



# Press Kit

WildHoney is a humming hive of performers, artists and designers based in the Otways, Victoria.

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# Winter Queen - Solo Stiltwalking Act

# **Peformance Description**

"The Winter Queen reigns with icy grace, crowned in jewels, and frost her lace."

Ring the bells for the Winter Queen, a captivating and immersive solo stilt performance embodying fairy tales, myth and fantasy.

Her illuminated silver crown and flowing train extend over 3 metres creating an unmissable spectacle that can be enjoyed by audiences of all ages day and night.

Be spirited away as she dances gracefully across the lands, and receive a royal blessing from her snow globe staff.

Fall in love with Winter dreaming.





# Working With WildHoney - Mobile Acts Information

#### Non Verbal Street Theatre

WildHoney does not use spoken word but speak gibberish when the mood takes them. Movement and visual stimuli is a key technique of storytelling and communication making it accessible and super friendly to all walks of life.

# Relaxed performances

WildHoney offers specially adapted performances for adults and children, who might benefit from a more relaxed experience, i.e. low stimulus, non-verbal. This type of performance specifically appeals to people with autism, communication disorders, learning difficulties, and dementia.

#### **Audio and Live Sound**

WildHoney mobile performances generally operate without sound however a pre-recorded soundtrack can be presented on request.

# **Stage Lighting**

The costumes are designed with inbuilt lights for outdoor street performances and therefore don't require external lighting but can enhance the visual if available.

### **Performance Duration**

WildHoney mobile acts are performed as 20-minute sets - this is flexible and can be tailored and repeated throughout the event. The performers take a break for a minimum of 20 minutes between sets.

#### **Insurance**

WildHoney has Public Liability Insurance.

#### Cost

WildHoney's mobile acts fees are variable and dependent on factors such as performance duration, number of performers, travel, accommodation, and per diems. Please contact us for a full price list or quote.











# Working With WildHoney - Mobile Act Stilt Requirements

# **Stilt Requirements**

WildHoney stilt performers are easy to work with and adaptable to a great range of environments. We walk comfortably in crowds, indoors and out, can squeeze through doorways, navigate a wide range of surfaces and tough it out in most weather.

### Stilt Up

WildHoney works with tall stilts, and we often get asked how we get up and down. A trestle table will do the trick.

# Height

Each of the WildHoney characters measurements is as follows: The Green Woman 2.5 metres, The Giants 3.2 metres, The Keeper 2.7 metres, The Chimera 4.5 metres, The Illuminates 3.2 metres, Wild Blooms 2.6 metres, The Elementals 2.5 metres, Winter Queen 3 metres. Please take this into account when booking and check the height of outdoor environments ceiling, decor and other areas where rigging is hung.

#### **Performance Area**

When presenting WildHoney mobile acts, the stilt performers need enough room to move comfortably between people and a large flat, dry area to walk in. If performing at night, please ensure there is an adequately lit pathway to and from the performance area.

### Safety

A Spotter must be present at all times. This entails the safety of the stilt performers and the public during the performance. A safe distance (approx. 3 metres) between the performers and the public must be maintained at all times unless the performers choose to interact directly with select audience members.

### **Surface Requirements**

The WildHoney stilt performers cannot perform on wet, slippery, muddy or deep sandy surfaces, and any sign of liquid on a glossy surface is extremely hazardous.

#### Steps

WildHoney stilt performers cannot walk up or down long flights of steps. Please make sure that the pathway between backstage and dressing rooms does not involve steps and can be avoided in the performance area.



### **Dressing Rooms**

Male/female dressing rooms must be supplied as close to the performance area as possible. Whilst the rooms do not have to be high, they must be private, have access to power, lighting, drinking water, trestle tables, chairs, bin, heater/cooling if available, costume hanging rack, and close access to toilet facilities.

#### Rider

To be negotiated

#### Weather Alerts

The WildHoney stilt performers cannot perform in rain, extreme heat (34 degrees +) or gale force winds. WildHoney will be at the event (unless cancelled) and wait to be rescheduled (by negotiation) on the day of performance. If there is no possibility of performance (and those appearances are cancelled) WildHoney will invoice for 100% of the total fee.





# **Peformance Biography**

Winter Queen, originally known as the Merwitch, was first introduced as a character in WinterWild's DogWatch performance "Redemption/Immolation" in 2019.

Merwitch then returned to the ocean and shapeshifted into her twin sister the Winter Queen, a re-imagined solo act, enchanting audiences with new props and magical offerings.

# **Peformance History**

2023 - May'd Festival, Geelong.

2023 - Beyond Dark, Ballarat Winter Festival.

#### **Hive Creative Team**

**Eloise Wood - founder and guide, concept designer, creative director, choreographer** 

Hoya Wolfgang - founder, designer and maker

Fiona Harper-Harwood - pattern designer and maker

#### **Hive Artist**

Eloise Wood - stilt performer







# To ride wild wings, and walk the edges...

### **About WildHoney**

WildHoney was born out of the Otways in 2017. It is a small, magical, humming hive of creatives that produces highly visual and interactive acts for street theatre, workshops in wonderment and outdoor performances. Each member brings a unique and high level of skills, and together they share a deep commitment to creating wild beauty and manifestation of the divine. WildHoney was founded by creatives Eloise Wood and Hoya Wolfgang and has become a unique brand and wonderful way to showcase and develop the talent of the Otways.

For more info visit wildhoney.net.au

#### The Dream

To develop a rich and transformative arts culture in regional communities, where artists experience the beauty of creative collaboration and diversify their practices and self-expression.

To create performance works that stretch the imagination, push the boundaries of reality and shine wonderment into the hearts of humanity.

# Offerings

WildHoney offers an extensive range of roving mobile acts, large and small-scale productions, collaborations, theatrical performance packages, and specialised workshops for artists in residence programs, festivals, events, and schools.

Also - corporate events meet and greet, media launches, and photoshoots.

# Workshops in Wonderment

Interactive Workshops designed to enhance Creativity, Imagination, Self-expression and Joy.













Workshops can be tailored to any age group

#### **Mobile Acts**

Interactive and illuminated characters to add a shimmer or shine to your event or festival.













**Creations** 

#### Curated Production Packages for Events, Parades and Festivals



Sirens



ELEVATE - Walking with Giants



The Chimerical



The Chimera & The Wishing Tree



**Birth Of Light** 



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