

2023 Education Program



"Variety is the very spice of life, that gives it all its flavour"

- this line was penned by poet William Cowper in 1785. And variety is what we aim to bring you and your students here at the Theatre in 2023!

360 ALLSTARS

Wednesday 29 March 11am Suitable For: K – 12 (5 Years +) Duration: 60 minutes

Returning to Griffith! BMX, basketball, breakdancing, acrobatics, drumming and more! A phenomenal physical performance exploring all forms of rotation, 360 ALLSTARS connects the street with the elite to deliver a supercharged urban circus. Boasting a stellar cast of World Champion and World Record holding artists and athletes, 360 ALLSTARS is a spectacular fusion of the extraordinary artistry that emerges from street culture.

Engagement: General Public Workshops Available - BMX Flatlanding, Breakdancing, Basketball Freestyling, Circus, Body Percussion & Junk Drumming, and Songwriting & Live Looping. Interested students please contact the Theatre.

Resource: Music Resource - The Loop Pedal

Black Sun / Blood Moon

Friday 28 April 11am Suitable For: Stage 3, 4, 5 & 6 (12 Years +) Duration: 2 hours, with interval

A fantastical new story about finding your voice and saving the world. Two intertwining stories – one magical, the other all too real – bring two unlikely heroes to the stage in a new work inspired by the student-led "Fridays for Future" protests of 2019. Black Sun / Blood Moon follows Maddy, a tenyear-old climate champion, and Katie, the underachieving assistant of a climate-denying politician, as they set out to save the planet.

Resource: Education Kit

Euphoria by Emily Steel Wednesday 3 May 11am Suitable For: Stage 5 & 6 (15 Years +) Duration: 80 minutes

A tale of good days, bad days and

everything in between. School teacher Meg wants to start a new festival called "Euphoria" to celebrate everything her country town has to offer. Former student Ethan doesn't think there's much to celebrate at all, until he meets Annie and hatches a plan for a campervan escape. Meg's husband Nick wants Meg to slow down, but there's still so much to do – get grants, make run sheets, hurry to Adelaide to win the support of the Premier. She's spinning fast. And the rest of the town is noticing.

Engagement: Post show Q&A **Resource:** Study Guide

Boop

Thursday 11 May 11am Suitable For: All Ages Duration: 50 minutes

Life's a mess: Clean up on aisle 6!

Your everyday supermarket transformed into a joyous world of balance, circus and perspex! A ragtag team of employees subvert the 9-5 with crashing shelves, trolley races, and terrifying stunts! But will these comedic characters ever find what they're really looking for?

Engagement: A five week engagement program ending with a performance from a local group (maybe even a drama class)! Please contact the Theatre if you would like to be involved.

Roald Dahl's The Twits Tuesday 16 May 10am & 12:30pm Suitable For: K – 12 (5 Years +) Duration: 55 minutes

A revoltingly-funny production. Roald Dahl's gruesome twosome The Twits are ready to delight and disgust, in equal measure. Full of trickery and wickedly-funny pranks, Dahl's adored classic encourages us to treat others with love and care and proves that if you have good thoughts, they will shine out of your face like sunbeams.

Engagement: Post show Q&A 10am Show **Resource:** Teacher Resource Kit

The Alphabet Of Awesome Science

Friday 9 June 10am & 12:30pm Suitable For: Stage 1, 2 & 3 (5 Years +) Duration: 60 minutes

A scientifical race through the alphabet.

A fast-paced, visually spectacular and information-rich performance that's equal parts explosive, messy, spectacular, hilarious, fascinating and gross. Join professors Lexi Con and Noel Edge for a thrilling voyage through the alphabet – where AWESOME words inspire AWESOME science!

Resource: Teacher Resource Kit

JUST (tricking, annoying, stupid, crazy, disgusting, shocking, doomed) LIVE ON STAGE!

Friday 28 July 10am & 12:30pm Suitable For: Stage 2 & 3 (8 Years +) Duration: 55 minutes

Adapted from the JUST book series written by Andy Griffiths and illustrated by Terry Denton. The wonderful world of the JUST books, vividly and hilariously being brought to life with everything from invisibility pills and Mudmen, to vomiting dogs and death defying balloon rides. **Engagement:** Post show Q&A **Resource:** Teacher Resource Kit

Possum Magic

Tuesday 31 October 10am & 12:30pm Suitable For: Pre, Early, Stage 1 & 2 (3 Years +) Duration: 50 minutes

The magical stage adaptation of the beloved Australian story is back to celebrate its 40th birthday! Mem Fox and Julie Vivas' beloved picture book 'Possum Magic' has enchanted children for decades and Monkey Baa Theatre Company brings the paper and ink to life on stage once again! Using a clever, nuanced palette of live action, stage magic, an original soundscape, elements of puppetry and projected animation, Monkey Baa's awardwinning creative team have translated the whimsical world of the book to a live experience for audiences.

Engagement: Post show Q&A **In School Workshops Available -** *More info TBA - please register your interest.*

Resource: Teacher Resource Kit

HOW TO BOOK

Please fill out booking form located on our website, contact the Box Office on 6962 8444 or email theatre@griffith.nsw.gov.au

All teacher resources and workshop information can be found on our website www.griffithregionaltheatre.com.au



Keep an eye out for these amazing shows

Can't get to the school shows? Tell your students to come to the theatre!

High School students can contact the Box Office for a special \$15 ticket to the below evening shows!

ON by Circa

Thursday 23 March 7pm Suitable For: 12 Years +

Wild Thing

Wednesday 26 April 7:30pm Suitable For: 16 Years +

Black Sun / Blood Moon

Friday 28 April 7pm Suitable For: 12 Years + Euphoria by Emily Steel

Wednesday 3 May 7:30pm Suitable For: 15 Years +

The Sunshine Club

Wednesday 26 July 8pm Suitable For: 15 Years +

Bell Shakespeare's Twelfth Night Saturday 12 August 7:30pm Suitable For: 14 Years +

All show information can be found on our website. These \$15 high school tickets can only be purchased through the Box Office and the students must be able to produce a student ID if asked.

Plus keep an eye out for...

Grass Roots Outdoor Concert

Thursday 13 April A free Youth Week celebration showcasing local young musicians in the Community Gardens.

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2023 Grass Roots Open Mic Competition will take place at the Theatre on **SUNDAY 30 JULY** – come along and see the next wave of talented musicians. If your students would like to enter the competition, please tell them to contact the Theatre for details.

Contact Us

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Griffith Regional Theatre acknowledges the Wiradjuri people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters, and their deep knowledge embedded within the Aboriginal community.

We further pay respect to the local Wiradjuri Elders, past, present and those emerging, for whom we acknowledge have responsibilities for the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of the local Wiradjuri people.