

WHAT'S ON

SPRING / SUMMER 2018



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Presented by The Royal Shakespeare Company live from Stratford-Upon-Avon and broadcast direct to our cinema. £14, £12 concs.
Book two or more together for £11 per screening.

Wednesday 14th February, 7pm

TWELFTH NIGHT

Christopher Luscombe, Director of the 'glorious' (Daily Telegraph) Love's Labour's Lost and Much Ado About Nothing (2014 and 2016), returns to tackle Shakespeare's greatest comedy, a brilliantly bittersweet account of "the whirligig of time".

Wednesday 11th April, 7pm

MACBETH

This contemporary production of Shakespeare's darkest psychological thriller marks both Christopher Eccleston's RSC debut and the return of Niamh Cusack.

Wednesday 18th July, 7pm

ROMEO & JULIET

Set in a world very like our own, this production of Romeo and Juliet is about a generation of young people born into violence and ripped apart by the bitter divisions of their parents.

Wednesday 12th September, 7pm

THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR

Down on his luck in the suburbs, John Falstaff plans to hustle his way to a comfortable retirement by seducing the wives of two wealthy men. Unknown to him, it's the women of Windsor who really pull the strings...

Wednesday 16th May, 7pm, £16

AN AMERICAN IN PARIS

This breathtakingly beautiful Tony® Award-winning Broadway musical, inspired by the Oscar® winning MGM film, tells the impassioned story of discovering love in the 'City of Light'.

Featuring the gorgeous music and lyrics of George and Ira Gershwin, stunning designs, and show-stopping choreography. With a record-setting 28 five-star reviews from critics, An American in Paris is coming from London's West End to our cinema!

An American GI's chance encounter with a beautiful young dancer leads Paris to become the backdrop to a sensuous, modern romance of art, friendship and love in the aftermath of war...



Friday 16th February

WHITNEY: QUEEN OF THE NIGHT

TIME 7.30pm, **PRICE** £22.50

Taking us through three decades of classic hits that include, 'I Wanna Dance With Somebody', 'One Moment In Time', 'I'm Every Woman', 'Saving All My Love' and so much more.

This award winning production features a sensational line-up of musicians and together with a powerhouse and breath-taking performance in the spirit of Whitney, deliver a show that exceeds expectation on every level.



Saturday 17th February

DON'T DRIBBLE ON THE DRAGON

TIME 2.30pm, **PRICE** £11, £9 child, £35 family (2+2)

Tom is a toddler with a cool older brother, a secret dragon...and a dribbling problem that just won't stop! When Tom's endless drooling threatens to tear the brothers friendship apart, can their dragon help them put it back together again? With magic designed by Paul Daniels, this spectacular musical adventure is the perfect feel good family show. Ages 2+.



Saturday 3rd March

THE BAY CITY ROLLERS STARRING LES MCKEOWN

TIME 7.30pm, **PRICE** £22.50

Les McKeown and his legendary band ruled the world's 1970s pop charts. Now Les brings back all the thrill and excitement of Rollermania, performing all the original hits including 'Bye Bye Baby', 'Shang-a-Lang', 'Remember', 'Summerlove Sensation' and 'Give A Little Love' plus many more.



Saturday 10th March

BEYOND THE BARRICADE

TIME 7.30pm, **PRICE** £22

The UK's longest running musical theatre concert tour features past principal performers from Les Miserables.

Delivering over two hours of the best of Broadway and the West End, and of course featuring a stunning finale from Les Mis. This incredible live concert is now in its 19th successive year.

Wednesday 28th March

PSYCHIC SALLY KISSES TO HEAVEN TOUR

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £24

World renowned psychic, television and theatre star and award winning medium Sally Morgan is back and better than ever. Her jaw dropping show has attracted amazed reviews from theatre goers and psychic fans. The messages from beyond come thick and fast. Funny, entertaining, touching, sometimes heart-breaking, often controversial; Kisses to Heaven showcases the phenomenal ability of the nation's best loved medium.



Friday 20th April

THE MAGIC OF THE BEATLES

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £20, £19 concs

Join the authoritative live concert show, celebrating the 50th anniversary of Yesterday! The Magic of the Beatles returns us to this golden era, and more. Taking you from the Beatles' Mop Top roots to the psychedelia of Sgt Pepper and beyond. As seen by David and Victoria Beckham, Sir Richard Branson, Madonna, Tiger Woods, Gordon Ramsey and a host of other worldwide stars.



Saturday 21st April

SERIOUSLY DEAD

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £20, £19 concs

A brand new musical comedy play starring Crissy Rock (Benidorm & I'm a Celebrity) Tommy Cannon (Cannon and Ball) Billy Pearce, Leah Bell and Paul Dunn. "Seriously Dead" is an up-lifting tale guaranteed to make you feel there is nothing serious about being dead at all, because life's party never ends: it simply moves to another location.



