice, and living for today. It has become a pop cultural phenomenon with songs that rock and a story that resonates with audiences of all ages.

Jonathan Larson's Rent follows a year in the life of a group of impoverished young artists struggling to survive at the end of the millennium. How these young bohemians negotiate their dreams, loves and conflicts provides the narrative thread to this ground-breaking musical.

This is theatre at its best – exuberant, passionate, and joyous – so don't miss the musical sensation that won the Tony award for best musical, ran for 12 years on Broadway and would go on to inspire the smash hit musical Hamilton.

Tickets: £20 - £18 (concessions £2.50 off)

## <u>April 2022</u>

Tues 5 – Sat 9 Apr, 7.30pm

Matinees: Wed 6, Thur 7 & Sat 9 Apr, 2pm

Jonathan Church Theatre Productions presents The Nottingham Playhouse Production of Michael Morpurgo's

### Private Peaceful

The Peaceful brothers, Tommo and Charlie, have a tough rural childhood facing the loss of their father, financial hardship and a cruel landlord. Their fierce loyalty to each other pulls them through, until one day they both fall for the same girl. And then the Great War comes. Set against the epic backdrop of WW1, we join 18-year-old Private Tommo Peaceful in the trenches as he takes us on a journey through his most cherished memories and tells his story of courage, devotion, family and friendship.

Tickets: £28.50 – £15 (concessions available)

Fri 8 Apr, 8pm

### Adam Rowe: Imperious

Host of the smash-hit Have A Word Podcast, star of Live At The Apollo & Roast Battle and Dave's Best Joke of the Fringe winner Adam Rowe brings us his latest stand-up comedy tour; Imperious.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Wed 13 – Sat 16 Apr, 7.30pm

Matinees: Thur 14 & Sat 16, 2pm

### Singin' in the Rain

Screenplay by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. Songs by Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed.

Journey back with us to the glamour of 1920s Hollywood. Silent movie stars Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont have it all after a string of hit films and a studio-engineered romance. But the silver screen is about to find its voice, and Lina's squeaky tones might be the end of her career. Will Don's chance meeting with a talented young chorus girl change the fate of Don, Lina and Hollywood, forever? The Northern Academy of Performing Arts is excited to return to Hull Truck Theatre with their interpretation of one of the world's most celebrated and beloved movie musicals.

Tickets: £17 - £15

Thur 14 – Sat 16 Arp, 8pm

A Roots Mbili Theatre and Sheffield Theatres Production

### Far Gone

Written and performed by John Rwothomach Directed by Mojisola Elufowoju

"If I invited you to come with me on a journey, a story, will you come with me?" Far Gone is a gut kicking physical performance with humour, poetry, and the horrors of being a child soldier. It follows the life of Okumu, an innocent boy living with a good family in Northern Uganda. When his village is attacked by Joseph Kony's Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), he and his brother are captured, and their lives are forever changed.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Wed 20 Apr, 7.30pm

Strictly Theatre Co. present

## Ian Waite & Vincent Simone: Act Two

The fabulous Strictly Come Dancing stars promise another wonderful evening of old-school variety - dance, comedy, and song! With beautiful costumes, gorgeous lighting, and world class routines the boys will be joined by their stunning dance partners and a world class singer.

Tickets: £58 – £17.50 (£58 includes a pre-show meet and greet)

### Thur 21 Apr, 7.30pm

## John Shuttleworth's Back

John's bad back is much better now, thank you, so he can safely punch the air once more as he performs all the faves from his pre-lockdown tour plus expect fantastic new ditties written during lockdown.

Tickets: £21

Fri 22 Apr, 2pm

## Morgan & West's Unbelievable Science

Morgan & West present captivating chemistry, phenomenal physics, and bonkers biology in this fun for all the family science extravaganza!

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Fri 22 Apr, 7.30pm

### **Bumper Blyton**

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

Tickets: £18.50

Sat 23 Apr, 7.30pm

## **Rich Hall's Hoedown Deluxe**

Rich Hall's comedy/music locomotive keeps on rollin'. Ever-evolving, ever-changing, Rich's combination of keen acerbic stand-up combined with spit and sawdust altcountry lyricism is a "win-win" (Guardian), as sold-out crowds across the UK have attested.

