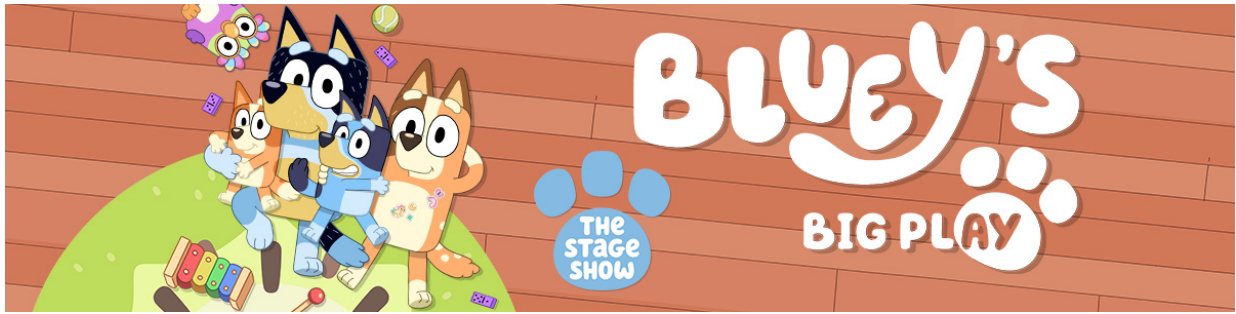


Press Release



WACKADOO! EMMY-NOMINATED PHENOMENON *BLUEY* WILL TOUR 50+ VENUES ACROSS AUSTRALIA WITH ITS FIRST EVER LIVE STAGE SHOW!

TICKETS NOW ON SALE! FOR FULL VENUE DETAILS VISIT:

www.blueylive.com.au

It's time to get up close and personal with the much-adored Queensland Heeler family who will be coming to a theatre near you with *Bluey's Big Play – The Stage Show*. The number one kids' show on Australian TV is touring to over 50 theatres across Australia from May 2020, with its world premiere at Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC). See www.blueylive.com.au for full tour dates.

See Bluey, Bingo, Mum and Dad as you've never seen them before... Join The Heelers in their first live theatre show created just for you with puppetry, live actors and iconic Australian sets. It's a little bit different and a little bit beautiful.

Bluey's Big Play is an original story written by *Bluey's* creator Joe Brumm with new music created by Brisbane's Beethoven and *Bluey* composer, Joff Bush. This is an experience you can only take home with you in your memory so please remember to bring that along with your tickets.

Bluey's Big Play is presented by BBC Studios and Andrew Kay in association with QPAC's *Out Of The Box* and Windmill Theatre Co.

The show's director, Rosemary Myers said, "*Like the rest of Australia, we love Bluey and it's a thrill and a privilege to bring these brilliant characters into the three dimensional world.*"

Bluey is the #1 program on ABC iview ever. Since its launch in October 2018 *Bluey* has had over 200 million program plays*.

Bluey also won a Logie for 'Most Outstanding Children's Program' in 2019 and is nominated for an International Emmy Kids Award. Last year, BBC Studios announced a partnership with Disney which will see the first two series rolling out across the world (excluding Australia, New Zealand and Greater China including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan). The series is now airing in the US, Canada UK, New Zealand and Greater China.

Bluey is produced by the Emmy® award-winning Ludo Studio for ABC KIDS and is co-commissioned by ABC Children's and BBC Studios. Both series received production support from the Australian Government through Screen Australia, and Queensland Government through Screen Queensland.

* Source: Oz TAM Plays (Begin Events)

National Tour details over page.

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NATIONAL TOUR DETAILS www.blueylive.com.au

QUEENSLAND

BRISBANE, Playhouse, QPAC
29 May – 7 June
Bookings: www.qpac.com.au

MARYBOROUGH, Brolga Theatre
9 – 10 June
Bookings:
<https://www.ourfrasercoast.com.au/Brolga-Theatre>

BUNDABERG, Moncrieff Entertainment Centre
11 – 12 June
Bookings: <https://www.artsbundaberg.com.au/>

GLADSTONE, Gladstone Entertainment
& Convention Centre
13 – 14 June
Bookings: <https://gladstoneentertainment.com/>

ROCKHAMPTON, Pilbeam Theatre
16 – 17 June
Bookings: <https://www.seeitlive.com.au/Home>

TOOWOOMBA, Empire Theatre
19 – 20 June
Bookings: <https://www.empiretheatre.com.au/>

GOLD COAST, The Star
21 June
Bookings: <https://www.star.com.au/goldcoast/>

TOWNSVILLE, Civic Theatre
29 – 30 September
Bookings:
<http://whatson.townsville.qld.gov.au/categories/tickets-hop>

CAIRNS, Performing Arts Centre
2 – 4 October
Bookings: <https://www.cairns.qld.gov.au/cpac>