Friday 27th April

JOE MCELDERY IN CONCERT

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £22

After playing the lead of Joseph in Bill Kenwright's UK tour of 'Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat', Joe received 5-star acclaim. Following the release of his fifth album 'Saturday Night at the Movies' and a successful tour in the summer of 2017, plus numerous appearances at the London Palladium, Joe is now embarking on his very own concert tour. This show is sure to be a sell-out so don't miss out!



Saturday 18th May

YOU WIN AGAIN

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £23, £22 concs

Celebrating the music of the Bee Gees, direct from London's West End! Prepare to experience the distinct sound of one the greatest bands to have ever graced the stage in this unforgettable concert spectacular. Immerse yourself in the brothers' music through the sixties, seventies and eighties - including hits they wrote for artists such as Celine Dion, Diana Ross and Dolly Parton.



Saturday 19th May

BRINGING ON BACK THE 60S

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £19.50

The hottest ticket in town...back by popular demand! This fast moving show starring New Amen Corner is a must for lovers of 60s music, with its stunning multimedia presentation and special guest appearances from 60s Icon Mike d'Abo (former lead singer of Manfred Mann) and multi-award winning Nancy Ann Lee "Little Miss Sixties". Join us for a fantastic evening with Europe's leading 60s revivalists and their special guests.



Friday 1st June

BIG GIRLS DON'T CRY

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £22

An unmissable musical spectacular taking the UK by storm! Come and experience the iconic sounds of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons authentically recreated by a phenomenal cast and live band. The show revives the sublime harmonies of New Jersey's finest and showcases Frankie's incredible falsettos. Also featuring his solo hits like 'Let's Hang On', 'Beggin'', 'I've Got You Under My Skin' and 'Who Loves You'.



Saturday 23rd June

SHOWADDYWADDY

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £21

The 'greatest rock and roll band in the world' is a bold statement but Showaddywaddy has lived up to that title for the last four decades! Formed in the 1970s in Leicester from several local bands, they have sold more than 20 million records and have toured all corners of the globe. Their live show is dynamic and uplifting featuring all of their biggest hits including 'Under The Moon of Love', 'Three Steps to Heaven', 'Hey Rock & Roll' & 'Blue Moon'.

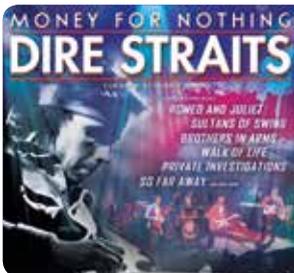


Friday 6th July

MONEY FOR NOTHING

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £20, £19 concs

Money For Nothing is a tribute to Dire Straits like no other before. Prepare to be captivated by the authentic sounds of one of the most successful rock bands of all time. Meticulous attention is paid to every detail, to faithfully recreate the distinct sound of Dire Straits in this unforgettable sonic spectacular. Performing 'Money for Nothing', 'Romeo and Juliet', 'Sultans of Swing', 'Private Investigations' and many more.



Saturday 14th July

BUDDY HOLLY – A LEGEND REBORN

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £20, £19 concs

Through 1957 to '59 one man changed the face of music and revolutionised the meaning of rock 'n' roll. That man was Buddy Holly. This all new production celebrates an artist who shot straight into the limelight as soon as 'That'll Be The Day' hit the radio. Though his career was short, this one-man powerhouse gave the world a stack of hits that will never be forgotten. Including 'Peggy Sue', 'It's So Easy' and 'Rave On'.



ALSO SHOWING

Tues 20th - Thurs 22nd March

REACT! YOUTH THEATRE: THE ADVENTURES OF MR TOAD

TIME 7pm, PRICE £8, £7 concs

Tues 12th - Sat 16th June

CBS PRESENT PRICILLA QUEEN OF THE DESERT

TIME 7.15pm, PRICE £14, £12 concs
(2 tickets for £20 Tues).

