

# At the theatre in February

In February at the King's and the Festival Theatre there's variety with Allan Stewart, musical with Southern Light and The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time.

The listings are below.



## SCREENING

### National Theatre Live Screening: Amadeus

#### Festival Theatre

Thu 2 February, 7pm

Music. Power. Jealousy. Lucian Msamati (Luther, Game of Thrones) plays Salieri in Peter Shaffer's iconic play with orchestral accompaniment by Southbank Sinfonia all broadcast live from the National Theatre.

## SCREENING / SILENT CINEMA

### The General and One Week

#### Festival Theatre

Fri 3 February, 7.30pm

Musical maestro Will Pickvance takes us on another silent film adventure, accompanying Buster Keaton's *The General* and *One Week* live on piano at the Festival Theatre.

## MUSIC

## **Paul Carrack**

### **Festival Theatre**

Sat 4 February, 7.30pm

Paul Carrack, whose hits include *How Long* and *Over My Shoulder*, is one of the UK's great singer songwriters and multi-instrumentalists, having performed with Eric Clapton, Roxy Music, BB King, Mike + The Mechanics, Elton John, The Smiths and Ringo Starr to name just a few.

### **SCOTTISH OPERA**

#### **The Trial**

### **King's Theatre**

Fri 3 to Sat 4 February

Kafka's nightmarish tale of Joseph K, a man persecuted for an unknown crime, has lost none of its chilling potency over the years. Now, iconic composer Philip Glass brings his signature style to this literary classic. Working with Academy Award-winning playwright Christopher Hampton (*Dangerous Liaisons* 1988), their new opera is brimming with drama, paranoia and Kafka's notoriously absurd humour.

### **FAMILY**

#### **Cirque Berserk!**

### **Festival Theatre**

Tue 7 to Sun 12 February

Direct from a smash-hit West End season and showcasing the finest in traditional circus thrills and skills, Cirque Berserk! brings this treasured form of live entertainment bang up-to-date in a jaw-dropping spectacular – created especially for the theatre.

## **SCREENING**

### **National Theatre Encore Screening: Saint Joan**

#### **Festival Theatre**

Mon 27 February, 7pm

Gemma Arterton is Joan of Arc in Josie Rourke's electrifying production of Bernard Shaw's classic play, broadcast from the Donmar Warehouse.

## **DRAMA**

### **A Judgement In Stone**

#### **King's Theatre**

Mon 13 to Sat 18 February

Eunice struggles to fit in. When she joins a wealthy family as their housekeeper the very reason for her awkwardness, long hidden and deeply buried, leads inexorably to a terrible tale of murder in cold blood – on Valentine's Day. Ruth Rendell's brilliant plot unravels a lifetime of deceit, despair and cover-ups which, when revealed, brings a shocking revelation almost as grizzly as murder itself. And we're delighted to be staging the drama on Valentine's Day itself!

## **MUSICAL**

### **RENT**

#### **Festival Theatre**

Tue 14 to Sat 18 February

Do not miss Bruce Guthrie's brand-new production of the legendary, multi-award-winning rock musical *RENT* as it celebrates its incredible 20th anniversary. This exhilarating, landmark musical tells the thrilling story of a group of impoverished young artists struggling to survive in New York City's East Village in the thriving days of Bohemian excess.

## **DRAMA**

### **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time**

#### **Festival Theatre**

Mon 20 to Sat 25 February

The award-winning National Theatre production returns to Edinburgh following a critically acclaimed run in 2015. Christopher, fifteen years old, stands beside Mrs Shears' dead dog. It has been speared with a garden fork, it is seven minutes after midnight and Christopher is under suspicion. He records each fact in the book he is writing to solve the mystery of who murdered Wellington. He has an extraordinary brain, exceptional at maths while ill-equipped to interpret everyday life. He has never ventured alone beyond the end of his road, he detests being touched and he distrusts strangers.

But his detective work, forbidden by his father, takes him on a frightening journey that upturns his world.

## **MUSICAL**

### **Southern Light -Titanic**

#### **King's Theatre**

Tue 21 to Sat 25 February

RMS Titanic was the 'ship of dreams'. *Titanic the Musical*, winner of 5 Tony Awards, with a powerful and dramatic score and a large cast, is a musical like no other.

## **MUSICAL**

### **Buddy**

#### **Festival Theatre**

Tue 28 February to Sat 4 March

Forget feel good, *Buddy – The Buddy Holly Story* is FEEL GREAT! Experience the drama, passion and excitement as a cast of phenomenally talented actors and musicians tell Buddy Holly's story, from his meteoric rise to fame, to his final legendary performance at The Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake, Iowa.

## **VARIETY**

### **Allan Stewart's Big Big Variety Show**

#### **King's Theatre**

Tue 28 Feb to Sat 4 March

Variety is alive and well at the King's next Spring! Get ready to laugh your socks off as the one and only Allan Stewart (with a little help from his friends) presents an evening chock full of comedy, music and entertainment. Starring Scotland's own Elaine C. Smith, Forth 1 funnyman Grant Stott, Britain's Got Talent star Edward Reid, the return of folk legends Boabby and Big Boabby McRobert

-plus an incredible reunion of the legendary band Pilot, performing their 70's hits *Magic* and *January!*

Book tickets by phoning 0131 529 6000 or by booking [online](#).