

little bulb

FOUR SEASONS



3+

1 Dec – 7 Jan

RELAXED PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

A Little Bulb production, presented by Bristol Old Vic

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WELCOME TO FOUR SEASONS

INTRODUCTION

Little Bulb Theatre and Bristol Old Vic are very excited to welcome you to our Relaxed Performance of *Four Seasons*.

During these performances we welcome a more relaxed approach inside the performance space and in the front of house areas. This allows everyone to enjoy the show in their own way, whether that includes people's needs to move in and out of The Weston Studio, make noise, or take a bit more time to adjust to their surroundings.

We've gathered some information in this pack about the venue, access, the performance space and the story of *Four Seasons*, which you might find helpful to look at before seeing the show. We hope you enjoy *Four Seasons*.

SHOW NOTES

- *Four Seasons* is approximately 45 minutes long.
- *Four Seasons* is set on the stage with the seating area on three sides. When you come in, you will be directed where to sit.
- There's no right or wrong way to watch *Four Seasons*, we want you to enjoy it! It's ok if you want to make some noise and move around too. Although we do ask you not to walk onto the stage, so that everyone can be safe during the show
- If at any time you would like to take a break you can leave the theatre and come back whenever you're ready. An usher will be there to help you.
- If you need to leave during the show an Usher will ensure you are ok. They can also show you where the toilets are.
- Ushers are good people to go to if you feel worried about anything in the show. You can speak to them before, during or after the performance.

WHO YOU WILL SEE ON STAGE

These are the actors who will appear on stage in *Four Seasons*. There may be times in the show when the actors seem angry or upset, but this is because they are pretending to be their characters.



This is Vic
He is an Actor in
Four Seasons



This is Hanora
She is an Actor in
Four Seasons



This is Amy
She is a Stage Manager
in *Four Seasons*

AN OUTLINE OF THE STORY

PLEASE NOTE THIS CONTAINS SPOILERS

Four Seasons is a story of the seasons and how they take place across a year. We meet lots of animals across the seasons as well as seeing some activities that take place at different times of the year. There is recorded music from Vivaldi *Four Seasons* as well as lots of movement and noises.

WE'VE USED SOME SYMBOLS TO SHOW WHEN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES ARE TAKING PLACE ON STAGE:



FAST MOVEMENT

There are moments when the performers move quickly around the space and the action onstage can be fast-paced. When this happens, we use this symbol.



SAD MOMENTS

There are moments when the actors are distressed or feel sad. When this happens, we use this symbol.



LOUD MOMENTS

There are moments when the actors raise their voice and it gets a bit louder. When this might happen, we use this symbol.

We'll go through the story with you now. Before the show starts, Vic and Hanora will talk to the audience and prepare them to help throughout the show with some elements of audience participation.

SPRING

We see a range of animals, plants and weather that happens in spring.

We meet the farmer and her young dog, Newbie who is learning about looking after the sheep. Hanora and Vic do some Spring Cleaning.

A parcel is delivered. Inside is an acorn. Vic and Hanora plant the acorn and add earth, water and sunshine to help it grow.

- Snowman
- Sun Melting
- Cherry Blossom
- Flower & Lamb

- Ducks & Stream
- Rain (Fan/cloud)
- Boxing Hares
- Dog ears head



SUMMER

The tree has grown. We see a range of animals, plants and weather that happens in summer.

We see the farmer training her dog Newbie who has grown older. Newbie the dog is entered into the Annual Southwest, Best of the Best, Sheepdog Trials. Vic and Hanora go on a Summer Holiday.

- Fly
- Sandwich
- Wasps
- Caterpillar/Butterfly
- Snake/Crow/Cloud

- Lawnmower/Snake
- Stream - Relay baton
- Fish
- Otter



AN OUTLINE OF THE STORY (CONTINUED)

AUTUMN

We see a range of animals, plants and weather that happens in autumn.

We see Newbie at the Sheepdog trials. Someone from the audience is a sheep for Newbie to move. Newbie wins the trial. We see Hanora and Vic picking up leaves, flying a kite and then it is Halloween and they go trick or treating. They have imaginary sparklers and fireworks.

WINTER

We see a range of animals, plants and weather that happens in winter.

Newbie is older now. They look back on the dog's life. We see the strong bond between the Farmer and the dog. Newbie dies. It has snowed. Vic and Hanora play in the snow. They give each other gifts. The story ends – the story tellers take a bow.

Hanora and Vic talk about the seasons being cyclical and it all starting again. There is another delivery for someone in the audience. It's a Piece of paper – this is seed paper to take home and grow. The storytellers take another bow.

- Stags
- Fox/Chicken
- Squirrel
- Hedgehog



- Mushroom
- Snail
- Wild Boar



- Snow
- Mouse
- Owl
- Highland Cow



- Badger
- Robin/Holly
- Swan



Thank you for coming to see *Four Seasons*. We hope you enjoyed the show.

If you have any questions about your visit to Bristol Old Vic or would like to find out more, please contact Bristol Old Vic by email at access@bristololdvic.org.uk or by phone at 0117 987 7877.

You can also find out more on our website at bristololdvic.org.uk/your-visit/access

SET AND LIGHTING

Four Seasons will take place on The Weston Studio stage.

There are lots of lights that are built into the set, and also many that light the stage from above. They can change colour, and sometimes they may flash.

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