

Review: The Rocky Horror Show

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The Rocky Horror Show, Theatre Royal Plymouth

The Rocky Horror Show at Theatre Royal Plymouth could not be a better escape for fans and audiences to enjoy. The unique musical gives an outstanding experience to the audience who can interact, shout and add elements to the production. The audiences' reactions and shout out lines are now built into the script, which gives a funny, exciting and unique approach to a stage musical.

Engaged couple Brad Majors and Janet Weiss who are a well-behaved, utterly normal couple in love, innocently set out to visit an old professor. However, this night out is destined to be one they will never forget. After a flat-tire and thunderstorm, the young couple are forced to ask for help from Dr. Frank 'N' Furter who is a cross-dressing mad scientist. The misadventure of the night means Brad and Janet will question everything they've known about themselves, love and lust.

The music and script from Richard O'Brien is timeless but outrageous, which is widely loved by audiences who dress up, shout out and cry with laughter. The exploration of sexuality is mainly done through brilliant songs such as "Sweet Transvestite", "Dammit Janet", "Science Fiction/Double Feature", and of course not forgetting "Time Warp" which quickly has the audience up dancing the routine along with the cast.

Director Christopher Luscombe has perfectly cast Philip Franks as the narrator, and the very likeable Ore Oduba takes on the role of Brad. The whole cast are perfectly suited to their roles, with amazing dance numbers, comedy moments and brilliant vocal talent. The set, lighting and costumes will keep you excited and occupied throughout. Stick on a heel, get dressed up, and get yourself to the Theatre Royal Plymouth for a night you will never forget.