

## New P&O Show Like Nothing Seen at Sea

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P&O Cruises has upped the ante on cruise performances with its first contemporary dance show – Twice Upon a Time.

A lyrical dance piece that takes a dramatic journey through a post-apocalyptic world to a time of re-generation and splendour, Twice Upon a Time features a captivating original score and evocative choreography. With no dialogue, the story is told through movement and music, with elements of the soundtrack recorded in a fictitious language.

P&O Cruises Head of Entertainment Brett Annable said Twice Upon a Time marked a turning point in P&O's entertainment.

"We're taking a big leap into uncharted territory with Twice Upon a Time. Unlike anything Australian cruise guests will have seen at sea, it's packed with raw emotion and the musical score and contemporary choreography is so powerful, it takes the audience to another place," Mr Annable said.

The show is all part of the cruise line's revamped onboard entertainment program, which also includes a fresh line up of talented Australian musicians performing in onboard venues, and new parties including P&O's Bianco party and Gatsby cocktail evening.

In line with the new look and feel of Pacific Eden and Pacific Aria, Twice Upon a Time will only be performed on P&O's latest ships and plans are currently underway to develop innovative show concepts for the rest of the P&O fleet.

Twice Upon a Time joins other recent P&O stage shows which also feature a more contemporary approach including Grammys-style pop concert Off The Charts and Sideshow Alley, a musical about the characters from a travelling sideshow.

The Velvet Rope, thought-provoking production Disconnected and contemporary show Life As We Know It, will also feature in the entertainment line up ensuring there is something for every taste, Mr Annable said.

## For more information visit pocruises.com.au, or see a licensed travel agent.

Notes to editors: The region's largest and longest-serving cruise operator, P&O Cruises Australia leads the way in cruising as Australasia's only 'home brand' and its favourite cruise line. P&O Cruises has been sailing the region for more than 80 years, and has pioneered new destinations around Australia, the Pacific and Asia including Papua New Guinea, as reported in the New York Times' 52 top destinations for 2015. P&O Cruises is the nation's largest cruise line with five ships cruising from eight home ports in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore. In November 2015 Pacific Aria and Pacific Eden were added to the cruise line's existing three-ship fleet and in 2017 P&O Cruises will welcome its latest ship – Pacific Explorer. In another milestone, P&O will become the first cruise line to build a ship specifically for the local market, launching a brand new 135,500-tonne ship in 2019 - the biggest cruise ship ever to be based fulltime in Australia.