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The QUAY



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# WELCOME

The summer is finally on its way and we are delighted to present our new programme of events featuring a specially selected array of entertainment, drama, music, live screenings and children's theatre to suit all tastes.

The last few months have seen some big changes at the theatre with Sharon Buckler departing after almost nine years as Theatre Manager.

During her tenure Sharon oversaw some major developments at The Quay with many famous faces taking to the stage and we all wish Sharon every future success and are tremendously grateful her for her fantastic contribution.

The theatre now has a new structure to take it forward with a robust reinvigorated Board of Trustees and a new two-tier management structure to push it to the next level. I have joined as Interim Executive Director alongside our new General Manager Cherry Locke as we look to not only safeguard the theatre's future, but also to maximise the untapped potential by providing even more quality entertainment for the local community.

We look forward to meeting you soon.

**Tom Lagden**

**Interim Executive Director**



**MUSIC**

## An Evening with Rev. Simpkins



Sudbury-raised musician Matthew Simpkins is a notorious 'sinner-songwriter' & the fourth generation of his family to become an ordained priest. Having left his former musical career behind, a diagnosis of cancer inspired Matthew back to music in 2019 to international praise. Performing in his home town for the very first time, the Rev presents music from across his career, including his new project, Pissabed Prophet.

**Sat 3 June 7:30pm | £10**



LIVE CINEMA

NT Live : Good

National  
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DAVID TENNANT  
ELLIOTT LEVEY SHARON SMALL  
**GOOD**

by C.P. Taylor  
directed by Dominic Cooke

David Tennant (*Doctor Who*) makes a much-anticipated return to the West End in a blistering reimagining of one of Britain's most powerful, political plays. As the world faces its Second World War, John Halder, a good, intelligent German professor, finds himself pulled into a movement with unthinkable consequences.

Wed 3 & Wed 31 May 7:00pm | £16



MUSIC

Digby's Half Dozen



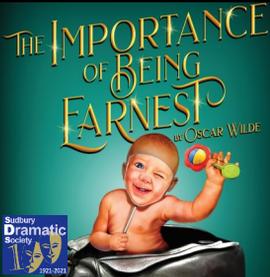
Digby's Half Dozen has now won 12 'British Jazz Awards' and in 2015 celebrated their 20th Anniversary. They present an accessible jazz show featuring the finest members on the UK jazz scene. Digby has now completed fifty years as a jazz musician and been described as 'Britain's best jazz ambassador'. (The Stage)

Fri 5 May 7:30pm | £20



DRAMA

The Importance Of Being Earnest



An established classic with a couple of new but completely authentic twists. Sudbury Dramatic Society present Wilde's original four-act version, set as it's author always intended, in 'The Present'. It's all the **Earnest** you know and love, free from the Edwardian straight jacket, and as pertinent now as ever.

Wed 10—Sat 13 May 7:45 & 2:30 Sat | Wed £12 Thu-Sat £14

An Amateur Production presented by Concord Theatricals on Behalf of Samuel French Ltd



DRAMA

Medieval Miracles



Heaven is empty and Hell is full – what is God to do? The answer comes in *The Trials of Mary & Joseph*, a series of mystery plays telling the Nativity story – but not as you know it.

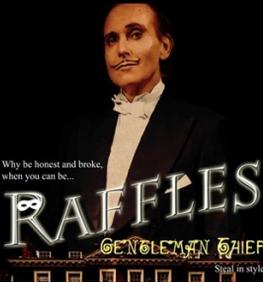
Plus *Mankind*, England's comedy of the 90's (that's the 1490's) retold as a boisterous story of a climate conscious young man.

Tue 16 May 7.30pm | £16



## DRAMA

## Raffles Gentleman Thief



E.W. Hornung's A.J. Raffles was the Edwardian era's most celebrated gentleman thief and the suave cat-burglar. Now, Don't Go Into The Cellar! have brought him back to life in an original show, scripted and performed by Jonathan Goodwin, and co-directed by Goodwin and Gary Archer.

Wed 17 May 7:30pm | £15



## LIVE CINEMA

## NT Live : Best Of Enemies

National Theatre Live



In 1968 America, as two men fight to become the next president, all eyes are on the battle between two others: the cunningly conservative William F. Buckley Jr., and the unruly liberal Gore Vidal. David Harewood (*Homeland*) and Zachary Quinto (*Star Trek*) star as a new frontier in American politics opens.

