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Our brochure is organised by month, with highlighted productions at the beginning of each month followed by each show in chronological order.

You will find shows of all genres in each month and they will be marked at the bottom of each entry. The genres are:

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MUSIC MUSICAL

ACCESS

A full list of our accessible performances can be found at the back of the brochure. If you have any questions about a particular show, please contact our Ticket Sales team. Throughout the brochure we use the following key:

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AD Audio Described

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A very warm welcome to our latest brochure, your guide to over 100 brilliant live events taking place at Eden Court through to March 2024 - and beyond. We're excited to share another diverse programme with you, brimming with world-class theatre, music, dance and drama, plus exhibitions and live cinema events. There's plenty here to keep you surprised, challenged, thrilled and – above all – entertained throughout the long winter months.

Two incredible dance companies top and tail the season. This October, the USA's Ailey 2 brings twelve sensational dancers to our theatre, performing a programme that includes Alvin Ailev's masterpiece Revelations. In March, Brazil's finest, the São Paulo Dance Company, make their UK debut. We couldn't be more delighted to be hosting these talented companies here in the Highlands.

Lighting up dark November skies with big screen spectacle, the 21st Inverness Film Festival brings six days of the best new international cinema to the heart of the Highlands. Watch out for our full programme announcement this October, guaranteed to feature Scottish premieres for some of the most eagerly anticipated films of the year.

Scotland's National Companies continue to delight and inspire. Musical highlights include the phenomenal sitar of Jaseep Singh Degun with the Scottish Ensemble, the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra's Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No. 2 and a festive favourite with RSNO's Viennese Gala. There's riotous theatrics in Scottish Opera's The Barber of Seville whilst Scottish Ballet has eye-catching new designs and a fresh take on Cinders! For an entirely different take on a classic fairytale, look no further than this year's panto a rendering of Sleeping Beauty filled with all the magic and mayhem you could hope for.

I'm delighted that this programme culminates with a suitably stunning musical phenomena, as a new production of Andrew Lloyd-Webber and Tim Rice's Jesus Christ Superstar comes to Inverness for a week in March.

Don't forget that our Studio Programme offers courses all year round, with the next term starting up this January. However, don't feel you have to wait until then to try a class - we welcome no-strings-attached drop-ins for participants to try things out and see what might suit them. Our experienced and friendly Engagement team do an incredible job in providing access to the performing arts, with class facilitators who foreground health and wellbeing, whilst also offering qualifications and performance opportunities for those who want to take it further.

Thank you to everyone who supports Eden Court – whether you are a Friend who regularly attends events, a cinema-goer, a class participant, or someone who uses our spaces to meet, read or work. You are the community who make this building come alive in the shared joy of art and culture.



Rebecca Holt Chief Executive, on behalf of the team at Eden Court

AIR

OCTOBER

The Bodyguard

Tue 03 - Sat 07

The international, award-winning smashhit musical The Bodyguard is back! Starring multi-platinum Australian recording artist Emily Williams* (Australian Idol, Young Divas) as Rachel Marron and Ayden Callaghan (Emmerdale, Hollyoaks) as Frank Farmer.

Former Secret Service agent turned bodyguard, Frank Farmer, is hired to protect superstar Rachel Marron from an unknown stalker. Each expects to be in charge -what they don't expect is to fall in love.

A 'brilliant!' (The Times), breathtakingly romantic thriller, The Bodyguard features a whole host of irresistible classics including Queen of the Night, So Emotional, One Moment in Time, Saving All My Love, Run to You, I Have Nothing, Greatest Love Of All, Million Dollar Bill, I Wanna Dance With Somebody and one of the greatest hit songs of all time - I Will Always Love You.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 14.30 + 19.30 PRICE From £44 **SUITABILITY 10+**

* Emily Williams will perform the role of 'Rachel Marron' at all evening performances only. Cast and performance schedule subject to change without notice.

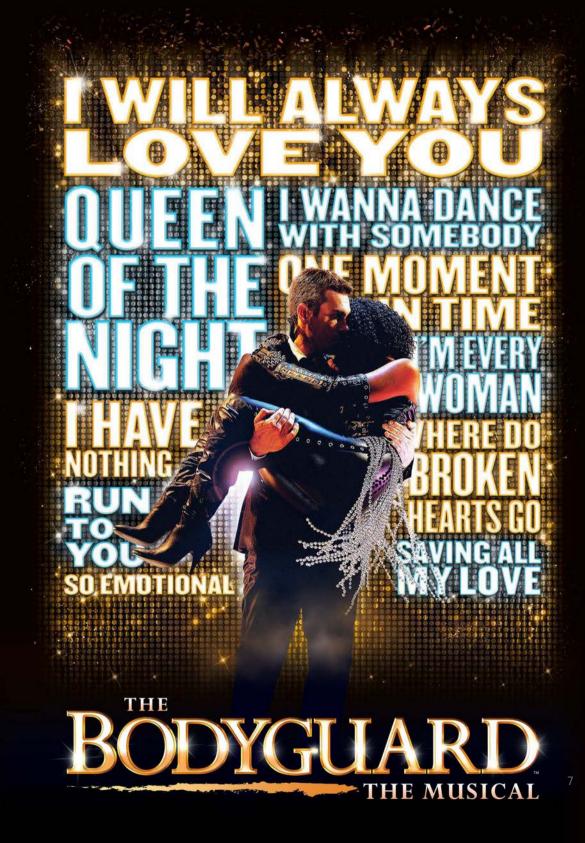
"The hottest ticket in town"

SUNDAY MIRROR

tunes, you come out whooping

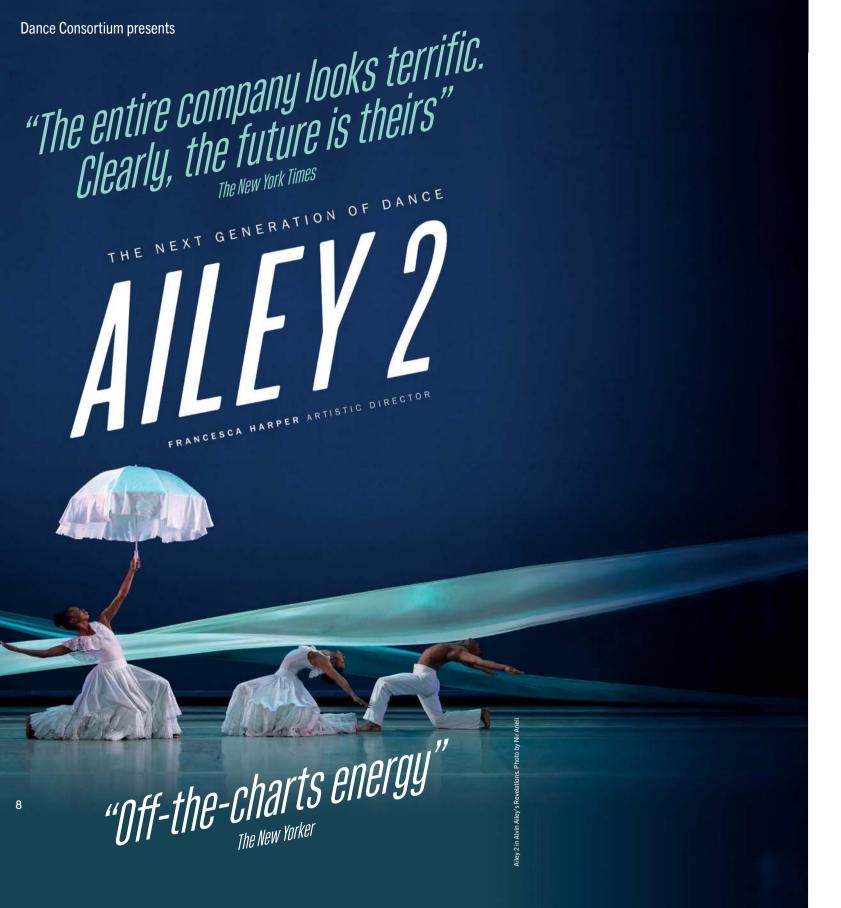
THE INDEPENDENT

"You go in humming the



Friends Offer £5 OFF opening night and Thursday Matinee*

> *limited number, subject to availability



Ailey 2

DANCE CONSORTIUM

Fri 27 + Sat 28

Founded by Alvin Ailey, Ailey 2 is universally renowned for merging the spirit and energy of the finest early-career dance talent in the United States with the passion and creative vision of today's most outstanding choreographers.

Since its Inception in 1974, Ailey 2 has flourished into one of the most popular modern dance companies in the world.

For their return to the UK, Ailey 2 brings an exciting repertoire featuring Francesca Harper's futuristic *Freedom Series* (excerpt), Robert Battle's thrilling *The Hunt*, the incredible energy of William Forsythe's *Enemy in the Figure* (excerpt), and Alvin Ailey's beloved masterpiece *Revelations*.