CALOUNDRA, The Events Centre
26 & 27 January 2021
Bookings: <https://theeventscentre.com.au/>

NSW / ACT

LISMORE, City Hall
23 – 24 June
Bookings: <https://lismorecityhall.com.au/>

PORT MACQUARIE, Glasshouse
25 – 26 June
Bookings: <https://www.glasshouse.org.au>

NSW / ACT

GOSFORD, Laycock Street Theatre
28 June
Bookings: www.gosford.nsw.gov.au/theatres

SYDNEY, Parade Theatre, NIDA
7 – 12 July
Bookings: www.ticketek.com.au

SYDNEY, Coliseum Theatre, West HQ
14 – 19 July
Bookings: <https://sydneycoliseum.com.au/>

CHATSWOOD, The Concourse Theatre
21 – 23 July
Bookings: <https://theconcourse.com.au/>

CANBERRA, Canberra Theatre Centre
24 – 26 July
Bookings: <https://canberratheatrecentre.com.au/>

WAGGA WAGGA, Civic Theatre
28 – 29 July
Bookings: <https://civictheatre.com.au/>

GRIFFITH, Regional Theatre
30 July
Bookings: www.griffithregionalthatre.com.au

ORANGE, Civic Theatre
31 July
Bookings: <https://www.orange.nsw.gov.au/theatre/>

BATHURST, Memorial Entertainment Centre
1 – 2 August
Bookings: <https://www.bmec.com.au>

DUBBO, Regional Theatre & Convention Centre
4 – 5 August
Bookings: <https://www.drcc.com.au/>

NEWCASTLE, The Civic Theatre
16 – 18 September
Bookings: <https://civictheatrenewcastle.com.au/>

WOLLONGONG, Ipac, IMB Theatre
11 – 14 August
Bookings: <https://merrigong.com.au/>

SHOALHAVEN, Entertainment Centre
15 – 16 August
Bookings: <https://shoalhavenentertainment.com.au/>

ALBURY, Entertainment Centre
11 September
Bookings: <https://alburyentertainmentcentre.com.au/>

VICTORIA

MELBOURNE, State Theatre, Arts Centre Melbourne
30 June - 5 July
Bookings: <https://www.artscentremelbourne.com.au/>

SALE, The Wedge PAC
19 August
Bookings: <https://thewedge.com.au/>

MOONEE PONDS, The Clocktower
20 – 21 August
Bookings: <https://www.clocktowercentre.com.au/>

SOUTH MORANG, Plenty Ranges Arts &
Convention Centre
22 – 23 August
Bookings: <https://www.pracc.com.au/>

FRANKSTON, Arts Centre
25 – 27 August
Bookings: <https://artscentre.frankston.vic.gov.au/>

NARRE WARREN, Bunjil Place
28 – 30 August
Bookings: <https://www.bunjilplace.com.au/>

WANGARATTA, Performing Arts Centre
12 September
Bookings: <https://wangerattapac.com.au/>

WARRAGUL, West Gippsland Arts Centre
13 September
Bookings: <http://www.wgac.com.au/>

MILDURA, Arts Centre
25 October
Bookings: <http://www.milduraartscentre.com.au/>

WARRNAMBOOL, Lighthouse Theatre
29 October
Bookings: <https://www.lighthousetheatre.com.au/>

SHEPPARTON, Riverlinks
1 November
Bookings: <http://riverlinksvenues.com.au/>

BENDIGO, Ulumbarra Theatre
3 – 4 November
Bookings: <https://www.bendigoregion.com.au/arts-culture-theatres/space/ulumbarra-theatre>

BALLARAT, Her Majesty's Theatre
5 – 6 November
Bookings: <http://hermaj.com/>

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

ADELAIDE Festival Centre, Her Majesty's Theatre
22 – 26 September
Bookings: <https://www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au/>

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

WHYALLA NORRIE, Middleback Arts Centre
17 – 18 October
Bookings: <https://www.countryarts.org.au/venues/middleback-arts-centre/>

NOARLUNGA, Hopgood Theatre
21 – 22 October
Bookings: <https://www.countryarts.org.au/venues/hopgood-theatre/>

REMARK, Chaffey Theatre
23 – 24 October
Bookings: <https://www.countryarts.org.au/venues/chaffey-theatre/>

MOUNT GAMBIER, Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre
28 October
Bookings: <https://www.countryarts.org.au/venues/sir-robert-helpmann-theatre/>

TASMANIA

LAUNCESTON, Theatre North at the Princess
2 September
Bookings: <https://theatrenorth.com.au/>

HOBART, Wrest Point
4 – 6 September
Bookings: <https://www.wrestpoint.com.au/>

NORTHERN TERRITORY

DARWIN, Entertainment Centre
7 – 9 October
Bookings: <https://www.yourcentre.com.au/>

