

3rd International
SKIPTON PUPPET FESTIVAL

25th - 27th September 2009



with:



www.skiptonpuppetfestival.co.uk

Welcome to the 3rd International Skipton Puppet Festival. Thanks to our many sponsors we are delighted to bring you more than 60 performances in 10 venues over 3 days. This includes an exciting variety of options for all ages.

Enjoy the poetic beauty of "The Ugly Duckling" from Russia, the razzmatazz of "Puppet Parade", the exquisite smallness of "Stop", or the mind bendingly ridiculous "Dangerous Dave".

From the traditional to the unexpected, we are sure you will find much to delight you. Enjoy the buzz at the Promenade (Festival Hub-site) which has a packed programme of short shows, free acts and a 'Continental Market'. Don't forget to catch exhibitions at The Narrow Boat and Craven Museum and workshops at the Town Hall.

Whether you are 3 or 93, come along, bring your imagination and enjoy the magic.

Liz Lempen, Festival Director



FESTIVAL OPENING

with
Cusan Theatre Productions
& Mikropodium

Come and join us for the opening, no embarrassing long speeches we promise, perhaps a short sweet one, and a very warm welcome.

First we will be serenaded by the one and only big headed "Bailadora" and then delighted by the little stars of "Stop".

... and after that? The panorama of the festival will open out. The choice is yours!



6.00pm (30 min)	Friday 25th	Promenade	Free	Suitability: All ages
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STREET
THEATRE

MIKROPODIUM
Budapest, Hungary



STOP!



The smallest stage can give the greatest impression. András Lénárt with his "micro-podium" charms people around the world with exquisite puppetry.

"Stop" is a collection of short wordless vignettes that will make your day!

Enjoy a Master at work!

www.mikropodium.com

6.00pm (20 min)	Friday 25th	Festival Opening / Promenade	Free	Suitability: All ages
11.30am	Saturday 26th	Craven Court	Free	
1.00pm	Saturday 26th	Promenade		
5.00pm	Saturday 26th	Promenade	Free	
11.30am	Sunday 27th	Craven Court		
1.00pm	Sunday 27th	Promenade		
2.30pm	Sunday 27th	Promenade	Free	



MIMIKA THEATRE

Leeds, UK

SMALL WORLDS



What could a bug, a fox, a goose, a cat and a small girl have in common? - They saw the sun rise, and by the time it had set they had all entered a much bigger world.

A non-verbal performance for young audiences, presented inside a white canvas dome with integrated live action, puppetry and digital animation. This is something very, very special.

<http://web.mac.com/mimikatheatre>

6.00pm (50 min)	Friday 25th	Town Hall	£ 5.00	Suitability: 6+ / Family
10.30am 12.30pm 6.00pm	Saturday 26th	Town Hall	£ 5.00	
10.30am 12.30pm 2.30pm	Sunday 27th	Town Hall	£ 5.00	



STORYBOX THEATRE

Bristol, UK

3 PIGS

A porcine show for piglets, sows and old boars of all ages!

A sty full of stories and song. "The Three Little Pigs", "Susannah the Fanciful Sow" and "The Old Woman and her Pig" are all brought to life with the amazing ingenuity of Storybox Theatre.

Rod Burnett is a master at playing an audience and has them laughing from start to finish. Join in the fun!



www.stroyboxtheatre.co.uk

6.30pm (50 min)	Friday 25th	Rainhall Centre, Barnoldswick *	£ 5.00	Suitability: 5+ / Family
3.00pm (50 min)	Saturday 26th	Girls' High School	£ 5.00	

FESTIVAL DIARY

Friday 25th




6.00	Festival Opening	Promenade
6.00	Stop	Promenade
6.00	Small Worlds	Town Hall
6.30	3 Pigs	Barnoldswick *
6.30	A Stitch in Time	Settle **
7.00	The Brave Little Tailor	Girls' High School
7.00	Circus Gockelini	Stanelli Tent
8.00	Le Colporteur de Vie	Promenade
9.00	Kamikaze?	Judy Dench Studio

* Rainhall Centre, Barnoldswick - Tel: 01282 818250

** Settle Victoria Theatre, Settle - Tel: 01729 825718

Tickets for these shows: contact venues directly.

