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NEW SEASON, NEW LOOK

Spring / Summer 2018

Theatre is about partnership: partnership between writers, directors, designers, and performers; partnership between the theatre and the audience; and bringing it all together is the producer. We work with many producers to bring the best shows to The Grand. One of those is Martin Dodd, a partnership of 21 years to create Blackpool's premiere pantomime.

This year, alongside our panto Beauty and the Beast, we are presenting two other shows with Martin: Legally Blonde The Musical and The Kite Runner, adapted from the best-selling book by Khaled Hosseini. Having read the book and having seen the show in London I thought it was a magnificent telling of the story; my partner, who hadn't read the book, had tears in his eyes at the end. You'll love it. We also work in partnership with other theatres and through the Touring Consortium and Children's Touring Partnership we're able to deliver stunning work for Blackpool.

But our biggest partnership is with you, the audience. We're always looking to strengthen that partnership. We've introduced new ways for you to discover more about The Grand. Our gPlayer has all the latest trailers, see interviews on our gVlog with host Hayley Kay, or why not take an amazing virtual reality tour on our goVR. Take a listen to our 'In conversation with...' events on gSound including our Audio Brochure.

Make a brew, sit down and take in the fabulous shows we've lined up for you.

Ruth Eastwood, Chief Executive

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SUMMER 18

Handshake Ltd present

ABBA Mania

Tue 17 Jul to Sat 8 Sep

It is just over 40 years since ABBA won Eurovision and now it's your chance to thank ABBA for the music!

ABBA MANIA is accepted as the world's number one touring ABBA tribute production.

Featuring a special concert presentation, which celebrates the music of ABBA in a respectful and enjoyable way, reviving special memories of when ABBA ruled the airwayes.

ABBA MANIA brings ABBA fans old and new a night not to be missed. If you're looking for an excuse to party, reminisce or simply be entertained by the best music ever, then ABBA MANIA is for you!

So, dig out those platforms, dust down those flares, join in and enjoy all of your favourites including: Mamma Mia, Voulez Vous, Dancing Queen, Winner Takes It All, Super Trouper and many more.

ABBA MANIA has toured globally in regions as far afield as Hollywood, San Diego, Las Vegas, Venezuela, North America, Tahiti, Mexico, Germany, France, Switzerland, Austria, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Luxembourg, Australia, New Zealand and many more, making this the world's most successful touring ABBA show.

www.abbamania.com @realabbamania

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Thu and Sat Matinees **2pm**Sun **3pm**

TICKETS

Evenings £19 to £26
Matinees £21
Friends of The Grand £5 off
(First week, top price tickets only)
Concessions £3 off
(Top price tickets only)
Under 18's £12.50
Groups 20+ Evenings £5 off
Groups 20+ Matinees £3 off
(Top price tickets only)

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MUSICAL

20th Century Boy

The Smash Hit Marc Bolan Musical

Tue 13 to Sat 17 Mar

This hit musical, inspired by the life of rock legend Marc Bolan, returns to the stage to mark the 40th anniversary of the iconic star's untimely death. Featuring some of the greatest rock songs ever written, **20th Century Boy** tells the life story of the legendary Bolan and his band T. Rex. This show exposes some of the myths and takes the audience on a tearful yet feel-good journey through Marc's fascinating life, cut short by a cruel twist of fate.

At his peak, Bolan was arguably the biggest rock star the UK had ever seen. Rocker, poet, electric warrior, king of glam and godfather of punk – Marc Bolan became a superstar and the press dubbed him 'Bigger than the Beatles'. Before his tragic death in 1977, a few days short of his 30th birthday, Bolan lived life at breakneck speed, creating a series of iconic images, a string of number one hits and an army of obsessive fans. **20th Century Boy** is a glorious celebration of glam rock at its colourful best! Featuring classic T. Rex 70s hits Ride a White Swan, Metal Guru, I Love to Boogie, 20th Century Boy and many more.

'A visual, aural and multimedia feast!'
The Stage

www.20thcenturyboythemusical.co.uk @20thcenturyboy4

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm** Sat Matinee **3pm**

TICKETS

Opening Night £22
Evening (Wed and Thu) £24 to £31
Evening (Fri and Sat) £26 to £33
Matinees £23.50
Concessions £3 off
Friends of The Grand £5 off
(Wed to Sat Evenings)
Group 10+ £4 off
Group 50+ £5 off

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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MUSICAL

Son of a Preacher Man

Original story and book by Warner Brown
Directed and Musically Staged by Craig Revel Horwood

Tue 20 to Sat 24 Mar

Three broken hearts, one Soho hang-out, and the only man who could ever help them...

Welcome to the Preacher Man, the swinging Soho joint where the kids used to dance the night away and dared to dream of love, while the legendary owner, The Preacher Man himself, dispensed advice to cure the loneliest of hearts. Only, that was a long time ago and all that remains are the memories, the stories and the myths. Until now, that is, as three random strangers, generations apart but all in need of help with their hopeless love lives, are inexplicably drawn to the site of the original venue.

Directed and musically staged by **Craig Revel Horwood** and featuring the greatest hits of Dusty Springfield, this sparklingly funny and sweetly touching new musical play by internationally-renowned writer Warner Brown will have you laughing, crying and singing your heart out to some of the greatest songs ever written. So, you know just what to do with yourself – book your tickets now!

www.sonofapreachermanmusical.com @preachermanuk

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Thu and Sat Matinees **2pm**

TICKETS

Evenings £32.50 to £39.50
Matinees £29.50
Concessions £3 off
Friends of The Grand £5 off
(Opening Night)
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Group 50+ £5 off

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MUSICAL

Blackpool Operatic Players presents

Priscilla Queen of the Desert The Musical

Wed 4 to Sat 7 Apr

Blackpool Operatic Players present the West End and Broadway feelgood international hit sensation **Priscilla Queen Of The Desert The Musical**.

Priscilla is the heart-warming, uplifting adventure of two drag queens and a transgender woman, who contract to perform a drag show in Alice Springs, a resort town in the remote Australian desert. As they head west from Sydney aboard their battered pink bus, Priscilla, the three friends come to the forefront of a comedy of errors, encountering a number of strange characters while widening comfort zones and finding new horizons and love.

With a dazzling array of outrageous costumes and a hit parade of dancefloor favourites including It's Raining Men, I Will Survive, Hot Stuff, Finally, Boogie Wonderland, Go West, Girls Just Wanna Have Fun, and I Love The Nightlife, this wildly fresh and funny musical is a journey to the heart of FABULOUS.