Thu 18 May 7:00pm | £16



## COMEDY

## Tom Davis



Tom Davis has returned to his stand up roots and is heading out on tour to try out new material. Best known for hit shows *King Gary*, *The Curse*, *Murder In Successville*, his popular podcast *Wolf and Owl* with Romesh Ranganathan, and for appearances on *A League of Their Own*, *The Ranganation*, *Judge Romesh*, and *Action Team*.

Fri 19 May 8:00pm | £15

This performance has **Sold Out** but a Waiting List is available



## FILM

## TUESDAY MOVIES



The Quay is committed to cinema and screens a range of classic and contemporary movies on selected Tuesdays. Check our website for what's coming up on the following screening dates.

Tue 23 May 2.00pm & 7.30pm | £7

Tue 20 June 2.00pm & 7.30pm | £7

Tue 15 August 2.00pm & 7.30pm | £7



## COMEDY

## Big Deal Comedy Night



Cambridgeshire's award winning comedy club, Big Deal Comedy brings a night of live stand up comedy to The Quay. Join us for an evening of the very best comedians on the circuit right now, hosted by resident MC, Jason Stampe, recently reviewed as "The cornerstone of East Anglian comedy."

Thu 25 May 8:00pm | £10



## LIVE CINEMA

## ROH : The Sleeping Beauty



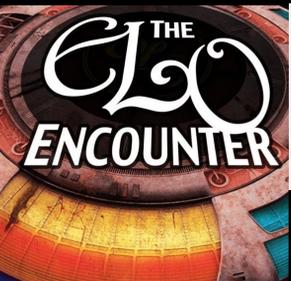
*The Sleeping Beauty* holds a special place in The Royal Ballet's history. It was their first performance when the Royal Opera House reopened at Covent Garden in 1946. Be swept away by Tchaikovsky's ravishing music and Oliver Messel's sumptuous fairytale designs with this gem from the classical ballet repertory.

Sun 28 May 2:00pm | £16



## MUSIC

## ELO Encounter



Roll Over Beethoven, because the greatest tribute to Jeff Lynne's ELO is here! Featuring all the timeless hits and Blue Skies too! So Hold On Tight, because Rock n' Roll Is King in a show that will have you partying All Over The World! Join the foremost ELO tribute band for an evening of classic hits.

Fri 2 June 7:30pm | £24



## DRAMA

## Night Of The Vampires



Prepare to be horrified by this theatrical anthology of classic tales of the undead, including adaptations of E.F. Benson and others. bloody good way to while away an evening! Performed and scripted by actor Jonathan Goodwin.

Wed 7 June 7.30pm | £15

## Q MUSIC

## Wrong Jovi



With attention to detail in sound and performance, the Wrong Jovi show is second to none, making clubs, theatres and halls feel like stadiums and arenas. If you want *One Wild Night* with the most exciting tribute act on the planet, Wrong Jovi is the perfect band for you. "Better than the real thing." (Club 85 Hitchin)

Thu 8 & Fri 9 June 7:30pm | £24

## Q MUSIC

## Julie July Band : The Sandy Denny Experience



Julie July Band return to The Quay with a tribute to Sandy Denny's defining role in British music. In her brief career she left a legacy of beautiful, haunting compositions which are recreated here alongside the band's self-penned work, inspired by Denny and the wider folk-rock and blues movement of the Sixties and Seventies.

Sat 10 June 7:30pm | £18.50

## Q LIVE CINEMA

## ROH : Il Trovatore



Passions run high as Manrico and the Count di Luna compete for the affections of Leonora. Little do they know, Manrico's mother Azucena has been keeping a terrible secret for decades. Soon a curse from the past will rise up from the ashes with devastating implications for them all. Sung In Italian with English subtitles.

Tue 13 June 7:15pm | £16

## Q MUSIC

## Robbie Gladwell & Special Friends



Robbie Gladwell is returning to The Quay for a special birthday show. Joined by Marianne Hillier Brook on drums and percussion, guitarist Lincoln Grounds, Myke Clifford on saxophone and Big Billy Dyer on double bass, the band will be playing an eclectic set which draws on each musician's skill set and vast experience.