Please respect advised age suitability:

-  Family audiences with young children
-  Family audiences
-  Adults and teenagers (13+)



TICKETS / BOX OFFICE:

Ticket Prices:

Family shows: £ 5 (£ 2.50 at Tents)
 Adult shows: £ 8

Concessions:

Family Ticket: £ 18 / £ 8 at Tents
 (Family Ticket is 2+2 or 3+1)

by Phone:

17th August - 25th September
 07851 373 087
 07851 380 649 (Festival Time Only)

Mon & Fri: 12 - 4pm & 5 - 7.30pm
 Wed, Thur, Sat: 12 - 4pm

in Person:

16th - 25th September at the Craven Museum
 Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 12 - 4pm

during the Festival:

Box Office and Information Trailer on Coach
 Street Car Park, next to Promenade

Email:

boxoffice4skiptonfestival@googlemail.com

Post:

Festival Box Office
 75 Gisburn Road
 Barnoldswick
 BB18 5HL

Most tickets for the last 2 festivals sold out
 in advance. Book your tickets early !



CLYDEBUILT PUPPET THEATRE

Fife, Scotland

A STITCH IN TIME



When I was a little girl I used to go and visit my grandmother. There was always the sound of a clock ticking in the corner. The clock came to me from my grandmother, along with a pair of scissors, a glove and her sewing skills.

We follow Rowena through time from a shop to an Irish mountain to a cottage, exploring each with puppets, objects and a passion for embroidery.

A show about the wonderful things we get from our parents and how we pass them on to our children!

www.clydebuiltpuppets.co.uk

6.30pm (50 min)	Friday 25th Settle Victoria Theatre **	£ 5.00	Suitability: 5+ / Family
** For this show book directly with venue - Tel: 01729 825718			



THEATER DAWA

Berlin, Germany

THE BRAVE LITTLE TAILOR

The little Tailor has made it. He's King! Married the Princess and now reigns over half a Kingdom. But how did it all come to this? He remembers his life-changing journey. The first "heroic" act of swatting seven flies, but then came the giants, wild boars and other dangers! And so he became a good and fair King - like the ones we know from Fairytales.

Daniel Wagner will perform this award winning tale for the first time in the UK. We can't wait!



Sponsored by:



www.theater-zitadelle.de

7.00pm (50 min)	Friday 25th	Girls' High School	£ 5.00	Suitability: 5+ / Family
2.30pm (50 min)	Sunday 27th	Girls' High School	£ 5.00	



FUNDUS MARIONETTEN

Dresden, Germany

CIRCUS GOCKELINI



Simple farmer "Haferkorn" has been inspired by the animals of his fields. He has changed his farmer's clothes to a top hat and tails, and now tours the world with his talented troop. Watch Edmund the fox, juggling on a monocycle, Miss Gockelini walking on a rope and the dangerous tricks of Miss Pipsi.

Circus Gockelini performs trick marionettes for the first time in the UK. We are delighted!

www.fundus-marionetten.de

7.00pm (25 min)	Friday 25th	Stanelli Tent	£ 2.50	Suitability: 4+ / Family
11.00am 5.00pm	Saturday 26th	Stanelli Tent	£ 2.50	
2.00pm 4.00pm	Sunday 27th	Stanelli Tent	£ 2.50	



LARBASSONGE

Toulouse, France

STREET
THEATRE

LE COLPORTEUR DE VIE

Le Colporteur de Vie travels the ancient paths of time and arrives out of Nature carrying a suitcase. In the suitcase is a dream that transports him in his life. His burden is heavy but inside him lives something that will help him. In his heart he has the help of innocence.

An experience that leaves you wanting to protect the child within.



