



# Relaxed performance pre-show information



**Derby Arena** 

Wed 30 Dec, 2pm

**BOX OFFICE** 







# Welcome to Aladdin at Derby Arena

We hope this information will help prepare you for your visit. If you have any further questions, please contact the **Derby LIVE Box Office** on **01332 255800** or email **boxoffice@derby.gov.uk**.

Relaxed performances offer an enjoyable environment for everyone including young people and adults with disabilities.

The performances are adapted in various ways such as altered sound and lighting effects to make the show more accessible and during the performance there will never be a full black out in the auditorium.

There is also a quiet area outside the auditorium to make the shows more accessible, this can be used if you want to leave the performance at any point, where you can relax before you are ready to return to the performance.

We encourage everyone to enjoy the show and express their appreciation with a relaxed attitude to noise and movement.

We want your trip to the theatre to be an enjoyable and pleasant one.

#### The Theatre

Here is a picture of **Derby Arena**, where you will be watching **Aladdin**.

We advise that you arrive early so that you have enough time to collect your ticket, go to the toilet and find your seat.



There is a **car park** at the back of the Arena. As you enter the car park you will receive a car parking ticket, you will need to keep your ticket safe as you will have to pay for your parking on the way back to your car after the pantomime has finished.



Be careful as you enter the Derby Arena as the electronic doors move quite quickly and the inner doors will open towards you.

## The Box Office and Foyer

When you walk in the Derby Arena you will see the **Box Office**.

Here is a picture of the Box Office.

If you haven't already got your ticket for Aladdin, you will need to collect it from The Box Office team.



The building and especially the **foyer** will get very busy before the show starts, this is because everyone is waiting to go into the **auditorium**, where the stage and seats are.

Here is a picture of the foyer.



You will see the pantomime merchandise stand, which can be loud and very bright. Here we will sell programmes and pantomime merchandise such as flashing wands and spinners similar to this.



#### The Café and Chill Out Area

Café 42 is located on the ground floor within the reception area. You will walk through it on your way to the auditorium. There are places to sit and wait for the show to start here. You will be able to get a snack or drink before the show.



Here is a picture of the Café.

If you want to sit somewhere quiet before, during or after the show then you can sit in the **chill out area**.

The chill out area will be on top of the Cycle D, which is easily accessible from both the Café, main foyer and in the theatre itself.

There are plenty of **toilets** around Derby Arena including some in the main foyer and in the inner theatre foyer.

There will be lots of Front of House staff around to help you find them.

#### The Auditorium

The **auditorium** is where the audience will sit to watch Aladdin.

There are two different levels in the auditorium.

The ground level is **floor seating** and the higher level is **lower tier seating**.

Our wheelchair spaces are on the floor level with companion seats next to them.



You will have some time to find your seat before the show starts, there will be lots of front of house staff around to help you. You can take in any electronic devices that you may need. You can also take drinks in, if they are in paper or plastic cups.

When the show begins, the **curtain** will go up and you will see the **characters performing** on the stage. The performance has two parts with an **interval** (break) of 20 minutes in the middle.

You are welcome to get up out of your seat if you need to move around.

You can leave the auditorium at any time and come back in when you

are ready.

## **The Story**

Our story starts in Peking in China. Our hero Aladdin lives there with his funny and very cheeky brother Wishee Washee and his lovely mum Widow Twankey. She works very word in a laundrette, washing all of Peking's clothes. Aladdin doesn't like hard work which doesn't make Widow Twankey very happy at all.

One day Aladdin gets the chance to become very rich. Our story's villain Abanazar gives Aladdin a magic ring, but in exchange for this magical gift he sends Aladdin on an adventure. He sends him to find a lamp far away into a deep cave. But Abanazar is very wicked and wants to trick Aladdin. He wants to get the lamp and lock Aladdin in the cave! But Aladdin guesses about Abanazar's wicked plan and doesn't give Abanazar the lamp. He gets very angry and uses a spell to trap Aladdin in the cave forever!

But little does Aladdin know that something magical is about to happen. Feeling sad, Aladdin looks at the lamp that Abanazar wanted so much and rubs it. All of a sudden a genie appears who helps Aladdin escape from the cave. He soon discovers why the lamp is so special. The genie has the power to grant Aladdin three very special wishes! With the wishes Aladdin and has family become very rich. He is also able to marry his true love, the beautiful Princess Jasmine and the genie builds them a beautiful palace to live in!

But all is not well! Abanazar comes back and tries to trick Aladdin's princess. He gets her to give him the magical lamp in return for an old one with no magic powers. With the magic lamp Abanazar takes the palace and the princess for himself! But all is not lost! Aladdin still has the power of his magic ring. He summons the slave of the ring. With the help of the slave Aladdin finds Abanazar and wins back his princess and the lamp.

#### After the show

When the pantomime has finished you can leave the auditorium when you are ready. There will be Front of House staff waiting at the exits to show you where to go and answer any questions you may have.

#### The Cast

This is **Natasha Hamilton**.

**Natasha** is from the band Atomic Kitten, she will play **Slave of the Ring**.



This is **Ritchie Neville**.

Ritchie is from the band 5ive, he will play **Aladdin**.



This is **Richard David-Caine and Joseph Elliott**.

**Richard and Joseph** are from CBeebies' Swashbuckle, they will play **PCs Ping and Pong**.



This is Mike McClean.

Mike is a comedian, he will play Wishee Washee.



This is **Leon Craig**.

**Leon** will play **Widow Twankey**. Leon is a boy but in the show he pretends to be a girl.

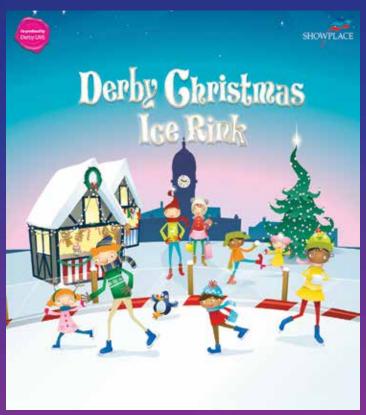


This is **Jade Chadston**.

**Jade** will play **Princess Jasmine**.



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