World Theatre Day – on the big screen at Vue

Coinciding with World Theatre Day on Thursday, Vue venues in Edinburgh are screening a selection of British productions this spring.

The National Theatre's world premiere adaptation of Stanley Kubrick's comedy masterpiece, **Dr. Strangelove** will begin the season. BAFTA Award winner, Steve Coogan, takes on four different roles in this bold stage version of the film – an explosively humorous satire. From Emmy winning Armando Iannucci (*The Thick of It, Veep*) and Olivier Award-winner Sean Foley (*The Upstart Crow*), **Dr. Strangelove** follows the US government and an eccentric scientist as they scramble to avert global destruction after a rogue U.S. General triggers a nuclear attack...

Marking its 20th anniversary, the musical adaptation of the Academy Award winning **Billy Elliot the Musical** will be pirouetting onto the big screen from 30 March. Filmed at the Victoria Palace Theatre in London's West End, it tells the story of a young boy in the 1980s who discovers a passion for ballet and dance, inspiring his family and his community. With the original creative team from the film and music from British legend Elton John, this funny and uplifting theatrical experience is not one to miss.

Arriving next month, the big screen debut of the Tony awardwinning box office smash-hit **SIX the Musical Live!** heads to Vue for a one-off showstopping cinematic experience from 6 April. This global theatre phenomenon, filmed at London's Vaudeville Theatre, reunites the original cast in a new take on the long-misunderstood wives of Henry VIII as they strut out of the shadow of their infamous husband to reclaim their own stories in their own words.

Finally, to mark National Shakespeare Day on 18 April, an allstar production of Shakespeare's **Macbeth** brings an immersive take on the The Scottish Play to Vue – filmed especially for the big screen. Starring acting royalty David Tennant (*Doctor Who*, *Broadchurch*) and Cush Jumbo (*The Good Wife*, *Criminal Record*), catch Shakespeare's beloved tragic tale masterfully performed at the Donmar Warehouse in London.

Robert Smith, General Manager at Vue Edinburgh Omni, said: "World Theatre Day is a fantastic opportunity for us all to celebrate the magic and the marvel of theatre – in every shape it takes. We're thrilled to offer theatre and musical fans the opportunity to catch some of the most acclaimed productions and performances all from the comfort of their local Vue venue."

To find out more visit <u>https://www.myvue.com/big-screen-events/theatre</u>.

