

Pupil B – Piece C: a theatre review

Context: following a 2-week unit on Greek myths, pupils attended a modern retelling of the Greek myth 'Icarus'. They read several theatre reviews and then wrote their own, analysing the performance they had seen.

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Icarus by the Unicorn theatre is a true first-rate contemporary parable. Being a 2000 years-old classic, the ~~the~~ Unicorn theatre has made this production with a modern twist. Originally written in German by Kathrine Lange, Icarus was translated into English for British audiences. ^{recommend this to you if you} ~~This is~~ definitely do not ~~do~~ for you ~~if your expect~~ expecting the original story of Icarus. No tale is as old as the tale of Icarus; no show is more fresh and action-packed than Icarus at the Unicorn theatre. This is a fine example of what Unicorn does best: engage, excite and entertain.

As the show begins, sofa wars and sibling squabbles immediately hook-the audience in. Nyanhete expertly portrays Icarus, creating a deep connection with the audience. His father Daedalus (played by Seva Rasalingam) had travelled away on a mysterious ~~constur~~ construction job for the tyrannical king Minos - a man who rules with an iron fist. Slight disappointment comes with the female characters, particularly in contrast to the central relationship between Daedalus and Icarus. Despite this, the show is clearly not

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one to miss.

The show's set is without a doubt the 'star of the show'. Lucy Sierra - the show's very own 'master builder' - along with Ziggy Jacobs for the lighting and John McLeod for the sound, have created a truly wonderful set. Beginning with only expansive concrete slabs, they morphed into the inevitable labyrinth to the king's palace and even a familiar urban family home. Jaw-dropping scenery and colour changing neon lights mesmerise the young audiences.

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To summarise, if you would like your children to be entertained, but also educated, Icarus by the Unicorn theatre is sprinkled with educational opportunities. If you decide to visit, then I can guarantee that you will not be disappointed.

★★★★★ 5 stars