Fri 16 June 7:30pm | £16



## MUSIC

## Purple Zeppelin



Twice voted Best UK Tribute Band, Purple Zeppelin are genuine admirers of both Deep Purple & Led Zeppelin and with the accent firmly on entertainment, this is a night not to be missed. Expect Ritchie Blackmore's on stage antics, Jimmy Page's twin neck guitar & theremin, a drum duet & a very special violin bow solo!

Sat 17 June 7:30pm | £20



## ENTERTAINMENT Charlie Haylock : An Eccentric Look At Suffolk



Charlie Haylock's informative and hilarious talk 'An Eccentric Look at Suffolk' is legendary and he can reduce audiences to tears of laughter with his characteristic rustic story telling. Charlie will be analysing the logic behind Suffolk humour & demonstrating how he can just look at people know exactly what they're thinking.

Wed 21 June 7:30pm | £15



## DRAMA

## Quentin Crisp : Naked Hope



Naked Hope is a glorious, truthful and uplifting celebration of the genuinely unique Quentin Crisp, depicting both the degradation and adulation during two distinct phases of his extraordinary life. Mark Farrelly's hugely acclaimed solo play has delighted audiences across the country and now returns to They Quay stage.

Thu 22 June 7:30pm | £15



## MUSIC

## John Lennon—In My Life



Jimmy Coburn is a singer-songwriter from Liverpool. He was the resident John Lennon at the Cavern Club, starred as John on Broadway and is the only tribute act to appear with Paul McCartney. When he performs at the Quay for the first time, he'll be telling the ex-Beatle's story through the songs and anecdotes.

Fri 23 June 7:30pm | £18



## ENTERTAINMENT

## The Real Magic Show



The Real Magic Show is an exciting showcase of some of the finest illusions from the best magicians in the UK today. Expect mind blowing tricks that will leave you asking "How did they do that?" Prepare to be wowed this June at The Quay. Suitable for ages 10+.

Sat 24 June 7:30pm | £16.50



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Wed 28 June 8:00pm | £10



## MUSIC

## The Devout : A Tribute To Depeche Mode



Fast becoming the world's number one Depeche Mode Tribute Act, The Devout have brought the experience to another level visually, aurally and musically. Be transported back to a Depeche Mode concert, at their peak with authentic reproductions of the songs together with astounding visuals.

Fri 30 June 7:30pm | £22



## DRAMA

## The Pitmen Painters



From the writer of "Billy Elliot" comes this uplifting true story. It's 1934 and a group of Northumberland miners learn to paint. Soon their work is the talk of the art world & exhibited to great acclaim but despite their new found fame they continue their day jobs down the pit. Step forward, The Pitmen Painters.

Tue 4 — Sat 8 July 7:45 | Tue, Wed £12 Thu-Sat £14

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**DRAMA**

**MARK THOMAS** in *England and Son* (Work In Progress)



Written specifically for award winning comedian Mark Thomas by Ed Edwards. Expect deep, dark laughs & deep, dark love and prepare for a kaleidoscopic odyssey where disaster-capitalism, Thatcherite politics & stolen wealth merge into the simple tale of a boy who just wants his dad to smile at him. Ages 14+

**Tue 11 July 7:30pm | £15**



**DRAMA**

**Mrs Churchill**



They say that behind every great man, there is a great woman. So what of Clementine Churchill? Did Winston bully her like he did so many other people? Was he as grumpy and irascible at home? Did she have any influence at all? All these questions will be answered, and many more, in Liz Grand's moving and informative portrayal.

**Fri 14 July 7:30pm | £15**



**MUSIC**

**Voodoo Room**



Celebrating the incredible music of Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton & Cream - Voodoo Room are a stunning high energy 'Power Trio' featuring some of the U.K.'s finest musicians whose credits include working with: Steve Winwood, Massive Attack, Arthur Brown, Fish, Thunder & Lulu. No wigs, no pantomime, just great music.

**Sat 15 July 7:30pm | £24**



**DRAMA**

**The 39 Steps**



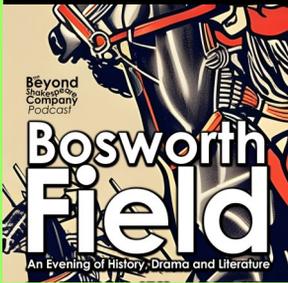
This new adaptation of the perennial favourite features Jonathan Goodwin as Richard Hannay. A gripping one-man thriller based on the classic John Buchan tale. Can Hannay solve the riddle of The Black Stone in time to avert a global conflict?

