

Second Hand Dance
presents

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DANCE

NIGHT TREE



Children
aged 3+
and their
families

A new dance-show for children and their families inspired by Eve Bunting's book

Commissioned by Gulbenkian/ART(Y)31 in association
with Pavilion Dance South West.

**Come into the woods to
dance in the snow and bask in
the glistening seasonal lights!**

Full of the sounds and smells of the winter forest, Night Tree is a magical staging of Eve Bunting's book of the same name.

Made for audiences 3+ and their families, join us in this celebration of the winter solstice as we dress a rather special tree with edible decorations, sing songs and dance together.

Explore a wintry world pre-show, and enjoy a stay-and-play with the dancers afterwards.



VIDEO LINKS

Trailer

vimeo.com/309457380

Full version

vimeo.com/309469462

(Password: NT2018)

“The young audience are transfixed as trees spin on wheels, a large snowy owl sweeps around the stage and a hand-held, life-size deer puppet peeps shyly through the foliage.” *The Wonderful World of Dance*

“A charming antidote to a commercial Christmas”

“We were blown away by the combination of dance, singing and nature. My three year old was mesmerized and loved dressing up as a badger afterwards.”

NIGHT TREE CREDITS

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SHOW PROFILE

Age Suitability: 3+ and families

Company: 3/4 on the road

Get-in: 8 hours

Length: 45mins plus 15mins 'stay and play'

Space Requirements: 8m x 6m (ceiling height 4.5m)

Suitable for small scale touring

Fee: contact claire@tandemworks.uk for further details



CREATIVE TEAM

Director and Choreographer
Rosie Heafford

Performers
Amarnah Amulundun & Keir Patrick

Music Composition:
Amir Shoenfeld

Design & Lighting Design:
Ben Pacey

Executive Producer:
Claire Summerfield at Tandem Works



WRAP-AROUND ACTIVITY

Foyer Activity

Pre & Post show we offer audiences the opportunity to make decorative edible bird feeders that they can take away to hang on their own special tree.

Stay & Play

Post show we invite audiences to become the animals of the forest and join us for a celebratory dance

Workshops

Rosie Heafford and the Second Hand Dance team are experienced workshop facilitators for all ages. We can offer dance workshops for families or school groups as well as masterclasses for audiences interested in making performances for children and young people.





About Second Hand Dance

Formed in 2013 Second Hand Dance (SHD) is led by Choreographer & Artistic Director Rosie Heafford. We create joyful, intricately layered, highly visual dance shows for children & adults. We present our work in theatres, galleries, libraries & outdoor spaces creating unique experiences for audiences.

Recent Projects include:

Grass (ages 2-4 & 4+)

Grass has been performed 182 times and toured to 55 venues since 2015, including Unicorn Theatre, British Dance Edition, UK touring, Edinburgh International Children's Festival, Showbox Festival (Norway) and Lincoln Centre (New York). vimeo.com/204784765

Getting Dressed (4+)

A new work for children aged 4+, Exploring play with clothes and subtly challenging the conventions, peer pressures and popular culture influences children encounter when starting school. Getting Dressed has been performed 70 times including Tanzmesse 2016, UK tour, Belfast International Children's Festival, Think Big! Festival (Munich), IPAY showcase and Swedish Tour 2018. vimeo.com/207081806

Dad Dancing

A collaboration with Alexandrina Hemsley and Helena Webb, co-produced with Battersea Arts Centre, co-commissioned by BAC and South East Dance. A celebration of father-child relationships with 3 dancers, their 3 dads and a community cast of 20. bit.ly/DDabout

16 Singers

Premiered at Dance Umbrella 2015. Choreographed by Rosie Heafford 16 Singers is a performative experience for babies aged 0-18months and parents/carers 0-18months and parents/carers. bit.ly/16singersv

In 2016 Rosie Heafford received one of two shortlist awards at the Arts Foundation Children's Theatre Award Second Hand Dance is a Dream Artist with Pavilion Dance South West.

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