

SEASON

2024



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Welcome to the Minack performance season 2024

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29 March - 12 April

Carrie's War

from the novel by Nina Bawden

adapted by Emma Reeves

a Minack Theatre Production

Carrie Willow revisits a remote Welsh village to which she was evacuated as a child and where she must face a terrible secret.

5 April

The People's String Foundation

Passionate theatrics woven with an urban gypsy sound. "Stonking, earthy, organic, delicate and barn-storming." Charles Hazlewood (conductor/composer)

15 - 16 April

I Found My Horn

by Johnathan Guy Lewis and Jasper Rees

Jasper wakes up in midlife to the dawning fear he has done nothing to make himself memorable. Until he picks up the French horn that defeated him in his youth...

18 - 19 April

A Blaze of Feather

A Blaze of Feather crafts cinematic alt-folk reverie sparked out from the supernatural heart of West Cornwall. Songwriter Mickey Smith's music carries the heavy weather & raw stone influence of his homeland.

23 April - 16 May

The Massive Tragedy of Madame Bovary

lovingly derailed by John Nicholson

a Minack Theatre & Ha Hum Ah production

Emma Bovary is bored with her provincial life and her boring provincial husband. But Emma loves novels. And in novels, life is much more fun – until it becomes Massively Tragic!

4 - 6 May

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

lyrics by Tim Rice, music by Andrew Lloyd Webber

presented by Kidz R Us

The magical musical by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber, which tells the biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob and his 11 brothers...and of course the coat of many colours.



The Massive Tragedy of Madame Bovary, 2023

10 May

Show of Hands

Full Circle Part II

Show of Hands return to their roots as we bid farewell to an era while eagerly anticipating the next chapter in the incredible journey of Steve Knightley and Phil Beer.

19 - 22 May

Doctor Faustus

by Christopher Marlowe and Colin Teevan

presented by Carnon Downs Drama Group

Colin Teevan's contemporary scenes link the thrilling danger of Christopher Marlowe's opening acts with the tragedy of his finale in a darkly comic take on a classic Elizabethan play.

23 - 24 May

Fisherman's Friends

ALL PERFORMANCES SOLD OUT

27 - 31 May

Little Shop of Horrors

by Alan Menken and Howard Ashman

presented by Redruth Amateur Operatic Society Trust

In this charming, comedy musical Seymour yearns to break free from his 'Skid Row' life, following the discovery of a strange, demanding and bloodthirsty plant!

1 - 2 June

Songs for Explorers

presented by Squashbox Theatre & People's String Foundation

A fun-packed concert of music from the shows of Squashbox Theatre, exploring themes as diverse as bees, trees, animals, evolution, rocks, mermaids, Greek Gods, famous scientists, planets and stars!

3 - 6 June

Love Riot

presented by Miracle Theatre

A game of love and laughter! Miracle reimagines Hannah Cowley's radical restoration comedy 'The Belle's Stratagem'. A spirited show for all ages, promising sparkling wit and unforgettable characters.

7 June

XENOLALIA : Moulettes

A cello-led a large-cast performance spanning Folk, Indie, Psychedelic Pop & Chamber Music. This ambitious 5 ensemble collaboration explores human communication and celebrates 'Xenolalia', the accompanying multi-media book that tells the story.

9 - 13 June

Adolf and Winston

presented by Living Spit

Two Actors. Two World Leaders. One Black Dog. Living Spit return with another slice of poorly-researched history. But will either of them escape from this war alive?

14 June

Roo Panes

Roo Panes has a global fanbase and millions of streams worldwide. His melodic, storytelling tracks have featured in shows such as Grey's Anatomy, Virgin River, This is Us and Outer Banks.

