



Relaxed performance pre-show information

Sun 11 Dec, 2:30pm

Guildhall Theatre

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Welcome to Captain Sprout and the Christmas Pirates at The Guildhall Theatre

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 next to the auditorium to make the show 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 **The Guildhall Theatre** where you will be watching **Captain Sprout and the Christmas Pirates**.

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



Parking

There are a number of **car parks** around the city centre. The Assembly Rooms car park is nearest to the Guildhall Theatre, or you could try Chapel Street, Parksafe on Bold Lane or Darwin Place.

Visit **derby.gov.uk/parking** to find out more about car parking in Derby, including charges, season tickets, blue badge holder parking and contact details.



Here is a picture of the Assembly Rooms car park.

The Box Office and Foyer

When you walk in the Guildhall Theatre you will see the **Box Office**.

You can collect your pre paid tickets from here if they haven't



There is seating in The Guildhall Theatre foyer where you can relax before the show.

The **foyer** will get busy before the show starts as everyone is waiting to go into the **auditorium**.



The Bar and Chill Out Area

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

Hot and cold drinks will be



Toilets

There are **toilets** in the upper foyer at the Guildhall Theatre.

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



About the venue



The Guildhall Theatre is a Grade II listed building situated on the **Market Place**. It is small and intimate venue.

It has raked seating for 182 **downstairs** and a small **balcony area** seating a further 60. The balcony is not accessible to wheelchair or those customers with mobility issues.

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, 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

It's Christmas Eve, and a group of pirates gather to tell the story about the time the naughty Captain Sprout came up with a plan to steal Christmas from the children of Derby.

Using a magic map, Captain Sprout's crew crept into children's bedrooms on Christmas Eve, and stole presents, but Freddy Frith, a nine year old boy was still awake and he caught them.

The pirates tell Freddy about Captain Sprout's plan. Freddy can't let Christmas be ruined for the other children. Grabbing his teddy, Mr Moo, Freddy follows the Pirates back to Captain Sprout's ship.

On board the ship Freddy and the Captain strike a deal. If Freddy can dive down to the bottom of the ocean and win the Golden Sprout from the terrifying sea monster called the Kraken, then Captain Sprout promises to return all the stolen presents.

So Freddy dives to the bottom of the ocean and meets the Kraken who agrees to give Freddy the Golden Sprout but only in exchange for Mr Moo! Reluctantly, Freddy agrees and gives the Kraken his favourite teddy.

When he gets back, Captain Sprout is angry that Freddy has succeeded. He orders the crew to make Freddy walk the plank. But the crew have had enough and they throw him overboard instead. Freddy orders the pirates to return the presents at once! They do, and Freddy knows that he has saved Christmas.

After the show

When the show 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 **Vern Griffiths** - he plays **Darius Dread** and **The first mate**.

If Vern were a pirate, he'd be one of those fellas with a fancy eye patch.



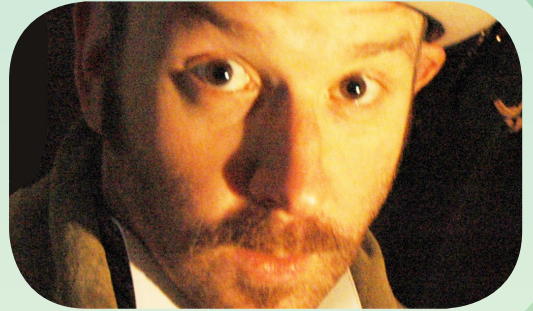
This is **Mark Roberts** - he plays **Newbie** and **Freddie Frith**

If Mark were a pirate, he would be the one complaining about the splinters in the deck.



This is **Phil Coggins** - he plays **Captain Sprout** and **Mr Barnacle**

If Phil could be a pirate, he'd be one who was in charge of paperwork on land, as he has useless sea legs!