<http://www.larbassonge.fr>

8.00pm (35 min)	Friday 25th	Promenade	Free	Suitability: All ages
7.30pm	Saturday 26th	Promenade	Free	
12.30pm 3.00pm	Sunday 27th	Church Garden Promenade	Free	

FESTIVAL DIARY Saturday 26th

10.30	Small Worlds	Town Hall
11.00	Peggy - The Laundry Child	Judy Dench Studio
11.00	Circus Gockelini	Stanelli Tent
11.30	Alice & The White Rabbit	Girls' High School
11.30	Little Red Riding Hood	Skipton Little Theatre
11.30	Bits & Bats	Community Tent
11.30	Stop	Craven Court
12.00	Punch & Judy	Promenade
12.30	Small Worlds	Town Hall
12.30	Puppet Parade	Community Tent
1.00	Stanelli's Super Circus	Stanelli Tent
1.00	Stop	Promenade
1.30	Bits & Bats	Community Tent
1.30	Punch & Judy	Promenade
2.00	Salt	Skipton Little Theatre
2.00	Stanelli's Super Circus	Stanelli Tent
2.00	Bal Populaire	Promenade
2.00	Theatre for One	Craven Court
2.30	Puppet Parade	Community Tent

CONTINENTAL MARKET

Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th

Coach Street Car Park

Continental market traders wearing traditional costumes, from France, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Holland and Poland, will bring you a variety of international flavours to complement the Festival.

Come and tickle your taste buds between shows or find something to take home. Brittany biscuits, Swedish cider, olives, Italian nougat, saucissons, pungent cheeses, tartiflette from the Alps, breads, croissants and local crafts next to the Festival Hub-site.



SCOPITONE

Lorient, France



Cédric Hinguët brings us the story of a fragile character in a crumbling and destructive universe. The show does not mean to find an answer but rather to invite an audience to share its opinion on the manner of how to donate one's spirit and/or one's person to the world.

"Kamikaze?" aims to be a reflection on the value of life and the sometimes radical decisions that it forces us to take. A manipulable story for a manipulating world.

<http://scopitoneetcompagnie.free.fr>

9.00pm (45 min)	Friday 25th Judy Dench Studio	£ 8.00	Suitability: Adults
9.30pm (45 min)	Saturday 26th Judy Dench Studio	£ 8.00	



TABULA RASA

Vienna, Austria

PEGGY - The Laundry Child



Irene Iron irons on her ironing board. She irons mountains and valleys of washing... until someone climbs out from between the sheets.

She tries hard to smooth out bumps, neaten edges and make things right, but everything goes wrong!

A play about love and feeling comfortable, with one puppet, one actress, one musician, one ironing board and much laundry, for people from 3 to 103 years.

"There was so much infectious laughter bubbling around the room, the little ones nearly laughed their socks off!"

11.00am (40 min)	Saturday 26th Judy Dench Studio	£ 5.00	Suitability: 3+ / Family
3.00pm (40 min)	Sunday 27th Skipton Little Theatre	£ 5.00	



INDIGO MOON THEATRE

Beverley, UK

ALICE & THE WHITE RABBIT



Join Alice on her magical adventure as she chases the White Rabbit back in time. A fantastic spiraling journey into Wonderland.

Watch her change in size in this dream-like adaptation, using projection and giant shadows. Inspired by Lewis Carroll's classic and the original "white rabbit statue" in St. Mary's Church, Beverley. On her journey she meets the Cheshire Cat and the March Hare at the Mad Hatter's tea party - but beware the Queen of Hearts or you might just lose your head!

www.indigomoontheatre.com

11.30am (50 min)	Saturday 26th Girls' High School	£ 5.00	Suitability: 5+ / Family
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OBJECTS DART

London, UK

LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

A naughty little girl with her red hoodie is coming through the wood to visit her granny. Will she talk to the wolf? She'd better not, or the wolf might eat her!

Granny's shopping trolley is full of strange objects, and they come in handy when telling the story.

Simply charming story-telling full of fun, magic and singing, and using 'instant puppetry' - everyday objects are turned into characters and scenery before your eyes!



www.objectsdart.info

11.30am (45 min)	Saturday 26th Skipton Little Theatre	£ 5.00	Suitability: 3+ / Family
12.00noon (45 min)	Sunday 27th Skipton Little Theatre	£ 5.00	

Saturday Diary continued...

