

PATRONS ARE DARING TO BE DIFFERENT - 2023 SEASON PROGRAM A WINNER

More people than ever before are daring to be different and taking up season passes with the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre.

The 2023 Season, proudly sponsored by Kings Hall Jewellers, was held on Sunday, 27 November 2022, and since then there has been a 58 per cent increase in the number of subscribers compared to the previous year. The theatre has also surpassed the second highest total for subscriptions in recorded history, which was back in 2012.

Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre Manager Linda Christof said the staff 'couldn't believe it' when they noticed the large subscriber numbers for the season.

"A lot of work goes into developing the artistic program and its heartwarming to see people embrace the theme and dare to be different by selecting shows they wouldn't normally go to," Ms Christof said. With a diverse program of 22 shows featuring local, national and international works, some of the most popular sellers have been The Umbilical Brothers, followed by Wharf Revue: Looking for Albanese, Luke Kidgells Happy Hour and local Dubbo Theatre Company's Jesus Christ Superstar.

All seven school performance for Are We There Yet?, Mr Stink and Possum Magic have also sold out.

"The school shows sold out in record time with local schools and bus groups from other regional areas such as Nyngan, Tullamore, Gulgong, Hermidale, Baradine and Trangie," Ms Christof said.

This year's Dare to be Different theme encapsulates the diversity of shows with the inclusion of several edgy and non mainstream productions normally seen at Fringe Festivals in capital cities.

Ms Christof said there was something for everyone during the season, whether they enjoy musicals, comedy, children's shows, dance, drama or concerts.

"The program includes some classics such as The Romantic Piano, The Australian Ballet and the drama Death of a Salesman but also some exquisite Fringe works such as Maureen: Harbinger of Death and BOOP by Statera Circus."

Ms Christof also acknowledged the theatre sponsors who assist in bringing the quality touring productions to the region as well as keeping ticket prices affordable for residents.

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MAAS as well as our Top Hat Sponsors David Payne Constructions and Marie Astley, Chorus Line Sponsors Dubbo Dental and Duncan McGinness Veterinary Surgeon and Curtain Raiser Sponsor, Burgun & Williams," she said.

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