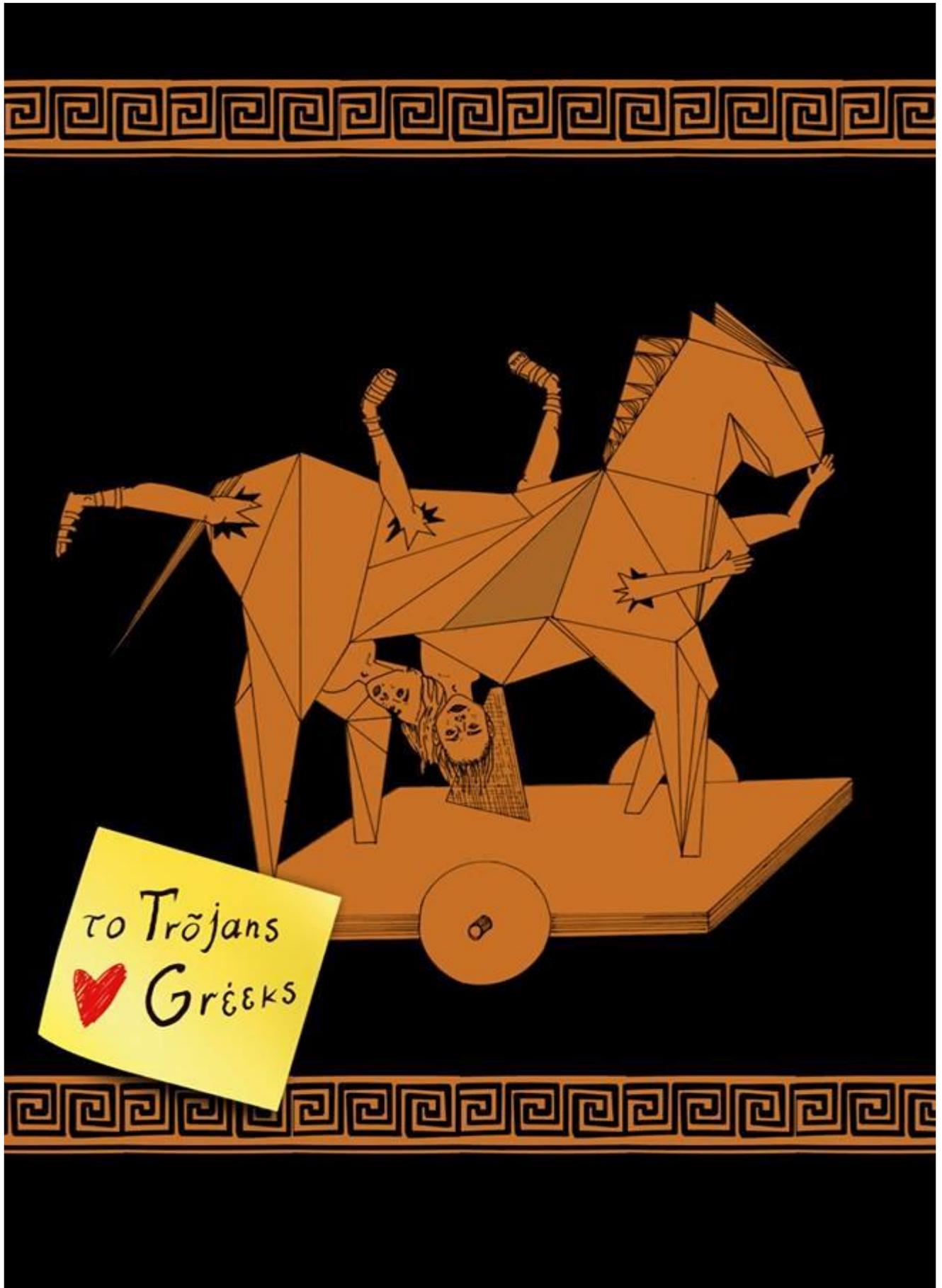


The Shodyssey

Written and Produced by Drake's Drummers Theatre Company Ltd



About

Troy – Something BC. A young bull herder accidentally eats a golden apple. Three Goddesses aren't happy. And then 10 years later a city burns.

Obviously, a lot happens in between these points and several important things happened before, all of which will be revealed for the first time in a millennium. Join Hector, Priam, Cassandra, Paris, Agamemnon, Menelaus, Odysseus, Achilles, Patroclus, Athena, Hera, Aphrodite, Hermes, Ajax, Hades, Hercules, Perseus, Iouulus, Telemachus and of course Helen as they take you on a journey through the Trojan War as you've never seen it before. The sort-of truth behind Achilles heel, the dog that launched a thousand ships, the twelve accidental labours of Hercules and more will be revealed as the history of one of the most important conflicts of the ancient world comes to life.

