



season  
**2021**

The background is a vibrant, abstract painting of swirling colors, primarily in shades of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple, creating a dynamic and energetic feel.



# Welcome back!





## 2021 is underway and with a season busier than ever there will certainly be a show for you.

We are doing things slightly differently this year and so there will be no physical version of the brochure. However, you will be able to print out a printer-friendly version of this brochure at home or you can request a copy at the Box Office.

Here at the Theatre Royal we are just as excited as you to open the doors and bring the arts back to Hobart. There is a lot to look forward to so let's get started!

Keep checking our website throughout the year for updated information and newly released shows.

**[theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au)**



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# Our venues



The Main Stage is the beating heart of the Theatre Royal. Originally built in 1837, the Theatre Royal's Main Stage is part of the oldest working theatre in Australia. Having seen the likes of Laurence Olivier, Noël Coward, Vivien Leigh and Marcel Marceau tread the boards and be charmed by the intimacy of the 700 seat Main Stage, this is a theatre unlike any other.

The Theatre Royal has survived several attempts at demolition. Ours is a story of resilience. As recently as the 1980s, the Theatre Royal Main Stage survived a horrendous fire that threatened to reduce the venue to ashes but the people of Tasmania restored it to its former glory.

Today the Theatre Royal Main Stage is not just a piece of Tasmania's history but a living home for today's performing arts. It presents an annual program of live theatre, music, dance and entertainment.



The Studio Theatre is the brand new, state of the art performance space for up to 300 audience members to enjoy the best performances from home-grown Tasmanian and National Touring companies alike.

This brand-new theatre, built as part of The Hedberg, offers audiences and performers a substantially upgraded experience from the Backspace that the Theatre Royal had until 2019's refurbishments. The opening was delayed due to the pandemic and so now 2021 will be when you can finally see your new stage in action.

It is an exciting year, as we have launched the new Studio Theatre with some Tasmanian productions and we look forward to housing multiple shows simultaneously as the Theatre Royal continues to be the cultural centre in a growing Hobart.



# What's on?

Here is a selection of shows you can expect to see in the 2021 Season. For full information including synopses, cast and crew, full dates and times, patrons' advice as well as pricing and the opportunity to book your tickets, visit the show's page on our website. For more, visit:

[theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au)

COMEDY

## ARJ BARKER COMES CLEAN

11 Jun



FAMILY

## Emil and the Detectives

18–19 Jun



COMEDY



## MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL COMEDY FESTIVAL ROADSHOW

[COMEDYFESTIVAL.COM.AU](http://COMEDYFESTIVAL.COM.AU)