3.00	3 Pigs	Girls' High School
3.00	Skipton Skippers	Promenade
3.30	Flagcrackers of Craven	Promenade
3.30	Hands On	Community Tent
4.00	The Ugly Duckling	Judy Dench Studio
4.00	The Key in the Sea	Stanelli Tent
4.30	Punch & Judy	Promenade
4.30	Puppet Parade	Community Tent
5.00	Circus Gockelini	Stanelli Tent
5.00	Stop	Promenade
6.00	Small Worlds	Town Hall
7.00	Dangerous Dave	Promenade
7.30	Le Colporteur de Vie	Promenade
8.00	The Seas of Organillo	Ermysted's School
9.30	Kamikaze?	Judy Dench Studio



SKIPTON SKIPPERS

Get jiggling with the "Skipton Skippers".



Jig dolls are being revived in Skipton as part of a school & community project organised with SWADFAS, 'Extended Schools' and Skipton Girls' High School.

So what are Jig dolls?

These jiggling puppets have been a popular street entertainment for centuries. Normally carved and loose limbed, controlled on a

board by one horizontal string or rod, these erratically frisking figures have been seen throughout Europe, Asia and Africa.

See them demonstrated and doing a group jig on Saturday and Sunday alongside their Folk Art cousins:

"Flagcrackers of Craven".

(Saturday only)

Learn more about Jig Dolls by visiting the exhibition at the **Craven Museum** from August - September.

At the Promenade

Saturday 26th at 3pm (3.30pm Flagcrackers)
Sunday 27th at 2pm



LONDON SCHOOL OF PUPPETRY

Various Nationalities

BITS & BATS

From: The London School of Puppetry



'The London School of Puppetry' is proud to present a bunch of varied characters with snippets from Shakespeare to Fairy Tales, using gloves, marionettes and more!

Join them for a unique moment where laughter, surprise and dreams lead the way.

Why not have a go at moving some puppets yourself during the informal **"Hands-on"** sessions?

www.londonschoolofpuppetry.com

Performances: (25 min)

11.30am 1.30pm	Saturday 26th	Community Tent	Free	Suitability: All ages
11.30am 1.30pm	Sunday 27th	Community Tent	Free	

Hands-on sessions: (30 min)

3.30pm 2.30pm	Saturday 26th	Community Tent	Free	Suitability: All ages
	Sunday 27th	Community Tent		



STREET
THEATRE

PROF GLYN EDWARDS

Far Forest, UK

PUNCH & JUDY



The ever popular uproarious Punch & Judy Show with all the trimmings.

After performances at the Victoria & Albert Museum, Covent Garden, Moscow, Naples, Houston Texas, Bristol Zoo, Brighton Beach and other thrilling places Prof Glyn Edwards has finally arrived in Skipton!

* These are free shows. However there will be a voluntary collection for 'York & North Yorkshire Community Foundation' charity.

www.punch-and-judy.com

12.00noon 1.30pm 4.30pm (25 min)	Saturday 26th	Promenade	Free *	Suitability: All ages
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PRESTO PUPPETS

Buxton, UK

PUPPET PARADE

A colourful, fast moving puppet variety show with a host of glamorous half life-size trick marionettes.

"PUPPET PARADE" established "Presto Puppets" as a truly international company, the show being acclaimed by American, French, German, Italian and Dutch audiences.

This show has been featured on television and presented in top theatres and in variety shows supporting the stars of the entertainment world.



www.prestopuppets.co.uk

12.30pm 2.30pm 4.30pm (25 min)	Saturday 26th	Community Tent	£ 2.50	Suitability: All ages
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UPFRONT PUPPET THEATRE

Cumbria, UK

STANELLI'S SUPER CIRCUS

A great success at the last festival ... we had to ask them back!

Come and see the late Stan Parker's world famous circus marionettes come to life once more in these thrilling short performances.

Enjoy the ferocious lion, the highly skilled elephant and great acrobatics by cheeky monkeys...

