



# Pants on Fire presents Ovid's Metamorphoses

Theatrical Adaptation by Peter Bramley  
Original Music by Lucy Egger  
Directed by Peter Bramley



## LISTINGS INFORMATION:

### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL

#### Venue:

Arthur Cotterell Theatre  
Kingston Hall Road  
Kingston, KT1 1HL

#### Performances:

Tue 6<sup>th</sup> July 5:00pm  
Wed 7<sup>th</sup> July 12:00 noon  
Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> July 11:00am & 7:30pm  
Sat 10<sup>th</sup> July 11:00am & 6:00pm

Running Time: 1hr 15 mins

Ticket Prices: £4.50/£8.00

Box Office: 0871 230 1552

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**Ovid's epic tales of heroics, love, gods, monsters and the secrets of the universe revealed through gasmasks, gramophones, live original songs, dance, puppetry, film and darkly comic, dynamic storytelling.**

*The Metamorphoses* are fantastical love stories that pursue the theme of physical transformation. In each magical myth, a human body is miraculously changed into a different form — a tree; an island; an animal; a flower; an ocean; a constellation...

PANTS ON FIRE's actor-musician extravaganza relocates Roman mythology to 1940's wartime Britain. Cupid – an evacuee with a catapult, Narcissus – a Hollywood Matinee Idol drooling over his screen image and an Andrews Sisters Chorus finding close harmony amid cosmic chaos.

An exploration of man's inextricable link with nature and the universe. At a time when the earth is beginning another metamorphosis, and humankind finds itself on the brink of 'change' these prescient ancient myths strike a poignant chord.

**'Pants on Fire are capable of the purest of theatre'.**

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**'I'd say Peter Bramley was a director to watch'.**

TOTAL THEATRE

**'wonderful and improbable...and at times even breathtaking'.** TIME OUT (on 'Tossed')

#### Notes to Editors:

PANTS ON FIRE is a London based ensemble, which celebrates visual theatricality, style and the language of theatre. *Ovid's Metamorphoses* is the company's 5<sup>th</sup> production. Previous production "Splice" won both the Public Prize and the Co-Production Commission at the 2006 ARENA Festival, Germany.

**'Ingenious'** The Guardian (Edinburgh 2005)

The cast for *Ovid's Metamorphoses* is made entirely of professionally trained Acting and Actor-Musician graduates from Rose Bruford College of Theatre and Performance. The actors play all their own instruments and sing live.

**Peter Bramley** is Artistic Director and founder of Pants on Fire and has directed all of the company's shows to date. He and composer **Lucy Egger** were in the last final-year group to ever have trained with the late Jacques Lecoq in Paris.

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#### Stories:

The Creation, Tiresias, Daphne & Apollo, Salmacis and Hermaphroditus, Io, Echo & Narcissus, Medusa, Perseus & Andromeda, Theseus and the Minotaur, Ariadne, Icarus, Semele.

#### Cast:

Johnathan Davenport  
Mabel Jones  
Joseph Mann  
Joanne Dockery  
Alex Packer  
Hannah Pierce  
Eloise Secker

#### Lighting Design:

Ralph Stokeld

#### Stage Adaptation:

Peter Bramley

#### Music:

Lucy Egger

#### Director:

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