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Welcome

Hello!

The time has come for us to share Daniel's seventh and last season. We should start by saying an enormous thank you to you, our audiences, who are among the most supportive and adventurous theatregoers in the country. We know you will welcome his successor, Justin Audibert, with the same warmth that we both received on our own arrival in this beautiful and unique theatre.

Now, onto the main event. This year, we have a fantastic range of plays and musicals, including a handful of world premieres and renowned plays which have never been performed at CFT before. Can you believe we've never staged a play by Arthur Miller? Or Rodgers and Hammerstein's most-loved musical (flick to page 18 if you're debating which one that is). We have a rare outing of a play by US writer Adrienne Kennedy and, 50 years after his death, a new production of Noël Coward's first big hit. Contemporary, 20th century or classical, every piece has something to say about the world around us today.

You'll see we already have a company of exceptional actors lining up to join us for a summer in Chichester. Some of the brightest and best including Dame Eileen Atkins, Gina Beck, Rory Bremner, Sebastian Croft, Joshua James, Danny Mac, Alexandra Roach, Zizi Strallen, Greg Wise, Lia Wiliams and Susan Wokoma.

Don't forget to head to pages 38-65 and take a look at our exciting programme of off-stage events for all ages. We're so much more than just the shows on our stages and there might be something you didn't even know we had on offer.

Whether you're coming to see a show, taking part in an event or just popping in for a coffee, we can't wait to see you soon.

Kathy Bourne

Executive Director

Daniel Evans

Artistic Director

Festival Theatre 28 April – 30 May

Lia Williams Joshua James

The Vortex

By Noël Coward

The roaring twenties. A world in flux. The magnetic Florence Lancaster draws people to her like moths to a flame. But when her son Nicky arrives home from Paris with an unexpected fiancée and a secret, it sets off a chain of events which threatens to pull them all into a maelstrom.

Noël Coward's brilliantly witty and stinging portrait of the darkness beneath the glittering surface of the Jazz Age is as vivid today as when it premiered, causing a sensation and catapulting its young writer to his first great success.

Daniel Raggett, nominee for the 2022 Evening Standard Emerging Talent Award, directs this new production in which Florence and Nicky Lancaster are played by mother and son, Lia Williams and Joshua James.

Lia Williams's multi award-winning roles include Wallis Simpson in 'The Crown', and on stage 'Mary Stuart' (Almeida & West End) and 'John Gabriel Borkman' (The Bridge). Her critically-acclaimed production of 'Doubt' was seen at Chichester last year. Joshua James returns to the Festival Theatre where he appeared in the 'Young Chekhov' trilogy as Nikolai in 'Platonov' and Konstantin in 'The Seagull' (for which he was nominated for an Ian Charleson Award), both also at the National Theatre.

Director Daniel Raggett
Set Designer Joanna Scotcher
Costume Designer Evie Gurney
Lighting Designer Zoe Spurr
Music and Sound Giles Thomas
Casting Director Lottie Hines CDG

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Minerva Theatre

4 May - 10 June

Eileen Atkins Sebastian Croft

4000 Miles

By Amy Herzog

Late one night, 21-year-old Leo arrives without warning at his grandmother's Manhattan apartment – the furthest point on a momentous bike ride across America. Vera is 91 and lives alone. Her independence is undimmed by the challenges of modern living. Baffled by each other at first, this odd couple slowly edge across the distance between them.

Amy Herzog's award-winning drama – named Time magazine's best play of 2012 – is a warm, wry and compassionate story about love, loss, memory and moving on.

Eileen Atkins makes a long-awaited return to Chichester as Vera. One of the UK's most distinguished actors, last seen here in 'Vita and Virginia' in 1992, her many screen roles include her BAFTA and Emmy Award-winning role in 'Cranford', 'Doc Martin' and 'The Crown'.

Sebastian Croft makes his CFT debut as Leo; best known for Netflix's 'Heartstopper', his theatre work includes 'King John' (Rose Theatre).

Director Richard Eyre also returns to Chichester following 'The Stepmother' (2017) and '8 Hotels' (2019). Formerly Director of the National Theatre, his recent films include 'The Children Act' and 'Allelujah'.

Director Richard Eyre
Set and Costume Designer Peter McKintosh
Lighting Designer Peter Mumford
Sound Designer John Leonard
Casting Director Ginny Schiller CDG

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'4000 Miles' is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd on behalf of Samuel French Ltd concordtheatricals.co.uk Festival Theatre
3 – 24 June

Assassins

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim Book by John Weidman

A surreal carnival. And a group of people who have one thing in common: they want to assassinate the President of the United States. Some succeed, some fail. But there's a prize for them all: a place in the history books.

John Wilkes Booth. Lee Harvey Oswald. Leon Czolgosz. Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme. John Hinckley. Charles Guiteau. Sara Jane Moore. Giuseppe Zangara. Samuel Byck. Men and women whose fervour took them to the very edge.

Stephen Sondheim and John Weidman's Tony Award-winning, biting musical comedy takes us on a daring, time-bending journey through American history.

Sondheim was a giant of musical theatre, celebrated for his inventive sophistication. His landmark works also include 'Company', 'Follies' and 'Sweeney Todd'. Weidman's work includes two further collaborations with Sondheim, 'Road Show' and 'Pacific Overtures'.

Director Polly Findlay's recent productions include 'White Noise' and 'A Number' (Bridge Theatre), and 'Beginning' and 'Middle' (National Theatre).

The cast includes Amy Booth-Steel ('Tammy Faye', 'The Magician's Elephant'), Luke Brady ('Prince of Egypt', 'Sweeney Todd' Festival 2011), Carly Mercedes Dyer ('Anything Goes' Olivier Award nominee and WhatsOnStage Award winner), Harry Hepple ('Hamilton', 'Follies'), Nick Holder ('The Threepenny Opera', 'London Road'), Danny Mac ('Sunset Boulevard', 'Pretty Woman The Musical') and Sam Oladeinde ('Come From Away', 'A Christmas Carol').

Director Polly Findlay

Designer Lizzie Clachan

Choreographer Neil Bettles

Musical Supervisor Richard John

Musical Director Jo Cichonska

Lighting Designer Richard Howell

Sound Designer Gregory Clarke

Video Designer Akhila Krishnan

Fight Director Kate Waters

Casting Directors Charlotte Sutton CDG and Christopher

Worrall

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Minerva Theatre

16 June – 8 July

UK Premiere

Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?

By Adrienne Kennedy and Adam P. Kennedy

Playwright Adrienne Kennedy impulsively leaves New York for London with her young son, intent on adapting John Lennon's book 'In His Own Write' for the stage.

In the heady atmosphere of the Swinging '60s, she finds herself rubbing shoulders with a dizzying array of celebrities, including all four Beatles. And when her idols, Laurence Olivier – director of the National Theatre – and his influential literary manager Kenneth Tynan, along with actor Victor Spinetti, promise to produce her play, it seems like a dream come true. But slowly the stars seem to align in a different way.

Adrienne Kennedy's autobiographical play – told in the form of a one-act, near-monologue to her son Adam – is a mesmerising and disquieting tale of a young Black woman's betrayal at the hands of the establishment.

Diyan Zora, winner of the 2021 Genesis Futures Award, directs.