24 Jun



DANCE



## Beauty and the Beast

26–27 Jun



MUSICAL

# World of Musicals



28–29 Jun

MUSIC

# Dami Im



1 Jul

MUSIC



# Monica Trapaga

AND THE POCKET TRIO



9–10 Jul

OPERA

# Carmen

AN OPERA AUSTRALIA PRODUCTION



1–3 Jul

COMEDY

# Anne Edmonds & Lloyd Langford

BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE



10 Jul

SPECIAL EVENT



## The Resilience Project

mainstage

DANCE

13 Jul

FAMILY



## Pete the Sheep

mainstage

## A Taste of Ireland

THE IRISH MUSIC & DANCE SENSATION



14 Jul

MUSIC



## The Ultimate Eagles Experience

mainstage

16 Jul

MUSIC

## ROCKIN Through The AGES®



17 Jul

THEATRE

## Swan Song

theStudio

22-24 Jul

MUSIC



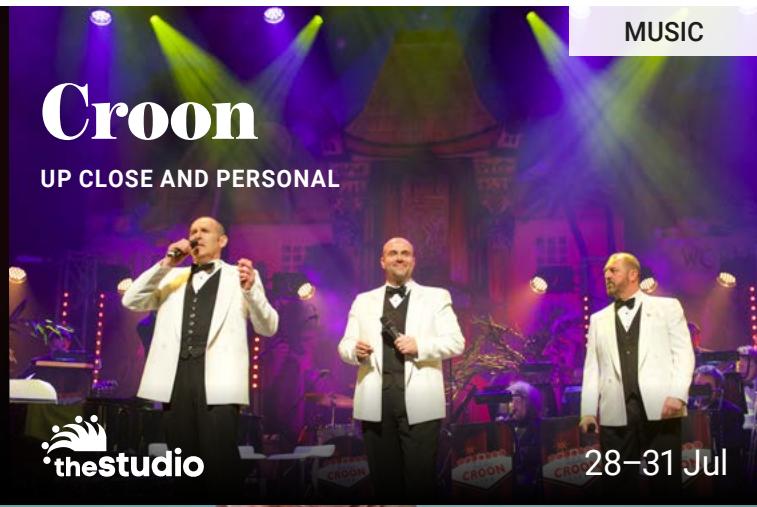
23 Jul

mainstage

MUSIC

# Croon

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL



28–31 Jul

DANCE



# Impermanence

SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY

mainstage

MUSIC



31 Jul

mainstage

MUSIC

# Hannah Gadsby

BODY OF WORK

mainstage

4–7 Aug



DRAMA

# Follow Me Home

AUSTRALIAN THEATRE  
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (ATYP)



5 Aug

DRAMA

BELL SHAKESPEARE'S

# A Midsummer Night's Dream



12–14 Aug

MUSIC

# Eric Bogle Live

WITH SPECIAL GUEST  
MICHAEL WAUGH



6–7 Aug

FAMILY

# Zoooom

BY PATCH THEATRE



11–12 Aug

FAMILY

# ANIMAL FARM

BY GEORGE ORWELL

CREATED BY SHAKE & STIR THEATRE CO



20–21 Aug

CIRCUS

CIRCA'S  
**Peepshow**



25–28 Aug

 mainstage

DANCE



**Leviathan**

26–28 Aug

 thestudio

COMEDY



**Paul McDermott**

PLUS ONE

4 Sep

 mainstage



FAMILY

*The* OLD MAN *and* *The* OLD MOON

2–11 Sep

 thestudio

MUSIC



**Leaving Jackson**

THE JOHNNY CASH AND JUNE CARTER SHOW

10 Sep

 mainstage

MUSIC

MUSICAL

# BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

SOUNDTRACK LIVE

11 Sep



COMEDY

## Ross Noble

2021 COMEBACK SPECIAL



17-18 Sep

FAMILY

## A Not So Traditional Story

BY NATHAN MAYNARD

7-9 Oct



## RICHARD O'BRIEN'S THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW

DON'T DREAM IT. BE IT.



6-31 Oct

FAMILY

## Peter Combe

GREATEST HITS TOUR



13 Nov



COMEDY



## Les Divas

AN ALL MALE REVIEW

18 Nov



COMEDY



## Brian, the Bitch & the Bathrobe



24 - 27 Nov

COMEDY

CHASER.COM.AU AND THE SHOVEL PRESENT

## WAR ON 2021



10 Dec



COMEDY

## SYDNEY COMEDY FESTIVAL



20 Nov

OPERA



28 Nov

**But wait,  
there's more...**

More shows may become available throughout the year. Keep checking our website to see what else is coming to the Theatre Royal in 2021. You can also subscribe to our show alerts emails.

**[theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au)**

# Become a Friend of the Theatre Royal

The Friends of the Theatre Royal actively contribute to the Theatre by providing support for the Student Subscription Program, assisting young people from a variety of organisations to attend the Theatre, fundraising, providing archival and research support and helping to improve the Theatre's facilities in a variety of ways.