Join us for the post-show Q+A on Fri 27.

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE From £30
SUITABILITY All ages

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Scottish Ensemble Present: Jasdeep Singh Degun

SCOTTISH ENSEMBLE

Fri 06

Bringing together traditions of Indian and Western Classical music.

Leeds born sitarist Jasdeep Singh Degun is one of Britain's leading voices in the Indian Classical tradition. His music complements the ancient traditions of raags with contemporary compositional techniques to create sparklingly cinematic music for sitar and strings.

In this collaborative concert. Scottish Ensemble and Jasdeep will spin a musical tale, featuring music from Jasdeep's Anomaly album, Western classical string repertoire, and a new work by Jasdeep.

"Showcases the classical music of the subcontinent but also mixes, melds and modernises it."

*limited number, subject to availability

FINANCIAL TIMES

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 20.00** PRICE From £21 SUITABILITY All ages



"Not only has she a wonderful voice, she has gravitas. When she sings, we are compelled to listen."

IRISH MUSIC MAGAZINE

Hannah Rarity

Sun O1

Hannah Rarity has made a lasting impression since being warmly embraced by the folk world, winning BBC Young Traditional Musician of the Year (2018) and recording and touring with top acts Blazin' Fiddles, RURA, Niteworks and Cherish the Ladies.

Both of her albums Neath the Gloaming Star (2018) and To Have You Near (2022) have been shortlisted for Album of the Year at the BBC Alba Scots Trad Music Awards. She has earned comparisons to the likes of Eva Cassidy and Cara Dillon, whilst standing confidently in her own right.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £20 **SUITABILITY** All ages

Finding Petunia LittleTree

Wed 04

Who is Petunia LittleTree? And what about her relationship with baby tree, Sally Semper Sprout, is so unnerving?

Finding Petunia LittleTree offers a humorous, yet bittersweet, PRICE £10 (Child £8) exploration into the complex emotions we face as we learn how to navigate our climate emergency. Telling part of our collective story, she asks "How can we live with what we know, with humour, dark undertones and all?

A solo physical theatre and dance work by Sharon Took-Zozaya with sound design by Quee MacArthur of Shooglenifty.

There will be a post-show talk following the performance.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 18.00 SUITABILITY** 9+

Woman Walking

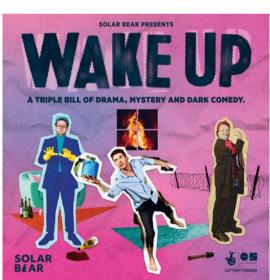
woman walking

Wed 11

Woman Walking is a beautifully poignant play imagining several interactions over a period of time between Cath, a modern woman carrying the guilt and trauma over the death of her mother, and Nan Shepherd, a long since deceased Scottish writer and novelist. Nan is brought back by Cath to help her find resolution through her dialogue with Nan and through the Cairngorms themselves in all their rough beauty, light and weather. Sylvia Dow's play has both humour and pathos and brings themes of grief, resolution and the healing power of nature.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £15 SUITABILITY 12+

DRAMA



WHERE OneTouch Theatre
TIME 19.00
PRICE Pay what you can:
£8/£10/£12/£15

DDAMA

SUITABILITY 12+

Wake Up

SOLAR BEAR

Thu 12

A family prepares for war. A man wakes up next to a dead body. The seas rise, the world is on fire.

Wake Up is a triple bill of visual theatre by three trailblazing directors. In three short plays you'll be transported to a world torn apart by conflict, to a future impacted by climate change, and to a small flat the morning after the night before.

Join us for an evening of drama, mystery and dark comedy, where so much is said without a word being spoken.

This show is in visual vernacular, a unique physical theatre technique with elements of poetry and mime, primarily performed by Deaf artists.

Martyn Ashton: Bike Party

SPEAKERS FROM THE EDGE

Fri 13

One of the biggest personalities in mountain biking, former World Champion Mountain Bike Trials Rider GMBN's Martyn Ashton, was already a legend of the sport before his 2012 *Road Bike Party* video and its sequel propelled him to even greater prominence.

Despite a life-changing back-break in 2013, Martyn has continued to explore what's possible on a bike. In *Bike Party*, Martyn will take audiences through an entertaining look at his life on bikes.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 20.00 PRICE £20.50 SUITABILITY 14+

TALK



"Original, and frequently hysterically funny... these are highly intelligent writers and performers."

THE REVIEWS HUB

Weegie Hink Ae That?

Sat 14

From sketches to songs aboot aw things Scottish, come see these wee comical dafties dae what they dae best! Fastpaced, witty comedy with clever twists on Scottish culture, the Weegie Boys will have ye creasing yersel from start to finish!

Starring Gregor Mackay, Conor Hardie and Elliot Hanigan, the Glasgow based comedy sketch trio Weegie Hink Ae That? have sold out Edinburgh Fringe runs, headlined numerous comedy clubs and venues across the country and launched numerous viral sketches via BBC Scotland.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre
TIME 20.00
PRICE £23
SUITABILITY 14+

COMEDY

Misty's Magical Adventure

Wed 18

We join Misty the Dragon in her cosy tower, high in the Misty Mountains of Dragonland!

She is protecting the Princess Dragonette from evil Chillblain, who has frozen Dragonette's parents in an attempt to take the throne before she comes of age. Misty and the Fairy God Dragons must keep the Princess safe from harm until she can use her qualities of fire, fairness and flight before it's too late!

This laugh a minute adventure story, featuring stunning puppetry, will delight young children with its catchy songs and spell binding effects.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 11.00 + 14.30 **PRICE** £14.50 **SUITABILITY** 3+



People Huv Tae Know!

Wed 18

An audience with Gavin Mitchell, Paul Riley, Sanjeev Kohli, Jane McCarry and Mark Cox.

Craiglang's Boabby, Winston, Navid, Isa and Tam first graced our television screens 20 years ago! Join the faces behind the make-up as the five friends get together on stage to celebrate and share memories of Scotland's awardwinning comedy Still Game.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 19.30 | Meet + Greet 18.00 PRICE £39 (Meet + Greet £59) SUITABILITY 14+

COMEDY | SPECIAL EVENT



Queenz: The Show With Balls!

Fri 20 + Sat 21

EXTRA SHOW ADDED DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND!

Direct from their sold-out run in London's West End and countless 5-star reviews at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, QUEENZ has been blowing the minds of audiences up and down the country with their trailblazing, LIVE VOCAL, drag extravaganza!

Get ready for the life-affirming, sequin-clad pop party we've all been waiting for!



WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 15.30 + 19.30 PRICE From £27 **SUITABILITY 14+**





WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.45** PRICE £17 SUITABILITY All ages

Leonard Brown and Maggie Adamson

Fri 20

Leonard Brown and Maggie Adamson return to Eden Court for the first date of a 15-day tour around Scotland.

The award-winning duo will entertain you with music from Scotland, Ireland, Canada, America, Italy, France and more. Supported by The Elizabeth Fraser Dancers, come for a fantastic night of music, dancing and entertainment after last year's Shades of Shetland success.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 20.00** PRICE £20 **SUITABILITY 14+**

An Evening and a Little Bit of a Morning with Mark Steel

Sat 21

I've come to terms with the fact I'm a heap of contradictions, trying to stay young while being unable to log into any website. Trying to be respectable and mainstream until I can't help breaking into a steaming rant that would get me locked away somewhere secure if it wasn't on a stage.

And this is stand-up, so whatever has happened in the room, in the town or in the world that day will almost certainly be in the

So, I'll try to keep it to a decent length, but it could so easily end up as an evening and part of the next day.



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.00** PRICE £35 SUITABILITY All ages

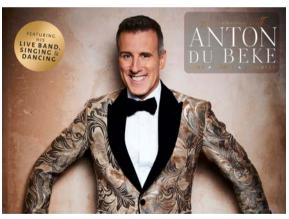
ABBA Party Night

Sun 22

The unforgettable Agnetha, Frida, Benny and Bjorn from the 1974 Abba Tribute Show have been delighting audiences for over 20 years, performing the greatest hits of ABBA in their own fun and unique style.

Every year, the entire Empire Theatre is up disco dancing from the very first song, so dig out your 70s fashion, dust off your platform boots and get ready to sing and dance the night away.

Don't forget to Ring Ring early for your tickets - last year's show was completely sold out!



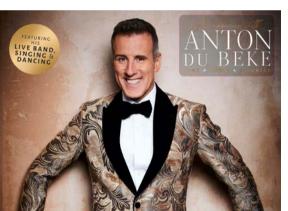
WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE From £47.50 SUITABILITY All ages

An Evening with Anton Du Beke and Friends

STRICTLY THEATRE COMPANY

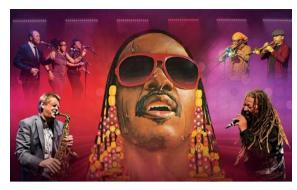
Mon 23

Don't miss this special opportunity to get up close to the King of the ballroom in 2023! With his live band, a guest singer and his dancers, expect a fab-u-lous evening of song, dance and laughter. Anton will be performing some of his favourite songs and dances that have inspired his career throughout his life. Expect behind the scenes stories from his time on Strictly that will have you laughing out loud.