Take your seats!



www.up-front.com

1.00pm 2.00pm (30 min)	Saturday 26th	Stanelli Tent	£ 2.50	Suitability: All ages
11.00am 12.00noon (30 min)	Sunday 27th	Stanelli Tent	£ 2.50	

FESTIVAL DIARY

Sunday 27th

10.30	Journey of Turtle	Girls' High School
10.30	Small Worlds	Town Hall
11.00	Stanelli's Super Circus	Stanelli Tent
11.30	Bits & Bats	Community Tent
11.30	Punch & Judy	Promenade
11.30	Stop	Craven Court
12.00	Little Red Riding Hood	Skipton Little Theatre
12.00	Stanelli's Super Circus	Stanelli Tent
12.00	Bal Populaire	Promenade
12.30	The Ugly Duckling	Judy Dench Studio
12.30	Small Worlds	Town Hall
12.30	The Key in the Sea	Community Tent
12.30	Le Colporteur de Vie	Trinity Church Gardens
1.00	Stop	Promenade
1.30	Bits & Bats	Community Tent
1.30	Punch & Judy	Promenade
1.30	Theatre for One	Craven Court
2.00	Circus Gockelini	Stanelli Tent
2.00	Skipton Skippers	Promenade



FESTIVAL PRE-VIEW
20th September !

THINGUMAJIG THEATRE
at
BOLTON ABBEY

YESHE THE YAK

Is it a sheep, is it a cow, no it's Yeshe a gigantic Yak! Find her wandering around the Priory Ruins at Bolton Abbey (11am) and later resting outside the Cavendish Pavilion (2.30pm).

THE MYSTERY OF THE SOCK SNATCHER

Join Lefty the Sock in his heroic search for his partner and "sole" mate. A whimsical and captivating "sock-puppet" show, suitable for the whole family.
1pm and 4.30pm at the Cavendish Pavilion.

Normal parking entrance applies.
www.boltonabbey.com



OBJECTS DART
London, UK

SALT

Ivan the Ninny's two older brothers are much cleverer than him - everybody just laughs at him because he is stupid. But one day he sails across the salty sea in a boat made of rubbish, and when he finds an island of salt he makes a fortune and manages to marry a princess!

The contents of a picnic hamper come to life to tell the story of Ivan the Ninny, his two brothers, and why salt is important.



www.objectsdart.info

2.00pm (45 min)	Saturday 26th Skipton Little Theatre	£ 5.00	Suitability: 3+ / Family
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STREET
THEATRE

PLANSJET
Kinrooi, Belgium

BAL POPULAIRE



Two strolling players arrive and unpack their cart loaded with puppets. Meet a host of beautifully made wooden marionettes. There is a stilt-walker, a pirate, a skeleton and jig dolls dancing to traditional tunes from 'Flandren' played by Mieke on the hurdy-gurdy.

Plansjet have been delighting audiences on the streets throughout Europe for more than 20 years bringing people back to a gentle and enthralling world of pre-industrial entertainment.

www.plansjet.com

2.00pm (50 min)	Saturday 26th	Promenade	Free	Suitability: All ages
12.00noon (50 min)	Sunday 27th	Promenade	Free	



BRODYACHAYA SOBACHKA

St. Petersburg, Russia

THE UGLY DUCKLING

The ensemble interprets Andersen's tale with table-top puppets. The animals are reduced to their characteristic features and particular ways of moving. The language is their own. Their natural sounds convincingly tell the story, because the director, scenographer and puppeteers really know their trade.

This is sublime puppetry. The essence of this story is captured in it's purest form.

Visual poetry!

What a treat to have them here in Skipton. Enjoy!



Sponsored by:



www.puppettheatre.spb.ru

4.00pm (45 min)	Saturday 26th Judy Dench Studio	£ 5.00	Suitability: 5+ / Family
12.30pm (45 min)	Sunday 27th Judy Dench Studio	£ 5.00	



FLOTSAM & JETSAM

London, UK



THE KEY IN THE SEA

Princess Brunhilde runs away from home fed up with being ignored by her parents. She has to spend the night in a tower by the sea, not knowing that a greedy sea monster fancies her as a snack.

Knut, a courageous fisherman who lives on an island in the middle of the Seven Seas, finds a message in a bottle with Brunhilde's cry for help. But who will eventually be the hero of the day?

Puppetry performed in an authentic medieval way!

www.theatrumelasticum.dk

4.00pm (30 min)	Saturday 26th Stanelli Tent	£ 2.50	Suitability: 4+ / Family
12.30pm 3.30pm	Sunday 27th Community Tent	£ 2.50	

Sunday Diary continued...