Director Diyan Zora

Sound Designer George Dennis

Casting Director Lotte Hines CDG

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'Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?' is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd on behalf of Samuel French Ltd concordtheatricals.co.uk

Festival Theatre

10 July – 3 September

Gina Beck

The Sound of Music

Music by Richard Rodgers

Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II

Book by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse

Suggested by 'The Trapp Family Singers' by Maria Augusta

Trapp

Austria, 1938. Free-spirited nun Maria is sent away from her abbey to become governess to the widowed Captain von Trapp's seven children. She brings music and laughter back to his unfeeling household, but the future holds more joy and jeopardy than she ever dreamed possible.

'The Sound of Music' was Rodgers & Hammerstein's last and perhaps most treasured musical, and is now produced at Chichester for the first time. The glorious score is a box of delights, from 'Climb Ev'ry Mountain', 'My Favorite Things' and 'Edelweiss' to 'Do-Re-Mi' and 'The Sound of Music' itself.

This brand-new production of the original stage musical is directed by Adam Penford, Artistic Director of Nottingham Playhouse, where his productions include 'Piaf' and 'The Madness of George III'; and designed by Robert Jones ('Murder on the Orient Express', 'The Unfriend', 'Oklahoma!').

Gina Beck, whose performance as Nellie Forbush in 2021's 'South Pacific' was also acclaimed in London and on a UK tour, returns to play Maria.

Director Adam Penford

Designer Robert Jones

Choreographer Lizzie Gee

Musical Supervisor Gareth Valentine

Musical Director Matt Samer

Original Orchestrations Robert Russell Bennett

Orchestral Adaptation Larry Blank

Lighting Designer Johanna Town

Sound Designer Paul Groothuis

Casting Director Natalie Gallacher CDG for Pippa Ailion Casting Children's Casting Director Verity Naughton CDG

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24 July – 26 August

World Premiere

Rock Follies

Book by Chloe Moss

Music by Andy Mackay, Lyrics by Howard Schuman

Before the Spice Girls, Sugababes and The Saturdays...

It's the 1970s and feminism is on the rise. Fed up with the male-dominated entertainment industry, Anna, Dee and Q take the future into their own hands and form a rock band – the ironically named 'Little Ladies'. And so begins the musical helter-skelter ride of a lifetime. Can principles and ambition coexist? And can their friendship survive in the dog-eat-dog world of rock?

With a book by Chloe Moss and original songs from the ground-breaking TV series by Andy Mackay and Howard Schuman, this punchy new musical is a rousing, riotous rollercoaster of woman power!

Dominic Cooke, former Artistic Director of the Royal Court, directs; his recent work includes 'Good' (West End), his multi award-winning production of Sondheim's 'Follies' (National Theatre), and on screen, 'The Courier'.

The cast includes Zizi Strallen who returns to Chichester ('The Music Man' Festival 2008) to play Q. Her West End appearances include the title role in 'Mary Poppins' (for which she received an Olivier Award nomination) and the NT's 'Follies'.

'Rock Follies' is based on the television series written by
Howard Schuman from an original idea of the Rock Bottom
Group (Diane Langton, Gaye Brown and Annabel Leventon) and
Don Fraser.

Director Dominic Cooke

Set Designer Vicki Mortimer

Costume Designer Kinnetia Isidore

Choreographer Carrie-Anne Ingrouille

Musical Supervisor and Arrangements Nigel Lilley

Lighting Designer Paule Constable

Casting Directors Pippa Ailion CDG and Natalie Gallacher CDG

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West Dean Gardens

4 – 19 August

Chichester Festival Youth Theatre

A Midsummer Night's Dream

By William Shakespeare

Oh hell! To choose love by another's eyes.

Faced with unwanted marriages and parents who don't listen, four teenage lovers flee the city. But in the forest things are no better: the Fairy King and Queen are at war and a bunch of wannabe actors struggle to get their show off the ground.

In this enchanted, topsy-turvy world, their dream of escape threatens to turn into a nightmare. Friends fall out, transformations abound, and magic piles on mayhem.

The renowned Chichester Festival Youth Theatre perform a fresh take on Shakespeare's bewitching romantic comedy, promenading through the beautifully atmospheric setting of West Dean Gardens near Chichester, directed by Jon Pashley.

Ages 7+

Director Jon Pashley
Designer Abigail Caywood
Composer, Arranger and Musical Director Michael Henry
Fight Director Bethan Clark

Sponsored by Chichester College

Supported by the 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' Supporters Circle

Minerva Theatre

1 – 30 September

World Premiere

Alexandra Roach Greg Wise Susan Wokoma

Never Have I Ever

By Deborah Frances-White

Jacq and Kas's boutique restaurant has gone bust, and telling their oldest friends Adaego and her rich husband Tobin that his investment is toast is only the start of the evening. Cash, class, identity and infidelity are all on the menu. As the last of the expensive wine flows, a dangerous drinking game reveals longhidden truths and provokes an unspeakable dare.

This explosive, savagely funny first play by Deborah Frances-White, comedian, screenwriter and host of the global hit podcast 'The Guilty Feminist', brilliantly skewers the contradictions of contemporary society, and the shifting sands of power and sexual politics.

Emma Butler was formerly resident director at the Almeida Theatre; her directing credits include 'Camelot' (London Palladium), 'Hole' (Jermyn Street Theatre) and 'Echoes' (UK and international tour).

The cast includes Alexandra Roach ('Utopia', 'No Offence', 'The Light in the Hall'), Greg Wise ('The Crown', 'Sense and Sensibility', 'A Private War') and Susan Wokoma ('Enola Holmes', 'Cheaters', 'Chewing Gum').

Contains strong language. Ages 15+

Director Emma Butler
Designer Frankie Bradshaw
Lighting Designer Ryan Day
Casting Director Lotte Hines CDG

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Supported by the 'Never Have I Ever' Supporters and Patrons Circles

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Festival Theatre

22 – 30 September

Rory Bremner

Quiz

By James Graham

Is Quiz:

- A) A provocative re-examination of the conviction of Charles Ingram, 'the Coughing Major', his wife Diana and accomplices, for duping the world's most popular TV quiz show, 'Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?', out of £1,000,000?
- B) Another chance to see James Graham's smash-hit comedy, which premiered at Chichester in 2017 before transferring to the West End, being nominated for two Olivier Awards and becoming a hit TV drama?
- C) The opportunity to see Rory Bremner, Britain's top satirical impressionist, playing Chris Tarrant?
- D) A highly entertaining, razor-sharp analysis of the 21st century's dangerous new attitude to truth and lies?

Prepare to cast your vote for the ultimate 50:50: guilty or not guilty?

This revised version of James Graham's celebrated comedy is directed by Daniel Evans and Seán Linnen and opens a new UK tour at Chichester. Graham's multi award-winning plays also include 'Best of Enemies', 'This House', 'Ink' and the TV series 'Sherwood'.

Directors Daniel Evans and Seán Linnen
Designer Robert Jones
Lighting Designer Ryan Day
Music and Sound Ben and Max Ringham
Video Designer Tim Reid
Casting Director Ginny Schiller CDG

Sponsored by Henry Adams

Supported by the 'Quiz' Supporters Circle

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'Quiz' is a fictional imagination based on real events which took place in 2001 following an episode of 'Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?' It is not in any way connected with the makers of the programme or any of the individuals portrayed. The television programme 'Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?' is produced by 2waytraffic.

