



PRESS RELEASE

Roll up, Roll up, Roll up for the Greatest Show on Earth!

Following on from their recent success with Jesus Christ Superstar, Day8 Productions are delighted to announce their next production at the Playhouse, Whitley Bay will be "The Grand Old Days of Music Hall."

Celebrating 100 years of the Spanish City Dome, and in association with North Tyneside Council, join us for an evening of pure nostalgia as we roll back the years and spend some time in the rowdy and noisy atmosphere of an Edwardian Music Hall.

Trying to keep the proceedings in order (heaven help him!) and waving his gavel when required is local lad, Steve Arnott.

Joining Steve is his partner in crime, famous for his role as Dame (a role he has played 23 times) in Newcastle Theatre Royals annual pantomime, the one and only Byker-born Chris Hayward who has worked with Danny la Rue (he will be wearing some of his costumes) Barbara Windsor and Jim Davidson. Chris will certainly add colour in more ways than one!!

International magician Tony Parx and one of the North East's top entertainers will perform his mid reading act and amazing magic show including the acclaimed "sawing a woman in half" – we suggest you don't sit in the front row!

Magic Circle Young Magician of the Year, TV's Michael Jordon from High Jinx will bring a thrilling mix of awesome illusions, juggling and dangerous escapes as well as razor blade swallowing and fire breathing. This unique act is guaranteed to leave you entertained, amazed and possibly even scared! 'The best disappearing act since Lord Lucan.'

Packed full of comedy, sketches, and the old sing-a-long favourites including 'Down at the Old Bull and Bush', 'All the nice girls love a sailor', 'Cushy Butterfield' and of course 'The Blydon Races.' With many more acts including a trick unicyclist as well as plenty audience participation (period costume actively encouraged) and a flea circus – we bet you are 'itching' to come along! This is an old fashioned vintage variety show at its best!

The Grand Old Days of Music Hall is being performed at the PLAYHOUSE Whitley Bay from **Thursday 9th to Saturday 11th September** and tickets are selling fast. Performances start at **7.15pm** (matinee on 11th at 2.15pm). Tickets from £9.00 (Group discount available) are on sale from the PLAYHOUSE Whitley Bay in person, or by phone 0844 277 2771 or online at www.playhousewhitleybay.co.uk (service charges may apply).

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