"I marvel at this dazzling homage to one of the great masters of 20th and 21st century music"

JOOLS HOLLAND



The Wonder of Stevie

The ultimate celebration of the genius of Stevie Wonder!

Voted one of Britain's top soul singers, mesmeric vocalist Noel McCalla, award-winning saxophonist Derek Nash (Jools Holland's R&B Orchestra) and their world-class live band present a diverse catalogue of Stevie Wonder classics, taken from 1970s Signed, Sealed, Delivered through to Talking Book, Innervisions, Songs in the Key of Life, and Hotter than July.

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE £32.50
SUITABILITY All ages

MUSIC



WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £31.50 SUITABILITY All ages

Pride of Ireland Wed 25

Come along to this fabulous night of Irish music, fun and laughter, jam-packed with the very best of Irish entertainment and starring Ireland's most dynamic and versatile performers.

This stunning line-up is headlined by International Recording Star Mike Denver (The Galway Boy) and internationally renowned Brendan Shine.

They will be joined on stage by a full supporting cast who will add their tremendous vocals to this superb show. This amazing show is truly the pride of Ireland's talent and will give you a night to remember.

The Maggie Wall

Thu 26

Just before she is burnt as a witch, Maggie tells us her story...

An enthralling new play from Martin McCormick, inspired by a monument near Dunning called The Maggie Wall, the site of a mysterious grave to a woman tried and executed in the 17th century for witchcraft.

The Maggie Wall explores the vulnerability of women and injustices suffered by them in a patriarchal and closed community and resonates with contemporary experiences, as well as reminding us of a chapter of Scottish and British history in which many people, predominately women, were accused, tried and killed as suspected witches.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre

TIME 19.30
PRICE £16
SUITABILITY 12+

DRAMA

"The playwright is not the first to lay claim to this territory, but he does so with a vivid eye and an earthy Scots idiom that holds the attention."



WHERE OneTouch Theatre
TIME 20.00
PRICE £15
SUITABILITY 14+

STAGES: The Journey to Performance

MONIACK MHOR

Sat 28

Moniack Mhor, Scotland's Creative Writing Centre, and Eden Court present this exciting showcase of bright new song-writing talent.

STAGES is a song-writing, production and performance programme that guides emerging writers from generating song ideas right through to a live performance.

Participants work with some of the finest musicians and music industry professionals to bring you an energetic and eclectic evening of new music hosted by STAGES tutors Boo Hewerdine and Findlay Napier, while launching the students' collaborative album, developed and produced over the course of this song-writing programme.

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Battery Park

Sun 29

It's 1992 and Tommy McIntosh is the next big thing in Britpop Britain. His band Battery Park are recording their debut album and preparing to tour, supporting Oasis. But then, out of the blue, they disappear from the scene...

Thirty years later, a young student approaches Tommy and tries to unravel what happened to the boy wonder and his mates.

Battery Park is a play with live music from the writer/director of the 5-star Spuds and Crocodile Rock. It's about Britpop, glorious defeat and a middle-aged fixation on what could have been.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £16 SUITABILITY 14+

DRAMA MUSI



"Spellbinding"

THE DAILY TELEGRAPH ****

"Re-inventing the tribute act"

THE STAGE ***

An Evening Without Kate Bush

Tue 31 Oct + Wed O1 Nov

Howl with the *Hounds of Love* and dance on the moors with *Wuthering Heights!* She's not there - but you are.

Whether you've been a fan for decades or recently joined the shoal via the *Stranger Things* phenomenon, there has never been a better time to release your inner Bush and celebrate at this joyful, unique and mind-blowing show.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £20 SUITABILITY 12+

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THE SAVOY THEATRE

A Little Life

Thu 28 Sep + Sun O1 Oct



THE ROYAL OPERA
L'Elisir D'Amore

Thu O5 Oct + Sun O8 Oct



METROPOLITAN OPERA

Dead Man Walking
Sat 21 Oct



THE ROYAL BALLET

Don Quixote

Tue O7 Nov + Sun 12 Nov



METROPOLITAN OPERA

X: The Life and Times of Malcolm X

Wed 22 Nov



METROPOLITAN OPERA

Florencia en el Amazonas

Sat O9 Dec



THE ROYAL BALLET

The Nutcracker

Tue 12 Dec + Sun 17 Dec



METROPOLITAN OPERA

Nabucco

Sat O6 Jan 2024



THE ROYAL OPERA

Rusalka

Wed 24 Jan + Sun 28 Jan 2024



THE ROYAL BALLET

Manon

Wed 07 Feb + Sun 11 Feb 2024



METROPOLITAN OPERA

La Forza del Destino

Sat 09 Mar 2024



METROPOLITAN OPERA

Romeo Et Juliette

Sat 23 Mar 2024



METROPOLITAN OPERA

Carmen

Sat 27 Jan 2024



THE ROYAL OPERA

Madama Butterfly

Tue 26 + Sun 31 Mar 2024



THE ROYAL BALLET

Macmillan Celebrated

Tue 09 + Sun 14 Apr 2024

NOVEMBER

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"The production is a pleasure which deserves to be repeated"

THE SCOTSMAN

The Barber of Seville

SCOTTISH OPERA

Thu 16 + Sat 18

Back by popular demand, Sir Thomas Allen (The Marriage of Figaro, The Magic Flute, Don Giovanni) creates a riotous production of Rossini's beloved comedy. The action centres around Figaro, one of opera's most delightful characters and perhaps the only voice of reason in a world of young love and old foolishness. When Count Almaviva sets his sights on the beautiful Rosina, he enlists Figaro - barber, fixer, and all-round man of action - to help woo her. It is no easy feat: Rosina's guardian Doctor Bartolo keeps her under lock and key with the intention of marrying her himself!

The multiplying disguises, pranks, and daring escapes engineered by Figaro are enhanced by Simon Higlett's enchanting designs, bright with Spanish colours. This revival is sung in English for a fresh spin on Rossini's larger-than-life characters and antics.

With Rossini's signature toe-tapping ensembles, high-speed patter and lively arias, this masterpiece is a joyful theatrical experience packing in one comic scene after another.

Sung in English with English supertitles.

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.15** Pre-show talk - Sat 18 18:00 PRICE From £26 **SUITABILITY 12+**





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The Upbeat Beatles Sat 25

The Upbeat Beatles are a powerhouse of vocals, precision harmonies and superb musicianship. Along with their fantastic audience rapport the show takes you through the Fab Four's long and winding road from the early Cavern days through Beatlemania, America, Sergeant Pepper to Abbey Road, with narrative and full multi-media presentation.

Whether you love the Beatles or not this is a night of incredible music from the best in the business.

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £32 SUITABILITY All ages



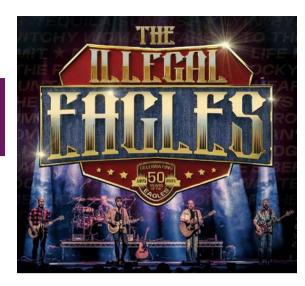
The 21st Inverness Film Festival

PRESENTED BY EDEN COURT

Fri 03 - Thu 09

After last year's 20th anniversary, the Inverness Film Festival (IFF) embarks on its third decade bringing a programme of the best international cinema to the Highlands every year.

The IFF has a track record in screening dozens of films that go on to awards success and classic status. Some become must-see arthouse essentials, others will change the way you see the world. From established directors to trailblazing new talent, restored gems to the outer fringes of cinema's capabilities – the IFF has a consistently thrilling programme for movie fans. Watch out for this year's full line-up announcement in October!



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30 PRICE £36.50 SUITABILITY** All ages

The Illegal **Eagles** Thu O2

Celebrating the music of the legendary West Coast Country Rock band, The Illegal Eagles bring their trademark musical prowess, acute attention to detail and incredible showmanship.

This critically acclaimed show features the very best from the Eagles' catalogue of classics including Hotel California, Desperado, Take It Easy, New Kid In Town, Life In The Fast Lane and many more...

"Chisholm's fiddle voice could verge on the ethereal." THE SCOTSMAN

Duncan Chisholm

Fri O3

Duncan Chisholm returns to the Empire Theatre to perform his incredible new album Black Cuillin. Drawing inspiration from the mountain wilderness on the Isle of Skye, the album brings statuesque landscapes of sound together with pieces of exquisite and delicate beauty.

Duncan Chisholm is one of Scotland's most recognised and accomplished fiddle players and composers; his music contains the rarest of chemistries, a glorious combination of invention, tenderness and passion.

