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SHAKESPEARE'S TWISTED *TWELFTH NIGHT* TALE ENCHANTS AT GEELONG ARTS CENTRE

From October 5 to 7, Bell Shakespeare hits Geelong Arts Centre with William Shakespeare's quintessential tale, *Twelfth Night*, with a fresh twist.

Directed by Heather Fairbairn, *Twelfth Night* is set to retell the classic comedy with a new spin as the cast tangle their way through a web of romance, misunderstanding and mistaken identities.

Featuring all-new music by Sarah Blasko, *Twelfth Night* embraces ambiguity around time and place to deliver a deep exploration of gender and sexuality that acknowledges both light and darkness.

The gender-bending performance is poised to delight both classic and contemporary theatre lovers in a new world of rich imagery, language, laughter and poetry. A collision of hidden identities and unrequited love, this tale pairs heavy themes with buoyancy, optimism and hope.

Bell Shakespeare is Australia's national theatre company specialising in the works of Shakespeare and his contemporaries. Focused on inspiring and engaging audiences by bringing Shakespeare's

classic works to life through innovative and artistically excellent productions, Bell Shakespeare harnesses modern perspectives on timeless truths.

Twelfth Night promises an unforgettable theatre experience that combines Shakespearean wit with contemporary flair. Don't miss this opportunity to witness the magic of live theatre at Geelong Arts Centre's brand new space for immersive storytelling, The Story House.

This performance runs for 150 minutes, including a 20 minute interval.

Tickets are on sale now at geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/twelfth-night/

Bookings can be made via the Geelong Arts Centre website, or by phoning the Box Office on 1300 251 200 between 9:00am and 5:00pm, Monday to Saturday.

Geelong Arts Centre's 'Our Season 2023' is proudly supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria, Major Artistic Partner, Deakin

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"Presenting theatre that embraces both tradition and trend, Bell Shakespeare has mastered the art of appealing to arts lovers from all walks of life.

Geelong Arts Centre is dedicated to crafting arts experiences that evolve alongside our audiences, all while paying homage to the traditions that have shaped our cultural landscape. "

Quote attributable to Penny McCabe
Geelong Arts Centre Head of Programming

BILLING & CREDITS

Full billing and credits available at geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/twelfth-night/

DURATION 150 minutes, 20 minute interval

VENUE The Story House, Geelong Arts Centre

DATES & TIMES

THU 5 OCT 7:30PM

FRI 6 OCT 7:30PM (Note: This performance includes a post show Q&A)

SAT 7 OCT 1:00PM

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