2.30	The Brave Little Tailor	Girls' High School
2.30	Small Worlds	Town Hall
2.30	Hands-On	Community Tent
2.30	Stop	Promenade
3.00	Peggy - The Laundry Child	Skipton Little Theatre
3.00	Le Colporteur de Vie	Promenade
3.30	Fishy Wishes	Judy Dench Studio
3.30	The Key in the Sea	Community Tent
4.00	Circus Gockelini	Stanelli Tent
4.00	Punch & Judy	Promenade
4.30	Dangerous Dave	Promenade



The Ugly Duckling

WALTER WILKINSON
(Exhibition at The Narrow Boat)

Puppeteer and writer Walter Wilkinson 1889-1970, wandered through Yorkshire during the late 1920s performing his hand puppets. In 1931 he wrote "Puppets in Yorkshire", a record of the trip, containing a social commentary on the way he saw the world changing in that era. It was in a time of financial crisis and when the world was moving towards greater industrialisation, away from the more simple values by which he aimed to live.

This exhibition also charts the journey by bicycle of Gil Richardson in Summer 2009, as she follows the route of Walter Wilkinson in an attempt to see how much things have changed. Gil's photographs of people and places en route are displayed with the vibrant landscapes of Philip Spellacy MA, a visual artist who has also performed as a puppeteer for 40 years, and set out to record his own unique vision of the journey.

This project was undertaken to support the work of the York & North Yorkshire Community Foundation .

Here's Old Punch



STREET
THEATRE

NOISY OYSTER
Somerset, UK

DANGEROUS DAVE

Dangerous Dave, infinitely more 'daft' than 'dangerous', and his ridiculous sidekick 'Herbert Lemon' present some of the most mind-bendingly silly stunts ever attempted...

Performed in an inimitable street theatre style, complete with participation from the audience.



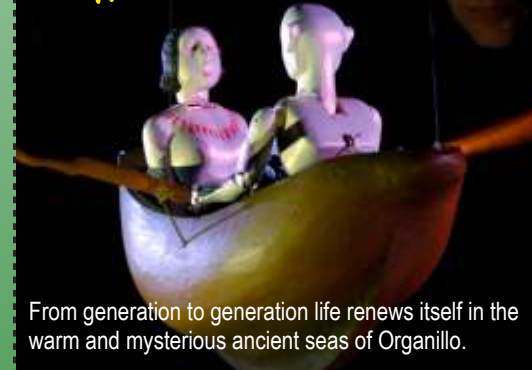
www.noisyoyster.co.uk

7.00pm (35 min)	Saturday 26th	Promenade	Free	Suitability: All ages
4.30pm (35 min)	Sunday 27th	Promenade	Free	



STEPHEN MOTTRAM
Oxfordshire, UK

THE SEAS OF ORGANILLO



From generation to generation life renews itself in the warm and mysterious ancient seas of Organillo.

Stephen Mottram conjures up a beautiful, sexy world to tell this oldest of all stories. His puppets swim and wriggle their way through our deepest Freudian oceans.

With astonishing music created with multiple recordings of a miniature street organ - an 'Organillo'.

"A richly suggestive encounter, "Organillo" promises to hypnotise audiences through the nooks and crannies of their consciousness."

Time Out

8.00pm (70 min)	Saturday 26th Ermysted's School	£ 8.00	Suitability: Adults
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LEMPEN PUPPET THEATRE

Skipton, UK

JOURNEY OF TURTLE



An imaginative, evolutionary journey of this most fascinating and ancient creature.

In the beginning turtle was shiny and fast, always impatient, always in a hurry, but then one day he had a terrible accident...

A beautiful story about following your dream, told with shadows, table-top puppets and traditional storytelling.

Lempen Puppet Theatre tour all over the UK and Europe. Here you can see them 'at home'!

www.lempen.co.uk

10.30am (50 min)	Sunday 27th	Girls' High School	£ 5.00	Suitability: 5+ / Family
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STORYBOX THEATRE

Bristol, UK

PUNCH & JUDY

Rod Burnett presents his "Original Punch & Judy Show" for the first time in Skipton.

He is regarded as one of the leading exponents of the art of Punch & Judy with his show steeped in the traditions of Commedia Del Arte and performed with hilarious, irreverent and sometimes shocking black humour. Enjoy! ...oh yes you will!!!



