

TRANSPORTED

FEN BOY TOUR

OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2015



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Introduction



Following the success of last year's tour of Fen Boy we are delighted to be bringing the show back to Boston Borough and South Holland to tour more extensively across both districts.

Part of Transported's original aims were to take the arts to places where people live, work and play to really embed arts activities into the local community. This tour is just one way of how Transported is working with local communities to bring high quality art to the residents of Boston and South Holland.

Not all theatre companies want to work in non-traditional theatre spaces so we are really fortunate that Strangeface love the intimacy of smaller spaces and the immediacy of working close up to an audience.

Strangeface are nationally renowned for their high quality work and from the success of last year's performances, we are confident you will enjoy the show.

If you are interested in hosting a similar event in your village please get in touch by contacting TransportedKristina@litc.org.uk or phoning the office on 01406 701006.

**Elaine Knight,
Programme Director, Transported**

**Here's what
some of the
audiences
said last year:**

““ Marvellous!

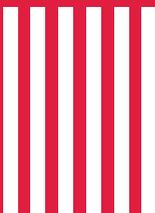
Kept my 6 year old with ADHD enchanted.
Brilliant!

I loved Fen Boy, it was really good and the masks were amazing too. Fen Boy was so cute and it was great that we got to hold him afterwards – thank you.

Actors, masks, puppets were just fantastic.

The magic and humour take you into another world, go and see it!

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Who is Fen Boy?

FEN BOY POPS-UP LIKE A POTATO! WHERE HAS HE COME FROM AND WHAT WILL HE DO NEXT?

Using masks, vibrant storytelling and puppetry, award-winning Strangeface present the tale of a tiny creature made from mud, who gets the better of his new master.

Fen Boy originally enchanted outdoor audiences in 2014; now the tale is coming indoors, expanded into a one hour show. But wherever Fen Boy goes, he can't stay for long - so catch him if you can!

Suitable for all. For a sneak preview visit www.transportedart.com/fen-boy-tour-2015.



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Tour Dates

Saturday 24 October
to Sunday 15 November



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SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER, 7PM

VENUE: Boston Stump

1 Wormgate, Boston PE21 6NP

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

CONTACT: For tickets call 01205 354670, visit the Stump Gift Shop (open Monday - Saturday, 10am-4pm) or purchase on the door

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TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER, 3PM

VENUE: Quadring Village Hall

St Margarets Hall, Main Road, Quadring, Spalding PE11 4PW

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

CONTACT:
Janet Young: 01775 821229

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WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER, 3PM

VENUE: Long Sutton Barns

59 Wisbech Road, Long Sutton, Spalding PE12 9AQ

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

CONTACT: Duncan Barker-Magowan: 01406 362500

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THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER, 2PM

VENUE: Guildhall Arts Centre

St Peter's Hill, Grantham NG31 6PZ

PRICE: £8 Adult / £7 Cons / £20 Family of four

CONTACT: Box Office: 01476 406158
online booking available, visit www.guildhallartscentre.com



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FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER, 7PM

VENUE: Fenside Community Centre
Taverner Road, Boston
PE21 8NL

PRICE: Pay what you think it was worth

CONTACT: Julie Mitchell:
01205 352654

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SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER, 2.30PM

VENUE: Louth Riverhead Playgoers
Victoria Rd, Louth, Lincolnshire
LN11 0BX

PRICE: £6 Adult, £4 Cons

CONTACT: Box Office: 01507 600350
online booking available, visit
www.louthplaygoers.com

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WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER, 7PM

VENUE: Spalding High School
Matmore Gate, Spalding,
Lincolnshire PE11 2PJ

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons,
£12 Family

CONTACT: Main Office: 01775 722110

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SATURDAY 7 NOVEMBER, 7PM

VENUE: Crowland Abbey
East Street, Crowland, Peterborough,
Cambridgeshire PE6 0EN

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

CONTACT: For tickets visit All Sorts
shop (next to the bridge on east street)
Open Monday - Saturday 9am-6pm,
Sunday 10am-4pm 01733 211692

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MONDAY 9 NOVEMBER, 6.30PM

VENUE: Swineshead Village Hall
The Village Hall, North End,
Swineshead PE20 3NA

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

CONTACT: Sandra Norton: 01205 821877



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**WEDNESDAY 11 NOVEMBER
(CLOSED PERFORMANCE)**