A View from the Bridge

By Arthur Miller

"Every man's got somebody that he loves, heh? But sometimes... there's too much. You know? There's too much and it goes where it mustn't."

On the Brooklyn waterfront, where the fierce passions of ancestral Sicily linger, the orphaned Catherine falls for her handsome, newly arrived cousin Rodolfo – an illegal immigrant. Their romance is encouraged by her aunt Beatrice but viewed with revulsion by her uncle, Eddie Carbone, who harbours an unspoken desire. As tensions rise, their story spins inexorably beyond control.

Arthur Miller's visceral and compelling drama is a timeless masterpiece.

This new co-production with Headlong, Octagon Theatre
Bolton and Rose Theatre, is directed by Jaz
Woodcock-Stewart, whose recent work includes 'Paradise
Now!' (Bush Theatre).

Director Jaz Woodcock-Stewart

A co-production with Headlong, Octagon Theatre Bolton and Rose Theatre.

Sponsored by The Portsmouth Grammar School

Supported by 'A View from the Bridge' Supporters Circle

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Minerva Theatre

13 October – 4 November

World Premiere

The Inquiry

By Harry Davies

MP Arthur Gill is one of Westminster's rising stars. Still in his 30s, he's just become the Secretary of State for Justice, assuming the role of Lord Chancellor too; and with a leadership race on the horizon, he's a favourite to be the next Prime Minister.

But there's a problem. An inquiry headed by Lady Justice
Deborah Wingate is on the brink of publishing its findings about
a public health disaster: a scandal that happened on Gill's
watch when he was environment minister. As leaks multiply and
the waters grow murkier, how far will he go to hide his past and
protect his future?

'The Inquiry' is a gripping drama about the pernicious collision between politics, justice and ambition. Harry Davies is a writer and an investigative reporter for The Guardian; this is his first play. Joanna Bowman ('Sing Yer Heart Out for the Lads', Festival 2022) directs.

Director Joanna Bowman

Casting Director Charlotte Sutton CDG

Supported in research and development by The Playwrights Fund

Supported by 'The Inquiry' Supporters and Patrons Circles.

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Festival Theatre

16 – 31 December

World Premiere

Chichester Festival Youth Theatre

The Jungle Book

By Rudyard Kipling

Adapted by Sonali Bhattacharyya

Once upon a time a little boy finds himself lost in the jungle, in hiding from the fearsome tiger Shere Khan. He finds shelter with a wolf pack who name him "Mowgli the Frog" and raise him like one of their own cubs.

Baloo, the fun-seeking bear, and Bagheera, the serious panther, try to teach him the law of the jungle, but the more Mowgli learns, the more confusing all these rules become.

He's stolen by the Bandar-log monkeys, but his friends will always rescue him, even when Shere Khan tries to banish him from the jungle forever. Mowgli's adventures are far from over...

This brand new stage adaptation by Sonali Bhattacharyya, written specially for Chichester Festival Youth Theatre, spins Rudyard Kipling's beloved tale into exciting, pulsating life, with a huge cast of characters from Akela, the leader of the wolf pack to Ikki the spiky porcupine and Mao the strutting peacock.

A coming of age story about the desire for freedom that beats in the heart of every child.

Ages 7+

Supported by 'The Jungle Book' Supporters and Patrons Circles.

Supported in research and development by The Playwrights Fund.

Sponsored by Chichester College

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Events for all the family

We love families. And we've got lots of ways for yours to get stuck in! Try a workshop, make memories together, laugh out loud at one of our great shows or simply relax (grown-ups grab a coffee while the kids can bag a beanbag and a book). We like to think of ourselves as the fun, friendly auntie who you love to visit. You're always welcome to come and play!

Rocket Making Space Station

Saturday 4 March, 9.30am, 11am, 1pm, 3pm Steven Pimlott Building

Ages 4-8

£12 per child

Inspired by Tim Peake's visit to CFT, we invite our youngest visitors to create their very own rocket. Take it on its maiden flight to earn your Rocket Licence before flying off home for more adventure.

Baby Sensory Taster

Friday 31 March, 10am, Ages 6-11 months

Friday 31 March, 11.15am, Ages 0-6 months

Festival Theatre Foyer

Free, but booking essential

Come and discover a magical world of sensory learning, wonder, exploration and extraordinary delights! An explosion of learning occurs from the moment of birth and in this one-off taster session, created by experts from Baby Sensory Chichester, you'll share fantastic sensory activities to enjoy with your little one.

Creation Station

Tuesday 4 April, Tue 30 May, Monday 23 October, 10am, 11am, 12noon

Foyer Cafe

Ages 2-11

£7 per child

More fun-filled craft sessions are coming! Creation Station Chichester return to CFT with their award-winning classes designed to nurture and inspire creative skills and spark curiosity. Book direct with Creation Station at thecreationstation.co.uk

HurlyBurly Theatre present

The Bug Hotel

Friday 23 June, 10am, 11am, 12noon, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm Oaklands Park

Ages 0-2

£18 adult & baby, £8 extra adult

A mini musical adventure for our youngest audience members and their grown-ups. With singing and sensory play at its heart, you'll be invited to dance with the Stag Beetle, play in the grass with Glow Worms and have a giggle with the Woolly Bear Caterpillar. Each performance lasts 30 minutes, for up to 10 babies at a time.

Broadway Baby

Saturday 19 August, 10am, 11.15am

Minerva Bar

All the family

£7

Open to all the ages from newborns to grandparents! Sing and dance along to showtunes from family films and musicals, performed by West End singers. Fancy dress encouraged and you can expect bubbles, bells, flying babies and puppetry!

Truth & Tails

Thursday 5 – Sunday 8 October, see Diary for times Minerva Bar

Ages 3-8

£12, £6 for under 16s

Three charming stories from the popular Truth & Tails series celebrating difference and encouraging understanding, are brought to life in a new stage show directed by Anna Harriet. Based on original stories written by Alice Reeves and illustrated by Phoebe Kirk, Roxy The Raccoon and her three friends work together to make the forest an inclusive place for all; Carlos The Chameleon learns it's OK to be different; while Vincent The Vixen begins to understand the importance of who they really are.

Comedy Club 4 Kids

Tuesday 24 October, 1pm

Minerva Theatre

Ages 6+

£12, £6 for under 16s

Our favourite family-friendly comedy club is back, bringing the best comedians from the circuit doing what they do best... but without the rude bits! It's just like a normal comedy gig but there's a higher than usual chance of heckles like "why is that your face!?"

Free Drop-In Activities

Make the most of our families space next to the Café on the Park, with toys, colouring-in, chalkboards, fancy dress and books in our nooks.

Pop Up Family Fun

Thursdays during term time, 10am-12noon Festival Theatre Foyer Ages 0-5

A weekly expansion of our family friendly space which invite you to relax and reconnect at CFT. It's an ideal place to take your pre-schoolers and catch up with some parent pals.

Spring Storytime Trail

Tuesday 11 – Saturday 22 April Oaklands Park Ages 2-7

Listen to your favourite fairy stories at special spots on Oaklands Park. And check out the special café discount available on your downloadable map!