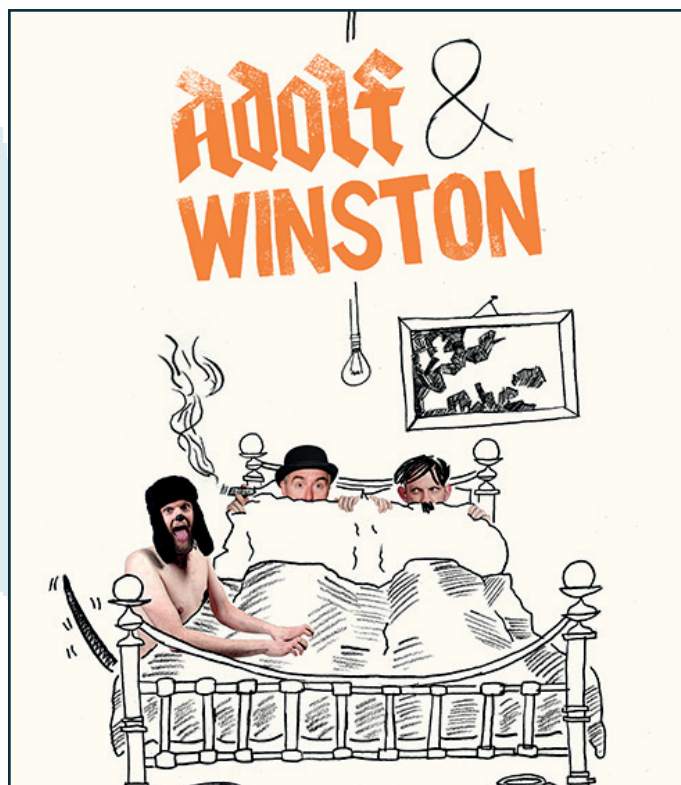
17 - 21 June

Sense and Sensibility: The Musical

by Jeffrey Haddow and Neal Hampton

presented by Surrey Opera

A stunning new musical, based on the novel by Jane Austen. A delicately observed tale of the disadvantages of both excessive emotion and restraint - with the happiest of happy endings.



24 - 27 June

The Adventures of Doctor Dolittle

adapted by Oliver Gray

from the books by Hugh Lofting

presented by Illyria

Doctor Dolittle makes an extraordinary discovery: he can talk to animals! This exciting family musical, performed with flair and wit, inspires us all to see the world through the eyes of animals.

28 June

Ríoghnach Connolly & Honeyfeet

BBC Radio 2 Folk Singer of the Year, Ríoghnach Connolly, and companion players Honeyfeet drive a broad terrain of musical textures from esoteric protest songs to foot-tapping and floor-thumping dance rhythms.

1 - 4 July

As You Like It

by William Shakespeare

presented by The Duke's Theatre Company

When Rosalind is banished from court, new identities are explored with hilarious consequences. Music, mayhem & madness thrill as we are shown that "All the world's a stage".

5 July

Lanterns on the Lake

Tyneside's Lanterns on the Lake combine dreamy, melancholic indie rock with beautiful layers of texture and celestial melodies that thread around intricate instrumentation.

8 - 11 July

London Assurance

by Dion Boucicault (revised by Richard Bean)
presented by Global Productions

Sir Harcourt Courtley is on the hunt for a rich young bride, but his plans are upset by the plots of the fun-loving Lady Gay Spanker. Classic comedy brimming with mischief and wit.

12 July

Dry Cleaning

presented by The Cornish Bank

With clear musical influences from the Feelies, the Necessaries, the B52s and Pylon, Dry Cleaning were drawn to making simple music; direct and uncomplicated, anything superfluous was left behind.

17 - 18 July

The Light Burns Blue

by Silva Semerciyan

presented by students of the Minack Acting Academy

Elsie Wright borrows her father's camera and fakes photos of herself and her cousin Frances talking with fairies at the bottom of their garden. But she is quite unprepared for the celebrity media storm her pictures will unleash.

19 July

Cosmo Sheldrake

presented by The Cornish Bank

Cosmo is a UK-based instrumentalist, producer, composer, live improviser and field recordist. Running through all his work is a belief that the living world is a noisy, musical place with the power to change how we think, feel and imagine.

