

London - West End



39 Steps – Criterion Theatre
A Little Night Music - Garrick Theatre
Avenue Q – Gielgud Theatre
Billy Elliot - Victoria Palace Theatre
Blood Brothers – Phoenix Theatre
Calendar Girls– Noel Coward Theatre
Carousel – Savoy Theatre
Chicago – Cambridge Theatre
Dirty Dancing – Aldwych Theatre
Duet for One – Vaudeville Theatre
Grease – Piccadilly Theatre
Hairspray – Shaftsbury Theatre
Harwood Season (Collaboration,
Taking Sides – Duchess Theatre
Jersey Boys – Price Edward Theatre
La Cage Aux Folles – Playhouse Theatre
Legally Blonde – Savoy Theatre
Les Miserables – Queens Theatre
Lion King – Lyceum Theatre
Mamma Mia – Price of Wales Theatre
Mousetrap – St Martins Theatre
Peter Pan – St Kensington Gardens
Phantom of the Opera – Her Majesty's Theatre
Priscilla Queen of the Desert – Palace Theatre
Sister Act – London Palladium
Stomp – Ambassadors Theatre
Thriller Live – Lyric Theatre
War Horse – New London Theatre
We Will Rock You – Dominion Theatre
Wicked – Apollo Victoria Theatre
Woman in Black – Fortune Theatre

New Theatre

Breakfast At Tiffany's - Theatre Royal Haymarket 9th September – 9th January 2010
An Inspector Calls - Novello 22nd September – 14th November
Too Close to the Sun - Comedy 16th July – 5th September

VOL 110

Edition 6/12

Applause about Town

May proved too hard a month for some excellent shows as we saw the early closure of Spring Awakening, and Sunset Boulevard. With four other shows closing on schedule, this definitely seems to be a spring clean in the west end.

With that in mind we saw two brand new shows this month which have to be hits. The big musical blockbuster which opened officially last night is **Sister Act**. Original songs by Alan Menkin, this show based on the film, delivers a spectacular toe tapping evening of sheer delight. A very funny script with an amazing ensemble cast help Patina Miller shine as a real star in the making. This will be the hottest show in town for a good while. This was followed for us by the big play just opened in **Calendar Girls**.

Again based on a film it light heartedly tells a very moving story, of what good can be achieved and just how a good idea can snowball to touch so many peoples lives. An all star cast of British talent make this must see theatre.

Especially for anybody ever involved with the Women's institute, or similar bodies.

This month saw the new cast installed at **La Cage Aux Folles** which still offers the best and most moving show involving drag acts in London. The talent on show is breath taking, and Roger Allam, and Philip Quast bring their own vast abilities to the roles such that it is well worth seeing again. The next cast look awesome for this show as well, so should stay a hit into 2010.

There is also a new cast in **Grease** as Ray Quinn takes over the lead role of Danny. We always love to revisit this show, as the songs are brilliant, and it is such good fun. The energy and ability of the cast is still guaranteed to raise a smile, if not have you singing and dancing along.

We also reminded ourselves of what fun **Thriller Live** is for any fan of the Jackson's. With his actual concerts delayed, and rumours of if he will show, this west end show offers a really good nostalgic evening of why Michael is considered by some to be so great. They have compiled a very talented cast who deliver a real tribute to his songs, and dance skills. Language is no barrier, as any story is minimal, as they cover all his greatest numbers.

Our last show of the month was to take my daughter to see **Hairspray** whilst Michael Ball is still appearing. She was in awe throughout, so we can now say the show is suitable for all ages as she is four and a half. It is as colourful, and lively as ever, with a catchy score, and fantastic choreography. Catch the current cast until mid July, when this too will be changing its leads.

Selected Concerts & Festivals



Tower Festival

Nigel Kennedy - 11th September
Sadlers Wells is Dance – 11th September
Lesley Garrett – 12th September
Yeomen of the Guard: 13-15th September
A Gala Night of Opera – 16th September
The Miles Davis Classic – 17th September
WOMAD – 19-20th September

U2

London - Wembely Stadium – 15th August
Cardiff - Millenium Stadium – 22nd August
Glasgow - Hampden Park – 18th August

Stade De France - Paris

U2 – 11th-12th July
 Mylene Farmer: 12th September

Please ask us for any specific requests.

Theatre Dinner Packages

Lion King & Maxwell's
 Top Price Seats & 3rd Price Seats

Stomp & Navajo Joe's

Sister Act & Living Room

More theatre dinner packages available on request...