If you're interested in becoming more involved with the Theatre Royal, you can easily become a member of the Friends of the Theatre Royal by contacting the Theatre Royal Box Office on 6146 3300 or you can find more information at [theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au)



## Applause: Donate to the Theatre Royal today

### Help us make a difference

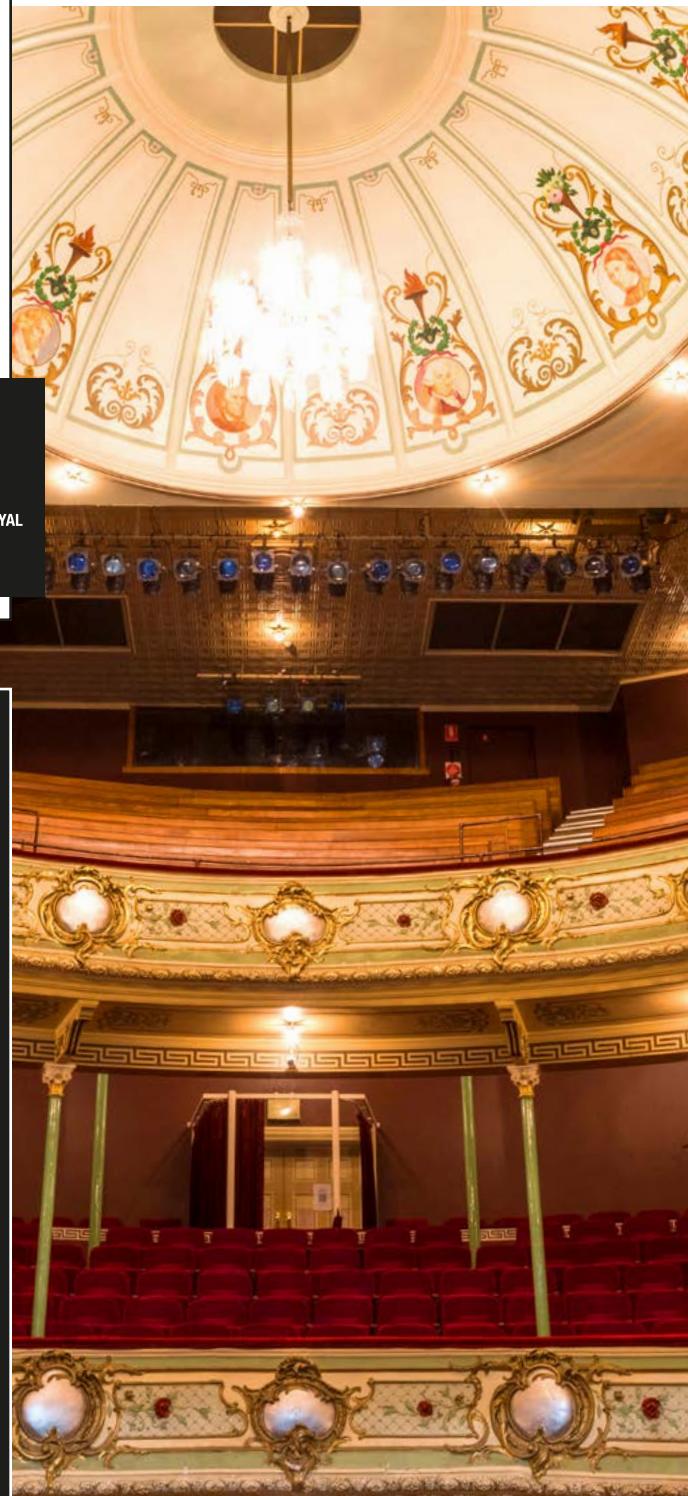
The Theatre Royal's Applause Giving Program is a wonderful way for you to help us give something back to the community.

Since 2009 this program has created many opportunities for individuals and organisations to experience the magic of live theatre.

Your donation supports the Theatre Royal, The Young Ambassadors Program, Local School Children, Charity and Community Organisations and Tasmanian Artists.

You can donate online at [theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au) or at the Theatre Royal Box Office. (Please note donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.)