Book by Stephan Elliott and Allan Scott. Based on the Latent Image/Specific Films Motion Picture. Distributed by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. Produced by Nullarbor Productions in

association with MGM on Stage. Developed for the stage and originally Directed by Simon Philips. Musical Arrangements and Orchestrations by Stephen 'Spud' Murphy. The Original

motion picture was written and directed by Stephen Elliot, produced by Al Clark and Michael Hamlyn, Executive Producer Rebel Penfold-Russell and was financed with the assistance of the

Film Finance Corporation Australia Limited and the New South Wales Film and Television Office.

www.blackpooloperaticplayers.co.uk @bop1953

TIMES

Evenings 7:30pm
Thu and Sat Matinees 2pm

TICKETS

£19 to £21 Concessions £2 off

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MUSICAL

Martin Dodd for UK Productions by arrangement with Music Theatre International (Europe) Ltd proudly presents

Legally Blonde

Starring Rita Simons as Paulette Bonafonte, Lucie Jones as Elle Woods, and Bill Ward as Professor Callahan

Mon 9 to Sat 14 Apr

OMG you guys!!! Legally Blonde The Musical is coming to Blackpool!

The smash hit Broadway and West End Musical based on the best loved movie follows beautiful and popular sorority sister Elle Woods who loves to be pampered and is passionate about pink. When she is dumped by her boyfriend Warner Huntingdon III for a more serious girlfriend she puts down the credit cards and picks up the books. Packing up her trusty pooch, Bruiser, she bags herself a place at the prestigious Harvard Law School to try and win him back. With the support of her new friends she learns that you can be both smart and fashionable.

Rita Simons is best known for playing Roxy Mitchell in BBC's Eastenders for which she has won numerous awards and is one of Britain's best loved actresses.

Lucie Jones, represented the UK at the 2017 Eurovision Song Contest. Her other musical theatre credits include Maureen in Rent, Cosette in Les Miserables, Molly in Ghost, Meatloaf in We Will Rock You, and she was a finalist in the 2009 series of the X Factor.

Also starring in the show, **Bill Ward** best known for playing James Barton in Emmerdale and Charlie Stubbs in Coronation Street plays Professor Callahan. This all singing, all dancing romantic comedy is totally what you want, so bend and snap up your tickets today!

www.legallyblondethemusicaltour.com @legallyblondent

TIMES

Evenings 7:30pm
Thu and Sat Matinees 2pm

TICKETS

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Matinees £29.50
Concessions (Mon to Fri) £3 off
Friends of The Grand £5 off
(Opening Night)
Group 10+ (Evenings Only) £4 off
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MUSICAL

Blackpool and Fylde Light Opera Company presents

Me and My Girl

Wed 30 May to Sat 2 Jun

Blackpool & Fylde Light Opera Company present the Tony and Olivier award-winning Me and My Girl, a musical with music by Noel Gay and its original book and lyrics by Douglas Furber and L. Arthur Rose. The musical is set in the glittering 1930s and tells the story of an unapologetically unrefined cockney gentleman named Bill Snibson, who learns that he is the 14th heir to the Earl of Hareford. Bill must choose between fitting in with proper society or losing his girl, fishmonger's assistant Sally Smith.

Blackpool & Fylde Light Opera Company have presented such hits as, Hairspray, Legally Blonde, Grease, and 9 to 5 at Blackpool's premier theatre.

Me and My Girl had a successful original run in the West End in 1937, and was turned into a film in 1939, titled The Lambeth Walk, named after one of the show's songs. The show also includes the song The Sun Has Got His Hat On.

After returning to the West End **Me and My Girl** (1952), the musical's book received a revision by Stephen Fry with Mike Ockrent in the 1980s. This revised version also included the song Leaning on a Lamp-post. The show was revised again and revived in the West End in 1984, where it received two Laurence Olivier Awards, the same production was revived on Broadway in 1986, the show won three of 11 Tony Award nominations.

www.bfloc.co.uk @bfloc

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Thu and Sat Matinees **2pm**

TICKETS

£18 to £23
Concessions £2 off
Under 18s £15
Family of 4 £62
(Select 4 adult tickets and enter promo code MEMY4)

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ACCESSIBILITY

Our aim is to make your visit as enjoyable and comfortable as possible. Do advise the box office when booking your seats of any individual requirements you may have - we're here to help. The correct seating position is essential so please book through our box office on 01253 290 190, and they will guide you through the process.

Assistance Dogs

Recognised Assistance Dogs are welcome. A 'Recognised Assistance Dog' is one which has been specifically trained to assist a disabled person and that has been qualified by one of the charitable organisations registered as members of Assistance Dogs UK. Assistance Dogs trained by members of Assistance Dogs UK will have formal identification.

Audio Description

Our Audio Described performances give you a live commentary about the action happening on stage through a pair of headphones. Like a narrator telling a story, a trained describer will tell you about the things you might not be able to see, describing body language, expressions and movements, so that you can keep up with the action. There is a live introduction, which will tell you about the characters, their costumes and the appearance of the set.

BSL Interpreted Performances

Our BSL Interpreted performances feature an on-stage interpreter who converts the words into British Sign Language. BSL has a unique structure and syntax and the interpreter will spend several weeks learning a script before performing their translation.

Wheelchair Access

As part of recent development work, we have installed a lift to take wheelchairs from the foyer to the stalls. Please advise Box Office when booking your ticket that you require a wheelchair space. Lift access is no longer available to the dress circle.

Touch Tours

Before an Audio Described performance, we sometimes offer Touch Tours to help you immerse yourself in the show (subject to visiting

company approval) enabling you to explore the stage and get a feel of the set.

Disabled

If you are disabled and cannot attend the theatre without a companion we will offer a guest ticket for your companion to sit with you.

Accessible Shows

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde - Sat 31 Mar 2pm

Legally Blonde The Musical - Sat 14 Apr 2pm

The Jungle Book - Sat 12 May 2:30pm

The Kite Runner - Sat 26 May 2:30pm

Beauty and The Beast - Sat 15 Dec and 22 Dec 2pm

For more information visit www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/access
Our audio brochure is available at www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gsound

WHO, WHAT WHERE, WHEN AND WHY?!

Blackpool's Grand Theatre has been busy working behind the scenes for the past six months to launch a brand-new vlog channel **gVlog**. This new channel forms part of our **gPlayer** and is hosted by local radio presenter, and culture vulture, **Hayley Kay**.

We're searching for the next generation of fantastic Vloggers to join Hayley's team. We want to hear from young people (18-26yrs), families, couples and seniors who have a passion for live entertainment.

These new **Guest Vloggers** will record their trips to the theatre, reviewing shows or may take part in activities like; photographic sessions, behind the scenes tours, meet and greets with casts, attend rehearsals and creative workshops with international choreographers, writers and directors.

So, how do you become part of this incredible opportunity...? All you need to do right now is send us a two-minute clip of you in action... imagine you're reviewing a recent show you've seen, or interview a friend about something you've both seen either at Blackpool's Grand Theatre, or somewhere else. Essentially, we want to see how brilliant you are!

