Fringe 2024 – I Ran With the Gang – on the Lumo train to Edinburgh

Well known actor Alun Armstrong was travelling on the Lumo train to Edinburgh when he discovered that the Fringe had already come to him.

<u>Armstrong</u> (New Tricks and the original Thenardier in Les Miserables) filmed the performance by some of the cast from the hit show I Ran With The Gang: A Tribute To Original Bay City Roller, Alan Longmuir, which is returning to the Fringe for three performances only.



Alun Armstrong filmed some of the singing The show is written by Líam Rudden and Líam (of course) was quick to take a selfie with the "brilliant" Armstrong.

https://twitter.com/LiamRudden/status/1825614518208123256 The production is coming direct from its acclaimed run in London's West End — so direct that some of the cast travelled on the Lumo train from London to Edinburgh.

I Ran With the Gang takes place on Friday 23 August 7.30pm, Saturday 24 August 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

Tickets from <u>https://www.fringeatprestonfield.co.uk/i-ran-with-the-gan</u> g/ or <u>EdFringe.com</u>

Customers travelling with Lumo on Monday 19 August enjoyed the free onboard teaser performance on the northbound 12:18 service from London King's Cross to Newcastle, with the cast of I Ran With The Gang performing several of the band's greatest hits during the journey.

With <u>Lumo</u> providing complimentary transport for the cast throughout their performances, the troupe also joined the 5.47 Lumo service from Newcastle to perform for customers heading to Edinburgh on the express train.

All funds raised from the performances are going to <u>The</u> <u>Charlie & Carter Foundation</u>, Lumo's newly revealed charity partner for 2024/25.

Martijn Gilbert, Managing Director of <u>Lumo</u>, said: "We are thrilled to be supporting Stageworks East West to bring the iconic Bay City Rollers back to the stage with I Ran With The Gang. We are especially excited to offer our customers a unique experience with a free onboard performance at 125 miles per hour, bringing the joy and energy of the show directly to our customers. It's a wonderful opportunity to honour the legacy of Alan Longmuir and share the timeless music of the Bay City Rollers with a new generation of fans." Líam Rudden, founder of Stageworks East West said: "We are delighted to have Lumo as our travel partner for I Ran With The Gang. The Bay City Rollers spent a lot of time travelling between Edinburgh and London, especially in their early days, and there's no doubt in my mind that, had Lumo existed in the Seventies, that's the way they would have travelled.

"We are also thrilled to be able to support Lumo's designated charity, The Charlie & Carter Foundation, an organisation that does such valuable work providing financial support to parents of seriously ill children with life-limiting conditions. Anything that raises its profile can only be a good thing."

Saying 'bye bye baby' to <u>#London</u> as the <u>@LumoTravel</u> heads to <u>#Edinburgh</u> for <u>@edfringe</u> to perform the Bay City Rollers tribute show by <u>@LiamRudden</u> <u>pic.twitter.com/rWap14yJiZ</u>

- Richard Salkeld (@richardsalkeld) August 19, 2024



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