22 - 25 July

Love's Labour's Lost

by William Shakespeare

presented by Stamford Shoestring Theatre

Shakespeare's irreverent take on how love spares no-one is a play for all ages – a comic and touching perspective on the unpredictability of matters of the heart.

29 July - 2 August

The Rink

by John Kander and Fred Ebb

presented by the British Theatre Academy

Anna plans to sell her seaside skating rink to developers, when prodigal daughter Angel returns home seeking to reconnect with the life she's left behind. Can mother and daughter reconcile the past and move on?

5 - 8 August

The French Lieutenant's Woman

by Mark Healy

based on the book by John Fowles

presented by Brighton Little Theatre

Alone on a cliff edge, the cloaked figure of a mysterious woman gazes out to sea. This tale of forbidden love has been inventively adapted, creating something unexpected, evocative, exciting ...

9 August

Florence Adooni

presented by The Cornish Bank

Revered as the queen of Frafra Gospel, Florence combines the soul of the northern savannah and the sound of the rainforest region, fusing the best of both cultures to form her unique sound.

12 - 16 August

Young Frankenstein

by Mel Brooks and Thomas Meehan

presented by The Mitre Players

From the creators of the Broadway sensation The Producers comes this monster musical. Comedy genius Mel Brooks adapts his legendary hilarious film into this brilliant, irreverent and scientifically-proven monstrously good show.

19 - 22 August

Wendy and Peter Pan

by Ella Hickson

presented by the Hertfordshire Players

"Why do the lost boys get to stay lost forever, but girls have to become mother?" Ella Hickson. Wendy is thrust centre stage in this refreshingly radical retelling of Barrie's much-loved story.

23 August

Ishmael Ensemble

Ishmael Ensemble's music straddles the worlds of electronica and jazz. Comprising a shifting cast of collaborators, the Bristol collective explore vast sonic terrain with a unique honesty, intimacy and emotional heft.



Jamaica Inn, The Guildburys Theatre Company

1 - 4 September

The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch

Words and music by David Wood

Based on the book by Ronda and David Armitage

A Minack Theatre production

Can Mr & Mrs Grinlings stop the scavenging seagulls from stealing the Lighthouse Keeper's lunch? A musical adaptation of the best-selling children's story.

1 September

Doug Allan:

In the Company of Giants

Award-winning, BBC wildlife photographer Doug Allan shares his encounters with the ocean's most charismatic animals. *'Wildlife cameramen don't come much more special than Doug Allan'* Sir David Attenborough

2 - 4 September

Show Tunes of the Sea

A celebration of the ocean in musical theatre featuring West End performer Daniel Boys with students from the Minack Musical Theatre Academy.

5 - 6 September

With Courage

by Jon Hare

presented by PlayWell Productions

A new musical spanning two centuries of saving lives. Two witnesses to a maritime disaster set out to change the course of history, while a modern-day coxswain's daughter aims to earn her place on the lifeboat.

7 September

Body of Water

presented by Propeller Youth Company

The company interviewed members of the Cornish community about their relationship to the sea to create a dance performance that celebrates the many facets and relationships our community holds to this magnificent body of water.

9 September

Daisy Rickman

presented by The Cornish Bank

A homage to the sun, the stars, and explorations of the cycles both within ourselves and throughout the turning wheel of the year.

10 & 12 September

The Boatswain's Mate

words and music by Ethyl Smyth

presented by Tête à Tête

A happy widow. A lovesick boatswain. A plot to foil a fake burglary and so win her heart. What could possibly go wrong? Light opera for everyone.

11 September at 3.30pm

Gillian Burke: I Can See the Sea

Join biologist & TV presenter, Gillian Burke, on a road-trip down memory lane recalling her chaotic family holidays on the Kenyan coast. A blend of storytelling, soundscapes & science for the whole family.

11 September at 7.30pm

The Oggymen

For over a decade, The Oggymen have championed contemporary Cornish folk music and celebrated those precious songs that bind us to our landscape, to our community and to our past.