Send your two-minute clip to marketing@blackpoolgrand.co.uk

Have you visited our gBlog? Here we share news, updates and content, while also offering a place for us to interact with our cultural community. Visit www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gblog

If you've got a great story you think we could be interested in email marketing@blackpoolgrand.co.uk

DRAMA

Touring Consortium Theatre Company and Rose Theatre Kingston present

Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde

Adapted by David Edgar. Starring Phil Daniels

Tue 27 to Sat 31 Mar

A twisted tale of nerve-jangling horror, this adaptation of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic gothic thriller stars **Phil Daniels** as both Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde.

In a secret experiment, the upright and respectable Dr Henry Jekyll splits his personality into two, releasing the fiendish and murderous Edward Hyde.

As Hyde brings about mayhem, terror and death in foggy London, can Jekyll find a way to suppress his monstrous alter-ego, before it takes him over for good?

For Edgar, Jekyll and Hyde taps into a 'very real sense of threat, and that the world out there is a very dangerous place. There's the question, too, of what we are like, because we continue not just to be frightened about suicide bombers, but about criminals, and about terrible acts of inexplicable violence.'

www.touringconsortium.co.uk @tctcompany

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Thu and Sat Matinees **2pm**

TICKETS

Evenings £20 to £25
Matinees £20
Concessions (Evenings Only) £3 off
Friends of The Grand £5 off
(Opening Night)
Schools (Tue to Fri) £10
Groups 10+ £4 off
Groups 50+ £5 off

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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Audio Described Performance on Sat 31 Mar, 2pm

CREATIVE LEARNING FOR SCHOOLS YOUNG PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY

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DRAMA

A Children's Touring Partnership and Royal & Derngate, Northampton co-production of

The Jungle Book

By Jessica Swale, based on the stories by Rudyard Kipling. Directed by Max Webster

Tue 8 to Sat 12 May

An exciting new adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's family classic, **The Jungle Book**, comes to life in this colourful new show brought to you by the team behind Goodnight Mister Tom and Michael Morpurgo's Running Wild.

Loved as a wild and fun tale of family, belonging and identity, this production is packed with memorable characters, new songs and brilliant storytelling.

Mowgli the man cub battles for survival in this heartwarming coming-of age story about a child raised by wolves in the jungle. With the help of his animal friends, including Bagheera the panther, Baloo the bear and Kaa the python, Mowgli outwits the cruel and powerful tiger, Shere Khan, and learns the law of the jungle.

This unforgettable musical adventure is adapted by the Olivier award winning **Jessica Swale** (Nell Gwynn), features live music on stage created by **Joe Stilgoe** and is directed by **Max Webster** (The Lorax, The Old Vic).

Age Guidance 6yrs+

www.junglebooklive.co.uk

TIMES

Tue **7pm**Wed **1:30pm**Thu **10:30am, 2:30pm**Fri **7pm**Sat **2:30pm, 7pm**

TICKETS

Evenings £20.50 to £25.50

Matinees £20.50

Concessions £3 off

Friends of The Grand £5 off

(Opening Night)

Family of 4 £62

(Not Available on top price tickets; Selections)

(Not Available on top price tickets; Select 4 adult tickets and enter promo code **JUNGLE4**)

Schools £12.50 (Wed and Thu) Groups 10+ £4 off Groups 20+ £5 off

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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Audio Described Performance on Sat 31 Mar, 2pm

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DRAMA

Martin Dodd for UK Productions and Derek Nicol & Paul Walden for Flying Entertainment proudly present

The Kite Runner

Tue 22 to Sat 26 May

'There is a way to be good again'

Following an outstanding West End Run, this unforgettable theatrical tour de force comes to Blackpool's Grand Theatre.

Based on Khaled Hosseini's international bestselling novel, this haunting tale of friendship which spans cultures and continents, follows one man's journey to confront his past and find redemption.

Afghanistan is a divided country on the verge of war and two childhood friends are about to be torn apart. It's a beautiful afternoon in Kabul and the skies are full of the excitement and joy of a kite flying tournament. But neither Hassan nor Amir can foresee the terrible incident which will shatter their lives forever.

Age Guidance 14yrs+

Adapted by Matthew Spangler. Based on the novel by Khaled Hosseini. Directed by Giles Croft.

Originally produced by Nottingham Playhouse Theatre Company and Liverpool Everyman and Playhouse.

www.thekiterunnerplay.com@thekiterunneruk

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Wed and Sat Matinees **2:30pm**

TICKETS

Opening Night £31.50 to £36.50 Evenings £33.50 to £36.50 Matinees £26.50 Concessions £2 off Groups 10+ £3 off Groups 50+ £4 off

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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Audio Described Performance on Sat 26 May, 2:30pm

OPERA

English Touring Opera presents

The Marriage of Figaro

Sat 9 Jun

English Touring Opera presents an energetic new production of one of the world's most beloved operas, Mozart's classic comedy **The Marriage of Figaro**.

During the course of one eventful day, Figaro and Susanna must overcome every obstacle put in their way by Count Almaviva and his cronies before they can finally be united as man and wife. Blanche McIntyre (Tosca, 2017) returns to direct this most warm-hearted of operas, equally acclaimed for its sublime music and huge sense of fun.

The Marriage of Figaro features a stunning 25-piece orchestra.

Sung in English with surtitles.

Director: Blanche McIntyre. Conductor: Christopher Stark.

www.englishtouringopera.org.uk @etopera

TIMES

7:30pm Pre-Show Talk **6:30pm**

TICKETS

£18.50 to £34.50 Groups 10+ £20 (Stalls and Dress) Groups 10+ £18 (Upper Circle)

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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EXPLORE LIKE NEVER BEFORE...

There is no theatre quite like Blackpool's Grade II* listed Grand Theatre. The published descriptions in 1894 said so, and contemporary theatregoers agree. It really is no wonder that the Grand Theatre is referred to as the 'Hidden Gem of Blackpool'.

'My favourite theatre has to be The Grand – it's beautiful and has an amazing history. It's a real 'chocolate box' theatre.'

Coleen Nolan

Experience the stunning architecture and history through our new goVR – A Virtual Reality Experience. It offers enthusiasts of architecture, theatre and history the opportunity to delve into areas not normally open or available to the public and explore Blackpool's hidden gem.

'I love Blackpool and I love the Grand. I've got loads of friends here so whenever I'm in the area I like to call in.'
Su Pollard

The Grand Theatre boasts a rich history, having been built by the leading Victorian architect Frank Matcham in 1894, and described by the first theatre manager Thomas Sergenson as 'Matcham's Masterpiece'.

goVR a virtual reality experience available to anyone in the world on PC/Mac desktop and smartphone headset versions. **www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/goVR**

OPERA

The Magic Flute

Mon 18 Jun

The Magic Flute is, in many ways, a pantomime opera and yet features much of Mozart's most magical music.

