

1927

Leeds Arts Centre  
Presents...

# Daisy Pulls It Off

By Denise Deegan



**Carriageworks Theatre**  
Millennium Square, Leeds, LS2 3AD

Wed 25th to  
Fri 27th  
June 2025

Matinee  
Sat 28th  
June 2025

This amateur production of Daisy Pulls It Off is  
presented by arrangement with Concord  
Theatricals Ltd on behalf of Samuel French Ltd.



## ***A note from the director.....***

**Daisy Pulls It Off** - a comedy by Denise Deegan - is a parody of wholesome adventure stories about life in a 1920s English girls' boarding school.

Premièred at the Nuffield Theatre in Southampton in 1983, the original production ran for 1,180 performances in London at the Gielgud Theatre (then known as the Globe).

I have been in two productions, playing both Trixie and Clare. In both cases I had a 'topping' time and the play quickly became one of my favourites. Its light-hearted humour and 'over-the-top, nothing is too ridiculous' style really appeal to me and having directed a number of serious pieces this was the obvious choice for a comedy.

As a cast and crew we have had a 'scrummy' time in rehearsal and I hope the audience will have as much fun watching the production as we have had putting it on.

Welcome to Grangewood School for Girls!

*Zoe Freedman*  
*Director*

# **Cast**

*in order of appearance*

|                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| <i>Miss Gibson</i>       | Jo Scott         |
| <i>Daisy Meredith</i>    | Charlotte Butler |
| <i>Sybil Burlington</i>  | Camilla Asher    |
| <i>Mrs Meredith</i>      | Maria Kwater     |
| <i>Belinda Mathieson</i> | Melissa Fenton   |
| <i>Clare Beaumont</i>    | Hannah Booth     |
| <i>Alice Fitzpatrick</i> | Alice Patterson  |
| <i>Trixie Martin</i>     | Kaitlin Talbot   |
| <i>Monica Smithers</i>   | Charlotte Riley  |
| <i>Miss Granville</i>    | Pam Wilson       |
| <i>Madame Scoblowska</i> | Diana Anghelina  |
| <i>Mademoiselle</i>      | Maureen Willis   |
| <i>Mr Thompson</i>       | Barry Blatt      |



*The girls of Grangewood School*

***Daisy Pulls It Off in rehearsal.....***



*The scholarship girl*



*Grangewood School staff*

*Grangewood  
hockey team*



*Daisy, her mother and  
Mr Thompson*



*Hot water bottle fight*



# **Production Team**

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <i>Director</i>               | Zoe Freedman                                |
| <i>Assistant director</i>     | Sophie Clement                              |
| <i>Stage Manager</i>          | Vic Bingham                                 |
| <i>Production Manager</i>     | Enya Lucas                                  |
| <i>Wardrobe</i>               | Margaret Savage, Anna Turner                |
| <i>Props</i>                  | Vic Bingham                                 |
| <i>Set</i>                    | Mia Thomsen, Matt Haines,<br>Enya Lucas     |
| <i>Lighting</i>               | Steve Fryatt, Peter Waddicor                |
| <i>Sound design</i>           | Aida Knight, Daniel Potts                   |
| <i>Sound operation</i>        | Chris Watson                                |
| <i>Publicity</i>              | Spike Marshall                              |
| <i>Flyer Design</i>           | Emily Dewsnapp                              |
| <i>Music</i>                  | Pam Wilson, Alice Patterson                 |
| <i>Rehearsal prompt</i>       | Simon Henson                                |
| <i>Front of House Manager</i> | Addy Durrani                                |
| <i>Photography</i>            | Mark Hillyer, Sam Worrell                   |
| <i>Backstage team</i>         | Ben Hopwood, Matt Haines,<br>Ibrahim Knight |

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LeedsCAN comprises a range of community drama, music, opera, youth theatre and other arts societies, working with Leeds City Council and the Carriageworks Theatre, where most of their performances take place. Current member groups are Leeds Arts Centre, Leeds Children's Theatre, Leeds Youth Opera, Leeds Gilbert & Sullivan Society., Cosmopolitan Players, KAOS, LAOS, LIDOS, St. Mary's Youth Theatre, and Leeds Writers' Circle.

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LEEDS ARTS CENTRE was formed in 1945 as an amateur society to encourage and foster interest in the arts.

Originally it comprised Drama groups (including Children's Theatre), a Fine Arts group and Musical, Literary and Film sections and was based in the Civic Theatre (now Leeds City Museum).

In 2005 Leeds Arts Centre moved to the Carriageworks, where we now present four plays every season, usually in February, March/April, May/June and October/November.

We are a friendly society, working together to maintain the high standard of our productions and new members are always welcome, with or without any previous experience.

We hold regular playreadings and social events and aim to give all our members the opportunity to try their hand at all aspects of theatre-making.

We are a registered charity and non profit-making organisation. Our members range in age from 18 to 80+ and come from a wide range of backgrounds. If you are interested in joining, then please speak to a member of our friendly team, or you can find out more, by visiting our website at [www.leedsartscentre.org.uk](http://www.leedsartscentre.org.uk) where you can complete an application form in the 'Join Us' section.

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*December  
2025*

## **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

*by* Charles Dickens

adapted and directed by Spike Marshall

*April  
2026*

## **1984**

*by* George Orwell

adapted by Matthew Dunster

directed by Sophie Clement

and  
also.....



Leeds Children's Theatre

presents

## **THE GINGERBREAD MAN**

a musical play *by* David Wood

directed by Dan Dainter

**Thursday 6th - Sunday 9th November 2025**