For this evening's performance, Duncan will be joined on stage with eight of Scotland's finest traditional and classical musicians.



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £27 **SUITABILITY** All ages



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 13.30 PRICE £47.50** SUITABILITY All ages

SPECIAL EVENT

Monsterfest: A Wee Monster Sat O4

After its successful 2022 debut at Eden Court. Monsterfest returns for a oneday festival with some of the newest trailblazing rock bands emerging from the UK scene.

Working with Development Young Workforce, the festival runs education workshops for school students and this year will also see some of the students participate in the main day event.

Tide Lines present "Flements" - An intimate acoustic and electronic reworking of their music

Sun O5

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £30 **SUITABILITY 16+**



2023 has been full of highs for Tide Lines: A Scottish #1 album, a #13 debut in the official UK album chart, a successful UK tour with sold out shows across the UK and the band's biggest headline show to date to 5,000 fans at Queen's Park in Glasgow.

Tide Lines now plan to round off a great year with a unique conceptual tour entitled 'Elements'. Audiences can expect a relaxed atmosphere where the songs are presented in a more acoustic and often ambient electronic setting.

"Intelligent, captivating and superbly performed...a quietly stunning odyssey" THE GUARDIAN



PLINTH by Al Seed

Tue 07

Renowned visual theatre maker Al Seed presents his latest striking work *Plinth*, which examines the role and re-appraisal of statues.

At the heart of *Plinth* is an exploration of statues as artefacts of war, particularly with reference to the archetypal image of the 'hero'.

Plinth is the latest in a series of performances Al Seed has created around the theme of conflict and the politics of its remembrance. This world premiere, co-produced with Vanishing Point, is full of rich imagery and astonishing movement

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £15 **SUITABILITY 14+**

DRAMA DANCE



Lawrence Chaney: **Overweight** and OVER IT!

Thu O9

Overweight and OVER IT is about the trials and tribulations of being plus size! Lawrence Chaney made history as the first plus-size winner of RuPaul's Drag Race UK. Growing up in the late 90s/early 00s, all TV and media portrayed people's bodies negatively. Now, in 2023 people think they possess no prejudice against plus-size people because they like one Lizzo song. Lawrence will talk everything from dating and exercise to having to buy two seats on a plane but only getting one meal!

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 20.00** PRICE From £24 (Meet + Greet £38) **SUITABILITY** 16+

COMEDY



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 20.00** PRICE £18 **SUITABILITY** All ages

Kings of the Blues: Main Street Blues

Fri 10

The Kings of the Blues tribute show performed by the fabulous Main Street Blues Band, returns to the OneTouch Theatre to celebrate the life and music of the three great blues masters: BB King, Albert King and Freddie King, combining many of their Blues classics over their long and successful careers, including songs such as Thrill Is Gone, Born Under A Bad Sign, Hideaway, Let The Good Times Roll, See See Baby and many more.

Craig Hill: This Gets Harder Every Year! Sat 11

Cheeky and irreverent, Scotland's much-loved kilty pleasure unleashes his fantastic new show (and another corker of a show title) for a fun evening of uproarious stand-up!

Renowned world-wide for his high-octane live comedy, Craig's razor-sharp wit and unsurpassed audience rapport have seen him perform all over Europe, Australia (including the Sydney Opera House) all over Scotland as well as south of the border and even a season of shows off-Broadway in New York.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 20.00 **PRICE £20.50 SUITABILITY 18+**





NOVEMBER



WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £34 SUITABILITY All ages

Swing Into Christmas Sun 12

Celebrate the festive season in style with the vocalists and instrumentalists of the Down for the Count Orchestra, as they Swing Into Christmas! This 30-piece ensemble recreate the best music of the Swing Era, including I've Got You Under My Skin, Winter Wonderland and many more for a joyful celebration of festive jazz and big band music.

"Awesome!"



"This show slays!" NORTH WEST END

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £28 **SUITABILITY 14+**

COMEDY SPECIAL EVENT

Buffy Revamped Tue 14

Seventy minutes. Seven seasons. One Spike.

Fresh from an award-winning run at Edinburgh Fringe, this fast-paced new production brings you the entire 144 episodes of the hit 90s TV show, Buffy the Vampire Slayer, as told through the eyes of the one person who knows it inside out... Spike.

Funny, satirical and bursting with 90s pop-culture references, it's the perfect parody for Buffy aficionados and those who never enrolled at Sunnydale High alike.



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE From £24 SUITABILITY 10+

Uncanny: I Know What I Saw

Thu 23

Do you believe in ghosts? Are UFOs real? Is the impossible possible?

Join Danny Robins, creator of the smash hit BBC Radio 4 paranormal podcasts Uncanny, The Battersea Poltergeist and The Witch Farm, and award-winning West End play 2:22: A Ghost Story, for the biggest investigation into the paranormal ever.

You'll be immersed in the sights, sounds and scares of brand new, real-life stories of the supernatural, from ghosts and poltergeists to UFO sightings and other strange encounters. Watch as these creepy, thrilling tales are brought to life on stage by Danny and his everpresent team of experts.

"A latter day Alfred Hitchcock" RADIO TIMES

"The audio king of true-life scary tales"

Jim Smith: The Hills Have Ayes Fri 24

After his last sell-out tour, Perthshire farmer and comedian Jim Smith dons the checked shirt again as he returns with hilarious tales of Scottish rural life.

With his trademark mix of regional accents and impressions, Jim shares anecdotes from his changing world which has seen him get engaged, become a first time father and continue farming through Covid and Brexit.

Whether you live out in the sticks or embrace city life, there's something for everyone as this 'Teuchter' tours the country once again.



TIME 20.00 PRICE £26.50 **SUITABILITY 16+**



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| | Wed 27 Dec | 7pm | BSL | |
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| La traviata | | | Touch Tour at 18.00 | |
| Scottish Ballet: | Sat 27 Apr | 2.30pm | AD | p88 |
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STARRING Steven Wren and Ross Allan "Vintage panto at its best" ****

WHAT'S ON NORTH (Cinderella)

"The rapport between Allan, Wren and the Inverness audience is all but perfect"

THE SCOTSMAN (Snow White)



Images by Ewen Weatherspoon

"This year's five-star pantomime offering from Inverness' Eden Court proves that all pantos are not created equal"

BRAW THEATRE (Peter Pan)

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PRESS & JOUNAL (Beauty and the Beast)

Sleeping Beauty

IMAGINE THEATRE

Wed O6 Dec - Sun O7 Jan

The Spellbinding Family Panto.

Come and join us for the magical familyfriendly pantomime Sleeping Beauty at Eden Court this Christmas.

When the wicked fairy Carabosse's evil curse causes the princess to prick her finger on a spinning wheel and fall into an enchanted sleep can anyone rescue her from the magical slumber before it is too late?

Sleeping Beauty has everything you'd expect from the Eden Court pantomime with a hilarious comic, an outrageous dame, a delightfully wicked baddie, marvellous musical numbers and tons of slapstick fun.

Get your tickets now for what will be the most spellbinding pantomime in the Highlands this festive season!

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME Times vary PRICE From £22.50 SUITABILITY All ages

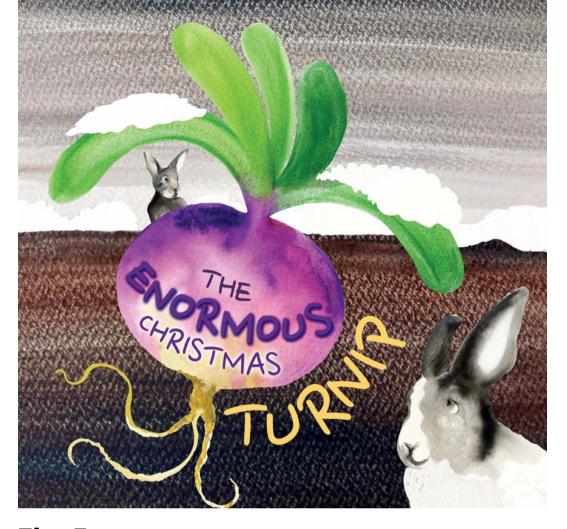












The Enormous Christmas Turnip

EDEN COURT + SCOTTISH THEATRE PRODUCERS

Wed 13 - Sat 23

Help two playful bunnies get ready, set, and grow grow grow - but what happens when one vegetable grows a little too big...?

Rabbits get a bad rap. Everyone thinks they steal your carrots and poo everywhere.

Well, these rabbits are growing their own delicious vegetables for a great big festive feast and there'll be plenty for everyone! That'll be a turn-ip for the books!

Join us for a magical, musical rollercoaster of a Christmas dinner party like no other!

WHERE OneTouch Theatre
TIME Times Vary
PRICE £12 (Child £10)
SUITABILITY 2-7

FAMILY

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WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE £28
SUITABILITY All ages

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Phil Cunningham's Christmas Songbook

Mon 18

Phil Cunningham and his Christmas Songbook colleagues have been delighting audiences for the last 17 years.

