THEATRE FESTIVAL THEATRE

DOORSTEP THEATRE FESTIVAL IS BACK FOR ITS THIRD YEAR!

After the huge success of the first two years, Doorstep Theatre Festival is back at Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds this summer. The festival is designed to make high-quality arts activities accessible to schools by lessening the restraints of rural isolation and the financial implications that come with visiting an arts venue.





This children's arts festival provides schools with the opportunity to host a performance by leading theatre companies. Following the performance, schools will have the option to take part in enrichment workshops lef by our team of highly-skilled Drama Facilitators, or to visit Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds for a range of workshops (including drama and technical) with other participating schools as part of the extended programme offer. The packages offered come at a heavily subsidised rate to schools. Teachers will also be invited to a CPD session to explore how the themes within the performances and workshops can be carried into the classroom.













T has just moved from the city and he's making a fresh start. He's not ashamed of his mum, but he's not sure the other kids will understand. It's ok not to tell everyone the truth about everything, isn't it?

This brand-new, joyful, music-filled play encourages young people to speak up, and speak out, around their mental health and well-being following the disruptions of the pandemic.

Produced by three leading theatre-companies; Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds, The New Wolsey Theatre Ipswich, and HighTide - the play has been commissioned by Suffolk County Council and is aimed at young people in years 6 and 7.

ABOUT YOUANDA MERCY

Yolanda is a Suffolk born writer and performer for stage, screen, and audio who works nationally and internationally. She was names Artist to Watch by the British Council, and her award-winning play *Quarter Life Crisis* is published by Oberon Books.

PERFORMANCE DATES

TUESDAY 14TH JUNE- THURSDAY 7TH JULY

am or pm performances

ABOUT THEATRE IN EDUCATION

The Lies You Tell will focus on the anxieties and mental health challenges that young people currently face and is designed to assist schools in supporting their student's well-being.

CONTINUED ENRICHMENT

The Lies You Tell has been created to respond to the ongoing mental health crisis young people are currently facing, and Suffolk Mind have been actively involved in the development of this project.

All schools booking this production will receive (at no additional cost):

- An invite to send up to 4 teachers to a pre-show, two-hour twilight CPD session, delivered by Suffolk Mind
- An invite to a one-hour online group meeting in the week after the performance to discuss the emotional needs within their pupil group, and explore how to support them to help meet those needs using the story of the show as a basis

The package of support will cover:

- Looking after mental health and well-being
- Identifying and meeting the emotional needs of themselves and their pupils
- · Practical suggestions to improve the mental health and well-being of all

A range of dates will be available for this training.

TO APPLY

email education@theatreroyal.org or call 01284 829935

This proect has been commissioned by Suffolk County Council, Public Health & Communities to support mental well-being.













PACKAGE BREAKDOWN

STANDARD PACKAGE

- 1 performance of your choice from the info below
- Enrichment workshops delivered in school by our team of theatre pracitioners
- CPD session at Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds

£175

EXTENDED PACKAGE

- 1 performance of your choice from the info below
- A visit to Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds to participate in workshops with our team of industry professionals & collaboarae with other schools
- CPD session at Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds

£350

DATES & TIMES

THE LIES YOU TELL

Tue 14 Jun - Thu 7 Jul (exlcuding weekends)

Morning

Get in: 8.30am - 9.30am Performance: 9.30am - 10.15am Get Out: 10.15am - 10.45am

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Afternoon

Get in: 1pm-2pm

Performance: 2pm-2.45pm Get Out: 2.45pm - 3.15pm

To book, email **education@theatreroyal.org** with the package you would like and the performance and dates/times that suit the school. If you would like to arrange this over the phone, please call **01284 829935**.