Storytime Saturdays

Saturday 22 & 29 July, Saturday 5 August, 10am Festival Theatre Foyer Ages 3-8

Discover new and classic tales read aloud, then explore the characters and stories through play. Siblings are welcome

Fold Our City

Saturday 23 September, 10am-3pm Festival Theatre Foyer All the family

It was a hit activity last summer so, come rain or shine, drop into the theatre and spend some time creating your favourite local landmarks (and people!) to add to our giant 3D map.

Get Closer

Ever feel like you just want to know everything there is to know about a show? Our wraparound events will be right up your street!

For more information about all our events and to stay updated with new ones, make sure to visit cft.org.uk/offstage

Noël Coward Exhibition

21 April – 20 May

Festival Theatre Foyer

Free

Delve deeper into the life of Noël Coward with this free exhibition celebrating his life and work, including CFT's productions through the years. Presented in collaboration with the Noël Coward Archive Trust.

Fizz and Feminism

Thursday 8 June, Thursday 21 September, 6.30pm Free

Be part of the conversation. Our hit discussion series returns for 2023, looking at ways we can all move towards gender equality. Inclusive and welcoming, everyone is invited to listen, speak, and learn from each other. Plus everyone gets a free glass of fizz – bonus!

Summer Sessions

Fridays, 21 July – 1 September, 6.30pm

Oaklands Park

Free

Enjoy sunny, summer Friday evenings with Summer Sessions on Oaklands Park. Relax in a deckchair, share a drink with friends and enjoy live music from local talent weekly through the summer.

CFT Summer Gala

Friday 28 July, 7pm
The Trundle, Seven Points Car Park
£15-£90

Amazing memories await at the charity gala performance of our spectacular summer musical, 'The Sound of Music'. Complete with red carpet and a glass of fizz, dress to impress (however you want), soak up the atmosphere and have fun, all whilst supporting our incredible charity work. It's sure to be one of your new favourite things!

Special experience packages available, contact development.team@cft.org.uk. Proceeds support our Light a Spark campaign, helping more people to have a magical first theatre experience.

The Hills Are Alive

Friday 11 August, 10.30am

The Trundle, Seven Points Car Park
£5

Join us for a musical experience on the South Downs. Whatever your voice is like, come prepared to fill the hills with some joyful group singing.

The Guilty Feminist: Live!

Monday 21 August, 7.30pm Festival Theatre Ages 14+ £18

Less of a podcast and more of a global phenomenon, 'The Guilty Feminist', hosted by Deborah Frances-White features world-class guests, and is part comedy, part deep-dive discussion and part activism. With a spectacular 100 million downloads in seven years, this is the show that proves you don't have to be perfect to be a force for meaningful change. Join us for a live recording and be part of this joyful movement.

Concessions and Prologue tickets are available, see pages 81-84

Backstage Tours

11am, see Diary for dates Festival Theatre £10

Explore behind the scenes in our 60-minute tours of the Festival Theatre. To book a private or group tour email tours@cft.org.uk

Stage Presence and Confidence

Saturday 9 September, 2pm-4pm Steven Pimlott Building Ages 18+ £10

Join celebrated writer, comedian and host of 'The Guilty Feminist' podcast Deborah Frances-White for this two-hour practical workshop. Whether you experience stage fright, are a public speaker looking to improve, or just want to up your confidence in conversations, this workshop will help you connect with your audience in a fun way with practical and insightful tips. Bursary places are available, contact leap@cft.org.uk

Arthur Miller Experience Weekend

Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 October, 10am-5pm Steven Pimlott Building £60

Get closer to the work of Arthur Miller in our practical weekend workshop with scene-studies, masterclasses and talks about the great American playwright. Includes a ticket for 'A View from the Bridge'.

Theatre Days

Tuesday 23 May, 10.30am – '4000 Miles'

Thursday 3 August, 10.30am – 'Rock Follies'

Thursday 17 August, 10.30am – 'The Sound of Music'
£10 (plus optional show ticket)

Wednesday 18 October, 10.30am – 'A View from the Bridge' * £13.50 (includes show ticket)

Get a real insider's view at our Theatre Days with our creative teams and technical crew. Over 90 minutes, you'll enjoy demonstrations and discussion, and for a completely immersive day, why not combine with a matinee performance.

^{*} Schools only, suitable for GCSE/A level students.

Pre and Post-Show Talks

Join our Directors for Pre-Show Talks or members of the company at Post-Show Talks as they bring the story from page to stage.

The international No 1 bestselling author of 'Labyrinth' and 'The Ghost Ship' – and Cicestrian – Kate Mosse will host Pre-Show Discussions.

Pre-Show

Free but booking is essential.

Wednesday 3 May, 5.45pm - 'The Vortex' Daniel Raggett

Tuesday 9 May, 5.30pm - '4000 Miles' Richard Eyre

Thursday 8 June, 5.45pm - 'Assassins' Polly Findlay

Tuesday 20 June, 5.30pm – 'Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?' Diyan Zora

Friday 14 July, 5.45pm - 'The Sound of Music' Adam Penford

Thursday 27 July, 5.30pm – 'Rock Follies' Dominic Cooke

Tuesday 5 September, 5.30pm – 'Never Have I Ever' Emma Butler

Wednesday 27 September, 5.45pm – 'Quiz' Daniel Evans and Seán Linnen

Monday 9 October, 5.45pm – 'A View from the Bridge' Jaz Woodcock-Stewart

Monday 16 October, 5.30pm - 'The Inquiry' Joanna Bowman

Post-Show

Free

Wed 17 May - 'The Vortex'

Sat 3 June - '4000 Miles'

Thu 22 June - 'Assassins'

Wed 28 June - 'Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?

Mon 7 August – 'Rock Follies'

Wed 23 August - 'The Sound of Music'

Mon 18 September – 'Never Have I Ever'

Mon 16 October – 'A View from the Bridge'

Mon 23 October – 'The Inquiry'

Beyond Chichester

In London, online and on tour. cft.org.uk/beyond-chichester

Our Generation

NT at Home, Online



"Magnificent verbatim account of teenage life will steal your heart." Guardian

King Lear

NT at Home, Online



"lan McKellen reigns supreme in this triumphant production." Daily Telegraph

The Unfriend

Criterian Theatre, until 16 April



"A killer comedy to die for." Whatsonstage.com

Crazy for You

Gillian Lynne Theatre, from 24 June



"A spine-tingling production. Infectious melodies, superb choreography, irresistible comedy, astonishing performances." Guardian

Quiz on tour

On tour from 3 October



"A tour-de-force. Simultaneously joyful and profound." Whatsonstage.com

CFT Lates

It's silly, it's fun and it's a little bit different. Find our late night series in the Minerva Bar on the last Friday of the month (usually). Tickets are £5 for Prologue members and £10 general admission.

Ages 16+

The Backroom Gig

Friday 17 March, 8pm

Kicking off CFT Lates 2023 with a night of live and original music, hosted by The Backroom Chichester.

Noël Coward Lates

Friday 21 April, 8pm

To celebrate the opening of 'The Vortex', a night of Cabaret Noir and Burlesque. Inspired by Coward at his most dark and decadent.

Out and Proud

Friday 26 May, 9.30pm

With the return of Chichester Pride, we bring you the Disney Diva herself, Miss Disney! Be our guests for an evening of Disney classics with a Prideful twist.

