

THIS GIRL LAUGHS, THIS GIRL CRIES, THIS GIRL DOES NOTHING

Reviewed by Jaden Milne

Directed by Jemima Levick, written by Finegan Kruckemeyer and co-produced by Imagine and Stellar Quines.

The play is brilliantly effective in delivering its message of fearlessness towards exploring the world and going beyond your limitations. It shows the importance of a loving family and that differences are a strength. These are important lessons for any age group.

The lighting and set design is magical and the music (composed by Nova Sound) helps bring the audience into the world of the play.

The characters perfectly balance comedy with despair and loss. The actors (Rehanna MacDonald, Kim Allan, Betty Valencia and Ewan Somers) show a wide variety in each role, which makes every character feel real. Despite being a fairy-tale, I believe this play appeals to a much wider audience than only 7-12 year olds.

I would rate this piece a 4/5. The only thing stopping it going further is the heavy exposition of the opening scene, with little to no movement to carry the weight. If not for that lethargic opening, the play would receive a definitive 5/5.

I would highly recommend anyone that considers themselves to have good taste go and see it.

ON TOUR

Tron Theatre, Glasgow Fri 17th May 1pm. Sat 18th May 2pm and 7pm.

Paisley art centre Tues 21st May 1:30pm.

SEALL at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, Isle of Skye Wed 22nd May 10:30am and 1:45pm.

Eden Court, Inverness Thurs 23rd May 1:30pm.

Old Well Theatre, Moffat Fri 24th May 1:30pm and 4pm. Sat 25th May 1:30pm.

Edinburgh International Children's Festival, the Brunton, Musselburgh Tue 28th May- Sat 1st June (Various times.)