Tickets: £18.50

Tues 26 Apr, 7.30pm

Graeae Theatre Company present

#### The Paradis Files

An extraordinary blind musician. A family hell-bent on a cure. In the glittering salons of 18th-century Vienna, Maria-Theresia von Paradis is a star. Pianist, composer, touring musician; she is known as The Blind Enchantress. Yet behind this dazzling success story, there are dark forces at work. A new chamber opera, composed by Errollyn Wallen CBE and directed by Jenny Sealey. All performances will creatively integrate BSL, captioning and audio description. Commissioned by The Stables for IF: Milton Keynes International Festival.

Tickets: £18.50 (concessions £2 off)

Thur 28 – Sat 30 Apr, 7.30pm

Matinee: Sat 30 Apr, 2pm

#### **The Three Musketeers**

Armed with only a baguette and his questionable steed join hot-headed d'Artagnan as he travels to Paris to become a Musketeer. Will things go to plan? It's unlikely! Featuring hilarious heroics, raucous romances, and some bonkers fun with BMX bikes, Le Navet Bete condense Dumas' 70-page classic into two hours of non-stop comedy gold!

Tickets: £28.50 - £15 (concessions available)

Fri 29 Apr, 8pm

## Riot Act

*Created and performed by Alexis Gregory Directed by Rikki Beadle-Blair MBE* 

Riot Act is a wild ride through six decades of queer history, created from interviews with a survivor of the Stonewall riots, a radical drag artist and an HIV/AIDS activist. Provocative, powerful, and pulling no punches, it promises to be a riot!

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

## <u>May 2022</u>

Fri 6 May, 7.30pm

## The Bob Dylan Story

Destination, the 1960s of course, where "Bob" and "The Band" perform thrillingly authentic versions of hits from Blowin' In The Wind to Like A Rolling Stone and beyond, complete with evocative visuals and fascinating anecdotes in this moving and heartbreakingly fabulous show.

Tickets: £21.50 (concessions £2 off)

Sat 7 May, 7.30pm

#### Flo & Joan: Sweet Release

Multi-award-winning musical comedy duo (and sisters) Flo & Joan are climbing out of their pits, armed with a piano and percussion section to bring you a brand-new show of their critically acclaimed songs and comedy.

Tickets: £17.50

Sat 28 May, 2pm

# <u>Circus Farm: The Circus Sonas Family</u> <u>Show</u>

All the way from Northern Ireland Father and son Martin and Logy take the traditional circus double act and give it a unique and modern twist. This family friendly show contains circus stunts that will make you gasp, juggling tricks that will surprise you, and magic tricks that will make you go WOW! There will be shouting, cheering, and lots, and lots of laughing. Top class circus entertainment, and the two best beards in the business. This show is suitable for children and adults of all ages.

Recommended Age: 5+

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Sat 28 May,8pm

## **Dirty Tattooed Circus**

Two dangerous Irishmen doing dangerous things for a laugh. An adult cabaret starring Ireland's fun-est circus performers: Martin Mor, and Logy Logan. If Motorhead had sex with Cirque Du Soleil, this is what you'd get. Strictly adults only!

WARNING: This show contains two big, bearded Irishmen performing acts of real danger and stupidity.

Tickets: £13.50 (concessions £2 off)

Strictly 18+

#### <u>May – June 2022</u>

Thur 19 May - Sat 11 June, 7.30pm Matinees: 21, 25, 28 May & 1, 4, 8, 11 June, 2pm Pay What You Can: Thur 19 May, 7.30pm

Hull Truck Theatre and John Godber Company present

#### **Teechers Leavers '22**

Written by John Godber Directed by Mark Babych

As part of Hull Truck Theatre's 50th anniversary celebrations, John Godber reimagines his iconic play for the leavers of 2022. Salty, Gail and Hobby are departing Whitewall College for uncertain futures in uncertain times. Burn out, pregnancies, stress, affairs, depression; no-one is exempt, from the students, and security staff, to the business-minded Principal. How much more can a system take? In 1987 the teaching of drama in Comprehensive education was being marginalised in a system under pressure. In the same year Hull Truck Theatre produced Teechers which was to become the go-to play to attract young people to the theatre. Thirty-five years later, exam chaos, tech poverty, isolation, absenteeism, and lost school hours have put the state system under more pressure than ever before.

Highly physical, hugely funny, deceptively radical, mixing dance and spoken word, Teechers Leavers '22 is alive and in your face; back in Hull where it all started.