Musica Lirica teams up with the Michael Hall Theatre School in a lively and fun production which follows the Bird-catcher and the great prince through the mysterious and enchanted world of the Queen of the Night and her rival, the great Sarastro.

Be transported to a mystical land of witches and wizards where nothing is quite what it seems.

TIME

7:15pm

TICKETS

£20 to £23
Under 18s £12
Family of 4 £62
(Select 4 adult tickets and enter promo code MAGIC4)
Schools £12
Groups 10+ Buy 10 tickets get the 11th free.

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#PLAYYOURPART

DID YOU KNOW THE GRAND THEATRE IS A CHARITY?

Last year, a long-standing lover and supporter of the Grand Theatre remembered us in his will. His generous gift helped to fulfil his dream to continue the great work The Grand does...

As a **registered charity** and a not-for-profit organisation, the Grand Theatre couldn't survive without the help and support of passionate people who love to support local arts. **A legacy** can help secure the future of this beautiful gem of a Frank Matcham theatre for the younger generations to come.

The Grand Theatre's mission is to be the theatre of choice for the people of Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre and to offer opportunities to enjoy, participate and learn through the arts.

So, we don't just put shows on our stage, we work in schools, community centres and even parks across the Fylde Coast to introduce young people to the power and pleasure of making theatre part of their lives.

Last year more than 10,000 school children visited The Grand to see a show and a further 3,000 participated in other activities – workshops, classes, talks and tours.

If you'd like to make a **charitable gift** to the Grand Theatre in your will, the Charities Aid Foundation offers free help and advice. Visit cafonline.org or, if you'd like to make a donation now, visit our website on **www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/donations**

Help us to continue our great work.

Could you leave a lasting legacy?

Registered Charity No. 506601

FRIENDS OF THE GRAND

Formed in 1973 the **Friends of The Grand** are a passionate group of theatre-lovers who, over the years, have raised millions of pounds and volunteered thousands of hours to help the theatre operate and improve.

Being a **Friend of The Grand**, you benefit from special offers that will make your theatregoing experience both more enjoyable and affordable.

Become a **Friend** by calling **01253 290190** or visiting **www.friendsofthegrand.co.uk**

Special Events

Coffee Mornings
15 Mar, 19 Apr, 17 May, and 21 Jun.

Full Adult Membership - £20

Available to anyone over 18 and under 60.

Concession Membership - £10

This membership is only available for under 18s and over 60s.

DANCE

Mark Bruce Company presents

Macbeth

Tue 17 and Wed 18 Apr

Multi-award-winning **Mark Bruce Company** present a striking dance theatre adaptation of Shakespeare's **Macbeth**, a tragic descent into the darkest sides of ourselves.

Goaded by the whispers of demons, the Macbeths unleash murder for their own gains and set in motion their path to madness and self destruction, unravelling events in a nightmare they cannot control.

With a cast of nine and designed by the creative team that brought you Dracula and The Odyssey, this dance theatre production realises a beautifully harrowing vision of an internal wasteland formed from the pursuit of power through ruthless means.

'I'd be surprised if I saw a more entertaining piece of dance theatre this year. Kill for a ticket.' - The Observer on Past Production Dracula

Age Guidance 11yrs+

Watch the trailer now on blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gPlayer.

TIMES

Tue **7:30pm** Wed **2pm**

TICKETS

Tickets starting at £8.50* Schools £8

*You may have noticed that some of our prices have started to say 'Starting at'. We encourage you to book quickly as these prices won't last forever. As the demand for tickets increases, our prices are subject to change. So book now for the very best seats at the very best price.

DANCE

English National Ballet and English National Ballet School present

My First Ballet: Swan Lake

Give children a first taste of the magical world of ballet

Sat 5 and Sun 6 May

Enjoy one of the most famous ballets of all time together, in this beautifully adapted new version for children aged three upwards.

The evil magician Rothbart has turned the beautiful princess Odette into a swan; only at night can she return to human form. Will Prince Siegfried be able to save her or will he fall for Rothbart's sorcery?

With a narrator to help the young audience follow the story, and a shortened version of Tchaikovsky's wonderful music, this is the perfect introduction to the magic of ballet, and a fantastic family day out.

This unique collaboration between **English National Ballet** and English National Ballet School is performed by second year students of **English National Ballet School**.

'A pocket-sized delight.' - The Times

Age Guidance 3yrs+

TIMES

Sat **11am**, **2pm**, **5pm** Sun **11am**, **3pm**

TICKETS

£13 to £23
Family of 4 £60
(Select 4 adult tickets and enter promo code ENB4)
Schools £10

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DANCE

Northern Ballet presents

Ugly Duckling

Wed 20 Jun

Don't miss **Northern Ballet's** hugely popular **Ugly Duckling** as it returns to the stage for the first time since 2013.

Ugly Duckling is lonely and fed-up, ignored by those around her who think she is too ugly to fit in. She tries to make friends with fellow ducklings as well as with frogs, cats and even a fox, but realising she is not like any of these animals, she is left sad and alone. Follow the duckling on her journey as she overcomes her troubles and realises that she was beautiful all along.

Retelling the famous Hans Christian Andersen fairytale, **Ugly Duckling** is the perfect opportunity for your little ones to enjoy live ballet, music and theatre for the first time.

As seen on CBeebies, **Northern Ballet's** sell-out productions for children are not to be missed.

'A spellbinding treat.' - The Stage

TIMES

2pm, 4pm

TICKETS

£7.50

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www.northernballet.com@northernballet

FAMILY

Dinosaur World Live

Fri 20 to Sun 22 Apr

A brand new dino-mite adventure!

Dare to experience the dangers and delights of Dinosaur World in this interactive new show for all the family.

Grab your compass and join our intrepid explorer across unchartered territories to discover a pre-historic world of astonishing (and remarkably life-like) dinosaurs. Meet a host of impressive creatures, including every child's favourite flesh-eating giant, the Tyrannosaurus Rex, a Triceratops, Giraffatitan, Microraptor and Segnosaurus!

A special meet and greet after the show offers all our brave explorers the chance to make a new dinosaur friend.

Book now for this entertaining and mind-expanding Jurassic adventure, live on stage!

'The perfect family show. Educational & entertaining.' - The Reviews Hub

www.dinosaurworldlive.com @dinoworldlive

TIMES

Fri **2pm**, **4:30pm**Sat and Sun **11am**, **2pm**

TICKETS

£14

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CREATIVE LEARNING

Creative ProgrammesFor Schools, Young People and our Local Community

We are so lucky at the Grand Theatre to work with so many incredible touring companies, artists, directors, choreographers, actors and dancers. Our programme on stage forms the cornerstone and inspiration for our work with young people, schools and communities.

