



THE SAPPHIRES

Written and Directed by Tony Briggs

IMAGE CREDIT: ROBERT QUICK

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HIT PRODUCTIONS

BRIEF SYNOPSIS:

The Sapphires is a multiple award winning musical play and film that is coming to the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre for the first time. Four young women from regional Australia, who like singing country music, suddenly get the chance to change their tune, their clothes and their lives. Wearing sequins, armed only with microphones they find themselves trying to spread joy in the hell that is the Vietnam War. The Sapphires is a funny, heart-warming tale inspired by the true story of four Yorta Yorta Women, who sing Motown hits against the backdrop of personal change and massive social upheaval. It is an energetic, fun and engaging play that affirms life and the realisation of dreams.

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“A gem of a play. Briggs mixes fact and fiction to lay bare and flesh out his celebratory tale which, though political in patches, is focused on the personal. The Sapphires is heartfelt and joyous. Superb.”

BRYCE HALLETT, SYDNEY MORNING HERALD

“The Sapphires is a play about fulfilling dreams and challenging stereotypes. It is a play about hope.”

KATE HERBERT, THE HERALD SUN

“The Sapphires is as close as anything I’ve seen to a sure-fire hit. This is great popular theatre, which is confident enough to take no prisoners.”

ALISON CROGAN, THEATRE NOTES

“Energetic, passionate, heart wrenching, uplifting, hilarious and engaging.”

ANNA LOCKE, AUSTRALIAN STAGE

“Sheer enjoyment. The Sapphires is a fun show with loads of appeal.”

HELEN THOMSON, THE AGE
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DATE/PERFORMANCE TIME:

Wednesday 14 August 2019 at 7:30pm

COST:

\$17 per student, with 1 teacher free with 10 students

DURATION:

Approx. 2 hrs 20 mins (including interval)

AGE RECOMMENDATION:

Years 7 - 12

WARNINGS:

Some adult themes, simulated warfare, small amount (one word) of coarse language.

CURRICULUM LINKS:

English; The Arts- Drama; The Arts- Music; Literacy; Critical & Creative Thinking

RESOURCES:

No resources available

WORKSHOPS:

No workshops available