Improv Night

Friday 23 June, 9.30pm

Who knows how this night will run – come along and be part of making it happen!

Fest to Fest

Thursday 27 July, 10pm

An evening of laughs with comedians en route to Edinburgh – see them here first!

Musicals Bingo

Friday 16 September, 10pm

Bingo with drag queens, show tunes, shade and shenanigans.

16-30s PROLOGUE

A new generation of theatre

It's not just shows we have to offer at CFT (although our Prologue £5 tickets are a total bargain). Our free membership scheme for 16-30 year-olds, gives access to special events, career and networking opportunities, and ways to get more involved. Visit cft.org.uk/prologue for more information. With tickets at just £5 what are you waiting for? Sign up now!

Prologue Pen Pals

Saturday 3 June, 3.30pm

Minerva Bar

£5

Ever wanted to come to CFT with someone new? Join us for '4000 Miles' and we'll pair you up with a Pen Pal. You'll meet in the Minerva Bar for a drink before the show and then stay for the post-show talk. You may end up coming to CFT together for years to come!

Prologue Meets: The Musicals

Saturday 16 August, 5pm

Minerva Bar

Free

Come along and meet the casts of 'The Sound of Music' and 'Rock Follies'. Say hello, grab a drink and find out what performing at CFT is really like.

Masterclass: Never Have I Ever

Saturday 16 September, 10am-1pm

Minerva Bar

£5

...applied to work at a theatre

...auditioned for a show

...designed a costume

Come behind the scenes with us for a day of mini masterclasses and find out about some things you may have never done, but would like to.

Prologue Meets: James Graham and Daniel Evans

Tuesday 26 September, 5.30pm Minerva Bar £5

Q: What's it like to be a playwright?

A: Come along and hear from Olivier Award-winner James Graham, quizzed by director Daniel Evans, on what it's like dramatising a true story.

Masterclass: Write the Prologue

Saturday 4 November, 10am-5pm

Festival Theatre

£5

Sometimes beginning a story is the hardest part. Join writer and investigative reporter Harry Davies for a practical writing workshop. Learn new skills and tips that helped him develop his first play 'The Inquiry' and get started on writing your own.

Prologue Season Saver: Book three get one free

If you book the same number of tickets for three or more Festival productions by 30 March, we'll give you an extra show for free!

cft.org.uk/prologue

Chichester Festival Youth Theatre

"For young people, knowing you can identify as whoever you really think you are is more and more relevant, and CFYT has always felt like a space where you can do that." CFYT Member

Join Chichester Festival Youth Theatre!

Every week, over 800 children and young people meet at locations across the county to discover new skills and explore new stories, make friends, build confidence and, most importantly, "laugh until your sides hurt"* (*direct quote from a member).

We have drama, dance, musical theatre and technical theatre sessions to choose from, as well as groups for young people with additional needs (CFYT Wednesday in Horsham and CFYT Friday in Chichester).

Our weekly sessions are in Billingshurst, Bognor Regis, Burgess Hill, Chichester, Horsham, Littlehampton, Midhurst and Worthing, and more locations are to be announced in 2023.

Meet like-minded people and find a space where you can just be yourself at Chichester Festival Youth Theatre! cft.org.uk/CFYT

For the young and the young at heart!

Whatever your interests or skill set, there's something for you in our programme of activities for everyone.

Fancy yourself as the next Judi Dench? Join one of our Get Into It classes. Looking for less commitment? Our Drop-In sessions are open to all.

Workshops. Talks. Tours. Performances. Our Learning, Education and Participation team does it all. (You can call them LEAP for short!) And the best part? Everyone's welcome. Any age, any ability. Come down and get inspired.

cft.org.uk/get-creative

Transforming Lives

At CFT everyone can find their place. Children excluded from education rebuilding their confidence. People living with dementia being welcomed in with joy. And refugees who have fled their homes becoming part of the community. These are just some of the many ways CFT is transforming lives. We are a charity, and to make the magic happen we need to raise £1.5 million every year. Is now the time for you join us?

However you want to be involved, there's a way for you to make a big difference.

Why not join us?

Give to our Light a Spark campaign and help a young person experience theatre for the first time.

Join as a member to enjoy brilliant benefits and get closer to the Theatre you love

Share your love of CFT with friends, family and colleagues, and spread the joy!

Partner with us through your business to share the limelight and make an amazing impact in your community.

Pledge a gift in your will and pass on your passion for theatre to future generations.

cft.org.uk/support-us

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Food and Drink

From cracking cakes (baked here at CFT by the awesome Caper & Berry team) to amazing afternoon teas, brilliant barista coffee and delicious dining in The Brasserie, we have plenty of options to keep you, your family and friends feeling full and happy.

Our inviting restaurant, The Brasserie, is most certainly the closest to the theatres and prides itself on a locally sourced modern British menu as well as excellent service. And we guarantee to have you in your seat in time for the show.

Our Café on the Park is a welcoming space all day long. Our regular visitors include Parkrunners on Saturday mornings, dog walkers (and their well-behaved four-legged friends) making use of our seating inside and out, and children of all ages enjoying our family friendly spaces. We're officially a Warm Space, breastfeeding friendly and offer free Wi-Fi plus quiet spots around our spacious foyer to plug in and power up.

For the full menu of food and drink here at CFT, visit cft.org.uk/eat, email dining@cft.org.uk or call 01243 782219.

Everyone's welcome

















Every audience member should have the best possible theatre experience; it's one of our top priorities. We have a range of access facilities available across both the Festival and Minerva Theatres to assist you on your visit. And remember, our team are always happy to chat if you think you might need help but you're not sure what to ask for.

If you have specific requirements, sign up to our free Access List Membership so we can provide with you the best possible service.

Scan the QR code to register for membership, find out more about all of our facilities and book for access performances including our Dementia



Friendly and Relaxed Performances. cft.org.uk/access

Dementia Friendly Performance

Thursday 10 August, 2.30pm – 'The Sound of Music' £16

This performance will feature minor adjustments to the sound and lighting levels. Staff will be on-hand to ensure a welcoming atmosphere for people living with dementia.

cft.org.uk/dementiafriendly

Relaxed Performances

Kindly sponsored by Harwoods Group

Wednesday 16 August, 2.30pm – 'The Sound of Music' Friday 29 December, 2pm – 'The Jungle Book £16

This performance welcomes audience members with and without learning disabilities who would benefit from a more relaxed environment.

cft.org.uk/relaxedperformances

We do an audio version of this brochure too! If you need one, drop us a line at access@cft.org.uk

For more information, email access@cft.org.uk, call the Box Office on 01243 781312 or visit cft.org.uk/access

BOOKING

cft.org.uk

Box Office

01243 781312

box.office@cft.org.uk

Monday to Saturday 10am – 8pm (6pm when no evening performance); and Sundays, when there is a performance, two hours before the start time. The Minerva Theatre Box Office opens one hour before each Minerva performance.

PAYMENT

Cards: MasterCard and Visa.

E-Tickets

Your tickets will be sent by email. We recommend adding your mobile number to your CFT account. Your tickets will then be sent in a text to you on the day of the performance so they are easily to hand on arrival at the theatre.

Ticket Exchanges

Tickets are non-refundable but you can change the date if you contact the Box Office at least 48 hours before the original performance, subject to availability. There is a £1.50 exchange fee per ticket (free for Friends).