Friday 22nd June

WHITE RIVER BRASS WW1 CONCERT

TIME 7pm, PRICE £6, £4 concs

Saturday 30th June

CLAIRE WRIGHT THEATRE SCHOOL

TIME 6.15pm, PRICE £9

COMING SOON

Saturday 15th September

MARTY WILDE & THE WILDCATS

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £21

Saturday 6th October

UK PINK FLOYD EXPERIENCE

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £22.50

Friday 26th October

SOME GUYS HAVE ALL THE LUCK THE ROD STEWART STORY

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £21.50

Saturday 3rd November

RUSSIAN NATIONAL BALLET SWAN LAKE

TIME 7.30pm, PRICE £21.00,
£19.50 concs, £16.50 child

Beauty and the Beast

Saturday 1st - Monday 31st December 2018

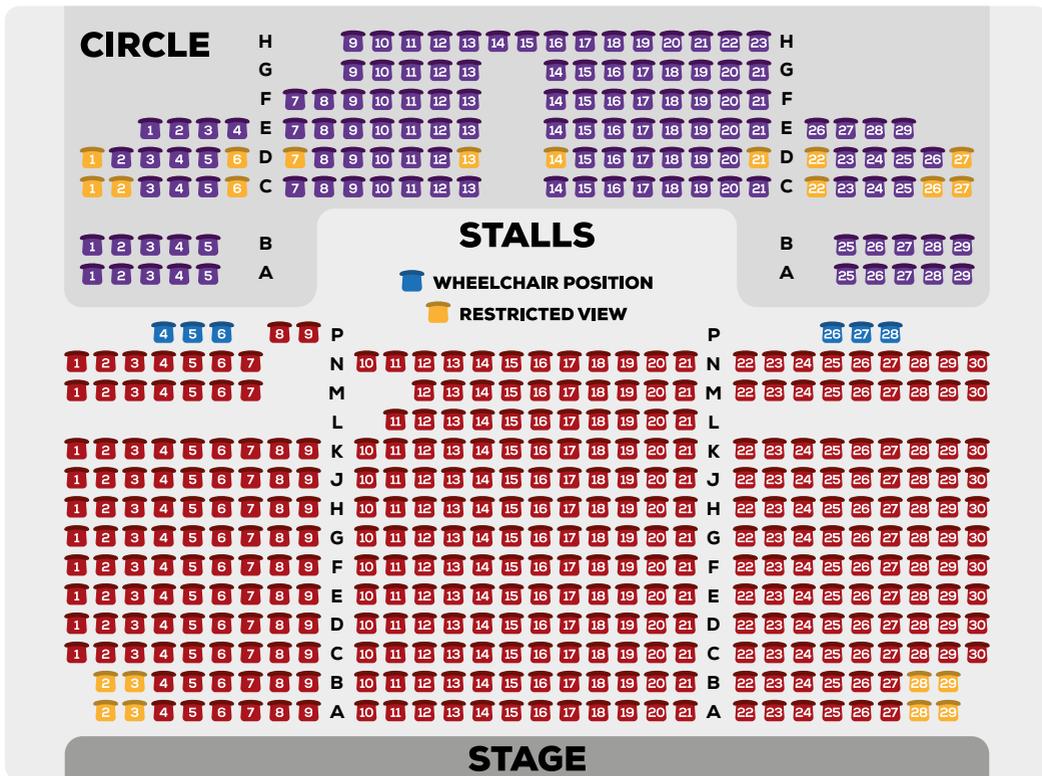
TIME see website for details.

PRICE £16, £14 concs, £52 family (2+2).

Early bird group booking discounts available until 30th September 2018.

Consett's smash hit pantomime returns in conjunction with Leah Bell for the eighth year, packed full of magic and surprises. It's never too early to book!

SEATING PLAN & BOOKING INFORMATION



ONLINE Book 24/7 at www.leisureworks.net.
 Payment by Visa or Mastercard only.

BOX OFFICE In person at the Empire Theatre, Front Street, Consett DH8 5AB or by calling 01207 218 171. Open Mon - Sat 10am - 3pm, Tue - Sat 6.30pm - 9pm, Sun 1 hour prior to performances.

POST Please send a cheque for the ticket price, plus an additional £1 fee, payable to Leisureworks, to the Empire Theatre, Front Street, Consett DH8 5AB.

RESERVATIONS Seats are held for 5 days from booking. No reservations taken from 5 days before the performance.

REFUNDS Tickets cannot be refunded. Seat exchanges can be made for the same performance, at the management's discretion, for a charge of £1 per ticket up to 24 hrs before the production.

DISCOUNTS Concession prices for selected shows for Senior Citizens (65+) and under 16s. Proof of eligibility may be required. Carers are admitted free

on production of a CEA Carer's Card. Please enquire about discounts for Group Bookings.

ACCESS & FACILITIES The ground floor is ramped in the relevant places. There are 6 dedicated wheelchair spaces in the auditorium. A disabled toilet is situated at ground level. A hearing loop is available. Disabled parking is situated at the front of the building.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES Children under 2 years are admitted free for suitable performances (if sitting on paying adult's knee). Booster seats (limited amount) and children's 3D glasses are available for use. With regret we are unable to provide storage for pushchairs and they are not permitted to enter the auditorium.

Please Note: Tickets booked via telephone, post or internet will incur an administration charge. Leisureworks reserves the right at all times, and without notice, to cancel any performances. This brochure was correct at the time of going to print, however some slight changes to the programme could occur.



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