

For immediate release

MARY ROSE

By JM BARRIE
Directed by
Tony Cownie

24 October–15 November 2008



“I dare say, to a timid thing, being a ghost is worse than seeing them.”

From the creator of *Peter Pan*, JM Barrie’s unsettling Edwardian ghost story *Mary Rose* revisits the notion of the ageless child and the uneasy journey from childhood into adulthood. This is a creepy tale that will leave you shivering with more than just the cold as the dark nights draw in this winter...

When eighteen-year-old *Mary Rose* receives a proposal for marriage, her family feels compelled to inform her suitor of her mysterious past. Her unexplained disappearance as a young girl on an island during a family holiday has bewildered the family for years. As an older *Mary Rose* revisits the island, these unnerving events and the mystery begin to take hold once again, with the riddle of her disappearance continuing to torment the family for years to come.

Kim Gerard takes the title role (*Vanity Fair, Living Quarters*), with a strong supporting cast including Michael Mackenzie as Mr Morland, Anne Kidd (*Sundowne, Eden Court*) as Mrs Morland and Una McLean (*The Winter’s Tale, Six Characters in Search of An Author*) as Mrs Otery.

The show is directed by Lyceum associate artist Tony Cownie (*Trumpets and Raspberries, Vanity Fair, Mrs Warren’s Profession*), and he is joined on the creative team by associate artist Philip Pinsky (*Macbeth, Glass Menagerie, Living Quarters, The Winter’s Tale*), designer Neil Murray (*Vanity Fair*) and lighting designer Malcolm Rippeth.

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Cast:

Mary Rose	Kim Gerard
Mrs Otery	Una McLean
Harry Morland Blake	Guy Fearon
Mr Morland	Michael MacKenzie
Mrs Morland	Anne Kidd
Mr Amy	John Ramage
Simon Blake	Perri Snowdon
Mr Cameron	Robin Laing

Creative Team:

Director	Tony Cownie
Designer	Neil Murray
Lighting Designer	Malcolm Rippeth
Music	Philip Pinsky

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NOTES FOR EDITORS:

Press night: Saturday 25 October at 7.45pm

TICKETS & PERFORMANCES:

Performances: 24 October – 15 November 2008

Evenings: Tuesday – Saturday at 7.45pm

Matinees: 29 October and 1,5,8,15 November at 2.30pm

First Look Friday (preview performance) sponsored by *The List*: Friday 24 October at 7.45pm – all tickets £5 – SOLD OUT!

Pre-show talk with Dr Caroline Watt from Edinburgh's Koestler Parapsychology Unit: Tuesday 28 October at 6pm – tickets £3 / under 18s free

Post-show discussion with members of the cast: Tuesday 4 November (FREE)

Theatre Discussion Group with Rod McAra: Wednesday 5 November at 5.15pm (approx) FREE (ticket required)

Audio-described performances: Thursday 6 November at 7.45pm & Saturday 8 November at 2.30pm

Touch Tour for the visually impaired: Saturday 8 November at 12.30pm

BSL signed performance: Wednesday 12 November at 7.45pm

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Evening performances (full price): £12 - £26

Matinee Performances: Wednesday and Saturday Matinees £15

Concessions: £2 off full price for all Tuesday – Thursday shows

Under 18s: Half Price any performance

School Groups: £7.50 (stalls & grand circle). £6.50 (upper circle). Matinees – all seats £6.50. One teacher free with every ten pupils.

Registered unemployed: (Tues – Thurs) half price in advance, £1 tickets available on the day (max 20, stalls only). ID required.

Students/ people with disabilities: Half price (excludes First Look Fridays), £5 for Wed matinees. Wheelchair spaces are available in the stalls boxes. Students – full time only – ID required.

Groups: 8+ £3 off each ticket (matinees £2 off); 20+ £4 off each ticket (matinees £3 off) plus one free ticket.

Box Office **0131 248 4848**
Book Online www.lyceum.org.uk/maryrose
Groups 8+ **0131 248 4849.**

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