VENUE: Elsoms Seeds
Pinchbeck Road, Spalding PE11 1QG

PRICE: n/a

CONTACT: n/a

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THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER. 7.30PM

VENUE: Terry O'Toole Theatre
Moor Lane, Lincoln LN6 9AX

**PRICE: £10 Adult, £5-£8 Cons,
£25 Family**

CONTACT: Box Office: 01522 883311
online booking available, visit
www.terryotooletheatre.org.uk

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FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER, 6PM

VENUE: Boston West Academy
Sussex Avenue, Boston, Lincolnshire
PE21 7QG

PRICE: £4 Adult, £2 Cons, £10 Family

**CONTACT: Emma Schofield/
Main Office: 01205 366013**

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SUNDAY 15 NOVEMBER, 2PM

VENUE: Wrangle Parish Hall
Wrangle Parish Hall, Church end,
Wrangle, Boston PE22 9EH

PRICE: £5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

**CONTACT: Becci Edwards or Chris
Bowles: 01205 871287/01205 870242**



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We have loved coming back to Fen Boy. It's always great to return to a story after you've toured it, you get a chance to return to characters you love and find new aspects you want to develop. When the audience have seen the show and you know what they respond to then you build on that. As a character the little Boggart puppet seems to speak to so many people, he really has got a special quality and we can look at the way he weaves his magic in a more detailed way.

We've been back in the rehearsal room preparing for the tour but we are also extending the piece so that it makes a full performance. The performances this autumn are taking place across venues indoors in South Holland and Boston Borough. There are so many changes you can make when you have the focus of the audience in a room dedicated to the event, with lights and sound. We started our touring work outdoors and mask and puppet are really helpful tools in arresting the attention of passers by, and to keep their interest once they have stopped to watch. The huge energy required to stop people being distracted by literally anything that might happen when you are in an open public space dominates an outdoor performance. Luckily we also had one of the best stages we could wish for in working on the FreshLine trailer last year, in that it also brought people to see what was going on and their team were brilliant in supporting us. It's an old tradition of traveling players performing in mask on trucks in squares - and we really got a sense that people watching the work sub-consciously recognise the format that medieval morality, Commedia dell'Arte and Punch and Judy plays used to reach people across the centuries.

Now we are looking at performing inside we want to keep that spontaneity and topical humour that we used last year, it's one of the things that mask and puppet does best. We are really looking forward to the range of venues we are working in for Transported. Strangeface has always worked in a huge variety of spaces - from Sports Halls and Schools to Swimming Pools and Pubs! Fen Boy will play in traditional theatres, village halls and even a seed factory! We get so much out of coming to a place that has its own story and being part of that, whether the venue is more usually used for toddler groups and pilates classes in village halls or an arts centre where we are part of the national touring theatre network. Each place adds something to the show as it rolls onto the next, and when the story is about a community it makes that even more special. Fen Boy grants people all their wishes in our story and we feel pretty "blessed" ourselves with a chance to come back to such a welcoming place with this fairy tale.

Strangeface

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Tour Dates at a glance

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Quadring Village Hall	Tuesday 27 October	3pm	£5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family
Long Sutton Barns	Wednesday 28 October	3pm	£5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family
Guildhall Arts Centre	Thursday 29 October	2pm	£8 Adult / £7 Cons / £20 Family of four
Fenside Community Centre	Friday 30 October	7pm	Donations
Louth Riverhead Playgoers	Saturday 31 October	2.30pm	£6 Adult, £4 Cons
Spalding High School	Wednesday 4 November	7pm	£5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family
Crowland Abbey	Saturday 7 November	7pm	£5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family
Swineshead Village Hall	Monday 9 November	6.30pm	£5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family
Elsoms Seeds	Wednesday 11 November	Closed performance	Closed performance
Terry O'Toole Theatre	Thursday 12 November	7.30pm	£10 Adult, £5-£8 Cons, £25 Family
Boston West Academy	Friday 13 November	6pm	£4 Adult, £2 Cons, £10 Family
Wrangle Parish Hall	Sunday 15 November	2pm	£5 Adult, £3 Cons, £12 Family

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Whilst every effort has been taken to ensure the accuracy of this information, times and locations are subject to change.

Please check our website www.transportedart.com for the most up to date information.