Tickets: £28.50 - £10 (concessions available) Recommended Age: 12+

# <u>June</u>

#### Thur 16 Jun, 7.30pm

# The Sound of Springstreen

With a passion for the work of "The Boss", the 8-piece tribute The Sound Of Springsteen brings their years of live performances and recording to rock you with Bruce Springsteen's greatest hits and deep cuts. With songs like, Born In The USA, Glory Days, Streets of Philadelphia and many more, this is a night of passion for Springsteen, and we are back in year 2, Bigger and Better.

Tickets: £24.50

Fri 17 Jun, 7.30pm

## **Rave On – The Rise of Rock and Roll**

Rave On is the 1950's & 60's musical sensation sweeping the nation. Featuring multiple award-winning band, The

Bluejays, a group comprised of stars from West End Productions The Buddy Holly Story, Million Dollar Quartet and Dreamboats & Petticoats, Rave On transports you back to the fabulous 50's and the swinging 60's in stunningly authentic style.

Tickets: £22.50

Sat 18 Jun, 7.30pm

## **Showstopper! The Improvised Musical**

Direct from London's West End, the Olivier Award winning Showstopper returns to Hull for another truly unique evening of smash hit musical comedy. Audience suggestions are transformed on the spot, into an all singing, all dancing, truly astonishing, brand-new musical, right in front of your eyes!

Tickets: £21 - £15

# Family Open Day 2022

Join Hull Truck Theatre and the Albemarle Music Centre – home of Hull Music Service for a FREE fun-filled event with plenty of activities for the whole family to enjoy. No booking required, visit our website for further details.

Tickets are not required. Entry is free.

## July 2022

Sat 2 - Sat 9 July, 7.30pm Matinees: Sat 2 & 9 July, 2pm Pay What You Can: Sat 2 July, 2pm

Hull Truck Theatre presents a community production of

#### A Midsummer Night's Dream

*By William Shakespeare Directed by Tom Saunders* 

Enter an enchanted forest near Athens for a night of magic and mayhem as Shakespeare's romantic comedy masterpiece is performed by members of the local community.

An argument between Oberon and Titania, King and Queen of the Fairies, has filled the forest with mischief. At the same time, four young lovers face a tangle of unrequited love and for Hermia, the threat of death if she doesn't marry the man her father has chosen. Determined to be true to their hearts they escape into the woods, right into the hands of the fairies.

Bottom the Weaver and his comedy crew of Mechanicals are in the woods to rehearse a play for the upcoming royal wedding. They too are caught up in the tricks of fairy Puck and his mischievous matchmaking. With morning on the horizon, it is a race against time...will they all awaken from this confusion of a dream?

Join us as the local community come together to tell this highly entertaining story, celebrating the messy business of love.

Tickets: £21 - £10

Recommended Age: 7+

## Hull Jazz Festival 2022

**Jazz Deal** - Book 3 or more shows and save between £10.50 - £21 (student and under 26 Jazz Deal - Book 3 shows for £15)

Tue 12 July, 7.30pm

## **Filament Theatre: Earth Makes No Sound**

With Hull Freedom Chorus and City of Hull Youth Choir

Earth Makes No Sound is an extraordinary largescale collaborative choral work inspired by the elements and the changes happening to our planet and how we look after it. Originally developed for Chorus Festival at Southbank Centre, Earth Makes No Sound explores the possibilities of dynamic choral singing and the relationship between voice, movement, harmony, body percussion and improvisation.

Tickets: £12 (students and under 26's £6)

Thu 14 July, 7.30pm

#### Alina Bzhezhinska Hip Harp Quintet

Featuring Jay Phelps (Trumpet)

Internationally renowned harpist Alina Bzhezhinska has built a reputation for innovation. For this new project she's created a unique sound on the harp with effect pedals and electronics, supported by Mikele Montolli (bass) & Joel Prime (percussion) and featuring the innovative trumpeter, Jay Phelps.

Through a combination of original music and covers, she pays homage to some of jazz, funk and hiphop's greatest innovators. Her new quintet draws from a variety of influences, including the likes of Dorothy Ashby's Afroharping, Alice Coltrane and Sun Ra, as well as 90s triphop and Kutiesqe Afrobeat rhythms.