Let Drake's Drummers Theatre Company transport you to ancient Greece, so you can experience the lives of these great heroes and experience and accurate(ish) portrayals of history in way you never have before.

Press

"A very funny 60-minute romp through mythology with much stomping about and clattering of swords. There's carnage, chaos and a huge amount of humour as five Drake's Drummers populate Greece, Troy and a doorless wooden horse."

Rated in British Theatre Guides top South West Picks of 2017

British Theatre Guide

"Sound crazy? It is. It is also ridiculously funny, from the crossovers (Brutus and Lady Macbeth comparing bloody hands, Romeo and Ophelia commiserating together over the difficulties of their relationships) to the pop culture references...It won't matter if you only know one Shakespeare play or all thirty seven; you will find something to amuse you in Drake's Drummers Theatre Company's original, well crafted, wonderfully silly script."

#1 comedy of the Edinburgh Fringe in Broadway Baby's Top 10 list, Edfringe 2015

Broadway Baby [Shakespeare's Avengers Assembleth: Age of Oberon]

Industry

"The company not only presented a highly entertaining production which sold out, but also were hugely supportive in ensuring the smooth running of the space and bringing in an audience to a new pop-up theatre scheme."

Dan Baker

Creative Producer, Barbican Theatre Plymouth

"Their [Drake's Drummers] work is of an impeccably high standard and the shows that we have hosted have always been reviewed fantastically and been very well attended by audience members - no mean feat at the Fringe."

Darren Neale

Venue Director, Greenside Venues Ltd

"Shakespeare's Avengers Assembleth: Age of Oberon was a delight to welcome to our theatre: refreshingly sophisticated and crazy, the company performed with ease leaving the audience roaring with laughter. Audience polls show they would very much like to see this production again!"

Natalia Berrett

Artistic Director, Re:Act and Somerset Fringe

The Company

Drake's Drummers Theatre Company are an award winning new writing company based out of Plymouth. Having been formed in 2014, the company have gone on to have success at several national and international festivals as well produce theatre for a local and national stage. In 2016 their critically acclaimed comedy Shakespeare's Avengers Assembleth: Age of Oberon completed a 32-date national tour. In 2017 they produced the first Plymouth Waterfront

Theatre Festival in collaboration with Plymouth City Council, as well as performing across the South-West. In 2018 they are set to bring Shakespeare's Avengers Assemble: All's War that Ends War to Shakespeare's Birthplace and tour throughout the summer and autumn. The Shodysey was originally commissioned by New Model Theatre and was revised in 2017 for the Waterfront Theatre Festival, it is now set to tour.

Company Members:

Plum Grosvenor-Stevenson – Plum is a graduate of the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama and has toured across the UK and Europe as an actor, he is a founder member of Drake's Drummers.

Cal Moffat – Cal studied at the University of Plymouth and has worked in outreach work with Balik Arts across the continent. He is the other founder member of Drake's Drummers.

Anastasios Chalas – Tassos grew up on the Island of Andros in Greece before moving to study in Athens and subsequently Plymouth. He is the director of Thespis Project Theatre and sits on the board of director for the Underground Theatre, Plymouth.

Josephine Helen – Jose trained on the Musical Theatre course at Chichester University, she toured the UK with Wonder Productions. This is Jose's first show with Drake's Drummers.

Touring Specs

The show is very tech light and can be toured in professional theatres to village halls and outdoor spaces. It needs a simple PA system to run, however if this is unavailable we can travel with our own (this will need to be discussed in advance).

Additional Information

Marketing Tools

- Print: leaflets (A5) and posters (varying sizes)
- E-flyer: PDF format
- Production Shots: Downloadable via Dropbox
- Press release: Word document via email
- Twitter: @assembleth
- Facebook: Drake's Drummers Theatre Company
- Website: www.drakesdrummers.co.uk

Audience Outreach

We have a combined 12 years' experience of leading workshops across a variety of age ranges. We can tailor sessions for ages 6+. We can provide workshops on one or more of the following areas: History of Greek Mythology, Greek Mythology and the Wooden Horse. Workshops use original texts as stimulus for the participants to prepare devised work and physical comedy under tutoring by company members. We are happy to deliver lectures concerning Greek Mythology and comedic script writing. We are also able to take part in post-show discussions or Q&A sessions, involving a wide range of topics.

Additional Information

Our prices usually start at £600 per show. However, this is negotiable, and we can operate on guarantees, box office splits or first calls. We currently have two other available touring shows: 'Shakespeare's Avengers Assemble: Age of Oberon' and 'Shakespeare's Avengers Assemble: All's War That Ends War'. More information is available for both upon request.

Contact Information

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