Booking Dates

Supporters & Patrons Circle and Festival Players (1000+) opens: Tuesday 21 February

Festival Players (500+) opens: Wednesday 22 February

Festival Players (250+) opens: Thursday 23 February

Friends priority booking opens: Saturday 25 February (online and by booking form only); Tuesday 28 February (by phone and in person)

Groups & Schools booking opens: Thursday 2 March (groups@cft.org.uk 01243 812909)

General booking opens: Sat 4 March (online only); Tuesday 7 March (by phone and in person)

TICKET PRICES

Book early for the best prices

Prices are guaranteed until Monday 27 March and are then subject to change. For the latest prices, visit cft.org.uk/pricing

Festival Theatre

For detailed seating plans go to cft.org.uk/your-visit

The Vortex / Quiz / A View from the Bridge

Previews & Press Nights £10, £15, £25, £35

All other performances £10, £19, £28, £37, £46

Assassins

Previews & Press Nights £10, £19, £32, £42 All other performances £15, £22, £32, £49, £59

The Sound of Music

Previews & Press Nights £10, £19, £32, £42

All other performances £15, £22, £32, £49, £59

Summer Gala £15, £33, £49, £75, £90

Dementia Friendly performance * £15, £16 (see page 73 for information)

Relaxed performance * £15, £16 (see page 73 for information)

The Jungle Book

All other performances £10, £18, £23, £28, £33

Relaxed performance £15, £16 (see page 73 for information)

Minerva Theatre

4000 Miles / Never Have I Ever / The Inquiry

Previews & Press Nights £10, £23, £33 All other performances £10, £31, £42

Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?

Previews & Press Nights £10, £15, £20 All other performances £10, £21, £29

Rock Follies

Previews & Press Nights £10, £25, £39 All other performances £15, £33, £49

CFYT Promenade at West Dean A Midsummer Night's Dream

All performances £25

Prologue Season Saver: Book three get one free

If you book the same number of tickets for three or more Festival productions by 30 March, we'll give you an extra show for free!

cft.org.uk/prologue

Discounts

Friends of CFT

Join the Friends of Chichester Festival Theatre for just £45 per year. Friends can book up to four discounted tickets per production. cft.org.uk/friends

Friends Priority Saver: Book the same number of tickets for four or more productions* and save 20%. Available only during the Friends Priority Booking period (25 Feb-3 Mar).

* Excludes Previews and Press Nights, 'Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?', 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', CFT Summer Gala and 'The Jungle Book'. Available in Festival Theatre on top 3 prices, in Minerva Theatre on top 2 prices.

Friends Single Production Discount: Friends receive £2 off non-saver tickets

Groups and Schools

Groups 8+ Monday and Tuesday

Festival Theatre £30 per ticket (£35 for 'The Sound of Music')

Minerva Theatre £29 per ticket (£20 for 'Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?')

Groups 8+ Wednesday-Friday

£5 off each ticket

Groups 40+ Wednesday-Friday

£8 off each ticket, plus a £5 ticket for the Group Organiser.

'The Jungle Book' 8+

10% off

School and College Groups 10+ Monday-Friday

£8.50 per ticket; one free teacher ticket with every nine paid.

Excludes 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'

Family Tickets

Half Price for up to four Under 16s attending with every full price paying adult (up to two per adult for 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'). Excludes Saturday evenings. All tickets must be booked and paid for in a single transaction.

Over 60s

£2 off Monday-Thursday

Full-time students in higher education, jobseeker's allowance and universal credit claimants

Monday-Thursday Half Price ('The Jungle Book' £2 off)
Standby from 1 hour per performance £8.50
Subject to availability and proof of ID required.

Please note that Discounts do not apply to Previews or Press Nights, the lowest two prices in the Festival Theatre, the CFT Summer Gala and the lowest price in the Minerva Theatre. Discounts for 'The Jungle Book' do not apply for performances on 26–31 December (inclusive).

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Please Note

Only one reduction applies per ticket, all discounts are subject to availability and at the discretion of the Box Office. ID may be required for certain discounts and events. CFT reserves the right to change pricing and discounts and make changes to the programme if necessary. Latecomers may not be allowed in until a convenient break in the performance. Children under 14 must be accompanied by, and seated with, an adult and children under four, including babes in arms, will not be admitted unless the event is advertised as suitable for that age group. Tickets are non-refundable. See full terms and conditions for more information cft.org.uk/terms

Festival Diary 2023

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
APR	Fri	28	The Vortex 7.30pm P		Noël Coward Exhibition
					until 20 May, FF
	Sat	29	The Vortex 7.30pm P		
	Sun	30			
MAY					
ВН	Mon	1	The Vortex 7.30pm P		
	Tue	2	The Vortex 7.30pm P		

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Wed	3	The Vortex 7.30pm		Pre-Show: The Vortex,
					5.45pm, FT
	Thu	4	The Vortex 7.00pm PN	4000 Miles 7.15pm P	
	Fri	5	The Vortex 2.30pm		Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
			The Vortex 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm P	
	Sat	6		4000 Miles 7.15pm P	
	Sun	7			
ВН	Mon	8		4000 Miles 7.15pm P	

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue	9	The Vortex 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm	Pre-Show: 4000 Miles,
				5.30pm, MT
Wed	10	The Vortex 2.30pm	4000 Miles 7.00pm PN	
Thu	11	The Vortex 2.30pm		
		The Vortex 7.30pm CAP	4000 Miles 7.15pm	
		SN		
Fri	12	The Vortex 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Sat	13	The Vortex 2.30pm	4000 Miles 2.15pm	
		The Vortex 7.30pm		

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sun 1	4			
Mon 1	5		4000 Miles 7.15pm SN	
Tue 1	6	The Vortex 2.30pm		
		The Vortex 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Wed 1	7	The Vortex 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm	Post-Show: The Vortex,
Thu 1	8	The Vortex 2.30pm		
		The Vortex 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm	

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Fri	19		4000 Miles 2.15pm	
		The Vortex 7.30pm AD		
Sat	20	The Vortex 2.30pm AD		Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
		The Vortex 7.30pm LP	4000 Miles 5.00pm	
Sun	21			
Mon	22		4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Tue	23		4000 Miles 2.15pm	4000 Miles Theatre Day,
				10.30am, MT
Wed	24		4000 Miles 7.15pm CAP	

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Thu	25		4000 Miles 2.15pm	
	Fri	26		4000 Miles 7.15pm	CFT Lates: Out and Proud, 9.30pm, MB
	Sat	27		4000 Miles 2.15pm	
	Sun	28			
ВН	Mon	29		4000 Miles 7.15pm	
	Tue	30		4000 Miles 7.15pm	Creation Station, 10am, 11am, 12noon, FF
	Wed	31		4000 Miles 2.15pm	

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
JUN Thu	1		4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Fri	2		4000 Miles 2.15pm	
Sat	3			Prologue Pen Pals,
				3.30pm, MB
		Assassins 7.30pm P	4000 Miles 5.00pm	Post-Show: 4000 Miles,
				MT
Sun	4			
Mon	5	Assassins 7.30pm P	4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Tue	6	Assassins 7.30pm P	4000 Miles 2.15pm	