Phil will be joined by some of the finest musicians on the Scottish folk scene including Eddi Reader, Karen Matheson and John McCusker for an evening teeming with jovial anecdotes, modern and traditional Christmas music and exquisite musicianship that will tug at your heartstrings.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £12 SUITABILITY All ages

SPECIAL EVENT

MUSIC

Eden Court Ceilidh

EDEN COURT +
THE BLACK ISLE CEILIDH BAND

Fri 29 Dec

See the OneTouch Theatre transformed into a bouncing ceilidh hall at our Eden Court Ceilidh series!

With lively favourites from the Black Isle Ceilidh Band, you won't want to leave the dance floor. No ceilidh dancing experience needed - just come along, party with your pals or meet new people.

A reel good time guaranteed!



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.00** PRICE From £15.50 SUITABILITY 18+

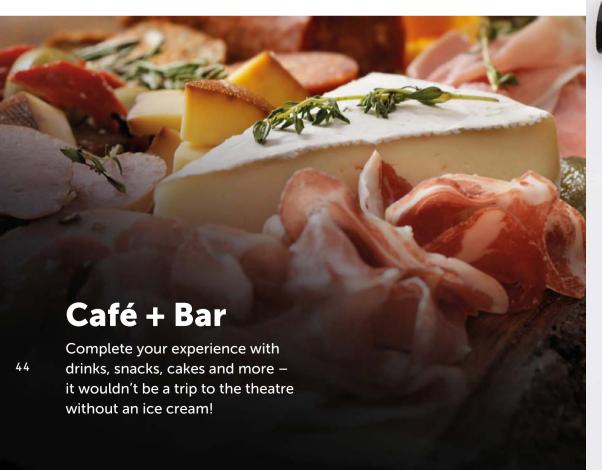
MUSIC SPECIAL EVENT

Karawane Takeover

Sat 30

The Karawane Takeover returns to Eden Court for its first birthday celebration and this time it's strictly festive houseparty vibes as the OneTouch Theatre is transformed into a vibrant dancefloor setting with big sound and big smiles all round.

Returning to the first days of the Karawane club night, expect a broader set of bouncy funk, reggae, hip hop, afrobeat, latin, and brassy world music sounds to make you move – as well as live drummers, special guests and surprises to be announced.



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Wishing you a 'cracking' Christmas and a happy New Year



















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Cinders!

SCOTTISH BALLET

Wed 31 Jan - Sat O3 Feb

Scottish Ballet's festive favourite returns for the winter season with a new name, glittering new designs, and a charming twist to the tale.

Set at the turn of the 20th century, life is sweet for Cinders until tragedy strikes and the evil, spiky Madame Thorne's family takes over the family business. The only hope now is for Cinders – with the help of a cast of fantastical characters from her garden – to be spun into a vision of beauty, worthy of charming everyone at the recently-announced Royal Ball.

Cinders is everything you adore about the enchanted fairy tale – made sparkling, fresh and new. Be part of the magic and fall in love with this classic tale all over again.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 14.30 + 19.30 PRICE From £25.50 SUITABILITY All ages







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RSNO Viennese Gala

ROYAL SCOTTISH NATIONAL ORCHESTRA

Wed 10

It wouldn't be New Year without the music of Vienna's most famous son Johann Strauss and friends. Let RSNO whirl you away to a world of elegant waltzes, playful polkas and good old-fashioned operetta romance from RSNO favourite tenor Jamie MacDougall.

RSNO and conductor David Niemann will sweep you off your feet with favourites including the overture to Die Fledermaus, On the Beautiful Blue Danube and the Thunder and Lightning Polka.

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE £30
SUITABILITY All ages

CLASSICAL

"Scotland should be proud to have an orchestra of this calibre, packed full of talented musicians who play music that has the power to alter your mood and at times, make you blink back tears."



WHERE OneTouch Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE £18 (includes welcome drink)
SUITABILITY All ages

MUSIC

SPECIAL EVENT

Eden Court Ceilidh

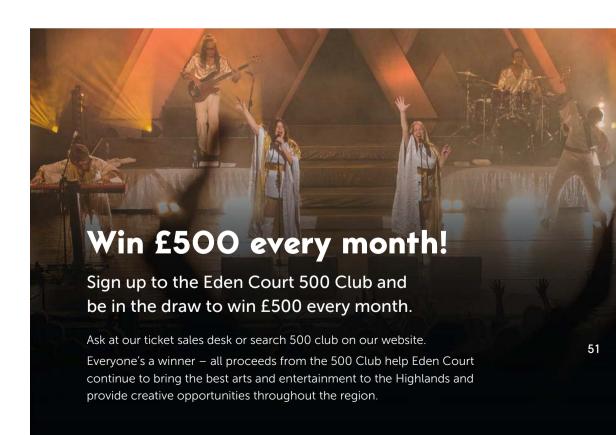
EDEN COURT + THE BLACK ISLE CEILIDH BAND

Fri 26

Celebrate Burns Night with us, in the culmination of our Ceilidh series as our OneTouch Theatre transforms into bouncing ceilidh hall.

With lively favourites from the Black Isle Ceilidh Band, you won't want to leave the dance floor. No ceilidh dancing experience needed - just come along, party with your pals or meet new people.

A reel good time guaranteed!





Everyone is an artist at Eden Court

We believe that everyone is an artist and that there is transformational power in taking part. Eden Court's Engagement team deliver projects, in our building and across the Highlands, that create opportunities for people to take part and find their creative community.

Have you explored Eden Court's studio programme? We have regular classes for all ages and abilities run by experienced and passionate practitioners and local freelancers.

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The Gallery at **Eden Court**

Our galleries showcase the work of both established and emerging artists.

CALL TO ARTISTS

We invite artists working in all mediums to submit artwork to be considered for our gallery spaces. This open call is designed to give exhibition opportunities to artists based in Scotland.

Email gallerv@eden-court.co.uk with a bio plus three or more images of recent work.

Stalls Gallery 2023/24



OCTOBER

Deirdre **McCrimmon** The Space Within

A series of new mixed-media works on paper by figurative and portrait artist Deirdre McCrimmon.



NOVEMBER

Jim Boon + Oonagh Devoy Traces

Paintings and photographs themed on how landscapes are in perpetual flux due to time and elemental forces or human and animal activity.



JANUARY

Royal **Photographic** Society (Scotland) Travelling Exhibition (Various Artists)

This annual travelling exhibition will contain 40 images that represent the work of the RPS membership.



FEBRUARY

Libby Mitchell Unravelling

Libby Mitchell is a landscape and wildlife painter. photographer and installation artist.



MARCH

Various Artists Highland Women Making History

Textile banners designed and made by women of the Highlands and Islands to celebrate and reflect on issues important to them.



Evija Laivina Silver Stories

This project seeks to showcase the unique stories, experiences and resilience of women who have embraced their greying hair as a symbol of self-acceptance, wisdom and confidence.



Jane Nestor Amorphous-ism

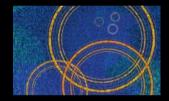
A celebration of the visual gifts from nature.



JUNE

Royal **Photographic** Society **Documentary** Group Documentary Photography **Awards**

Bi-annual competition exhibition in three categories - members of The Society, International Open Category and an International Photography Student Category.



Gael Hillyard Cosmic Minimalism: A Journey Through Universal Symbols

A mixed-media exhibition presenting the universe's vastness and intricacy through a collection of minimalist artworks, using symbols to express the profound and enigmatic connection between the cosmos and human understanding.

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We also have a programme of exhibitions on display throughout the year in our First Circle Gallery and a series of photography exhibitions curated by the Flow Photofest in our OneTouch Gallery. To find out more visit:

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"A BRILLIANT NIGHT OF NON-STOP **ENTERTAINMENT." FAIRY POWERED**

Featuring star of stage and screen Daniel Taylor

The George Harrison Story



Thu O8

Starring West End actor and musician Daniel Taylor, Something About George – The George Harrison Story tells the truly remarkable tale of one of music's most understated icons.

Featuring a five-piece band performing beautiful songs such as My Sweet Lord, Something, Got My Mind Set On You and Handle With Care, the show includes incredible solo material and music from rock n' roll's greatest supergroup, The Travelling Wilburys - not forgetting more than a few Beatles' classics along the way.

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £30 **SUITABILITY** All ages



BBC SSO: Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No. 2

BBC SCOTTISH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Fri 16

A piano plays a chord in the silence and a chain of sound grows, swells and breaks into passionate song. The great Romantic composers knew how to unleash emotion, whether Tchaikovsky diving into the whirlwind of a doomed love or Puccini's heartmelting melodies.