12 September at 3pm

Henry Normal & Nigel Planer

A special one-off performance of poetry, stories and thoughts celebrating the sea, the coast and edges of things. Expect poetry, stories, jokes, Q & A, fun, knitwear and a few surprises.

13 September

Seth Lakeman

Hugely popular West Country folk musician Seth Lakeman returns to the Minack with his uniquely evocative music.

14 - 15 September

The Cornish Proms

Symfoni Kernow

An eclectic mix of music from classical, pop, musical theatre and Cornish tunes with the traditional Proms finale.



Doug Allan with humpbacked whale, Tonga

26 - 29 August

Jamaica Inn

adapted by Lisa Evans

from the novel by Daphne Du Maurier

presented by the Guildburys Theatre Company

Few stop at Jamaica Inn. It groans with its secrets and violence on bleak Bodmin Moor. Young Mary Yellan has no choice, becoming entangled in its mysteries. A classic yarn of brooding danger.

18 - 21 September

The Pirates of Penzance

by WS Gilbert and Sir Arthur Sullivan

presented by Cambridge University Gilbert & Sullivan Society

Leaving his hapless band of pirates, Frederic falls for Mabel, daughter of the major general. Yet, despite a perfect life ahead of them, Frederic's old crew are determined to win him back.

27 September

Porthleven Town Band

Porthleven Town Band, Third Section Champions of Great Britain 2023, take us on a musical journey 'Around the World in 80 Minutes', traversing the globe from our corner of Cornwall.



Squashbox Theatre: Tales from the Trees

Storytelling

for families with young children

Suitable for age 5+

See our website for performance dates/times.

This year's shows include:

The Scottish Play

presented by John Brolly

A witch's brew of murder and mayhem in the Scottish Highlands, as storyteller John Brolly narrates the tale of Shakespeare's Macbeth in his own uniquely quirky and comical style.

The Sea Show

presented by Squashbox Theatre

The Sea Show is a quirky and hilarious mix of puppet show, natural history and comedy cabaret. Celebrate the sea with tall tales, silly slapstick, fantastic facts, live music and songs - unmissable fun for children and adults of all ages!

The Lonely Lighthouse Keeper

presented by John Brolly

Percy moves to a lighthouse to find quiet away from his noisy knitting-obsessed neighbour. The peaceful life he seeks is shattered when his neighbour arrives with knitting needles at the ready. But when disaster strikes can either of them save the day?

Skillywidden

presented by Squashbox Theatre

Skillywidden is a celebration of the wildlife and faery myths of Cornwall using Squashbox Theatre's distinctive mix of puppets, songs, storytelling and cabaret, with a strong environmental message. Crazy characters, silly slapstick, tall tales and fantastic facts!

Wonderful World

presented by Squashbox Theatre

Join intrepid explorer Craig on a breathless race across the world, as he attempts to decipher an ancient mystery – a mystery that could hold the key to our planet's survival!

Tales from the Trees

presented by Squashbox Theatre

Let Squashbox Theatre be your guide to the tremendous world of trees, from branch to leaf and twig to root, from berry to blossom and bark to fruit! A terrific tangle of puppetry, storytelling, live music and comedy, with a theme that embraces natural history, folklore and ecology.