This season our projects are inspired by Dr Jekyll & Mr Hyde, Mark Bruce Dance Company's Macbeth, The Jungle Book, The Kite Runner and Northern Ballet's Ugly Duckling.

We are delighted to work with, and fully appreciate the support from, our partners; Blackpool Council, Headstart, Better Start, Curious Minds, The Royal Shakespeare Company, Blackpool Schools Partnership, Blackpool Primary Heads, Historic England, Blackpool & the Fylde College, Edge Hill University and UCLAN.

Talented partners alongside local, regional and national artists share our commitment to create more opportunities for our local children, young people and families to get involved in our programmes.

In 2018 We Aim To

- Engage 40 young people on our Young Shakespeare Council
- 150 children will take part in the Grand Junior Artists programme
- Continue our Grand Young Company and host Fylde Coast Youth Dance Co.
- Continue as an Arts Award Centre delivering Bronze & Silver Awards
- 200 children will perform in our third Regional RSC Schools Shakespeare Festival

www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/creativelearning

FAMILY

Peppa Pig's Adventure

Sat 23 and Sun 24 Jun

Peppa Pig and friends are back in the brand new live show Peppa Pig's Adventure!

Join Peppa as she gets ready to go on an exciting camping trip to the woods with George and her school friends, including Pedro Pony, Suzy Sheep and Gerald Giraffe. With lunch-boxes packed and Daddy Pig driving the bus, Peppa and friends are excited about their outdoor adventure, full of games, laughter and live music!

The happy campers soon settle down to sleep and listen to the gentle pitter patter of rain. Safe and warm inside their tents the excited group can look forward to morning time, when there will be lots of muddy puddles to play in!

'The show was a huge hit with my little boy who had a huge smile on his face throughout and asked even if he could stay to see the next show. It's a must for all Peppa fans.' - Express and Star

TIMES

10am, 1pm, 4pm

TICKETS

£18 to £23
Under 16s £2 off
Family of 4 £72
(Select four adult tickets and enter Promo code PEPPA4)

Watch the trailer now on blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gPlayer.

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FAMILY

Teletubbies Live

The Teletubbies' first ever theatre show created especially for your little ones is here!

Sat 6 and Sun 7 Oct

Join Tinky Winky, Dipsy, Laa-Laa and Po in a show full of love and laughter as they explore the magical world of Teletubbyland.

Look out for the Tubby Phone, Noo-noo and the Sun Baby in a fun, bright and safe world which captures young children's imaginations and encourages them to explore the world around them.

Join in and enjoy beloved features from the TV series along with brand new songs.

'A fantastic show – we had an amazing time!' - whatsgoodtodo.co.uk

@liveteletubbies

TIMES

10am, 1pm

TICKETS

£16 to £24

Family of 3* £54

(Select three adult tickets and enter

promo code: **TELE3**)

Family of 4* **£67**

(Select four adult tickets and enter

promo code: TELE4)

*Not available on premium seats.

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Damion Larkin presents

LOL Comedy Club

Fri 6 Apr, 4 May, 1 Jun, 6 Jul

Treat yourself to a laugh!

Four top pro comedians make you LOL. We bring you comedians off the telly from all the major panel shows and roadshows plus the best of the rest. Previously we've booked Jason Manford, John Bishop and Sarah Millican before they hit the big time. So come and see more brilliant comedians!

www.lolcomedyclubs.co.uk @lol_blackpool

TIME 8pm TICKETS £17.50

The Knotted Project supported by Blackpool Grand Theatre presents

The Commuters

Fri 15 & Sat 16th Jun

Follow a group of friends, constantly hired and fired, stuck in the void between their bank balances and their diminishing social lives. As they battle against nightmare bosses, illfitting suits and their social media history, will they ever find the illusive 'Work-Life Balance'. Does it even exist?

TIME 7pm TICKETS £11

ENTERTAINMENT

Flying Music presents

Rat Pack Live from Las Vegas

Tue 24 to Sat 28 Apr

The Pack is back and this time, they are bringing Ella Fitzgerald!

The Rat Pack Live from Las Vegas sends you back in time to the glamorous, golden era of 1950s Las Vegas, when Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Junior and Dean Martin joined forces and become the hottest ticket in town at the famous Sands Hotel.

Join us in re-imagining a night at the Sands with Frank, Sammy and Dean plus very special guest Ella Fitzgerald, the sensational Burelli Sisters and a stunning big band.

Hit follows hit including pack favourites The Lady is a Tramp, Mr Bojangles, That's Amore, I've Got You Under My Skin, What Kind of Fool Am I, Volare, My Way, Everybody Loves Somebody, Night and Day, S'Wonderful, Mack The Knife and many more.

If you wish you'd swung with the hardest partying pack in town, now's your chance!

"...absolutely superb... Left me breathless with pleasure." The Telegraph

www.theratpacklivefromlasvegas.com @ratpack_live

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Wed and Sat Matinees **2:30pm**

TICKETS

Evenings £34.50 to £39.50
Matinees £29.50
Concessions £2 off
Group 10+ £3 off
Group 50+ £4 off

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainers presents

Signed, Sealed, Delivered

A Tribute to Stevie Wonder

Tue 1 May

If you love the music of Stevie Wonder, then you'll love our smash hit show. Featuring back-to-back number ones including Signed, Sealed, Delivered, Superstition and the biggest international hit of all time – I just Called To Say I Love You, plus many more!

To ensure audiences are dancing in the aisles, **Lejaune André** will be joined on stage by a fabulous seven-piece band, outstanding backing vocalists, and top dancers. So, get ready for the wonder that is **Signed, Sealed, Delivered**.

www.entertainers.co.uk @entertainers uk

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£27

Concessions £2 off

Watch the trailer now on blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gPlayer.

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainers presents

Islands in the Stream

The Music of Dolly Parton & Kenny Rogers

Wed 2 May

Leave your 9 to 5 worries at the door and get ready for a night in the company of Country Music Royalty! This thigh-slapping stage show brings together the beloved glamour and personality of Dolly, along with Kenny's charisma and energy with hit after hit including: Jolene, Ruby, 9 to 5, Lucille, Here You Come Again, The Gambler, I Will Always Love You, Coward of the Country, plus the smash hit Islands in the Stream. Enjoy a superb score and supreme musicianship as we bring the house down with the ultimate tribute to two country music legends.

www.entertainers.co.uk @entertainers_uk

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£25

Concessions £2 off

Watch the trailer now on blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gPlayer.