* These are free shows. However there will be a voluntary collection for 'York & North Yorkshire Community Foundation' charity.

www.storyboxtheatre.co.uk

11.30am 1.30pm 4.00pm (25 min)	Sunday 27th	Promenade	Free *	Suitability: All ages
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"FACES IN SPACES" Festival Competition



Stretch the muscle of your imagination and look around for faces in spaces!

Perhaps a cloud, a stone or the shape of a mechanical object. People can make funny faces, but so can things. They don't tell about it though, they wait to be discovered.

When you find an interesting face in a space, take a photograph and email to the festival.

The only rules are that the face must be discovered and not created for the photograph.

The best will be seen on screens during the Festival weekend. The winning face will receive a wonderful prize of a meal for 4 at **The Narrow Boat Pub** and **Free Tickets** to the show of your choice.

Final Date to enter competition:

18th September 09

Send photos to:

admin@skiptonpuppetfestival.co.uk

DROP IN WORKSHOPS

with

Scottish Mask & Puppet Centre
at Skipton Town Hall

Sat. & Sun. 10.30am - 4pm £ 1.50



Come and enjoy lots of festival puppet making fun at our drop-in workshop.

We'll help you design and make your very own puppet to take home. All materials will be supplied with lots of bits and bobs to choose from for eyes, noses, hair, mouths, hats, costumes and much much more.... What character will you make?

MASK & PUPPET BOOK STALL

at Skipton Town Hall

Saturday & Sunday 10.30am - 4pm

During the festival visit the book stall by Scottish Mask & Puppet Centre. An excellent opportunity to buy from this extensive collection of books.

For more information:
www.maskandpuppetbooks.co.uk



BLACK CAT THEATRE

Cowling, UK

FISHY WISHES



A good woman discovers that when wishes come true they don't always bring what you want.

A great adaptation of a tale by the Brothers Grimm performed with table-top puppets and colourful shadows.

Locally based Black Cat Theatre, have been telling traditional tales with puppets and imaginative shadow work since 1985.

www.blackcat-theatre.co.uk

3.30pm
(50 min)

Sunday 27th
Judy Dench Studio

£ 5.00

Suitability:
5+ / Family

Other Street Performances

These non-scheduled walkabouts and mini-theatres are happening periodically over the festival week-end. Keep your eyes open!

STREET
THEATRE

VERONICA & YESHE

Thingumajig Theatre

Saturday & Sunday



Veronica is somewhere between llama and feather duster, a mythical creature. She is very nimble and loves to play and dance with children of all ages.

Yeshe is a gentle, curious yak. He's very fond of children especially those who might carefully stroke his nose or tickle his fringe.

STREET
THEATRE

LATIN HORSES

Cusan Theatre Productions

Sunday

A tremendous success at the last festival in 2007! The cheeky horses are once more back in town!

Keep an imaginary sugar lump in your pocket.



STREET
THEATRE

THE RICKSHAW

Clive Chandler & Martin Reeves

Saturday & Sunday



Two bemused and bemusing old gents are peddled by their silent butler, Hobson, and insist on talking to passersby in a ridiculous attempt to make sense of the world around them. If you look carefully you will see that Hobson is actually a puppet...

STREET
THEATRE

THEATRE FOR ONE

Handheld Theatre & others

Saturday & Sunday



Take the view of the Gods and watch Jason before he met his Argonauts and embarked on the quest for the Golden Fleece.

A surprisingly cute piece of mini-theatre inspired by Greek myth.

A 3 minute theatre experience for only one person at a time plus curious onlookers.

STREET
THEATRE

JABBERWOCKY

Rough Magic Theatre

Sunday

Jabberwocky, Lewis Carroll's epic nonsense poem, is brought to life using a shadow puppet suitcase theatre and live singing in this enchanting and unusual performance for all ages.



STREET
THEATRE

LADY LUCINDA

by 'Noisy Oyster'

Saturday & Sunday

Watch Lady Lucinda, mingle and mumble her way through the crowd accompanied by her ever vigilant bodyguards Ben and Beverley.



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- 4** Ermysted's School
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- 6** Skipton Little Theatre
- 7** Community Tent
- 8** Stanelli Tent
- 9** Promenade
- 10** Craven Court
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