Or in this case, Rachmaninov uniting glittering piano and a sumptuous orchestra. This concerto, interpreted by quest conductor Valentina Peleggi, vividly presents Roxanna Panufnik's new versions of Alma Mahler's neglected songs.

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE From £23 SUITABILITY All ages



Puccini - Preludio sinfonico

Tchaikovsky - Francesca da Rimini

Roxanna Panufnik/Alma Mahler -Alma's song without words BBC Commission

Rachmaninov - Piano concerto no.2 in c minor

Conductor - Valentina Peleggi

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HIGHLIGHTS



Outliers - Jenny Sturgeon + Boo Hewerdine

Wed 07

Created between their homes in Glasgow and Shetland during 2020/21, Outliers came to signify an outlet which renowned songwriters Boo Hewerdine and Jenny Sturgeon would never have had the chance to explore otherwise. Accompanied by multi-instrumentalist Grant Anderson.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £17 SUITABILITY All ages

MUSIC



WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 16.00
PRICE £20.50
SUITABILITY All ages

ZOO

CAIRNGORM SCHOOL OF DANCE

Sat 10

Pupils from Cairngorm School of Dance showcase their talents in their first full theatre production on the Empire stage. The talented young performers explore what the Zoo has to offer, incorporating a variety of dance styles in this showcase.



Barbara Dickson

Tue 13

Legendary Scottish singer, songwriter, musician and actress Barbara Dickson has announced her Farewell Tour with her full band.

Don't miss this very special concert and hear hits such as Another Suitcase In Another Hall, Caravans, January February, MacCrimmons's Lament, Easy Terms plus lots more!

It will be an evening packed with songs from one of the finest voices you will ever hear.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £39 SUITABILITY All ages

MUSIC

The Brandon McPhee Show

Wed 14

Multi award-winning vocalist and musician Brandon McPhee returns with a brand-new show featuring not only a fresh repertoire, but several self-penned songs and tunes, as well as often-requested favourites from Johnny Cash, Elvis and Billy Ray Cyrus.

Brandon's energy-packed performance is supported by his five-piece band of talented musicians and showcases recording artist Manson Grant on vocals and keyboard.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £25.50 SUITABILITY All ages





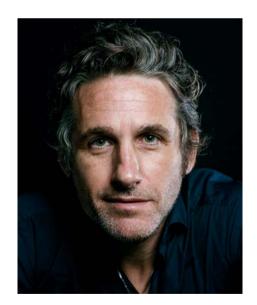
Gary Innes, **Ewen Henderson** + Ross Wilson

Thu 15

Though most commonly found performing with Mànran, the band they co-founded in 2010, Gary Innes and Ewen Henderson have played all around the world. Indeed, it is from these very adventures and the strong musical heritage of Lochaber that their music and stories spring.

Join Gary and Ewen alongside Tide Line's Ross Wilson for what promises to be an excellent night of Highland tunes, Gaelic song and good craic.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £20 SUITABILITY All ages



"Endlessly funny. Slick, intelligent, sparkling charm." INDEPENDENT



Tom Stade: **Natural Born** Killer

Sat 17

Legendary Canadian superstar with a killer new hour! A show for everyone; from iGens to Millennials, Baby Boomers and bevond.

Join Tom as he toys with the complexities of our ever-changing world and muses on progressiveness and pronouns - not to mention 27 years of marriage and adult kids who refuse to respect him.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 20.00 PRICE £21.50 SUITABILITY 16+**

Coldplace -The World's **Leading Tribute** to Coldplay

Sat 17

The only tribute to have worked for Coldplay, this outstanding band leads you through all your favourite Coldplay hits from the last 20+ years.

This world-class show faithfully recreates the magic of Coldplay's record-breaking live tours - featuring lasers, confetti, video screen and the Xyloband LED wristbands that have become synonymous with Coldplay concerts, truly making the audience part of the show.



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30 PRICE £30.50** SUITABILITY All ages

"Coldplace are pure quality. Thanks for flying the Coldplay flag."

PHIL HARVEY (COLDPLAY'S CREATIVE DIRECTOR)



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £36 **SUITABILITY** All ages

Money for Nothing **Dire Straits Tribute**

Tue 20

The abundant energy and the excellence and musicality of their performance makes Money For Nothing a must-see for any rock enthusiast or Dire Straits fan. With a line-up featuring top-class and experienced musicians, this band makes for a worthy tribute to Dire Straits.

"Make no mistake. they are good, very good." THE OBSERVER



Pete Whittaker - Fine Lines

SPEAKERS FROM THE EDGE

Wed 21 Feb

Big wall free solo climbing remains an area of the sport that climbers and the public are yet to wrap their heads around. Pete explores the art of free solo climbing in Fine Lines, taking you on a journey of where soloing started out for him, right up to his 800m big wall free solo of Kjerag in Norway.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £19 SUITABILITY All ages



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.00** PRICE £16 **SUITABILITY 14+**









Don't. Make. Tea.

BIRDS OF PARADISE

Sat 24

With creatively embedded BSL interpretation, integrated audio description, and all performances captioned, Don't. Make. Tea. explores a near future where the benefits system has undergone a transformation. But is it for the best?

A riveting new dark comedy from Rob Drummond (Bulletcatch, The Majority), presented by Scotland's disability-led theatre company, Birds of Paradise Theatre.



Jimeoin: The Craic!

Sat 24

A hilarious evening of world-class stand-up from live comedy's internationally-acclaimed Irish master!

You've seen him on The Royal Variety Performance, Live at the Apollo, Sunday Night at the Palladium, Conan O'Brien... or perhaps online where he has clocked up hundreds of millions of views on his comedy clips... but NOTHING beats seeing Jimeoin live.



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30 PRICE £22.50** SUITABILITY 14+



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 15.00 PRICE** £12.50 SUITABILITY 4+

Roald Dahl's The Three Little Pigs

CHILDREN'S CLASSIC CONCERTS

Sun 25

Explore different orchestra instruments as they bring Roald Dahl's most whoops-whiffling characters to life. Whether you are new to the orchestra or know your piccolo from your tuba, this will be a swashboggling concert for all the family. The Essential Orchestra guarantees to entertain even the most biffsquiggled Snozzwanger with fabulous performances, theatrical staging, crazy costumes and plenty of opportunities to join in.

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Ragnarok

TORTOISE IN A NUTSHELL

Tue 27 + Wed 28

The world is breaking.

Two souls in a sea of thousands battle forward, seeking a future in a promised land. They move through a fractured world as dream and reality clash around them.

Ragnarok creates a bold, haunting and multisensory theatrical world, populated by scores of hand-crafted clay figures and an atmospheric immersive soundtrack.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.00** PRICE £15 **SUITABILITY 12+**



David Suchet - Poirot and More, A Retrospective

*limited number subject to availability

Wed 28

Join in conversation with the man, the actor and his many roles in this unmistakably unique event. A retrospective look at David's career will have you witness some of his most beloved performances in a new and intimate light.

WHERE Empire Theatre **PRICE £32.50** SUITABILITY All ages

TIME 19.30 SPECIAL EVENT



Andalucia

Thu 29

The award-winning Daniel Martinez Flamenco Company presents its long-awaited second production Andalucia; a stunning flamenco production accompanied by a chamber orchestra.

This extra special concert is a musical representation of the eight regions that make up the autonomous community of Andalucia in the south of Spain, the birthplace of flamenco.

Unique, innovative, spellbinding, combining the stunning beauty of classical music and the passion and fire of flamenco. An unmissable experience!

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £30 **SUITABILITY** All ages

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Gaelic

Eden Court is delighted to launch its Gaelic Language Plan, which sets out how we will support and embrace Gaelic as a modern, vibrant and forward-looking language.

Fluent Gaelic speakers, learners and all those with an interest in the language and culture are at the centre of our Gaelic Language Plan and we invite everyone to get involved.

Airson tuilleadh fiosrachaidh tadhal air For more information please visit

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RAR



Jesus Christ Superstar

Tue 05 - Sat 09

An album that inspired a revolution. A revelation that changed the world. A reinvention for this millennium.

Timothy Sheader (*Crazy for You, Into the Woods*) directs this mesmerising new production of the iconic global phenomenon Jesus Christ Superstar which comes to Inverness for one week only!

Starring Ian McIntosh (We Will Rock You, Follies, Beautiful: The Carole King Musical) as Jesus, Shem Omari James (Dreamgirls UK Tour) as Judas and Hannah Richardson (Sting's The Last Ship) as Mary. Originally staged by London's Regent's Park Open Air Theatre, this reimagined production won the 2017 Olivier Award for Best Musical Revival.

Choreographed by Drew McOnie (King Kong, Strictly Ballroom), and with music and lyrics by multi-award winners Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, Jesus Christ Superstar is set during the final weeks in the life of Jesus Christ. Reflecting the rock roots that defined a generation, the legendary score includes I Don't Know How to Love Him and Gethsemane.