ENTERTAINMENT

Audienceware presents

Bowie Experience

The Golden Years Tour

Thu 3 May

Bowie Experience is a breath taking concert celebrating the music of the world's greatest pop icon, David Bowie. A must see for all Bowie fans, the latest production promises an unforgettable journey of sound and vision, featuring all the hits from A to Ziggy.

Bowie Experience continues to amaze audiences with an astounding attention to detail, bringing the golden years of David Bowie to theatres across the globe. So, put on your red shoes and Let's Dance!

www.thebowieexperience.co.uk @bowiexp

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£24

Group 10+ £3 off Group 50+ £5 off

Watch the trailer now on blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gPlayer.

ENTERTAINMENT

Barry Steele and friends

The Roy Orbison Story

Sun 20 May

He's the man with the sunglasses and the black suit who delivered some of the world's darkest and most emotional ballads, yet Texas-born Roy Orbison remains one of the most distinctive looking, and sounding performers in modern music.

The one and only Barry Steele takes on the role in **The Roy Orbison Story**. Now he is set to put the rock back into 'Roy Orbison' as he takes to the stage to commemorate this legend in **The Roy Orbison Story**.

The production also features not only original material written by but never sung by Roy Orbison, it also showcases chart busting hits originally made famous by the likes of Jerry Lee Lewis, Jeff Lynne, Procol Harum, Del Shannon, Chris Isaak, The Spencer Davis Group and The Traveling Wilburys.

www.royorbisonandfriendswithbarrysteele.com @barrysteele

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£22

Watch the trailer now on blackpoolgrand.co.uk/gPlayer.

ENTERTAINMENT

The UK Pink Floyd Experience

Fri 8 Jun

Recreating the sights and sounds of the legendary Pink Floyd live in concert, this highly authentic show features over 50 years of hits by this iconic band.

The highly acclaimed show also features over two hours of songs from both iconic albums Dark Side Of The Moon and Animals as well as Wish You Were Here, Shine On You Crazy Diamond, Another Brick In The Wall and Comfortably Numb alongside impressive video projection and a stunning light show.

www.pinkfloydexperience.com @ukpfe

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£26.50

ENTERTAINMENT

Some Guys Have All The Luck

The Rod Stewart Story

Sun 10 Jun

Direct from the West End, **Some Guys Have All The Luck** is a fantastic theatrical production celebrating the career of one of rock's greatest icons, Rod Stewart – from street busker through to international superstar!

The show includes all the massive hits from Rod's incredible career, classic rockers like Maggie May, Baby Jane and Da Ya Think I'm Sexy through to big ballads such as Sailing, You're In My Heart, and Tonight's The Night as well as favourites from his days with the Faces such as Stay With Me and Twistin The Night Away and timeless Motown tunes from the album Soulbook.

www.someguyshavealltheluck.com @rodstewartstory

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£24.50

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ENTERTAINMENT

John Wilson Music presents

The Bon Jovi Experience

Thu 21 Jun

The Bon Jovi Experience are the world's first and finest tribute to the great Bon Jovi and are the world's ONLY tribute to have been requested by and to have performed live on stage with Jon Bon Jovi himself. They are also the only tribute to have been featured on the official Bon Jovi website.

The band have toured to ecstatic audiences the world over... not to be missed.

www.jonbyjovi.com @joviexperience

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£23.50

ENTERTAINMENT

The Lancashire Hotpots

Sat 7 Jul

Are you ready for a sing-a-long party? **The Lancashire Hotpots** are back with a brand new show and they want YOU singing along.

They'll be raising the roof with all the Hotpot classics you know and love: Chippy Tea, I Fear Ikea and Egg and Sausage Chips & Beans.

You'll also be able to join in with the hilarious new songs from their latest 'sing-a-longa' album. So let your hair down and have a knees up round the ol' johanna with the unmistakable atmosphere and laughs of a Lancashire Hotpots show.

www.thelancashirehotpots.net @thehotpots

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£18

ENTERTAINMENT

A Guide to Mindfulness

Ruby Wax: Frazzled

Thu 5 Jul

Drop dead gorgeous, sassy and smart, **Ruby Wax** brings her new one-woman show to the stage. Based on her number one best seller, A Mindfulness Guide for the Frazzled. She's been honoured with the title of poster girl for mental illness; once crazy now less so, she gives a tour of the mind – how to use it, not lose it.

Ruby Wax if you don't know is a much loved, U.S. born comedy-actorwriter of incredibly successful books and TV shows including script editor of Absolutely Fabulous and is a mental health campaigner.

This event is your passport to saner living and is a follow up to her previous sell out show and book, Sane New World.

www.rubywax.net @rubywax

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£23

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainers presents

Magic of Motown

Sun 26 Aug

Music fans are invited to the biggest party of the year as the unstoppable **Magic of Motown** show steams into town!

Seen by over a million people, it's no surprise that the show is one of the biggest success stories in British theatre history.

Prepare yourself for 40 back-to-back classic Motown hits, glittering costume changes, dazzling dance moves and outstanding musicianship in this explosive concert experience.

With timeless music of Marvin Gaye, Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder, The Temptations, The Supremes, The Four Tops, Jackson 5, Smokey Robinson and more.

www.themagicofmotown.com @magicofmotown

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£29.50

Concession £20

COMEDY

Tim Vine: Sunset Milk Idiot

Wed 6 and Thu 7 Jun

Hey people! It's **Tim Vine** back on tour, telling lots of silly new jokes, showing off new homemade props, singing some new daft ditties, and all with the appearance of confidence.

The following subjects will be touched upon briefly: pixie football, ice cream and nibble feeders. Come along, sit down, and laugh. The quantity won't let up.

This is comedy without a message. What an odd person. What a lot of nonsense. What else is he going to do? 'Sunsets are in the sky, milk's nice, and I'm an idiot.'

'A symphony of silly.' -The Times

www.timvine.com

@realtimvine

TIME

8pm

TICKETS

£26.50

COMEDY

The Great British Take Off

Sun 17 Jun

Starring Jon Culshaw & Bill Dare from Radio 4's Dead Ringers Comedian and impressionist **Jon Culshaw** and legendary comedy producer **Bill Dare** come to Blackpool's Grand for the first time following their sell-out tour earlier in the year.

Join us for an evening of unscripted, unrehearsed, spontaneous comedy and conversation as politicians, sports personalities and celebrities old and new are all up for a roasting. You, the audience, help choose which characters appear and what direction the show takes. Jon reveals the secrets of mimicry, and shares stories of some of the fascinating characters that coloured his childhood in Lancashire and his early career. Together with Bill he also reveals some of the mishaps and mayhem of life behind the scenes in television and on the celebrity circuit.

With a few surprises for the general public of Blackpool thrown in for good measure, **The Great British Take Off** is topical, satirical, anecdotal and highly entertaining; it's never the same show twice.