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed	7	Assassins 7.30pm P	4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Thu	8		4000 Miles 2.15pm AD	Pre-Show: Assassins,
				5.45pm, FT
		Assassins 7.30pm		Fizz and Feminism,
				6.30pm, MB
Fri	9	Assassins 7.00pm PN	4000 Miles 7.15pm	
Sat	10	Assassins 2.30pm		Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
		Assassins 7.30pm	4000 Miles 7.15pm AD LP	
Sun	11			

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Mon	12	Assassins 7.30pm		
Tue	13	Assassins 7.30pm SN		
Wed	14	Assassins 2.30pm CAP		
		Assassins 7.30pm CAP		
Thu	15	Assassins 2.30pm		
Fri	16	Assassins 7.30pm	Mom, How Did You Meet	
			The Beatles? 7.15pm P	

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sat	17	Assassins 2.30pm		
		Assassins 7.30pm	Mom How Did You Meet	
			The Beatles? 7.15pm P	
Sun	18			
Mon	19	Assassins 7.30pm	Mom, How Did You Meet	
			The Beatles? 7.15pm P	
Tue	20	Assassins 2.30pm BSL		Pre-Show: Mom, How Did
		Assassins 7.30pm	Mom, How Did You Meet	You Meet The Beatles?,
		·	The Beatles? 7.15pm P	5.30pm, MT

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 2	21	Assassins 2.30pm	Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.00pm PN	
Thu 2	22	Assassins 2.30pm	Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 2.15pm	
		Assassins 7.30pm	Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	Post-Show: Assassins, FT

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Fri 2	23	Assassins 7.30pm AD	Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	The Bug Hotel, 10am, 11am, 12noon, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, OP CFT Lates: Improv Night, 9.30pm, MB
Sat 2	24	Assassins 2.30pm AD Assassins 7.30pm LP	Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 2.15pm Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
Sun 2	25			

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Mon 26			
Tue 27		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 2.15pm Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	
Wed 28		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	Post-Show: Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles?, MT

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Thu	29		Mom, How Did You Meet	
				The Beatles? 2.15pm	
				Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm CAP	
	Fri	30		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	
JUL	Sat	1		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 2.15pm Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sun 2			
Mon 3		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm SN	
Tue 4		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	
Wed 5		Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 2.15pm Mom, How Did You Meet The Beatles? 7.15pm	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Thu 6		Mom, How Did You Meet	
		The Beatles? 7.15pm	
Fri 7		Mom, How Did You Meet	
		The Beatles? 7.15pm AD	
Sat 8		Mom, How Did You Meet	
		The Beatles? 2.15pm AD	
		Mom, How Did You Meet	
		The Beatles? 7.15pm LP	
Sun 9			

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Mon 10	The Sound of Music		
	7.30pm P		
Tue 11	The Sound of Music		
	7.30pm P		
Wed 12	The Sound of Music		
	7.30pm P		
Thu 13	The Sound of Music		
	7.30pm P		
Fri 14	The Sound of Music		Pre-Show: The Sound of
	7.30pm		Music, 5.45pm, FT

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sat	15	The Sound of Music		
		2.30pm		
		The Sound of Music		
		7.30pm		
Sun	16			
Mon	17	The Sound of Music		
		7.00pm PN		
Tue	18	The Sound of Music		
		7.30pm		

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 19	The Sound of Music		
	2.30pm		
	The Sound of Music		
	7.30pm		
Thu 20	The Sound of Music		
	2.30pm		
Fri 21	The Sound of Music		Summer Sessions,
	7.30pm		6.30pm, OP

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sat	22	The Sound of Music		Storytime Saturdays,
		2.30pm		10am, FF
		The Sound of Music 7.30pm		Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
Sun	23			
Mon	24	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm P	
Tue	25	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm P	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 26	The Sound of Music 2.30pm		
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm P	
Thu 27	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm P	Pre-Show: Rock Follies, 5.30pm, MT CFT Lates: Fest to Fest, 10pm, MB
Fri 28	The Sound of Music 7.00pm GALA	Rock Follies 7.15pm	Summer Sessions, 6.30pm, OP

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Sat	29	The Sound of Music 2.30pm	Rock Follies 2.15pm	Storytime Saturdays, 10am, FF
			The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
	Sun	30			
	Mon	31	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.00pm PN	
AUG	Tue	1	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 2	The Sound of Music		
	2.30pm		
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	
Thu 3		Rock Follies 2.15pm	Rock Follies Theatre Day,
	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	10.30am, MT
	7.30pm AD BSL SN		

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Fri	4	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	Summer Sessions,
		7.30pm		6.30pm, OP
				A Midsummer Night's
				Dream, 7pm, WD
Sat	5	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 2.15pm	Storytime Saturdays,
		2.30pm AD		10am, FF
		The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 7pm, WD
Sun	6			

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Mon 7		Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's
			Dream, 7pm, WD
			Post-Show: Rock Follies,
			MT
Tue 8	The Sound of Music		
	2.30pm		
	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's
	7.30pm		Dream, 7pm, WD

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 9		Rock Follies 2.15pm	
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 7pm, WD
Thu 10	The Sound of Music 2.30pm CAP DF		
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm CAP	Rock Follies 7.15pm SN	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 7pm, WD

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Fri	11			The Hills Are Alive,
				10.30am, TR Summer Sessions,
				6.30pm, OP
		The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's
		7.30pm		Dream, 7pm, WD

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Sat	12	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 2.15pm	Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
			2.30pm AD		A Midsummer Night's
					Dream, 2pm, WD
			The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's
			7.30pm		Dream, 7pm, WD
	Sun	13			
	Mon	14			A Midsummer Night's
					Dream, 7pm, WD

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue	15	The Sound of Music 2.30pm	Rock Follies 2.15pm	
		The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 7pm, WD
Wed	16	The Sound of Music 2.30pm RP		Prologue Meets The Musicals, 5pm, MB
			Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 7pm, WD

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Thu	17	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 2.15pm	The Sound of Music
			2.30pm		Theatre Day, 10.30am, FT
			The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's
			7.30pm		Dream, 7pm, WD
	Fri	18			Summer Sessions,
					6.30pm, OP
			The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm CAP	A Midsummer Night's
			7.30pm		Dream, 7pm, WD

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sat 19			Broadway Baby, 10am, 11.15am, MB
	The Sound of Music 2.30pm	Rock Follies 2.15pm	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 2pm, WD
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	A Midsummer Night's Dream, 7pm, WD
Sun 20			
Mon 21		Rock Follies 7.15pm	The Guilty Feminist Live!, 7.30pm, FT

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue	22	The Sound of Music 2.30pm	Rock Follies 2.15pm	
		The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	
Wed	23	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm	Post-Show: The Sound of
		7.30pm		Music, FT
Thu	24	The Sound of Music		
		2.30pm		
		The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Rock Follies 7.15pm	

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Fri	25		Rock Follies 7.15pm AD	Summer Sessions,
			7.30pm		6.30pm, OP
	Sat	26	The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 2.15pm AD	Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
			2.30pm		
			The Sound of Music	Rock Follies 7.15pm LP	
			7.30pm		
	Sun	27			
ВН	Mon	28			

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue 29	The Sound of Music 2.30pm		
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm		
Wed 30	The Sound of Music 7.30pm		
Thu 31	The Sound of Music 2.30pm		
	The Sound of Music 7.30pm		

