Treasure Island Reading and Auditions Press Release Send 10/3

Reading Friday April 21 7.45pm

Auditions: Saturday April 22 3pm Jim Hawkins, Long John Silver, Ben Gunn

Sunday April 23 6pm

Monday April 24 7.30pm

All at the Chesil Theatre

Performances Tuesday July 11 to Saturday July 15 7.30pm

Matinee Saturday July 15 2.30pm

In the grounds of Winchester College

*Treasure Island,* the derring-do tale of pirates and treasure, *,* is the biennial outdoor production by the Chesil Theatre this July.

Phil Wilmot has created an ingenious adaptation of the classic written in 1882 by R. L. Stevenson. Jim Hawkins, Long John Silver and Ben Gunn are here of course but alongside them, powerful women, mischievous rats and magical mer-folk - all accompanied by full-throated song and imaginative puppetry.

## There is a large cast of mixed genders, ages and varied experience including the involvement of the Chesil Youth Theatre. The backstage teams are already at work preparing for this exciting venture.

Sarah Hawkins, who directed the enchanting *Midsummer Night’s Dream* in 2021, has taken on the challenge of another outdoor production, this time in the grounds of Winchester College. Sarah said: “The play is a puffball of parrots, pirates and plunder and has the general jollity of pantomime - perfect summer entertainment for young and old alike.”

## The Reading and Auditions are open to everyone and newcomers are always welcome.

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## Editorial note

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