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Press Release – for immediate release

A new musical adaptation of the of children's book 'The Queen's Knickers' is the 'hilarious, witty and down-right silly show' (Time Out) that's coming to Worthing this June!

TaleGate Theatre Productions are working with Bafta winning author, Nicholas Allan, on the new musical adaptation of his best-selling book *The Queen's Knickers*. This smash hit show is set to arrive at Worthing's Pavilion Theatre on Sunday 26 June 2022 at 11am and 2pm.

It's a busy year for the Queen – she has lots of important events to attend. But disaster has struck the palace as Her Majesty's knickers have been nicked – call the royal guard! Meanwhile, a little girl is wondering what knickers Her Majesty will choose to wear on a school visit! Will they be her 'at home' knickers – adorned with corgis – or her 'garden party' knickers, or perhaps her woolly Balmoral ones...? This highly comedic new show is set to have audiences bursting with laughter throughout the whole performance!

TaleGate is known for its bouncy and colourful children's musicals having previously found success with Allan's books. Work includes West End run of *The Giant's Loo Roll* (Arts Theatre in 2016) and annual UK tours of *Father Christmas Needs a Wee!* Since 2013.

The original, award winning book explores the Queen's fashion with a cheeky wink to childish 2 humour - Everyone can see the Queen's smart coats and dresses, but what does she wear underneath? Through the eyes of a little girl hoping for a school visit by the Queen, the range of royal underwear is revealed, in all its regal glory. In this new adaptation, by permission of Nicholas Allan, will see the same creative team come together including artistic director James Worthington directing and writing the book, Kate Lindsey on lyrics, Laura Bulless as choreographer, Jason Burns working on Orchestration and David Law as scenic designer.

Nicholas Allan commented "A musical of 'The Queen's Knickers' should be one of sheer fun. The book has been a big seller for over twenty-five years: the combined subjects of Royalty and underwear of great curiosity to young children. Talegate Theatre, who've had such success with 'Father Christmas Needs A Wee', will use their creative genius, I'm sure, to maximum effect both in story and song for this new project. I'm looking forward to the result."



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Philip Ward, Managing Director of TaleGate Theatre Productions said “We have been working closely with Nicholas for several years and not only consider him a sheer talent in children’s literature but a close friend. This is an adaptation we have wanted to work on for some time and feel now is the right time as it will take TaleGate Theatre to new heights.”

The Queen’s Knickers is being performed at the Pavilion Theatre on Sunday 26 June 2022 at 11am and 2pm. Tickets are available from £12. For more information on this or any of the events, visit www.wtm.uk or call the WTM Box Office on 01903 206 206.

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EVENT LISTING

The Queen’s Knickers

Date: Sunday 26 June 2022

Time: 11am & 2pm

Venue: Pavilion Theatre, Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX

Tickets: From £12

Link: [wtm.uk/events/the-queens-knickers/](http://www.wtm.uk/events/the-queens-knickers/)

Age Guidance: Suitable for ages 4-11 years

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