**Wed 19 July 7:30pm | £15**



## DRAMA

## Bosworth Field



With the death of Richard III, the battle of Bosworth Field saw the end of the Plantagenet dynasty and the beginning of the Tudor age. Join the Beyond Shakespeare team as they explore the story of the battle from the side of history, before presenting a live performance of Beaumont's story in all its dramatic glory.

Thu 20 July 7:30pm | £12



## ENTERTAINMENT

## Jeffrey Holland



Comedy star Jeffrey Holland shares memories from his illustrious TV career in conversation with Britain's Comedy Historian Robert Ross. Jeffrey will also be discussing his comedy influences including the bowler-hatted genius who inspired his celebrated, sell-out solo show 'And This is My Friend Mr. Laurel'.

Fri 21 July 7:30pm | £18



## MUSIC

## Who Are You / The Konks



An evening celebrating the music of two classic groups. Who are You and The Konks will vividly recreate the sound, dynamics and feel of The Who and The Kinks for an evening of timeless classics which must not be missed. So why not Come Dancing?

Sat 22 July 7:30pm | £25



## CHILDREN

## Alice In Wonderland



DOT Productions brings its new adaptation of the classic story 'Alice in Wonderland' to The Quay. Join Alice as she explores Wonderland and meets all the characters we know and love; The Cheshire Cat, White Rabbit, The Mad Hatter and even The Queen of Hearts.

Wed 16 August 2:30pm | £11



## DRAMA

## Persuasion



We follow the story of Anne Elliot who was persuaded by friends and family to end her engagement to Frederick Wentworth. Seven years later, over many humorous encounters, they meet again. Will they once again be persuaded to stay apart or will love conquer all?

Wed 16 August 7:30pm | £15



## CHILDREN

## The Bubble Show



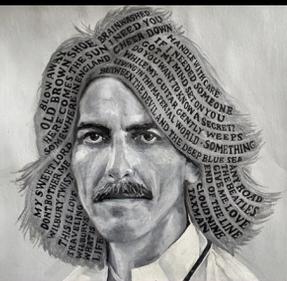
Join Mr. Bubbles for this unique blend of magic, storytelling, science and bubble art! Enjoy bouncy bubbles, bubbles inside bubbles, smoke bubbles, square bubbles, giant bubbles, and even a fire bubble! An interactive, fun, international award-winning bubble extravaganza suitable for all the family.

Tue 22 August 2:30pm | £12



## MUSIC

## George Harrison Project



The UK's leading live music tribute to George Harrison, performing his best-loved hits from The Beatles, his solo career and The Traveling Wilburys. Here comes the perfect tribute to a Beatles legend in the year that celebrates George's 80th Birthday! Do not miss this truly special night at The Quay.

Fri 25 August 7:30pm | £20



## LIVE CINEMA

## NT LIVE : TBC

**National  
Theatre  
Live**



We are not yet able to confirm which production will be screened on this date so please check the theatre website or call the box office nearer the time for details.

Thu 13 July Time TBC | £16



## OPENING HOURS

The **Box Office** is open for bookings in person or over the phone on **01787 374745** **10am—4pm Tuesday—Friday** and from one hour before a performance. Bookings can be made online at [www.quaysudbury.com](http://www.quaysudbury.com) at any time.

The **Quay Bar** is open from one hour before performances.

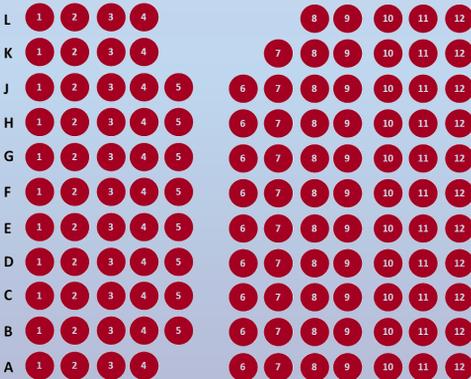
## BOOKING FEE

The Quay charges a 75p booking fee per ticket to cover administrative costs.

## LATECOMERS

Dependent on the nature of the performance latecomers may be asked to wait for a suitable break in performance before taking their seats.

