



Audio Description Pre-Show Notes

YOU & ME and the Land of Lost Things

Welcome to the Land of Lost Things, where items, objects (and sometimes people!) live if they have gotten lost over time. Things like socks, maps, books, guinea pigs and of course – lost treasure! When You & Me crash their un-crashable car and end up stuck in the Land of Lost Things, they must find a way to escape, meeting new friends and fighting foes along the way.

The Venue

This performance of You & Me and the Land of the Lost Things takes place in the Playhouse, which is the smallest of the theatres within the Sydney Opera House. You enter through the Western Foyer, which is shared between the Playhouse, Studio and Drama Theatre.

The foyer has many glass windows and doors which look out to the Western Broadwalk and the water's edge.

The foyer has a bar/cafe for drinks and snacks, a box office for ticketing questions and to pick up any tickets, and a cloak room to put any coats or bags for the duration of the performance. There are toilets at either end of the foyer including an accessible option at both locations.

The theatre has a simple stage, with no added curtain or wing-space. The stage and walls are painted black with light tan coloured timber panelling on the walls of the auditorium. The seats match the panelling and have brown cushions.

Entry is by a staircase, that opens in the middle of the theatre, halfway up the 17 rows of sloped seating. Row B is the front row and Row T at the back.

The Set

The show has three main locations.

The Clubhouse

Light grey curtains are hung at the back, creating a back wall.

A well-worn brown two-seater sofa sits in the middle with a well-loved multicoloured knitted blanket thrown over the back.

On the left is a cast iron loft bed, so tall that there is more than enough room for an adult to stand underneath it without bumping their head.

A large wooden wardrobe sits on the right. Covering the sides of the wardrobe are signs of different shapes and colours, typical of furniture left unattended in a kids bedroom.

The wardrobe can open, and it has different panels and doors added depending on what is happening on stage. It can be an empty wardrobe, a lost foot emporium or a pirate dungeon.

The bed and the wardrobe stay in the same position for the duration of the whole show, and the sofa will move around depending on where we are.

The Land of the Lost Things

When we arrive in the Land of the Lost Things, the grey curtains are pulled aside revealing a dark, magical world full of stuff. Clutter, boxes, suitcases, a set of yellow lockers - lost things everywhere. Most boxes or drawers are labelled, but often things are spilling out and won't be in the right spot!

The Pirate Ship

Towards the end of the show, a pirate ship emerges. The tangled white bed sheets on the loft bed is rolled down to the floor covering it, revealing a black skull and cross bone symbol. A flat cutout painted to look like the front of a ship is attached to the right side of the bed.

It's bold and painted to look cartoonish with an ornate edging and a wooden railing around the top. The ship has round portholes and cannon trapdoors, an anchor and rope with a figurehead of a rabbit holding a lantern.

The Cast and Characters

A cast of 5 actors play the characters brought to life from the beloved Andy Griffiths world. Some of the cast will play multiple characters, and some will only play one.

You

You is one half of the dynamic duo that leads the show. She is fierce, brave and loves her guinea pig Pookie.

You is played by Mym Kwa, a tall female with short, cropped brown hair. She wears a sleeveless purple boilersuit undone at the top and a white singlet underneath, similar to an astronaut or an explorer. Red edging lines the suit, with weathered grey patches on the knees. Practical grey pockets on the chest with a patch with YOU on her left.

A thick blue belt is tied around her waist with a trusty lasso and a silver torch hanging off.

Me

Me is the other half of the dynamic duo. She is also just as brave and fierce as You!

Me is played by Catherine Dominguez, an average height female with short dark hair pulled back into a loose ponytail with wispy edges that frame her face.

She wears a similar jumpsuit but in blue and white. Me's suit is buttoned up to her neck but has the same practical pockets and a patch with ME embroidered on her left.

Me has a handy utility belt with tools such as pliers, a hammer and screwdriver. She also has weathered grey knee patches, from all those adventures.

Narrator

The Narrator plays many characters during the show, also playing a Shark, Plotty and the Pirate Rabbit. Each character has a distinct voice and costume.

The Narrator is played by Anthony Craig, a tall man with sandy brown hair. He has a neatly trimmed moustache and goatee beard.

The Narrator wears a dark khaki boiler suit, with a black t-shirt underneath.

As the shark, the Narrator wears a grey baseball cap backwards with a curved shark fin on top.

As Plotty, he wears thin metal round glasses and a crazy book hat! Books of all shapes and sizes are stuck on all directions. The books are mostly open and curling at the edges.

As the Pirate Rabbit the Narrator wears a long, red, stereotypical pirate's cloak. With gold piping, it has ornate gold buttons down the left with folded up cuffs and collar.

He also wears a triangular black pirate hat, with two brown, bushy rabbits ears poking up from the top.

Bull

Bull is very shy and not a typical angry bull, he has a kind heart and just wants to find his lost friends.

Bull is played by Mathew Lee, an average sized man with an average build. He has short black facial hair, neatly trimmed.

Bull wears an all-black short sleeved boilersuit with black socks and shoes. He wears a rounded black bike helmet with bull horns and ears stuck on.

Johnny Knucklehead

Johnny Knucklehead is a charismatic man who might just weasel his way into this adventure, but will this be a good thing or not?

Nicholas Starte plays Johnny, a tall man of average build with a neatly trimmed light brown moustache.

He wears a grey boilersuit left open at the top with a white collared shirt and black tie underneath.

He wears a large oversized left hand closed into a fist on his head, his face peering out of the palm.

Nicholas also plays the character of Cat, a stereotypical cunning and fast thinking feline. He runs the Lost Foot Empawrium but will probably swindle you out of all your money!

Cat has fluffy brown paws and ears, with a red jacket and white collared shirt loosely open to reveal more brown fur on his chest.