This offer is brought to you in cooperation with

KEITH PROWSE
 TICKETING

BOOKING AND INFORMATION: 647-438-5559 / 1-866-447-7849

www.thegrouptixcompany.com - For further details

*** All performers, theatres, performance times and prices are subject to change without notice***

Ontario Registration 50007139

Theatre Booking Seasons

Donmar Warehouse

A Doll's House – Until -18th July

The Coliseum - ENO

Così fan tutte – Until 5th July

Madam Butterfly – 10th June- 10th July

L'Amour de Loin – 3-11th July

Paris Opera Dancers – 21st July

Carlos Acosta & Guest Artists -22nd-25th July

Le Grand Macabre – September & October

Rigoletto – September & October

The Turn of the Screw: Oct-Nov'

Turandot – October – December

Duke Bluebeard's Castle – opera with the Rite of Spring (Stravinsky) ballet – November

Messiah – November & December

The Nutcracker – 16th Dec until 3rd Jan 2010

The Snow Queen – 8th Jan-17th Jan 2010

Giselle – 20-23rd Jan 2010

National Theatre:

England People Very Nice – Until -30th June

Death & The King's Horsemen– Until -17th June

All's Well That Ends Well – Until -11th July

Time and the Conway's - Until 27th July

Sadler's Wells

Matthew Bourne's Dorian Gray – 7-19 July

Adam Cooper's Shall We Dance – 23rd July – 30th August

Shakespeare's Globe

Romeo & Juliet – Until 23rd August

As You Like It – Until 10th October

Troilus & Cresida – 12th July – 20th Sept

Helen – 2nd – 23rd August

A New World – 29th August – 9th October

Love's Labour's Lost – 25th Sept – 10th Oct

Royal Opera House

Ballet

Romeo & Juliet – 2-6th August

Swan Lake – 7-11th August

Homage to Balanchine - 12-13th August

The Sleeping Beauty – 14-15th August

Opera

La Traviata – 18th June-6th July

Un Ballo in Maschera – 26th June – 17th July

Il Barbiere di Siviglia – 4-18th July

Tosca – 9-18th July

SPECIAL EVENTS

Royal Horticultural Society

Hampton Court Flower Show

(7th - 12th July)

Tatton Park Flower Show

(21st - 26th July)

Buckingham Palace Summer Opening

(1st August – 30th September)

Clarence House Summer Opening

(5th August – 30th September)

Southampton Boat Show – 11-20th September

Walking with Dinosaurs

5th - 9th August – The O2 Arena

26th - 31st August – Wembley Arena

Plus regional dates

The Royal Albert Hall

The King and I – 12th – 28th June

SPORT

Racing

Aintree, Carlisle, Cheltenham, Epsom,

Exeter, Haydock Park, Huntingdon,

Kempton Park, Market Rasen, Newmarket,

Nottingham, Sandown Park, Warwick,

Wincanton

Epsom

Epsom Race Night concerts

Status Quo – 2nd July

Bjorn Again- 9th July

Triple Bill - 16th July

Scouting for Girls – 23rd July

UB40 - 30th July 2009

Sandown Race Night concerts

Boyzone – 6th August

Simply Red- 22nd July

Comedy Night- 12th August

Newmarket Race Night concerts

80's Night – 19th June

Triple Bill – 26th June

Status Quo – 24th July

Simply Red – 31st July

Scouting for Girls – 7th August

Boyzone – 14th August

Did You Know???

The "Intimate Revue" at the Duchess theatre holds the record for the shortest West End run, as it failed to complete a single performance. Scene changes took about 20 minutes, so 7 scenes were cut to ensure it finished by midnight, for those in the audience that actually remained!

EXHIBITIONS

National Portrait Gallery

Beatles to Bowie (15th October Until 24th Jan 2010)

Royal Academy of Arts

Utagawa Kuniyoshi (Until 7th June)

Summer Exhibition (8th June Until 16th August)

J.W. Waterhouse: The modern Pre-Raphaelite (27th June until 13th September)

Anish Kapoor (26th September Until 11th December)

The British Museum

Shah 'Abbas: The remaking of Iran (Until 14th June)

Garden & Cosmos: The Royal Paintings of Jodhpur (until 23rd August)

Moctezuma: Axtec Ruler (24th September until 24th January 2010)

The National Gallery

Picasso: Challenging the Past (Until 7th June)

The O2 Bubble

Body World – The Mirror of Time (Until 23rd August)

The Queen's Gallery

French Porcelain for English Palaces: Sèvres in the Royal Collection (Until 11th October)

Victoria and Albert Museum

Baroque 1620-1800: Style in the Age of Magnificence (Until 19th July)

Attractions

Hampton Court Palace

Kensington Palace

London Zoo

London Aquarium

London Dungeons

Madame Tussauds

Original Hop on, Hop off Sightseeing Bus

Tower of London

St Paul's Cathedral

Windsor Castle

This offer is brought to you
in cooperation with

KEITH PROWSE
TICKETING

BOOKING AND INFORMATION: 647-438-5559 / 1-866-447-7849

www.thegroupfixcompany.com - For further details

All performers, theatres, performance times and prices are subject to change without notice

Ontario Registration 50007139