WAAPA SHOWCASE - A WILDLY ENTERTAINING VARIETY EVENING

For its 30th Anniversary year, the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts is presenting a theatrical showcase of the best of WAAPA's performance program encompassing everything from singing and dancing to drama and opera, with a few musical moments thrown in for good measure.

This wildly entertaining variety evening at the Playhouse Theatre features a huge cast of talented young musicians, singers, dancers and actors and will showcase the talents of WAAPA students including scenes from the hugely popular midyear musical Anything Goes.

With famous graduates including Hugh Jackman, Frances O'Connor and Ewen Leslie, the rising star of Melbourne Theatre Company's production of Richard III, this is an opportunity to witness WAAPA stars in the making before they hit the professional stage.

The WAAPA showcase is an opportunity to experience the true breadth of the performing arts with the WAAPA Big Band and WAAPA's highly lauded percussion ensemble Defying Gravity performing as well as much loved scenes from the world of opera and theatre.

About half WAAPA's 1000 students study acting, dance, arts management, backstage production, costume design, lighting and postgraduate broadcasting. Others are classical music and jazz scholars, or students of music technology and production.

The WAAPA showcase will surprise some audiences, says its director, Julie Warn: "I suspect that many people don't realise the breadth of our activities. They say 'Oh no, WAAPA's just about acting, or jazz, or dance."

Performance Information: WAAPA Showcase
Friday 16, Saturday 17 July at 7.30pm, Matinee Saturday 17 July at 2pm
Playhouse Theatre
Tickets are $40 Full, $30 Concession
Bookings through BOCS (08) 9484 1133 or bocsticketing.com.au

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