The Minack Theatre Schedule 2024

Friday 29 March

6pm Carrie's War

Saturday 30 March

4pm Carrie's War

Monday 1 April

4pm Carrie's War

Tuesday 2 April

2.30pm Carrie's War

7pm Carrie's War

Wednesday 3 April

4pm Carrie's War

Thursday 4 April

2.30pm Carrie's War

7pm Carrie's War

Friday 5 April

7.30pm People's String Foundation

Sunday 7 April

2.30pm Carrie's War

7pm Carrie's War

Monday 8 April

4pm Carrie's War

Tuesday 9 April

2.30pm Carrie's War

7pm Carrie's War

Thursday 11 April

2.30pm Carrie's War

7pm Carrie's War

Friday 12 April

4pm Carrie's War

Monday 15 April

7pm I Found My Horn

Tuesday 16 April

3.30pm I Found My Horn

7pm I Found My Horn

Thursday 18 April

7.30pm A Blaze of Feather

Friday 19 April

7.30pm A Blaze of Feather

Tuesday 23 April

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Wednesday 24 April

5pm Madame Bovary

Thursday 25 April

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Sunday 28 April

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Monday 29 April

5pm Madame Bovary

Tuesday 30 April

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Wednesday 1 May

5pm Madame Bovary

Thursday 2 May

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Saturday 4 May

3pm Joseph

7.30pm Joseph

Sunday 5 May

3pm Joseph

7.30pm Joseph

Monday 6 May

3.30pm Joseph

Tuesday 7 May

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Wednesday 8 May

5pm Madame Bovary

Thursday 9 May

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Friday 10 May

3.30pm Show of Hands

8pm Show of Hands

Sunday 12 May

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Monday 13 May

5pm Madame Bovary

Tuesday 14 May

2.30pm Madame Bovary

7pm Madame Bovary

Wednesday 15 May

5pm Madame Bovary

Thursday 16 May

2.30pm Madame Bovary

Sunday 19 May

2.30pm Doctor Faustus

7.30pm Doctor Faustus

Monday 20 May

7.30pm Doctor Faustus

Tuesday 21 May

2.30pm Doctor Faustus

7.30pm Doctor Faustus

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Wednesday 22 May

7.30pm Doctor Faustus

Thursday 23 May

3.30pm Fisherman's Friends

7.30pm Fisherman's Friends

Friday 24 May

3.30pm Fisherman's Friends

7.30pm Fisherman's Friends

Monday 27 May

8pm Little Shop of Horrors

Tuesday 28 May

3pm Little Shop of Horrors

8pm Little Shop of Horrors

Wednesday 29 May

8pm Little Shop of Horrors

Thursday 30 May

3pm Little Shop of Horrors

8pm Little Shop of Horrors

Friday 31 May

8pm Little Shop of Horrors

Saturday 1 June

4pm Songs for Explorers

Sunday 2 June

4pm Songs for Explorers

Monday 3 June

7.30pm Love Riot

Tuesday 4 June

3pm Love Riot

7.30pm Love Riot

Wednesday 5 June

7.30pm Love Riot

Thursday 6 June

3pm Love Riot

7.30pm Love Riot

Friday 7 June

7.30pm Xenoulalia

Sunday 9 June

7.30pm Adolf and Winston

Monday 10 June

7.30pm Adolf and Winston

Tuesday 11 June

3.30pm Adolf and Winston

7.30pm Adolf and Winston

Wednesday 12 June

7.30pm Adolf and Winston

Thursday 13 June

3.30pm Adolf and Winston

7.30pm Adolf and Winston

Friday 14 June

7.30pm Roo Panes

Monday 17 June

7.30pm Sense and Sensibility

Tuesday 18 June

2.30pm Sense and Sensibility

7.30pm Sense and Sensibility

Wednesday 19 June

7.30pm Sense and Sensibility

Thursday 20 June

2.30pm Sense and Sensibility

7.30pm Sense and Sensibility

Friday 21 June

7.30pm Sense and Sensibility

Monday 24 June

11am Doctor Dolittle (schools)

7pm Doctor Dolittle

Tuesday 25 June

2.30pm Doctor Dolittle

7pm Doctor Dolittle

Wednesday 26 June

11am Doctor Dolittle (schools)

