

Director's Note ~ Why Seven ?



In the 17th Century, Sir Issac Newton discovered that white light could be split into the colours of the rainbow using a prism. He saw 7 colours – red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet. He got excited because he knew there were 7 notes in the music scale – do, re, mi, fa, sol, la, ti. He thought that music, colour and light were all part of one thing. We now know that this isn't scientifically true but it inspired us to explore and celebrate the power of music, colour and light.

SONG: StarMan Sam
<https://bit.ly/StarManSam>



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About The PaperBoats

Founded by Dave Brown after his 20 years as Artistic Director of Patch Theatre, The PaperBoats is a partnership platform dedicated to bringing joy and wonder to young audiences through visually striking and immersive experiences that are meticulously crafted.



<https://thepaperboats.org>

Seven Little Wonders



The PaperBoats

in partnership with Country Arts SA

Creative Team

Dave Brown: Conception, Direction,
Lighting Design, Sound Design and
Motion Graphics Design

Gavin Clarke: Theatre-Maker,
Performer, Composer, Music Producer

Sarah Brokensha: Theatre-Maker,
Performer

Bob Weatherly: Technical Director,
Lighting Co-Designer, Provocateur

Robyn Brown: Business Development
Manager, Schools' Liaison

Fay Cakebread: Technical Supervisor

Jon Bode, Anya McKee: Provocateurs

a spectacular celebration
of music, colour & light
for children & families

"When StarMan Sam miraculously arrives from over the rainbow, he brings with him a bagful of music, colour and light – and before you know it, he's dancing up a storm of magic and wonder. And when the fun is done, StarMan Sam needs to get home! BUT something is wrong. The way is blocked! The world is stuck! He needs your help! "



The seven colours of the rainbow, the seven notes of music along with Imogen and six star children from the audience help StarMan Sam find his way home and, in doing so, everyone discovers parts of themselves they never knew existed.

Seven Little Wonders draws inspiration from Margaret Mahy's beloved children's book "The Man from the Land of Fandango", David Bowie's iconic song "StarMan" and Sir Isaac Newton's exploration of music, colour and light.



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