@jonculshaw @bill_dare

TIME

8pm

TICKETS

£23

COMEDY

The Ken Dodd Happiness Show

Sun 30 Sep, Sun 14, 21 and 28 Oct

Ken Dodd was made Sir Kenneth in HM The Queen's 2017 New Year's Honours List. A fitting tribute to the Master of Mirth, and a comedian of legendary status.

He is an icon and national treasure who has been entertaining audiences for a lifetime of happiness and laughter.

Come and enjoy his famous **Happiness Show** and you'll be absolutely discumknockerated (that's Knotty Ash for 'over the moon') by a truly tattifelarius (fun-filled) evening of laughter and songs from opera to ballads presented by a comedy genius and his guests.

TIME

7pm

TICKETS

£26 to £31

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

COMMUNITY

Skool of Street presents

Arti-Dodger's TWIST

Sun 27 May

One of Dickens' most cherished stories Oliver Twist has been cleverly re-imagined in an explosion of Funk for the family.

Follow the charismatic 'Arti' who despite his misfortune, tries hard to better his impoverished beginnings. The story is told through a thrilling fusion of spoken word and Urban Dance.

TIME

7:30pm

TICKETS

£12.50 Concessions £10.50 Groups 10+ £10.50

CREATIVE LEARNING FOR SCHOOLS YOUNG PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY

Visit **blackpoolgrand.co.uk/creativelearning** for our latest events and workshops.

NOW ON SALE

Royal Shakespeare Company presents

Romeo and Juliet

Tue 26 Feb to Sat 2 Mar 2019

What if your first love was someone you'd been told you must hate? Set in a world very like our own, this **Romeo and Juliet** is about a generation of young people born into violence and ripped apart by the bitter divisions of the parents.

The most famous story of love at first sight explodes with intense passion and an irresistible desire for change, but leads all too quickly to heart-breaking consequences. The RSC returns to Blackpool, following A Midsummer Night's Dream (2016), with Shakespeare's tragic love story.

TIME

Evenings **7:30pm**Thu and Sat Matinees **1:30pm**

TICKETS

£20 to £25
Matinees £20.00
Concessions £3 off
Schools (Tue-Fri only) £10.50
Groups 10+ (Evenings only) £4 off
Groups 20+ (Evenings only) £5 off

www.rsc.org.uk @thersc

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

NOW ON SALE

A Touring Consortium Theatre Company Production in association with Everyman Theatre Cheltenham present

Dracula

The European Première of a brand-new stage adaptation of the classic thriller

Tue 13 to Sat 17 Nov

This brand-new stage adaptation of Bram Stoker's book is brought to opulent and irresistible life in a contemporary interpretation that includes all the definitive characters and spine-chilling fear.

Completely re-imagined by a world-class creative team from London's West End and Broadway, discover the story that started them all. In Transylvania, enter the castle of Count Dracula and his three brides. The Count, who feeds on the elixir of young blood to look youthful, will take you on a deliciously evil ride as he pursues his victims and fights Jonathan Harker, Professor Van Helsing and Dr. Seward as they try to stop his reign of terror.

Emotionally fulfilling, utterly terrifying, spellbindingly addictive, will this Dracula ever die?

Bram Stoker's **Dracula** was first published in 1897 and has since been made into countless radio, TV and Hollywood films. Inspiring the recent resurgence in vampire mania and the Twilight movie series, Dracula on stage will be a mustsee. This is Dracula as you have never seen him – be sure to book now.

Age Guidance 16yrs+

www.touringconsortium.co.uk @tctcompany

TIMES

Evenings **7:30pm**Thu and Sat Matinees **2pm**

TICKETS

Evenings £20 to £25
Matinee £20
Concessions £3 off
(Evenings Only)
Friends of The Grand £5 off
(Opening Night)
Schools (Tue to Fri) £10
Groups 10+ £4 off
Groups 50+ £5 off

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

CHRISTMAS

Blackpool Grand Theatre presents

Christmas Concert

Tue 18 Dec

Poulton-le-Fylde Band returns to Blackpool's Grand Theatre with the heart-warming **Grand Christmas Concert** - a fabulous festive treat for all the family.

Poulton-le-Fylde Band will celebrate the festive season in rousing style with the yearly Grand Christmas Concert.

Packed with all your favourite sing-along carols and festive melodies, this family friendly concert is the perfect start to your Christmas. Hosted by Canon Andrew Sage.

TIME

8pm

TICKETS

£17

Family of 4 £50 (Select 4 adult tickets and enter promo code **POULTON**)

18-26 Membership: Tickets available for just £12.50

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Aged 18 to 26? What are you waiting for?

So what are you waiting for... If you're aged **18 to 26** you have even more opportunities to see our shows at a discounted rate - and these are not hard-to-sell seats up 'in the gods' but some of the best seats in the house. We have amazing offers this season.

The deal... On selected shows look for the **18 to 26** logo. We will offer 50 tickets for just £12.50, and like we say they're the best seats available at the time of booking.*

Book your **18 to 26** tickets* today... Tickets can be purchased in advance. Simply call into the box office or phone and ask for an **18 to 26** ticket* (these tickets cannot currently be purchased online). Bring your ID when picking up your tickets (proof of age is required for this offer).

Please note: *Our standard **18 to 26** ticket deals may not be available for special events, one-off performances or collaborations, but we'll always try to have alternate (concession) discount offers available for you. Subject to availability. On week runs the tickets will be available weekdays only (Mon-Fri). You must be aged **18 to 26** to redeem the offer, ID will be needed. Offer cannot be used in conjunction with other offers. **18 to 26** offer can be withdrawn from sale at any time.

www.blackpoolgrand.co.uk/18to26

For our 18 to 26 offers, look out for our icon.

PANTOMIME

Martin Dodd for UK Productions in association with Blackpool Grand Theatre presents a Brand-New Spectacular Pantomime for all the family...

Beauty and The Beast

Fri 7 Dec 2018 to Sun 6 Jan 19

The story of **Beauty and The Beast** is a tale as old as time in a far-off land of two very different kingdoms.

In **Beauty and The Beast**, Belle is dreaming of a happier life but finds herself transported to a cursed castle. Held imprisoned by a hideous beast, the castle is full of magical characters placed under a spell by an evil enchantress.

Can Belle see beyond the beast and fall in love with her captor before the last petal falls from the enchanted rose? Will the Beast's selfishness cost him the world he once knew and the hand of the girl who has melted his heart? Featuring sumptuous costumes, magnificent scenery and the unmissable and magical transformation moment, it's a pantomime not to be missed.

If The Beast cannot find true love then he will die when the last petal falls from the rose.

Blackpool audiences are guaranteed another year of spectacular sets, dazzling costumes and side-splitting comedy.

Book your seats today to see Blackpool's must-see Christmas show in 2018.