ALICE SPRINGS, Araluen Arts Centre
13 – 15 October
Bookings: <https://araluenartscentre.nt.gov.au/>

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

PERTH, Crown Perth
2 – 9 January 2021
Bookings: <https://www.crownperth.com.au/entertainment/live-theatre>

GERALDTON, Queens Park Theatre
12 January 2021
Bookings: <https://qpt.cgg.wa.gov.au/home.aspx>

BUNBURY, Regional Entertainment Centre
14 – 15 January 2021
Bookings: <https://www.bunburyentertainment.com/>

ALBANY, Entertainment Centre
16 January 2021
Bookings: <https://www.ptt.wa.gov.au/venues/albany-entertainment-centre/>

NOTES TO EDITORS

About BBC Studios

BBC Studios, a global content company with British creativity at its heart, is a commercial subsidiary of the BBC Group. Able to take an idea seamlessly from thought to screen, it spans content financing, development, production, sales, branded services, and ancillaries from both its own productions and programmes and formats made by high-quality UK independents. Award-winning British programmes made by the business are internationally recognised across a broad range of genres and specialisms, including factual, drama, entertainment and comedy. BBC Studios has offices in 22 markets globally, including six production bases in the UK and production bases and partnerships in a further nine countries around the world. The company, which makes around 2,500 hours of content a year, is a champion for British creativity around the world and a committed partner for the UK's independent sector. Created in April 2018 by the merger of two existing commercial subsidiaries, BBC Worldwide and BBC Studios, the company has revenue of around £1.4bn. In the year to March 2019, it returned £243m to the BBC Group, complementing the BBC's licence fee and enhancing programmes for UK audiences.

About BBC Studios APAC

Covering Australia, New Zealand and 23 countries across the Asia region, BBC Studios APAC is overseen by EVP Jon Penn. Operating from eight offices, with its main bases in Sydney, Beijing and Singapore, BBC Studios APAC comprises of Content Sales and Co-productions, Branded Services, Production, Format Sales, Consumer Products and Live Events.

The BBC Studios business in Australia and New Zealand wholly owns seven channels: BBC First, BBC UKTV, BBC Earth and CBeebies on Foxtel and Fetch TV in Australia; BBC Living (shortly to be replaced by BBC Brit) on Fetch TV; and BBC UKTV and BBC Earth on Sky TV in New Zealand. It distributes great British content from the BBC and other British producers to free-to-air, subscription channels and SVOD platforms and works with partners to bring BBC Studios DVDs, consumer products and live events to the local market. The production arm in Sydney produces BBC formats for the local market and creates new IP.

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About Ludo Studio

Ludo is a multi Emmy[®] and Logie award winning Australian studio that creates and produces original scripted drama, animation and digital stories that are authored by incredible local talent, distributed globally and loved by audiences everywhere.

ludostudio.com.au

About Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC)

Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) is located within Queensland's vibrant cultural precinct at South Bank, Brisbane, Australia. The Centre is focused on creating a world where the performing arts matter to everyone. QPAC is not only a theatre venue, it is a producer, an investor, a presenter and a public place for live performance with an aspiration to reach audiences across the state of Queensland and attract visitors from interstate and overseas. Last financial year QPAC welcomed over 1.5 million visitors to more than 1,200 performances.

QPAC's Out of the Box has played a leading role in Australia in developing children's performing arts programming, commissioning over 100 new works during the Festival's history and connecting arts and education.

qpac.com.au

About HVK Productions

HVK Productions is part of the Andrew Kay group of companies, an international theatre Producer and concert Promoter based in Melbourne, Australia. Andrew Kay AM has presented, produced and co-produced countless award-winning theatrical, musical and live stage events. Andrew has been one of Australia's leading producers and presenters of children's theatre including "Hi-5", "Bananas in Pyjamas", "Cat in The Hat", "Giggle and Hoot", "Hairy Maclary", "The Fairies", "LazyTown", "ABC Christmas Spectaculars" "Horrible Histories - Awful Egyptians" and "Barmy Britain", "We're Going on a Bear Hunt". Most recently he has produced the very popular "Dan TDM Live" and multiple tours of "Operation Ouch Live" and Steve Backshall's "Deadly 60 Live".

Other notable artists presented include three-time Grammy winners the Soweto Gospel Choir, Kathleen Battle, Nigel Kennedy, Kevin McCloud, Yehudi Menuin, David Helfgott, Maggie Smith, Ian McKellen, Patricia Routledge, Wynton Marsalis and Louis Theroux.

akaaustralia.com.au

About Windmill Theatre Company

Based in Adelaide, South Australia, Windmill Theatre Company has a global reputation as a leading producer of theatre for children, teenagers and families. Each year the company performs in its hometown, and tours across Australia and around the world. Over the last 17 years, Windmill has presented 63 productions including 36 brand new Australian works, performing to young audiences in 287 cities and towns across 30 countries.

windmill.org.au