Tickets: £18.50 (students and under 26's £6)

Fri 15 Jul, 7pm

#### Matt Holborn Quartet: Here

Matt Holborn is now one of the UK's finest jazz improvisers. We're proud to present Here, his suite of four new pieces dedicated to the City of Hull and inspired by the city's history, its place on the map and its people.

Tickets: £12 (students and under 26's £6)

#### Fri 15 July, 8.30pm

#### Late Night Marauders in concert

A very special evening to celebrate the irrepressible delight that is Late Night Marauders, in their first major theatre show with full band and special guests. Led by whirlwind soulstress Ruth Scott and the piano wizardry of James Wood, their unique blend of soul, R`n'B and boogie evokes visions of smoky basement clubs in the 1950's where beatniks and jazz heads would party.

Tickets: £12 (students and under 26's £6)

# <u>The Kickstart Commissions: 3 world</u> <u>premieres</u>

# 2pm - Camille Maalawy with Tom Lawrence: Songsupon-Hull

British Egyptian singer Camille Maalawy and composer Tom Lawrence have been working with school children and community groups from across the city to create a series of songs themed around migration, connection and cultural identity

# 3.30pm - Vulliamy Murray Bennett Trio: Factory Free-set

Stories of Hull, its people and history take centre stage as the trio collaborate with acclaimed writer and director Maureen Lennon. Freeform pieces explore unsung stories, dreams and experiences from within Hull's factory walls in this work in progress.

#### **5pm - James Rushworth: Trespass**

Composer and producer James Rushworth's Trespass is a new multimedia performance that documents the story of the 1932 Kinder Scout Mass Trespass. Improvised ambient and electronic music combines with live projections to give a new perspective on the right to roam.

Tickets: £6 for all three shows (students and under 26's £3)

Sat 18 July, 8pm

# <u>Don Vappie & Jazz Créole Direct from</u> <u>New Orleans</u>

Featuring David Hornblow (clarinet), Dave Kelbie (guitar), Sebastien Girardot (bass)

Créole music from the Jimi Hendrix of the banjo Jazz Album of the Year 2020 – The Times UK Recipient of the 2021 Steve Martin Banjo Prize.US Musician and entertainer Don Vappie is the number one New Orleans Jazz banjoist on the planet today. He's headlined at festivals and concert halls around the world, including Carnegie Hall in New York.

Don's kept alive the Créole songs of New Orleans, winning many awards for preserving this cultural treasure. He embodies all aspects of this unique melting pot of cultures, evident through the list of artists he's performed with. They include Wynton Marsalis, Eric Clapton, Dee Dee Bridgewater, Peggy Lee, Otis Taylor, Diana Krall, Bette Midler, and Preservation Hall. He's also highlighted the banjo's journey from Africa through seamless performances with artists from Mali, Cheik Hamamla Diabate and Basaku Kuyata, and from Senegal, Dema Dia.

This show combines New Orleans genres, from traditional jazz to modern day funk, with the classic early tradition of a string band. The result is "Jazz Créole" and it's the real deal!

Tickets: £20 (students and under 26's £6)

### <u>September – October 2022</u>

Thur 29 Sept - Sat 22 Oct, 7.30pm Matinees: 1, 8, 12, 15, 19 & 22 Oct, 2pm Pay What You Can: Thur 29 Sept, 7.30pm

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#### Ladies Unleashed

Written by Amanda Whittington

The Ladies are back!

Jan, Linda, Shelley, and Pearl have managed a rare gettogether on the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, but old tensions are rising. Shelley's moved in with Linda but is outstaying her welcome, Jan and Shelley are bickering non-stop, and Pearl just wants to give her husband Mike the send-off he deserves.

The island itself is just as restless and when a huge storm hits, its stirs up spirits from the past. With the

power out and cut off by the tide, the friends face ghosts, both real and imagined.

Following the smash-hits Ladies Day and Ladies Down Under, Amanda Whittington brings us the third instalment of the Ladies Trilogy. Don't miss this moving comedy about friendship and facing the future.

Tickets: £28.50 - £10 (concessions available)

Recommended Age: 12+

## November – December 2022

Fri 25 Nov - Sat 31 Dec

Pay What You Can: Fri 25 Dec, 7pm

Hull Truck Theatre presents

# <u>A Christmas Carol</u>

Based on the novella by Charles Dickens and adapted by Deborah McAndrew

On a cold Christmas Eve, four spirits conspire to show Ebenezer Scrooge the error of his ways. His old business partner, Jacob Marley has returned from the dead to offer him a second chance, if he can change his mean and miserly behaviour.