The Theatre Royal is grateful for the support of our patrons and we invite you to join with us to ensure that the Theatre Royal can present the best in live theatre for all Tasmanians.





# Easy ways to book

Tickets to shows at the Theatre Royal often sell fast – so get in early to secure the shows (and seats) you want!

## ONLINE AT [theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au)

Our website is the easiest and most convenient way to get access to the most up-to-date listing of shows available in the 2021 season.

**PACKAGES** – Book your subscription package for 2021 by adding all the shows and seats to your shopping cart and checking out through secure payment. Please read more about our 2021 Subscription Packages in the Packages section.

**SINGLE TICKETS** – You can book and print your tickets to individual shows at home at your convenience.

## IN PERSON

Come in to the Theatre Royal Box Office and our friendly staff will help you with your booking.

The Theatre Royal Box Office is open Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm.

## BY TELEPHONE

Call the Box Office on (03) 6146 3300 or 1800 650 277 (outside Hobart) and complete your booking over the phone. Make sure you know the shows you want and have your credit card details handy. Your tickets will be posted\* to you.

\*Free postage applies to all subscribers. A \$2.50 postage charge applies for non-Subscriber purchases.

Every effort has been made to ensure the contents of this brochure are correct at the time of production. The Theatre Royal reserves the right to alter the program, dates and times where and when necessary and without notice. Ticket prices on the Theatre Royal website may be dynamically adjusted, without notice, dependent upon market demand. Book early for the best price.

## Season packages

### PREMIUM SUBSCRIBER

Buy tickets to a minimum of 7 shows (in one transaction) from the 2021 season, in any seats on any night, and you'll save 10% on all shows. You'll also get the following benefits:

- Tickets to Opening Night functions and the chance to meet the cast (for 5 selected performances)
- Drink/ice cream voucher for each show you book
- Invitation to an Exclusive Premium Subscriber event in 2021.

### SUBSCRIBER

Buy tickets to 4 – 6 shows (in one transaction) from the 2021 season and you'll save 5% on all shows. You'll also get the following benefits:

- Opportunity to purchase tickets to Opening Night functions and the chance to meet the cast (for 5 selected performances)
- Four drink/ice cream vouchers.

### S STUDENT

The Theatre Royal's Student Subscription is available to full-time, secondary, pre-tertiary and university students and is proudly supported by the Theatre Royal and the Friends of the Theatre Royal.

Student Subscribers can choose a minimum of three shows from those listed below at the extra special price of \$54 or \$18 per show.

Additional shows can be purchased for \$18 per ticket (this is only valid for one ticket per show). Student Subscribers need to register and pay for their subscription before they can reserve seats for the shows of their choice.

For details about registration visit [theatreroyal.com.au](http://theatreroyal.com.au) or call (03) 6146 3300.

Student Subscription seating is restricted to B or C Reserve in the Stalls and Dress Circle and some seats in the Gallery. Tickets purchased as part of a Student Subscription are not transferable.

For a list of shows offered in the 2021 Season Student Subscription, visit [theatreroyal.com.au/packages](http://theatreroyal.com.au/packages) or look for the Student Subscription icon on our show pages.

*As a special benefit, throughout the year, subscribers can exchange tickets for the same show at no cost (whenever possible) and can take up our easy payment plan for their subscription, where monthly payments will be deducted from a credit card in even instalments. Tickets issued on this plan are non-refundable and a one-off fee of \$10 applies. Further Terms and Conditions are available from our website.*

### PRE-SHOW DINNER AND DRINKS AT THE OLD WOOLSTORE



The Old Woolstore Apartment Hotel is a proud partner of the Theatre Royal. Located on the ground floor, Stockmans Restaurant invites you to come and experience their pre-show package. Enjoy a two-course dinner plus a glass of house wine for \$45.00 per person. Bookings are essential – please call (03) 6235 5355 and ask for a 6:00pm reservation to ensure you arrive at the theatre on time.

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