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PRESS RELEASE



The Bankrupt Bride
Theatr na n'Óg
7.30pm, Monday 19 October 2009

A marriage of comedy and music from *Theatr na n'Óg*

The Bankrupt Bride runs at Aberystwyth Arts Centre on Monday 19th October, 7.30pm. This new musical comedy tours Wales and London with West End stars and expert musical support.

Theatr na n'Óg's have been creating captivating theatre for 25 years. Their new production is based on the real-life story of a bridal shop owner and her search for love.

The bridal shop owner's life centres around preparing brides for their big day. Her life however is on a downward spiral: her business is failing, she has a stalker for a boyfriend and she fears she will never be a bride. It is only when a strange man enters the bridal shop looking for a size 18 dress that her life is turned upside down.

The brilliant cast includes Carys Gwilym playing the out-of-luck bridal shop owner, supported by *Mamma Mia*, West End star, Vivien Parry. They are joined by Welsh actor Lee Mengo and Howard Ellis, who performed in *Phantom of the Opera* at the West End. S4C *Mosgito* presenter Erin Richards is making her stage debut as the beautiful bride to be.

With original music composed by Dyfan Jones and a script written by Kath Chandler this production promises to build on the success of last years *Cyrano*. Also involved is Jeremi Cockram, who has starred in *Pobol y Cwm*, as Sión White, for the last seven years and has written the lyrics for the show.

"Every once in a while a film, a painting, a song will stop you in your tracks with its sheer brilliance...Theatr na n'Óg serves up the theatrical example." Western Telegraph

As part of Breast Cancer Awareness month in October *Theatr na n'Óg* will be holding an online auction of donated bride and bridesmaid dresses. The money raised is in aid of Cancer Research UK. Cast, crew and audience are invited to donate a bride or a bridesmaid dress to the company, which will be used as part of the set for the show. The dresses will then be auctioned off online and the proceeds donated to Cancer Research. For more information see *Theatr na n'Óg's* website www.theatr-nanog.co.uk or call 01639 641771

Tickets for this performance are £9 (£8) CC £8.50 (£7.50) and can be booked by contacting the Arts Centre ticket office on 01970 62 32 32 or online at www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre

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Notes to editors:

This new musical comedy which originally showed as part of the WMC's Incubator Project Further information is available from Rachel Taylor on 01970 622894 email rst@aber.ac.uk

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