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
SEP F	-ri	1	The Sound of Music 7.30pm AD	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm P	Summer Sessions, 6.30p,m, OP
5	Sat	2	The Sound of Music 2.30pm AD		
			The Sound of Music 7.30pm	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm P	
5	Sun	3	The Sound of Music, 2.30pm LP		
N	Mon	4		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm P	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue 5		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	Pre-Show: Never Have I
		P	Ever, 5.30pm, MT
Wed 6		Never Have I Ever 7.00pm	
		PN	
Thu 7		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	
		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Fri 8		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Sat 9		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	Stage Presence and
		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	Confidence, 2pm, PB

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sun 10			
Mon 11			
Tue 12		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	
		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Wed 13		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Thu 14		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	
		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
		SN	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Fri 15		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	CFT Lates: Musicals
			Bingo, 10pm, MB
Sat 16		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	Prologue Never Have I
			Ever, 10am, MB
		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Sun 17			
Mon 18		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	Post-Show: Never Have I
			Ever, MT
Tue 19		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 20		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	
		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Thu 21		Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	Fizz and Feminism,
		CAP	6.30pm, PB
Fri 22	Quiz 7.30pm P	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Sat 23		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	Fold Our City, 10am, FF
	Quiz 7.30pm P	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Sun 24			
Mon 25	Quiz 7.30pm P		

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue 26		Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	Prologue Meets James
	Quiz 7.30pm P	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	Graham and Daniel Evans,
			5.30pm, MB
Wed 27	Quiz 7.30pm	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	Pre-Show: Quiz, 5.45pm,
			FT
Thu 28	Quiz 2.00pm	Never Have I Ever 2.15pm	
	Quiz 7.00pm PN	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
Fri 29	Quiz 7.30pm AD CAP SN	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm	
		AD	

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Sat	30	Quiz 2.00pm	Never Have I Ever 2.15pm AD	
			Quiz 7.30pm LP	Never Have I Ever 7.15pm LP	Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
OCT	Sun	1			
	Mon	2			
	Tue	3			
	Wed	4			
	Thu	5			Truth & Tails, 2pm, MB

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Fri	6	A View from the Bridge		Truth & Tails, 10am,
		7.30pm P		12noon, 2pm, MB
Sat	7	A View from the Bridge		Truth & Tails, 10am,
		7.30pm P		12noon, 2pm, MB
Sun	8			Truth & Tails, 10am,
				12noon, 2pm, MB
Mon	9	A View from the Bridge		Pre-Show: A View from
		7.30pm P		the Bridge, 5.45pm, FT
Tue	10	A View from the Bridge		
		7.00pm PN		

Date	Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed 11	A View from the Bridge		
	2.30pm		
Thu 12	A View from the Bridge		
	2.30pm		
	A View from the Bridge		
	7.30pm		
Fri 13	A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 7.15pm P	
	7.30pm		

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sat	14	A View from the Bridge		Arthur Miller Experience
		2.30pm		Weekend, 10am, PB
		A View from the Bridge 7.30pm	The Inquiry 7.15pm P	
Sun	15			Arthur Miller Experience
				Weekend, 10am, PB
Mon	16			Pre-Show: The Inquiry,
				5.30pm, MT
		A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 7.15pm P	Post-Show: A View from
		7.30pm		the Bridge, FT

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue	17	A View from the Bridge 2.30pm		
		A View from the Bridge 7.30pm CAP	The Inquiry 7.00pm PN	
Wed	18	A View from the Bridge 2.30pm	The Inquiry 2.15pm	A View from the Bridge Schools Theatre Day, 10.30am, FT
			The Inquiry 7.15pm	Sloe Fair – Car Park Closes 6pm

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Thu	19			Sloe Fair – Car Park
				Closed
Fri	20			Sloe Fair – Car Park
				Closed
Sat	21	A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 2.15pm	Sloe Fair – Car Park
		2.30pm		Reopens 12noon
		A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 7.15pm	
		7.30pm		
Sun	22			

Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	The Inquiry 7.15pm	Creation Station, 10am,
		11am, 12noon, FF
		Post-Show: The Inquiry,
		MT
A View from the Bridge		Comedy Club 4 Kids,
2.30pm		1pm, MT
A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 7.15pm CAP	
7.30pm SN		
	A View from the Bridge 2.30pm A View from the Bridge	A View from the Bridge 2.30pm A View from the Bridge The Inquiry 7.15pm CAP

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Wed	25		The Inquiry 2.15pm	
		A View from the Bridge 7.30pm	The Inquiry 7.15pm	
Thu	26	A View from the Bridge 2.30pm	The Inquiry 2.15pm	
		A View from the Bridge 7.30pm		
Fri	27	A View from the Bridge 7.30pm AD	The Inquiry 7.15pm	CFT Lates, 10pm, MB

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Sat	28	A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 2.15pm	Backstage Tour, 11am, FT
		2.30pm AD		
		A View from the Bridge	The Inquiry 7.15pm	
		7.30pm LP		
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Moi	າ 30		The Inquiry 7.15pm	
Tue	31		The Inquiry 7.15pm	
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Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
-	Thu	2		The Inquiry 2.15pm	
				The Inquiry 7.15pm SN	
F	Fri	3		The Inquiry 7.15pm AD	
	Sat	4		The Inquiry 2.15pm AD	Write the Prologue:
				The Inquiry 7.15pm LP	Playwriting Masterclass,
					10am, FT
	Cot	16	The Jungle Deals 2 000m		
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Ç	Sun	17			
1	Mon	18	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Tue	19	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		The Jungle Book 7.00pm		
		PN SN		
Wed	20	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		The Jungle Book 7.00pm		
Thu	21	The Jungle Book 7.00pm		
Fri	22	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		The Jungle Book 7.00pm		

Date			Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
	Sat	23	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
			The Jungle Book 7.00pm		
	Sun	24			
ВН	Mon	25			
ВН	Tue	26	The Jungle Book 4.00pm		
	Wed	27	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
			The Jungle Book 7.00pm		

Date		Festival Theatre	Minerva Theatre	Events
Thu	28	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		CAP		
		The Jungle Book 7.00pm		
Fri	29	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		BSL RP		
Sat	30	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		AD		
		The Jungle Book 7.00pm		
Sun	31	The Jungle Book 2.00pm		
		LP		

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BSL Signed performance	DF Dementia Friendly performance	PB Steven Pimlott Building
CAP Captioned performance	RP Relaxed performance	FF Festival Theatre Foyer
AD Audio Described performance	LP Last performance	OP Oaklands Park
P Preview	BH Bank Holiday	MB Minerva Bar
PN Press Night	FT Festival Theatre	WD West Dean
SN Supporters Night	MT Minerva Theatre	TR The Trundle

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We have spaces for 26 bicycles at our bike park just off Broyle Road, check out the local cycle network at chichester.gov.uk/cycling

Car-pooling with friends?

Northgate pay and display car park is on our doorstep (parking is free after 8pm). Matinee days are particularly busy so allow plenty of time. chichester.gov.uk/parking

Blue badge holder?

You can park anywhere in Northgate Car Park free of charge. There are 9 non-reservable spaces close to the Theatre entrance and you can drop in front of the Festival Theatre via our access road off Broyle Road.

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