



Kingsley Players travel 'Around the World in 80 Days'! (23 – 26 October 2024)

Award-winning Kingsley Players will be taking a whistle-stop trip across the globe in a fantastic stage version of Jules Verne's high-spirited adventure, **'Around the World in 80 Days'**, on stage Wednesday 23 – Saturday 26 October.

Adapted by Laura Eason, the story follows fabulously wealthy Victorian gentleman Phileas Fogg, who wagers his life's fortune that he can circumnavigate the globe in just 80 days. Along with his hapless valet Passepartout, he sets out on a dazzling escapade that takes him from the misty streets of London, across the Suez Canal and India to Hong Kong, Japan and the American Wild West.

A cast of ten talented, experienced actors take on the roles of more than 50 characters, as Fogg and his party race against the clock, jumping on and off a dizzying succession of trains, steamships, wind-propelled sleighs – and even an elephant!

Director Lynn Pegler said: "I first saw this stage version of Verne's classic story at Manchester's Royal Exchange nine years ago – and it was one of the best theatre productions I've ever seen. I am delighted now to have the chance to adapt it for our local stage and sprinkle some of that magic dust in Kingsley, helped by a wonderful, talented team both on and off stage.

"For this October production, we will also be trialling a new Saturday afternoon matinee performance slot, in addition to the four evening shows. As the winter nights draw in, this will hopefully provide extra choice for our audience and make life easier for people who prefer to attend in daylight."

'Around the World in 80 Days' will be on stage at Kingsley Theatre in Kingsley Community Centre, from Wednesday 23 to Saturday 26 October 2024, 7.30pm, with a Saturday matinee, 2.30pm.

Tickets cost £11, with £7 tickets available for students/children. These can be booked online at www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk or by ringing the box office on 07724 892154.