7pm Doctor Dolittle

Thursday 27 June

2.30pm Doctor Dolittle

7pm Doctor Dolittle

Friday 28 June

7.30pm Ríoghach Connolly

Monday 1 July

7.30pm As You Like It

Tuesday 2 July

3pm As You Like It

7.30pm As You Like It

Wednesday 3 July

7.30pm As You Like It

Thursday 4 July

3pm As You Like It

7.30pm As You Like It

Friday 5 July

7.30pm Lanterns on the Lake

Monday 8 July

7.30pm London Assurance

Tuesday 9 July

2.30pm London Assurance

7.30pm London Assurance

Wednesday 10 July

7.30pm London Assurance

The Minack Theatre Schedule 2024

Thursday 11 July

2.30pm London Assurance
7.30pm London Assurance

Friday 12 July

8pm Dry Cleaning

Wednesday 17 July

7.30pm The Light Burns Blue

Thursday 18 July

3pm The Light Burns Blue
7.30pm The Light Burns Blue

Friday 19 July

7.30pm Cosmo Sheldrake

Monday 22 July

8pm Love's Labour's Lost

Tuesday 23 July

2.30pm Love's Labour's Lost
8pm Love's Labour's Lost

Wednesday 24 July

8pm Love's Labour's Lost

Thursday 25 July

2.30pm Love's Labour's Lost
8pm Love's Labour's Lost

Friday 26 July

7.30pm This Flight Tonight

Monday 29 July

8pm The Rink

Tuesday 30 July

3pm The Rink
8pm The Rink

Wednesday 31 July

8pm The Rink

Thursday 1 August

3pm The Rink
8pm The Rink

Friday 2 August

8pm The Rink

Monday 5 August

8pm French Lieutenant's Woman

Tuesday 6 August

3.30pm French Lieutenant's Woman
8pm French Lieutenant's Woman

Wednesday 7 August

8pm French Lieutenant's Woman

Thursday 8 August

3.30pm French Lieutenant's Woman
8pm French Lieutenant's Woman

Friday 9 August

7.30pm Florence Adooni

Monday 12 August

8pm Young Frankenstein

Tuesday 13 August

3pm Young Frankenstein
8pm Young Frankenstein

Wednesday 14 August

8pm Young Frankenstein

Thursday 15 August

3pm Young Frankenstein
8pm Young Frankenstein

Friday 16 August

8pm Young Frankenstein

Monday 19 August

7.30pm Wendy & Peter Pan

Tuesday 20 August

2.30pm Wendy & Peter Pan
7.30pm Wendy & Peter Pan

Wednesday 21 August

7.30pm Wendy & Peter Pan

Thursday 22 August

2.30pm Wendy & Peter Pan
7.30pm Wendy & Peter Pan

Friday 23 August

7.30pm Ishmael Ensemble

Monday 26 August

7.30pm Jamaica Inn

Tuesday 27 August

2.30pm Jamaica Inn
7.30pm Jamaica Inn

Wednesday 28 August

7.30pm Jamaica Inn

Thursday 29 August

2.30pm Jamaica Inn
7.30pm Jamaica Inn

Sunday 1 September

3pm Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch
6pm Doug Allan

Monday 2 September

4pm Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch
7.30pm Show Tunes of the Sea

Tuesday 3 September

4pm Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch
7.30pm Show Tunes of the Sea

Wednesday 4 September

4pm Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch
7.30pm Show Tunes of the Sea

The Minack Theatre Schedule 2024

Thursday 5 September

7.30pm With Courage

Friday 6 September

3pm With Courage

7.30pm With Courage

Saturday 7 September

3.30pm Body of Water

7.30pm Body of Water

Monday 9 September

7.30pm Daisy Rickman

Tuesday 10 September

7.30pm The Boatswain's Mate

Wednesday 11 September

3.30pm Gillian Burke

7.30pm The Oggymen

Thursday 12 September

3pm Henry Normal & Nigel Planer

7.30pm The Boatswain's Mate

Friday 13 September

3pm Seth Lakeman

7.30pm Seth Lakeman

Saturday 14 September

7.30pm The Cornish Proms

Sunday 15 September

3pm The Cornish Proms

7.30pm The Cornish Proms

Wednesday 18 September

7pm The Pirates of Penzance

Thursday 19 September

2.30pm The Pirates of Penzance

7pm The Pirates of Penzance

Friday 20 September

7pm The Pirates of Penzance

Saturday 21 September

2.30pm The Pirates of Penzance

7pm The Pirates of Penzance

Friday 27 September

7.30pm Porthleven Town Band

Friday 4 October

7.30pm Mad Dog Mcrea & JollyRoger