Nowhere are the effects of poverty more keenly felt than in the Cratchit family, especially by their youngest son, Tiny Tim. As Scrooge's inspirational journey shows him both the hardship and love of those around him, he is reminded of his own powers of charity and kindness. This thrilling adaptation of Dicken's classic Christmas ghost story, set in Hull, is a magical, festive treat for all the family.

Tickets: £29.50 - £10 (concessions available) Recommended Age: 5+

**Friends & Family Early Bird Offer**: Book four tickets (child and adult) and save £6. \*Group of four must include 1 under 18 and 1 over 18. All four tickets must be booked in a single transaction. Offer available until 31 June 2022.

#### December 2022

Wed 7 Dec - Sat 24 Dec

Hull Truck Theatre presents

#### Jack, Mum and the Beanstalk

By Sam Caseley

Jack can't wait to spend Christmas with his super fun, lego-building, song-singing, chocolate-sharing, Superhero Mum. But then they get a call, Nan is joining them for Christmas. Suddenly everything becomes about tidying bedrooms, clearing up toys and having no fun at all. When Jack discovers a beanstalk has sprouted in his living room and is stretching up into the sky, he's ready to escape.

Join Jack for a magical journey into the sky, filled with big laughs, hidden treasures, and giant friendships. From the writer of The Christmas Ugly Duckling and How To Fly Like A Reindeer comes a new festive adventure for young children and their families, inspired by the wellknown fairy tale, Jack and the Beanstalk.

Tickets £12 (concessions £2 off)

Recommended Age: 3+

**Friends & Family Early Bird Offer**: Book four tickets (child and adult) and save £4. \*Group of four must include 1 under 18 and 1 over 18. All four tickets must be booked in a single transaction. Offer available until 31 June 2022.

### March 2023

Thur 2 - Sat 25 Mar, 7.30pm Matinees: 4, 11, 15, 18, 22 & 25 Mar, 2pm Pay What You Can: Thu 2 Mar, 7.30pm

Hull Truck Theatre presents

#### <u>Mumsy</u>

By Lydia Marchant

Sophie is going to be a third generation single Mum and she's terrified. How will she afford to feed them both? Can she hold on to her job? What if she's a crap Mum? Surely she can count on her own Mum and Nan to help... Wrong!

Rachel's got used to having a life of her own and doesn't fancy giving up pole class and Tinder to go back to changing nappies and no sleep. Having Sophie back home is really cramping her style. Meanwhile, after getting scouted to be an Annie Lennox impersonator on the P&O Ferries, her Nan's having a three-quarter life crisis of her own. In a one-bed flat in Gyspyville, Hull, three women battle through the friendship, drama, and love of mother-daughter relationships.

For fans of A Taste of Honey and Motherland, this warm comedy has been developed as part of Hull Truck Theatre's Grow Artist Development programme.

Tickets: £28.50 - £10 (concessions available)

Recommended Age: 14+

# **Get Involved**

There are lots of amazing ways to take part at Hull Truck Theatre where you can learn new skills, develop your creativity, and have the chance to perform.

#### Youth Theatre Classes

Our Youth Theatre Classes take place on weeknights and on Saturdays giving young people aged 7-18 the chance to experience the thrill and creativity of performance. The classes develop the confidence and skills needed to make and perform theatre, as well as being a place to have fun and make friends. Youth Theatre Classes fees are either £55, £45 or £35 per term depending on your circumstances.

#### Young Creators

Our new free Young Creators scheme for 14 - 18-yearolds meets at the theatre on Monday and Tuesday evenings, where members work together to make exciting contemporary theatre that is drawn from the ideas and opinions of the young people themselves.

The young creators will produce and perform in new plays that they have created from scratch taking the role of performers, writers, directors, and whatever other creative roles are necessary.

#### <u>Act III</u>

A weekly theatre makers group for retired adults who come together to share their passion for Drama. Whether you enjoy writing, performing, directing or just enjoy learning new skills with likeminded people, Act III is a wonderful place to share ideas and make theatre. Membership of Act III costs £55 per term.

For more information about how to get involved with these groups contact us 01482 488209 or email us at engagement@hulltruck.co.uk

### Seating plans for The Heron and

## **Studio Theatres**



