

Frolicked Nótt

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Commissioned by Stellar Projects
with support from DN Festival of Light
(Right Up Our Street)



TOURING IN 2023 AND 2024

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ABOUT FROLICKED

Frolicked is a theatre company specialising in the creation of highly visual, interactive experiences for outdoor and other unusual locations. We craft unique, beautifully illustrated, hand-made characters, performances and games that engage and captivate audiences of all ages and nationalities. We create memorable moments with strangers from across the continent.


Alongside producing a number of original creatures, characters and performances for festivals and events throughout Europe (and beyond), Frolicked has devised a fantastical series of site specific interventions for a host of cultural organisations.

We have made:

- a darkly different nature trail for woodlands across the Lake District
- bespoke, interactive treasure hunts for Yorkshire Festival, The National Trust at Waddesdon Manor, Scunthorpe Town Council and Stockton International Riverside Festival
- a puppet murder mystery for an abandoned department store in Sheffield (Theatre Deli's Horror Souk) and the old courthouse at Leeds Town Hall (for Leeds Light Night)
- a rat infested commentary on modern life housed inside a caravan-sized wedge of cheese...

Nótt

ABOUT THE SHOW



She walks in beauty, like the night
Of cloudless climes and starry skies,
And all that's best of dark and bright
Meets in her aspect and her eyes;
Thus mellow'd to that tender light
Which Heaven to gaudy day denies.
Lord Byron poem, "She walks in beauty"

In Norse mythology and in very old Scandinavian pagan traditions, Nótt is the goddess of the night; the personification of the night sky.

Using our skills as puppet makers and designers, Frolicked has crafted our own version of Nótt as a spectacular walking puppet sculpture – a moon-carrying, rune-casting, roaming fortune teller, who enchants her audiences with the lightning in her hair, the starlight on her costume, and the gentle sway of the orb she dutifully carries on her back. Our half-sized, Norse-speaking goddess is accompanied by her English-speaking interpreter, a talking crow, who sits in his own enchanted tree. Again from Norse mythology, crows were considered messengers, and when the night raven appeared, he was said to be a captured spirit (hence the ability to communicate with humans). Nótt is not only an unusual and spectacular sight, but she can also read (and hand over) a simple, illustrated fortune as a gift for those who choose to interact with her, mostly giving a tiny hand-drawn glimpse into how the celestial heavens affect our lives on earth.

Both of our eye-catching puppets are operated by hidden puppeteers, cleverly concealed by their costumes. Nótt's manipulator is housed within the inflatable moon she carries and our crow is operated by a puppeteer hidden inside a twisted old tree that can walk with its roots!

Frolicked knows, from experience, that unusual forms of puppetry can appeal to audiences of all ages and defy stereotypical expectations. We are passionate about puppetry and this piece has expanded our work in a new direction, with the addition of simple technology to our unique style of outdoor glove / rod puppetry. In Nótt, we have created a new piece of devised theatre through the production of two original, beautifully constructed characters, that utilise special effects and bespoke lighting.

As the moon and stars appear to travel across our night sky, Nótt will make her way across any identified area of a festival site and will interact with those she encounters (we are happy to be flexible about where she and her companions will appear). Not only is she a beautiful, walking sculpture – the night sky personified in every part of her body and costume (whilst carrying an inflatable moon on her cloudy hair) – she is also able to cast small fortunes, albeit badly (which are haphazardly explained with a hint of humour by her crow counterpart) to anyone who crosses her path...

Please visit www.frolicked.co.uk/our-shows-and-games/nott to find out more.



CREDITS

STRAPLINE

Nótt was commissioned by Stellar Projects with support from DN Festival of Light

A moon-carrying, fortune-telling nighttime goddess is chaperoned by her enchanted companions; her translator, a talking raven who sits in an enchanted tree!

CREATIVE TEAM

Inspired by Nordic legend of old...

Concept by: Beka Haigh

Directed by: Beka Haigh

Making by: Beka Haigh,
Mary O'Neill,
Sue (Soo) Haigh

Supported by: Gareth Price-Baghurst

GUIDANCE

Age guide: 0 - 100!

Running time: 45 minute walkabout show
2 shows per day

Touring: 2023 onwards

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

2 performers

Get in: 2 hours

Get out: 1 hour

Technically self sufficient
(all effects are battery powered)

[For bookings of more than one day, we need accommodation for two people and access to a power supply to charge equipment overnight]

We need parking for a small van close to the performance area and access to the performance area to unload (please provide timings for this)

We need access to a secure ground floor green / dressing room with **double door access**

The performance is a walkabout / roaming piece.

We're happy to discuss the best options for the route for our performance to ensure the best experience for event audiences

We can perform in most weather conditions, except excessive wind and rain. We'll need a wet weather performance alternative that is located away from the elements



THEMES

Children's Literature and Storytelling
Light and night celebrations
Outdoor celebrations

SELLING POINTS

Something different

A modern, high quality puppetry performance piece that appeals to all ages

Introduces a new generation to Nordic fairy tales and literature

The piece is entertaining and inspired by classic Nordic myths and legends

Encourages everyone to look at the night sky differently...

Potential Audiences

Children and their families
Literature enthusiasts
Puppetry enthusiasts

Potential Venues

Parks, Festivals, Village fetes, Town centres,
Libraries, Literature events, Rural touring
Light Nights and Winter Festivals





**For discussion about booking or for more information, please contact:
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