## SEATING PLAN



STAGE

## DIRECTIONS & PARKING

Sudbury is approximately 40 minutes from the A120, A12 and A14 and about 90 minutes from London. Using the venue postcode of **CO10 2AN** will bring Satnavs to Quay Lane. If you continue down Quay Lane, past the Cricket pitch on your right and the Tennis Club on your left, you will find the Quay at the end of the lane.

There is **free car parking for patrons** directly outside the theatre.

Sudbury has a railway station with hourly services to Marks Tey, which meets the mainline to Norwich heading North, and London Liverpool Street heading west.

## REFUNDS

The Quay is unable to offer refunds on tickets unless a show is cancelled or postponed. Credit to a customer's account may be applied at the discretion of the General Manager.

## ACCESS

Our auditorium can accommodate up to three wheelchair users and we welcome assistance dogs at all performances. Please advise us of any access requirements at time of booking. Due to licensing requirements, no person will be admitted to a performance without a valid ticket. This provision includes babes in arms and other small children.



## ROOM HIRE

As a community hub, all of the theatre's spaces are available for hire when available. This includes our rehearsal room, (The Jetty); The Geoff Kisby Room with adjacent kitchen; the auditorium and the bar. Besides performances, these spaces are ideal for functions, parties, business conferences and meetings. Please email [manager@quaysudbury.com](mailto:manager@quaysudbury.com) with any enquiries.

## COSTUMES

Quay Costume Hire is managed by The Sudbury Dramatic Society. Viewings are by arrangement only and can be booked by emailing [costumes@sudburydramatic.com](mailto:costumes@sudburydramatic.com).

## SHOW CONTENT

Certain productions may contain flashing lights, strobe, haze effects and pyrotechnics. If any of these are likely to affect your enjoyment of a performance please contact the box office for clarity. Films and Live Theatre Screenings will be subject to age ratings and live performances may be subject to advisory age restrictions. Management reserves the right to refuse entry on these grounds.

## GIFT VOUCHERS

Gift vouchers for The Quay make an ideal present and can be purchased from the box office.

## EMAIL LIST

Keep updated with what's coming up at The Quay by joining our e-mailing list. Simply call the box office to receive regular information about forthcoming productions.

## QUAY FUNDRAISING

As a registered charity, fundraising is vital to the ongoing success of The Quay Theatre and we continually campaign to raise funds to augment income from productions.

*We are always looking to collaborate in these efforts, and will this year be launching new Membership and Corporate initiatives. If you are interested or wish to find out more please email [exec@quaysudbury.com](mailto:exec@quaysudbury.com) in order to discuss how we can work together to keep The Quay at the forefront of cultural life in Sudbury for many years to come.*

The Quay Theatre are grateful for the support of our funders. Reg Charity No. 1099868



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# IN A NUTSHELL

Established over 30 years ago, the Quay Theatre Summer School is a Suffolk based theatre course for children and young adults, 8-16. Over the course of one week, the students will learn new skills & hone existing ones in workshops from industry experts, including **musical theatre, improv, stagecraft & movement**. The week culminates in a two-night performance of an original show scripted by the directors with plenty of input from the students too.

## THE SHOW

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

6:30PM

This year our show is called **THE ELEMENTS** – Earth, Fire, Water, Air – and features a series of short scenes based around the four elements. The show will include a welcome to fiery Hell, pirates on the high seas, pigeons in the sky, Robin Hood on the A1 saving the earth as well as periodic tables, mad scientists and much more! Expect the unexpected in a show that will be largely comic.

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Throughout the week, there are a number of general acting & movement classes as well as workshops on *Voice and Stagecraft* and *Movement & Song*. Plus, as always, expect plenty of games, humour and a healthy dose of silliness – mainly from the directors!

## WHO CAN ATTEND?

We pride ourselves on being an inclusive course! Attendees can be anywhere from 8-16-years-old, and we welcome total beginners to seasoned performers. There really is something for everyone! We welcome children & young adults from all backgrounds; quite often, the week is as much about building friendships and developing confidence, as it is the final show.

## TIMINGS?

**Monday-Thursday** 10am-4.30pm

**Friday** 11am-8.15pm

**Saturday** 4.30pm-9pm

Book places now at [QuaySudbury.com](http://QuaySudbury.com)



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