This is **Ria Ashcroft** - she plays **Glynnis the Cash Strapped**

If Ria were a pirate, she'd always be up the rigging as she's also a circus performer!



This is a picture of last years Guildhall Theatre Christmas show

Christmas Sparkle at Derby LIVE

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Co-produced by
Derby LIVE

Mrs Brown's Boys'
Winnie McGooan
EILISH O'CARROLL
Fairy Godmother

TV, West End and Comedy star
RICHARD BLACKWOOD
Buttons

Art Attack's
LLOYD WARBEY
Dandini

CARA DUDGEON
Cinderella

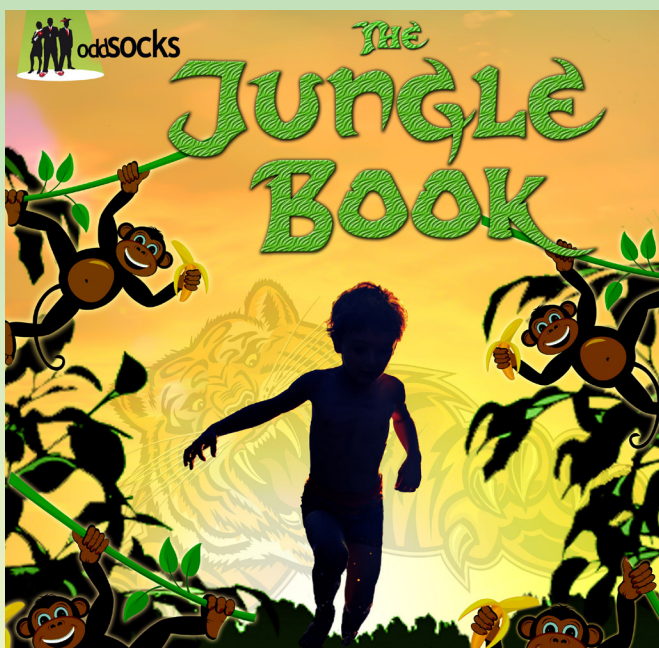
DEAN HORNER & OLIVER GRAY
Ugly Sisters

Cinderella

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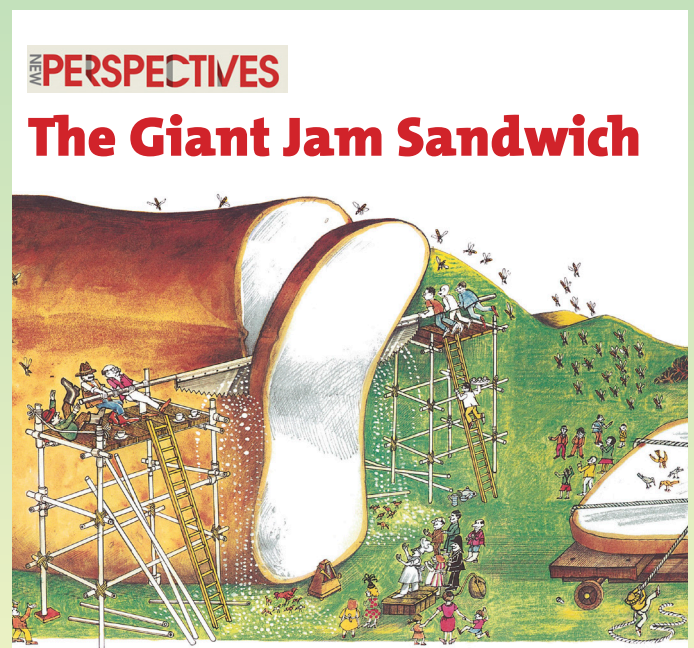
There is a **relaxed performance** of **Cinderella** at **Derby Arena** on **Thursday 29 December at 2pm**

Coming soon...



Tue 31 Jan - Sat 4 Feb

£13.50 - £17.50



Sat 11 - Sat 18 Feb

£11