



# NEWS FROM TIM BRAY PRODUCTIONS

## UP NEXT!

Auckland's leading theatre for children

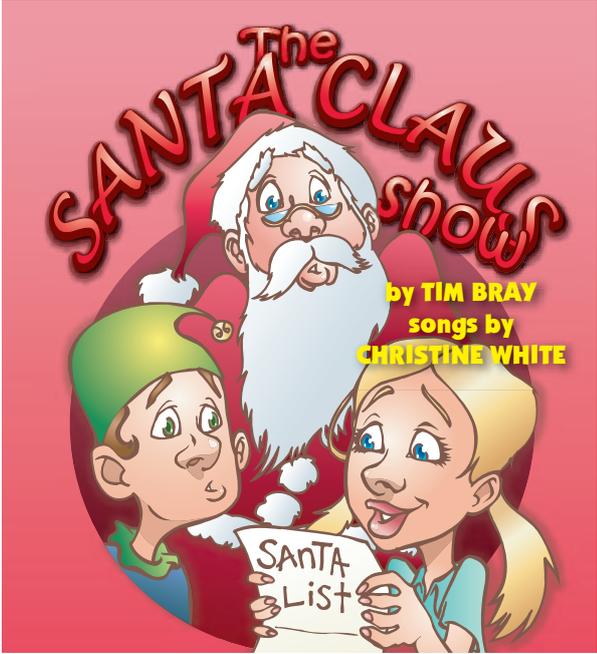
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## THE SANTA CLAUS SHOW '14

This magical play is our annual Christmas treat and many people come every year as part of their end-of-year festivities with their family, staff, coffee group, school or early childhood centre. The show was first written and produced by Tim Bray in 1991 and this year sees it's thirteenth revival (1991, 1992, 2004 – 2014). *The Santa Claus Show* is a wonderful way to connect with the spirit of Christmas with its joyful, humorous and heartwarming tale of an Auckland girl who learns the pleasure of giving.



Santa (Tim Raby) and Kelly (Pippijaina Tui Jane)  
Photo by David Rowland / One-Image.com



by TIM BRAY  
songs by  
CHRISTINE WHITE

*"The Santa Claus Show is the perfect antidote to the commercial tripe on TV and in the shopping malls. Simple, beautiful storytelling, a world of magic with a splash of wonder - close your eyes and become a kid."* Theatreview review 2013

## CHARITY SEATS

In the spirit of Christmas, perhaps you might like to buy and donate a seat to one of our shows for a child who is disabled or disadvantaged. Donations can be added to your web or phone booking, or can be made at any time via the Tim Bray Productions' website under Charity Seats in the Support Us drop down menu. You can donate one or more Charity Seats at \$25 per ticket, which pays for one child from Kelston Deaf Education Centre, Make-A-Wish or a low decile school to attend one of our shows, or \$100 to allow a charity to send one child to all four of our shows in one year or \$160 which covers the cost of a child's Youth Theatre Scholarship (fees covered for a term).

For companies who are interested in supporting this outreach, your firm could buy a dedicated performance and donate it to the charities listed above or your own preferred charity for \$4,750 (inc. GST). As Tim Bray Productions is a registered charity, all donations to Charity Seats are tax deductible.

Youthtown has generously provided 190 Charity Seats for low decile schoolchildren to attend *The Santa Claus Show '14* for free.



## THEATRE WORKSHOPS

This full theatre experience includes drama activities, a backstage tour of a working theatre, and a viewing of *The Santa Claus Show* by Tim Bray, live on stage at The PumpHouse Theatre.

**THURS 18th DEC SING!** A Full-Day Music Workshop (9am – 3pm) \$75  
See *The Santa Claus Show*. Learn the songs. 8 - 14 yrs

**FRI 19th DEC Theatre Workshop.** Full-Day (\$75) or Half-Day (\$55) Drama Workshop  
Includes ticket to *The Santa Claus Show*. 5 - 12 yrs

BOOKINGS: Phone: 09 486 2261 or email youth.theatre@tbp.org.nz



Theatre Workshop – children learning how the theatre lighting is operated Photo: Madeleine Lynch

# CORE CAST

Tim Raby who has been acting professionally for over 25 years and returns as Santa Claus. He has played Santa in ten of the thirteen productions of *The Santa Claus Show* (1991, 1992, 2006 – 20011, 2013 and 2014). We also welcome back Pippijina Tui Jane as Kelly (TSCS '12 and TSCS '13). Pippijina has appeared in many of our shows, most recently as Kahu in *The Whale Rider* and notably as Scarface Claw & Slinky Malinki in *Hairy Maclary* (2011/12). We also welcome back Adam Burrell as he reprises his role of Elfie (TSCS '09 and TSCS '13). Adam has appeared in many of our shows including Koro in *The Whale Rider*, David in *A Lion in the Meadow* and *Other Stories* and Hercules Morse in *Hairy Maclary* (2011). Laura Sanderson, who played Doug in *The Little Yellow Digger*, is playing Kelly's best friend Alana. Kristie Addison, who has provided all the fantastic live music in every show this year returns as our musician.



Twitty (Ryan Wood) and Twiddly (Grant Zent)  
Photo by David Rowland / One-Image.com



Elfie (Adam Burrell) with Kelly's long list.  
Photo by David Rowland One-Image.com

## TWITTY AND TWIDDLY – SANTA'S ELVES

These roles are this year being shared by young members of our Youth Theatre with two children from our Lake House Arts Centre (Takapuna) classes and two from our TAPAC (Western Springs) classes. These children have been attending our term time Youth Theatre drama classes and now get the chance to perform alongside professional actors.

## BOOKINGS **The PumpHouse Theatre.**

For bookings please phone The PumpHouse Theatre on 09-489-8360 (Mon – Fri 9am – 5pm) or via our website [www.timbrayproductions.org.nz](http://www.timbrayproductions.org.nz)

## FACEBOOK Find us on: **facebook.**

We're on Facebook too, so click 'Like' on our Facebook page, Tim Bray Productions, and stay in touch with regular updates and special news.

Thank you for your interest in our theatre company for children and we look forward to seeing you at *The Santa Claus Show '14* and at our shows in 2015. Wishing you all a festive, happy and safe Christmas, New Year and summer holiday.

 Tim Bray, Artistic Director

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## VOLUNTEERS – USHERS, AND MORE!

If you'd like to volunteer your time to help our theatre company we're currently looking for a team of volunteer ushers to help welcome people at our shows, check tickets and show people to their seats. A fun way to see our shows for free and be part of our team for a day or more during each season.

Plus we're always looking for volunteers to help us with the myriad of activities we do – for example, helping with mailouts; theatre or storage working bees; or liaising with your local schools, early childhood centres, sports groups about our shows. If you'd like to help us please contact Gail Rotherham at our office on 09-486-2261 or [gail@tbp.org.nz](mailto:gail@tbp.org.nz)

## Our new Marketing Manager – Kirsten Morrell-Reade MAM



We are delighted to welcome Kirsten to the team here at Tim Bray Productions as we continue to deliver world-class theatre for children to our communities, Auckland and nationwide.

Kirsten is an Artist and Sustainability Consultant. She is lead singer of triple platinum Kiwi band Goldenhorse and sings as Soprano in the NZOpera. Her 18 years in the Arts Sector include International Rock and Roll tours and Arts Festivals. She has had multiple TV appearances, film and is a published musician.

After completing a Masters in Arts Management she has turned her efforts to working with youth and young peoples' Arts programming while continuing to bring cutting edge Sustainability Management standards to the sector.