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 14.30 + 19.30

PRICE From £34
SUITABILITY 10+





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"The best dance company in Brazil"

DANCING TIMES

São Paulo Dance Company

DANCE CONSORTIUM

Tue 19 + Wed 20

Brazil's finest dance company make their highly anticipated UK debut in spring 2024.

Fusing the elegance of classical ballet with the sensuality of Latin American dance, this 'sleek, sexy and highly technical' (The New Yorker) company of talented dancers are set to impress with three UK premieres.

Goyo Montero (resident choreographer with Carlos Acosta's company Acosta Danza) explores the idea of collective identities in *Anthem*, an epic and emotionally charged ensemble piece for 14 dancers, beautifully visualised with dramatic lighting.

Gnawa, by Nacho Duato (Artistic Director of the Berlin State Ballet), draws on the Mediterranean colours and flavours of Valencia, powered by the hypnotic, ritualistic music of North Africa.

For the finale, Brazilian choreographer Cassi Abranches' colourful and flirtatious Agora sculpts the movement of each dancer's body with the percussive beats and bass grooves of Afro-Brazilian fusion.

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE From £26
SUITABILITY All ages

DANCE



"Passionate and energetic, São Paulo Dance Company combine international classical technique, fluidity and Brazilian swing"

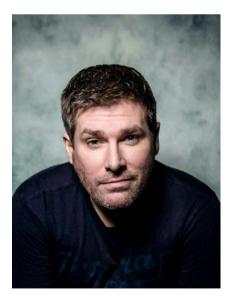


WHERE Empire Theatre TIM 19.00, 20.15 + 21.30 PRICE 1 show £14 | 2 shows £25 | 3 shows £30 **SUITABILITY 16+**

The Moira Trilogy

Includes: The Moira Monologues, More Moira Monologues + Moira in Lockdown Fri O1

Based on the stories and characters Alan Bissett encountered growing up in the Hallglen area of Falkirk, where The Moira Monologues first premiered in 2009. Moira, her long-suffering pal Babs, her neighbour Bawface, her laddies (they're gid laddies, but they canny take their hash), and her wee dug Pepe have left audiences all over the country howling with laughter for the last fifteen years.



Mark Nelson: All The Best

Sat 02

Multi award-winning comedian Mark Nelson embarks on his first ever nationwide tour. A hugely sought after headliner throughout the UK and abroad, Nelson brings a distinctive mix of cutting observations, social commentary and hilarious one liners.

WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 20.00** PRICE £18 **SUITABILITY 18+**



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 15.00** PRICE £13.50 (Under 18s £7) SUITABILITY All ages

Highland Young Musician Concerts Festival

HIGH LIFE HIGHLAND

Sat 02

This year High Life Highland are proud to showcase six outstanding groups: Highland Youth Wind Band; Highland Regional Youth Orchestra; Snas; Highland Youth Choir; Highland Youth Strings Orchestra and Highland Youth Big Band.

These ensembles of exceptionally talented young musicians and singers from across the Highlands will captivate you with their diverse and varied programmes, leaving you with a deep appreciation for the remarkable talent within the Highland youth music scene!



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £25 **SUITABILITY 18+**

Solve-Along-A-Murder-She-Wrote Fri 08

Cult hit event Solve-Along-A-Murder-She-Wrote comes to Inverness with an interactive screening of the classic Murder, She Wrote episode "Sing a Song of Murder". Jessica Fletcher heads to London but soon gets caught up in a murder mystery only she (or you!) can solve!

"I'd challenge anyone to sit through this show and not get utterly invested in figuring out whodunit"

WEST END WILMA



"A jaw-dropping reminder that human life is both irrelevant and hugely precious."

THE GUARDIAN ***

Professor Brian Cox - Horizons: A 21st Century Space Odyssey

Tue 12

Having set two Guinness World Records with his previous sell-out world tour, Professor Brian Cox is coming to Inverness for the first time with Horizon.

Horizons has taken over 250,000 people across three continents on a dazzling journey. Using state-of-the-art screen technology, the Empire Theatre will be filled with images of far-away galaxies, alien worlds, supermassive black holes and the latest theories of the origin of the Universe.

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £44 **SUITABILITY** All ages



WHERE OneTouch Theatre **TIME 20.00** PRICE £21 **SUITABILITY** All ages

CLASSICAL SPECIAL EVENT

Impulse: **Music in Motion**

SCOTTISH ENSEMBLE

Tue 12

After many years of collaboration, Scottish Ensemble are returning to stages across Scotland with choreographer Örjan Andersson for a ground-breaking new take on this classical concert.

Impulse: Music in Motion presents two iconic works of string repertoire in a unique, personal, and deeply human performance.



*limited number, subject to availability



"It's a wee bit naughty but a great night out for the gals." **BEVERLEY LYONS**

Girls Night Oot!

Fri 15

Join the girls on a hen night that you won't forget with a smash hit retro soundtrack, featuring songs from the 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and now!

To prepare for a marriage, all a girl needs are her friends and a guid old hen night!

This raucous show will be banterous and bootyliciously good fun with songs including Hot Stuff, Girls Just Wanna Have Fun, I'm Every Woman and many more!

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £24 **SUITABILITY 18+**



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £23 **SUITABILITY** All ages

Inverness Fiddlers' **Rally 2024**

Sat 16

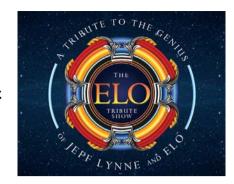
Once again the Inverness Fiddlers will be joined by fellow enthusiasts from all over Scotland to form an orchestra of around 100 players performing a varied programme of traditional music from Scotland and beyond. Clad in tartan for the night, the Rally provides both a visual and a musical spectacle.

The ELO Show

The World's Greatest Tribute to the Genius of Jeff Lynne and ELO Sat 23

With beautiful harmonies from six singers, cascading strings and an amazing core band, this tribute to the music of Jeff Lynne and ELO is as close as you will get to the real thing.

Expect songs like, Evil Woman, Don't Bring Me Down, Telephone Line, Sweet Talkin' Woman, Turn to stone, Wild West Hero, The Diary of Horace Wimp and the legendary Mr Blue Sky plus a surprise or two.



WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 19.30 PRICE £30 SUITABILITY All ages

MUSIC



Made in Dagenham

INVERNESS MUSICAL THEATRE

Wed 27 - Sat 30

Following the success of their 2023 show The Wedding Singer, Inverness Musical Theatre are proud to present Made in Dagenham!

Based on the acclaimed 2010 film of the same name and packed full of humour, this feel-good powerhouse show features a rousing score from start to finish including *Everybody Out, Busy Woman* and the dizzying finale *Stand Up*.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 14.30 + 19.30 PRICE From £25.50 SUITABILITY 12+

LOCAL + SHOWCASE



Kieran Hodgson: Big in Scotland

Thu 28

After moving to Scotland in 2020, the threetime Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee Kieran Hodgson (Two Doors Down, Jonathan Creek) has been travelling around the still-just-about United Kingdom to find out how it's working out – for both him and Scotland. "A delight to watch...
every line is wired
for laughter"

THE GUARDIAN ***

WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 20.00 PRICE From £19 SUITABILITY 16+

COMED

Mike McGoldrick, John McCusker + John Doyle

Folk music's legendary triumvirate of musical magpies Mike McGoldrick, John Doyle and John McCusker are back with their own blend of top-class folk songs, tunes and charming bonhomie.

Having shared stages and recording studios with everyone from Bob Dylan and Mark Knopfler to Paul Weller, Joan Baez and Linda Thompson, these three masters are a rare musical treat you'll savour for a very long time.



WHERE OneTouch Theatre TIME 20.00 PRICE £20 SUITABILITY All ages

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Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Tue 10 - Sun 15 Sep 2024

In a brand-new production of this much-loved family favourite, this ravishing award-winning musical is bursting with unforgettable songs by the Sherman Brothers including Toot Sweets, Hushabye Mountain, Truly Scrumptious and of course the Academy Award-nominated title song, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.

Based on Ian Fleming's timeless story for children and later made into the famous 1968 film, in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang we meet absent -minded inventor Caractacus Potts who restores a broken-down old racing car with the help of his children Jemima and Jeremy. Soon the family discover the car has magical powers, and along with the delectable Truly Scrumptious, the family end up on a hilarious fantastical adventure to far off lands. Their heart-warming journey makes Chitty Chitty Bang Bang a fun-filled hit for all the family.

Don't let it take off without you!

