

# SM CALL // TOM'S MIDNIGHT GARDEN // SEPTEMBER 2022 UK TOUR

**Frankly Speaking Productions is seeking a Stage Manager for its September 2022 UK tour: *Tom's Midnight Garden*, a contemporary ballet adapted from the novel by Philippa Pearce.**

## **Background**

*Tom's Midnight Garden* is widely acknowledged as one of the greatest works of children's literature ever written. At once both fantastical and profoundly truthful, it tells the story of a garden that exists only as the clock strikes thirteen, and the powerful, enduring friendship two children find there.

The first ever dance adaptation of the title, Frankly Speaking Productions' original production combines contemporary ballet with spoken word for a heartfelt and joyful telling of this timeless story. The show first ran for a successful UK tour over summer 2021, and we are excited to be reviving the production for 2022.

## **Responsibilities and Skills**

*Tom's Midnight Garden* is an open air production touring green spaces across South East / East England. We are looking for a Stage Manager to travel with the show and manage/support day-to-day operations. This is a challenging and varied role suited to a versatile and hard-working individual with a strong can-do attitude.

### **Responsibilities include:**

- Driving the company van to and from tour locations;
- Managing sound and lighting, including sound checks and cast mics;
- Assisting with loading, unloading, assembly and disassembly of the set and other production elements;
- Managing pre-sets, communicating timings, and cueing the show;
- Managing any issues as they arise, including maintenance issues;
- Representing the company and production with a friendly, professional attitude.

### **Essential skills:**

- Full, clean UK driving licence and willing to drive an SWB van;
- Based in South East England (Sussex preferable);
- Strong technical background, particularly in sound;
- Efficient with excellent time management skills;
- A team player with a strong work ethic and can-do attitude;



- The ability to remain calm under pressure and respond to challenges actively and calmly.

### **Additional Information**

**Dates:** 03/09-04/09; 09/09-11/09; 14/09; 17/09-18/09 plus a possible additional two dates from: 02/09; 15/09; 16/09 (8 to 10 dates total). You must be available for all performance dates. You will also be required to attend 2 rehearsal dates in W/B 22/08.

**Pay:** £1200 (8 performance dates) / £1440 (10 performance dates)

To apply please send your CV and cover letter to [producer@franklyspeakingproductions.co.uk](mailto:producer@franklyspeakingproductions.co.uk). The deadline for applications is 5pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July.