For dates, times and prices visit:

blackpoolgrand.co.uk/event/panto-1819

SPRING / SUMMER DIARY

March

Tue 13 20th Century Boy 7:30pm
Wed 14 20th Century Boy 7:30pm
Thu 15 20th Century Boy 7:30pm
Fri 16 20th Century Boy 7:30pm
Sat 17 20th Century Boy 3pm, 7:30pm
Tue 20 Son of A Preacher Man 7:30pm
Wed 21 Son of A Preacher Man 7:30pm
Thu 22 Son of A Preacher Man 2pm, 7:30pm
Fri 23 Son of A Preacher Man 2pm, 7:30pm
Sat 24 Son of A Preacher Man 2pm, 7:30pm
Tue 27 Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde 7:30pm
Wed 28 Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde 7:30pm
Thu 29 Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde 2pm, 7:30pm
Fri 30 Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde 7:30pm
Sat 31 Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde 2pm, 7:30pm

April

Wed 4 Priscilla Queen of The Desert 7:30pm Thu 5 Priscilla Queen of The Desert 2pm, 7:30pm Fri 6 Priscilla Queen of The Desert 7:30pm Fri 6 Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club 8pm (Studio) Sat 7 Priscilla Queen of The Desert 2pm, 7:30pm Mon 9 Legally Blonde 7:30pm Tue 10 Legally Blonde 7:30pm Wed 11 Legally Blonde 7:30pm Thu 12 Legally Blonde 2pm, 7:30pm Fri 13 Legally Blonde 7:30pm Sat 14 Legally Blonde 2pm, 7:30pm Tue 17 Macbeth 7:30pm Wed 18 Macbeth 2pm Fri 20 Dinosaur World Live 2pm, 4:30pm Sat 21 Dinosaur World Live 11am, 2pm Sun 22 Dinosaur World Live 11am, 2pm Tue 24 The Rat Pack: Live From Las Vegas 7:30pm Wed 25 The Rat Pack: Live From Las Vegas 2:30pm, 7:30pm Thu 26 The Rat Pack: Live From Las Vegas 7:30pm

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Fri 27 The Rat Pack: Live From Las Vegas 7:30pm

Sat 28 The Rat Pack: Live From Las Vegas 2:30pm, 7:30pm

May

Tue 1 Signed, Sealed, Delivered 7:30pm

Wed 2 Islands in the Stream 7:30pm

Thu 3 Bowie Experience 7:30pm

Fri 4 Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club 8pm (Studio)

Sat 5 My First Ballet: Swan Lake 11am, 2pm, 5pm

Sun 6 My First Ballet: Swan Lake 11am, 3pm

Tue 8 The Jungle Book 7pm

Wed 9 The Jungle Book 1:30pm

Thu 10 The Jungle Book 10:30am, 2:30pm

Fri 11 The Jungle Book 7pm

Sat 12 The Jungle Book 2:30pm, 7pm

Sun 20 The Roy Orbison Story 7:30pm

Tue 22 The Kite Runner 7:30pm

Wed 23 The Kite Runner 2:30pm, 7:30pm

Thu 24 The Kite Runner 7:30pm

Fri 25 The Kite Runner 7:30pm

Sat 26 The Kite Runner 2:30pm, 7:30pm

Sun 27 Arti - Dodger's Twist 8pm

Wed 30 Me and My Girl 7:30pm

Thu 31 Me and My Girl 2pm, 7:30pm

June

Fri 1 Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club 8pm (Studio)

Fri 1 Me and My Girl 7:30pm

Sat 2 Me and My Girl 2pm, 7:30pm

Wed 6 Tim Vine 8pm

Thu 7 Tim Vine 8pm

Fri 8 UK Pink Floyd Experience 7:30pm

Sat 9 Marriage of Figaro 7:30pm

Sun 10 Some Guys Have all the Luck 7:30pm

Sun 17 Jon Culshaw 8pm

Wed 20 Ugly Duckling 2pm, 4pm

Thu 21 Bon Jovi Experience 7:30pm

Sat 23 Peppa Pig's Adventure 10am, 1pm, 4pm

Sun 24 Peppa Pig's Adventure 10am, 1pm, 4pm

July - Onwards

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Fri 6 Jul Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club
Sat 7 Jul Lancashire Hotpots
Tue 17 Jul to Sat 8 Sep Abba Mania
Sun 26 Aug Magic of Motown
Sun 30 Sep, 14, 21, 28 Oct Ken Dodd
Sat 6 and Sun 7 Oct Teletubbies
Tue 13 - Sat 17 Nov Dracula
Fri 7 Dec to Sun 6 Jan Beauty and The Best

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- 3. Tickets are purchased for personal use only and are not purchased as any form of business or commercial activity. Tickets may not be resold or offered for re-sale by anyone at a premium or otherwise. Resale or attempted resale is grounds for cancellation without refund or notice.
- 4. Use of photographic, sound recording and mobile communications equipment is forbidden and you will be asked to leave the premises. No refund will be offered.
- 5. Discounted Seats: Patrons must state discounts they are entitled to at the time of booking, as they cannot be applied retrospectively and are subject to availability. Discounts only apply to selected shows where discounts are shown: Babies/children under 2 are welcome free if they share a seat with you (a ticket is still required for them), Family Tickets (Min 1, max 2 adults), some exceptions may occur on babies/children/family tickets. Concessions: full-time students, under18s, Friends of The Grand, disabled, jobseekers and the over 60s. Only one concession applies per ticket. Photo and DOB ID is required when requesting. Occasionally the producer of a show, with the agreement of the Theatre, will offer discounts and special offers through mailings, e-flyers, e-newsletters and texting services. These offers and discounts

cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer or discount and have no cash value. The Theatre will not offer refunds retrospectively.

- 6. The ticket holder is entitled to a seat of the value corresponding to that shown on the ticket and the Theatre reserves the right to provide alternative seating to those specified on the ticket. Where seating of a lesser value only is available, the ticket holder will be compensated to a maximum of the difference in value between the cost of the seats. The ticket holder may be re-seated in higher priced seating at no additional cost at the discretion of the Theatre Management. In the event of a cancellation of a performance or event, the Theatre shall have no further liability other than the face value of the ticket.
- 7. Productions do not always feature live music and may contain loud noises, smoke or strobe lighting. Some productions may be performed by amateur companies.
- 8. Data Protection: When processing your booking the box office will ask your name, address, email address and telephone number. The Grand Theatre, Blackpool operates a box office service on behalf of venues and events in Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde as well as its own operation. We would like to add or retain your details for speed of booking and for our marketing department so we can keep you aware of events and other developments. To be removed from our database contact the box office in the first instance.
- 9. All information correct at time of going to print.
- 10. ShowSeats.co.uk is operated by The Grand Theatre (Arts and Entertainment) Ltd.