# EMMA KNIGHTS PRODUCTIONS

### **Children's Shows**

Emma Knights Productions has created a range of children's shows that are available to schools as an incursion! All of these shows are easily transported and all we need is a performance space, preferably on the ground as all the shows are quite interactive; gym floors or libraries are generally suitable; an easy access route and 30 minutes to set up. The shows range from \$4 per student up to \$7 per student (based on attendance of around 200) and all the shows can be performed to classes from R-7.



All the shows cover some very important topics such as not giving up, asking for help, friendship, acceptance and not judging a book by its cover and a teacher's pack with links to the curriculum is also provided. Many of the performers involved in the shows are professional and question and answer sessions or workshops are available to accompany the performance.

### **SPACE ENCOUNTERS**

Take yourself back to your childhood... Imagine walking into your gym, town hall or local theatre and seeing a spaceship (made of recycled plastic bottles) ready to take you on an adventure. The astronauts are in suspended animation when suddenly a signal sets the spaceship's robot into life...do you want to see what happens?

Emma Knights Productions is proud to be bringing Space Encounters, a family friendly opera composed by Australians Sean O'Boyle and Ian McFadyen, to young audiences around South Australia providing many young children with their first experience of opera. With the wit of Ian McFadyen (of Comedy Company fame) there is something in this opera for children of all ages.

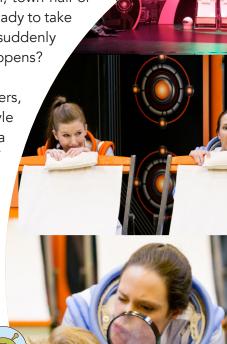
Space Encounters is a 50-minute fully-staged opera (in English) featuring three South Australian singers performing to live piano accompaniment that looks at some important topics including identity, acceptance, self-image, isolation, helping others and relationships as well as giving an introduction to part singing.

#### WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING:

"I WISH I COULD SEE IT AGAIN" - Year 3 student, St Johns Grammar

"PLEASE, PLEASE DO YOURSELF A FAVOUR AND TAKE YOUR CHILDREN TO SEE THIS PERFORMANCE" - GLAM Adelaide Review

"THE ENRICHMENT OF LANGUAGE THROUGHOUT THE PERFORMANCE IS EXEMPLARY. CLEARLY THESE WORDS WOULD FLY OVER THE HEADS OF MOST OF THE CHILDREN, BUT THAT'S HOW LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT WORKS WITH KIDS. THEY SEE OR HEAR A NEW WORD, THEY ASK ABOUT IT, THEY LEARN ABOUT IT." Nathan Giaccio Speech Pathologist





TALES OF ADVENTURE

Is storytelling, reading and imagination still of importance to our children? This is a question that the improvised children's show, Tale of Adventure hopes to address. In a one hour theatre show children will have the opportunity to create a story of their own making and see it come to life before their eyes. With a blank stage and performers all in black – the audience is only limited by their own imagination! The show also features a live improvised musical score!

Using the improvised theatre medium, children learn life skills of co-operation, teamwork, saying yes to trying something new and accomplishment by creating something that is truly their own. They also experience the joy of storytelling, plots and characters and how choices can change the course of the story. No two shows are ever the same!

"AT AN HOUR LONG, ONE MIGHT EXPECT THE ATTENTION OF THE 2 TO 10 YEAR OLDS TO WANE BY HALF WAY, BUT IT IS NOT THE CASE, LIKE AN EPISODE OF PLAYSCHOOL, THE ACTORS KEEP THE KIDS CONSTANTLY ENGAGED WITHOUT BEING CONDESCENDING" - Barefoot Review

## PIRATES OF PENZANCE

This wonderfully funny adaptation of Gilbert and Sullivans classic operetta is staged in one hour, with a local cast of only eight featuring some of South Australia's best local performers. Live accompaniment on piano too! This version is an immersive experience happening both on stage and in

Pirates of Penzance is also bookable on the Popeye '(Adelaide's iconic river cruiser) for a unique excursion.
Please get in touch for more details and costing.

"THIS ENTIRE SHOW WAS A DELIGHT, FOLLOWING THE ORIGINAL OPERETTA. AND YET BRINGING A FRESHNESS THAT G & S WOULD HAVE APPRECIATED."

- Broadway World

### HIRE US TODAY!

the audience!

We would love to work with you! Our show fees are as follows:

Space Encounters \$1400 inc GST Tales of Adventure \$828 inc GST Pirates of Penzance \$1060 inc GST

For booking contact EMMA KNIGHTS via emma@emmaknights.com or 0402 431 315 More information can be found at www.emmaknights.com

\* Please note your school will be invoiced prior to our visit, with a 20% non-refundable deposit required and the remaining payable within 7 days of the performance. All performances must be during school hours except by negotiation. Disadvantaged schools, regional schools, special needs and small schools package prices are available on request.

