



EDINBURGH FRINGE 2009 - KIDS SHOW

Potted Productions and Festival Highlights present

POTTED PIRATES

By the creators of Potted Potter, CBBC's Dan and Jeff.

Directed and co-written by Richard Hurst.

Performed by David Ahmad and John Helier.

Pleasance Courtyard: 5 - 31 August (not 12, 19 or 20)
12.30 pm - 1.30 pm

Everything you need to know about pirates in an hour. *Potted Pirates* returns following its sell-out Edinburgh fringe premiere in 2008 and a national tour.

The swashbuckling piratical adventure is back for a second year of timber-shivering and plank-walking. Created by CBBC and **Potted Potter's** Dan and Jeff, the show sets sail at the Fringe 2009 with all-new shipmates in search of talking parrots and mysterious buried treasure.

Genuinely funny farce. **** [The Scotsman](#)

This latest compressed caper features tall tales of the seven seas, from Long John Silver to Blackbeard, plus notorious cross-dressing lady pirates Anne Bonny and Mary Read. There's also a full-scale re-enactment of the Spanish Armada - with a little help from the audience. Sea-shanties in the style of M&M and a nautical-pop-medley add to the on stage squall of treasure seeking, sea-faring stories.

The schtick is practised, the jokes fast and furious. A great swashbuckling trip. **** [The Herald](#)

Potted Productions' first show and fringe favourite, *Potted Potter* took another step towards world domination earlier this year when **David Ahmad** and **John Helier** delighted audiences with the show's first international tour to Melbourne, Adelaide and New Zealand. The pair return to Potted Productions to perform both *Potted Potter* and *Potted Pirates* at Pleasance this fringe.

Recommended for shipmates aged six to Davey Jones (who is very old indeed), even those who don't know their shipping forecast from their sea shanty.

David Ahmad's stage credits include *What I Heard About Iraq* (UK tour & Arts Theatre, London); *Tom's Midnight Garden* and *George's Marvellous Medicine* (both Birmingham Stage Company).

John Helier's work on stage includes *Character 2,26* (BAC) and *The Tin Soldier* (Aitherios Theatre).

Daniel Clarkson and **Jefferson Turner** have played three sell-out Edinburgh seasons and two London runs with *Potted Potter* and a sell-out Edinburgh season with *Potted Pirates*. They can be seen every weekday on BBC1 presenting CBBC. Co-writer and director, **Richard Hurst** directed *Potted Potter* and joined the writing team for *Potted Pirates* when it was commissioned in 2008.

LISTINGS INFORMATION: Potted Pirates

Pleasance Courtyard: Fringe Venue 33, Sub-venue: Pleasance One

5 - 31 August (not 12 & 19 August) 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm

£5 previews 5 - 7 August. Otherwise £9 - £10 (concessions £1 off)

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