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Traditionally set deep in the northern forest, *Theatre in the Bush* is an annual Whitehorse sell-out that takes the ritual and mad magic of a bush party and distills it into an interactive theatre event. Audience members are led through the woods at dusk to a remote location where innovative Yukon and local artists present playful, daring creations with a healthy dose of folksy northern charm. It's a celebration, a meeting place, and a taste of Yukon theatre, music, and food all rolled into one.

Featuring a line up of the best and brightest Yukon creators and special guest artists from the Ottawa-Gatineau region, *Theatre in the Bush* offers playful, daring theatre that mixes folksy Yukon charm with the flavor of Ottawa-Gatineau's own artistic community and the natural environment of this region.

Featuring:

Miche Genest, Geneviève Doyon, Jocylyn McDowell, Barb Hinton, Nate Wood, Jordy Walker, John Doucet, Lisa L'Heureux, Emily Pearlman, Alli Blakley, Ken Anderson, Mariah Horner, Nicholas Leno, Norah Paton, Tara Kolla Hale, Emily Woodruffe, John Streicker, Ryan McNally, Brigitte Dejardins, Alistair Maitland, Joella Hogan

Original concept and direction by Brian Fidler.

Q & A – Theatre in the Bush

Q1: How long is Theatre in the Bush?

A1: Theatre in the Bush is a 2 hour and 30 minute performance taking place outdoors on the grounds of the Mackenzie King Estate.

Q2: What is Gatineau Park like? Should I bring anything?

A2: As this performance takes place outside, be sure to dress appropriately for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. Note that it will be cooler at night in Gatineau Park. You may also want to wear/bring bug repellent.

Q3: Will the performance still take place if it is raining?

A3: Yes – the show must go on, rain or shine! Be sure to dress appropriately for the weather. If there is a chance of rain, bring a rain jacket.

Q4: Is Theatre in the Bush an accessible performance?

A4: Full participation in *Theatre in the Bush* requires about 1.2 km of walking. Most of this walking takes place on flat, but sometimes uneven terrain and small inclines.

One portion of the show requires that audience members walk up and down a slope that is roughly the equivalent of two flights of stairs. If you are unable to walk this terrain, you can miss this approximately 10-minute scene. *Theatre in the Bush* scenes are independent of each other, so no part of a single storyline will be missed by not seeing this one scene.

Theatre in the Bush is **not** a wheelchair-accessible performance.

Q5: Is the performance in French, English or bilingual?

A5: Theatre in the Bush features performances by English-speaking Yukon artists, as well as local francophone artists. Our volunteers and the Mackenzie King Estate staff are bilingual and will be able to answer any questions you may have in French or in English.

Q6: Is there transportation available to Theatre in the Bush?

A6: Yes! Travel worry free to the *Theatre in the Bush* experience at the Mackenzie King Estate. Complimentary (FREE!) return transportation to the Mackenzie King Estate is available when you purchase a ticket to attend *Theatre in The Bush* or a dinner-and-show package to the same event.

- Departure time from the National Arts Centre for Dinner and Show Package: 5:30 PM
- Departure time from the National Arts Centre: 7:15 PM
- Return to the National Arts Centre from the Mackenzie King Estate: 10:30 PM

Please note that the transportation will be a school bus.

Q7: Is dinner available before the show?

A7: The special *Theatre in the Bush* 3-course table d'hôte at the Mackenzie King Estate Tearoom is unfortunately sold out, but other pre-show dinner options are available. Please contact the Mackenzie King Estate T&Co. Tearoom at (819) 827-9229 or <http://tandco.ca/english/> for more information.

If you have already reserved the 3-course table d'hôte before the show, please be sure to make your table reservation by calling (819) 827-9229.

Q8: Can I take photos during the show?

A8: Yes, and please share them with us!

Twitter: @CanadaScene, @SceneCanada, @NCC_CCN

Instagram: @nac.cna, @ncc_cnn, #RamshackleTheatre

Facebook: National Arts Centre / Centre National des Arts, Ramshackle Theatre

Q9: Is *Theatre in the Bush* appropriate for children?

A9: *Theatre in the Bush* is recommended for an audience of 16 years +.

Q10: How do I buy tickets to *Theatre in the Bush*?

A10: Unfortunately, all performances of *Theatre in the Bush* are now sold out.

Additional note for *Theatre in the Bush*:

One of the *Theatre in the Bush* scenes involves food – audience members will be invited to taste small food items. Anyone with food allergies should advise the guide and performers at the beginning of this scene.