



“Thou art a boil, a pigeon-liver’d knave, bankrupt of wit.”

Covert Theatre Presents

A Bard’s Tale

The greatest plays Shakespeare never wrote

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The new show from the Covert Theatre is here. Six improvisers take to the stage, pay homage to good Queen Bess and then before your very eyes, improvise an hour’s long play in the style of Shakespeare.

This is A Bard’s Tale – where a seriously talented cast of improvisers create the magical world of a Shakespearean play on the spot. They have done their homework on Shakespeare but there are no lines learnt.

The rotating cast is made up of Amanda Moore, CJ Le Mon, Daniel Moore, James Ting-Edwards, Mark Scott, Nik Edwards, Paul Paice, Phillip Rice and Wade Jackson. They have worked closely with NZ acting icon Stuart Devenie to sharpen up on their iambic pentameter and their thee, thy thou’s.

Historians say that a lot of Shakespeare was improvised and the style of today’s improv comedy performance with its audience interaction is a lot closer to the original Shakespeare performance than many modern day interpretations.

“It’s been a fantastic experience to deep dive into the world of Shakespeare, the language, customs and history,” says artistic director Wade Jackson. *“It’s been massive fun exploring it with such a talented group of improv actors.”*

This is one of those shows that has to be seen to be believed. Most won’t believe it but indeed it is 100% improvised. It’s for the comedy connoisseur or those who like their comedy a little bit more clever.

Don’t miss A Bard’s Tale on for six nights only.

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A Bard’s Tale

Auckland

Dates: Tue 8 – Sat 12 May, 8.30pm

Venue: Herald Theatre, 100 Mayoral Drive

Tickets: \$24 – \$28

Bookings: ticketmaster.co.nz // (09)970 9700

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**Performing as part of the 2018 NZ International Comedy Festival
with Best Foods Mayo from 26 April – 20 May.**

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