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 13.00, 14.00, + 19.00 PRICE From £28 **SUITABILITY** 5+





Cirque: The Greatest Show

Mon O1 + Tue O2 Apr 2024

Where Musical Theatre Meets Circus

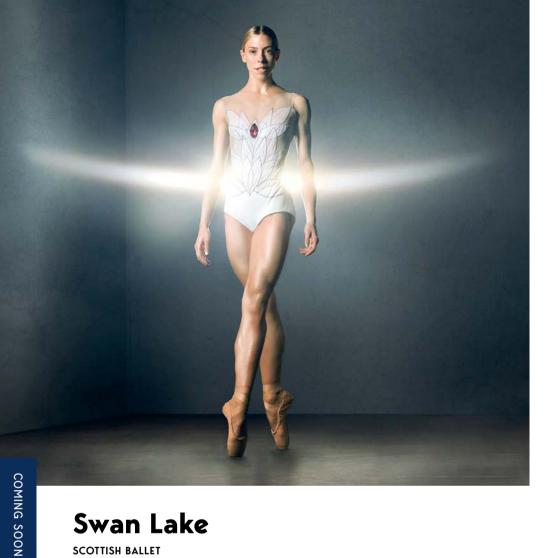
Musical theatre showstoppers meet jaw-dropping circus spectacular as everyone's favourite West End hits combine with breath-taking, amazing aerialists, incredible contortionists, and thrilling feats of agility and flair.

Let the music lift you on a truly wondrous journey bursting with kaleidoscopic colour in this smash-hit variety spectacular that's fun for all the family. Enter the extraordinary world of Cirque.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 13.00, 15.00 + 19.00 PRICE From £34 SUITABILITY All ages

FAMILY SPECIAL EVENT





Swan Lake

SCOTTISH BALLET

Fri 26 + Sat 27 Apr 2024

Lose yourself in the raw intensity of this sleek and unmissable ballet, finally returning to Scotland after its sell-out 2016 debut.

Arching backs, spiralling arms and mesmerising patterns push the company dancers to their physical limits in this tale of purity versus seduction. David Dawson's daring, visceral choreography is perfectly paired with the rich, romantic Tchaikovsky score, played live by the Scottish Ballet Orchestra.

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 14.30 + 19.30 Talk Ballet Fri 26 Apr 2024 | 18.30 PRICE From £25

"Electrifying"

SUITABILITY All ages









La traviata

SCOTTISH OPERA

Thu 23 + Sat 25 May 2024

This beloved production, which began life at Scottish Opera in 2008, has been seen at opera houses around the world.

With his characteristic eye for detail, Sir David McVicar (Il trittico, Falstaff, Pelléas et Mélisande) gets to the love and loss at the core of this doomed love affair in his passionate, gripping, and startlingly intimate Belle Époque production.

Verdi's magnificent score sweeps the characters through every shifting mood – from the wildly dramatic to the most vulnerable moments.

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.15** Pre show talk Sat 25 May 2024 | 18.00 PRICE From £26 **SUITABILITY 12+**







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Sunset Song

DUNDEE REP THEATRE IN CO-PRODUCTION WITH ROYAL LYCEUM THEATRE EDINBURGH

Thu 16 - Sat 18 May 2024

Scotland's most loved literary heroine Chris Guthrie is brought to the stage in this thrilling contemporary adaptation.

From harrowing family roots and crushing poverty, to stirring love and the awakening of self, Chris's coming-of-age journey to womanhood is one of enduring strength, persistent survival and joyful renewal. Exploring human resilience through a scorching female protagonist, Sunset Song has a profoundly lyrical intensity that still resonates today.

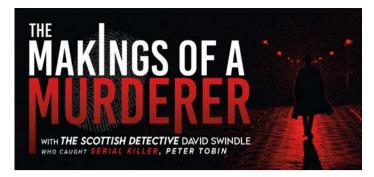
This radically reimagined production brings together an award-winning Scottish creative team including writer Morna Young (The Stamping Ground), director Finn den Hertog (The Enemy, Square Go) and composer Finn Anderson (Islander, A Mother's Song) to tell this sweeping story of heart-breaking love, and a land and people in turmoil. With rich Scots language text, dynamic and physically charged staging, and raw and vivid live music, Sunset Song is a celebration of Lewis Grassic Gibbon's symphonic, astounding and ever-relevant novel.

WHERE Empire Theatre

TIME 14.30 + 19.30

PRICE From £20

SUITABILITY 14+



WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME 19.30** PRICE £34 **SUITABILITY 16+**

The Makings of a Murderer

Mon 08 Apr 2024

Join The Scottish Detective, David Swindle, for a chilling, thrilling, night at the theatre. With more than 34 years as a senior detective, David shares his unique insight into the minds of some of the world's most notorious murderers, the famous cases that were never solved, and how some murderers got away with it...from someone on the inside.

David – whose ground-breaking Operation Anagram uncovered the activities of Tobin - paints an often-dark picture of how these monsters come to be in this gripping, fully-interactive, audio-visual first.



Giovanni Pernice -Let Me Entertain You

STRICTLY THEATRE COMPANY

Thu 11 + Fri 12 Apr 2024

WHERE Empire Theatre **TIME** 19.30 (Meet + Greet: 17.30) PRICE From £48 **SUITABILITY 8+**

The ultimate showman returns!

The former Strictly Come Dancing champion and BAFTA award-winning Giovanni Pernice is back in 2024 for his brand new live tour, joined by a world-class cast of professional dancers and West End performers to bring you an unforgettable experience.

Add a Meet + Greet ticket to your booking to get a photo with Giovanni himself and a signed print from the show.

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COMING SOON



WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE £29
SUITABILITY All ages
MUSIC - COUNTRY

Legends of American Country

Sun 14 Apr 2024

The Legends of American Country returns for another fantastic night of toe-tapping Country nostalgia. This must-see musical extravaganza will showcase highly acclaimed tributes to Dolly Parton, Johnny Cash, Don Williams, Patsy Cline, Charley Pride, Tammy Wynette and Kenny Rogers, plus new tributes to icons Hank Williams, Alan Jackson, Glen Campbell, Garth Brooks and Jim Reeves, with countless other well-known singalong hit songs. One thing is for sure: if it's country music you like then this is the only show in town!



"Just perfect -Eddi Reader gets every song just right"

Eddi Reader Fri 19 Apr 2024

Celebrating over 40 years as a live performer, Eddi Reader has effortlessly developed into one of popular music's most thrilling and affecting performers. What sets Eddi apart is the depth and quality of the emotional performance and ability to not only move the listener but connect her experience to that of her audience. No two performances are ever the same.

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 19.30
PRICE £31.50
SUITABILITY All ages

MUSIC



Tom Allen: Completely

OFF THE KERB

Thu O6 Jun 2024

The household name with his signature acerbic wit and riotous storytelling, Tom is the host of The Apprentice: You're Fired and co-hosts Cooking With The Stars, Like Minded Friends and he is also a regular on Bake Off: An Extra Slice and There's Something About Movies.

Tom's last tour sold over fifty-thousand tickets including his sell out show at The London Palladium where he recorded his special.

"A riotous rollercoaster of a set from a skilful stand-up perched on the cusp of major fame"

THE EVENING STANDARD

WHERE Empire Theatre
TIME 20.00
PRICE £29
SUITABILITY 14+

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Anton Du Beke and Giovanni Pernice -Together

STRICTLY THEATRE COMPANY

Fri O5 + Sat O6 Jul 2024

With a collection of breath-taking routines, innovative choreography, and a seamless blend of traditional and contemporary dance styles, plus musical theatre, Anton Du Beke and Giovanni Pernice - Together guarantees an unforgettable evening of entertainment.

Add a Meet + Greet ticket on any evening performance to get a post-show photo with Anton and Giovanni, plus a signed print from the show and VIP lanyard.



"...gorgeous treat"

*** SUNDAY EXPRESS

WHERE Empire Theatre TIME 14.30 + 19.30 PRICE From £52 SUITABILITY 8+



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INFORMATION

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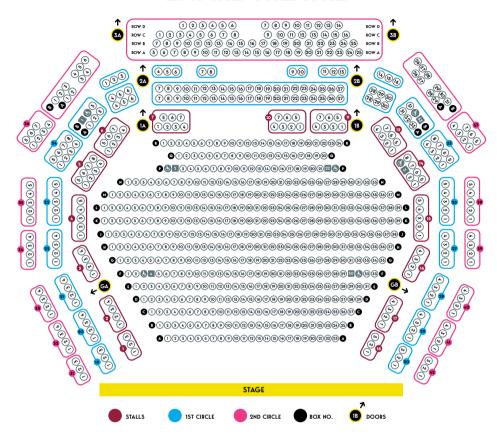
We are all late sometimes but don't worry, we'll get you into the auditorium at a suitable point in the performance. All we ask is that you try not to disturb other people when getting to your seat.

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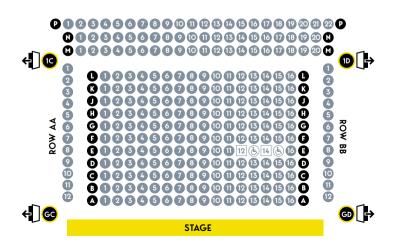
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