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# THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

**NEW CAST, NORMAL CHAOS**

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**ANNOUNCES NEW LONDON CAST GETTING IT WRONG  
FROM APRIL**

*The Play That Goes Wrong*, the Olivier Award-winning box office hit today announces a brand new cast at The Duchess Theatre from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

The new cast will include **Tomisin Ajani** as Trevor, **Jaouhar Ben Ayed** as Dennis, **Ashh Blackwood** as Annie, **Anya de Villiers** as Sandra, **Tendai Humphrey Sitima** as Robert, **Scott Hunter** as Max, **Oliver Mott** as Jonathan, and **Mikhail Sen** as Chris. The company is completed by **Roisin Fahey**, **Charlie Richards**, **Stuart Vincent**, **Emily Waters** and **Jack Whittle**.

*The Play That Goes Wrong* is blundering its way through its 8<sup>th</sup> year in the West End and is currently booking until April 2023. In August 2021 it became the longest running play at The Duchess Theatre (since the theatre opened in 1929), and is the longest running comedy in the West End.

Awarded the 2014 WhatsOnStage Award for Best New Comedy, the 2015 Olivier Award for Best New Comedy and a Tony Award for the Broadway transfer, *The Play That Goes Wrong* continues to delight audiences in the West End and around the world. The show's success is a testament to the hard work and determination of a group of drama school graduates who became friends, set up a company under the name 'Mischief' and created an extraordinary body of work. *The Play That Goes Wrong* shows no signs of slowing down since its first performance at The Old Red Lion nearly 10 years ago with only four paying customers. Since then, it has played to an audience of over two million and now has productions in over 30 countries.

*The Play That Goes Wrong* is co-written by Mischief company members **Henry Lewis**, **Jonathan Sayer** and **Henry Shields** and is directed by **Mark Bell**, with set designs by **Nigel Hook**, costumes by **Roberto Surace**, lighting by **Ric Mountjoy**, original music by **Rob Falconer**, sound design by **Andy Johnson**, the associate director is **Sean Turner** and the resident director is **Amy Marchant**. *The Play That Goes Wrong* is produced in the West End by Kenny Wax Ltd and Stage Presence Ltd.

Mischief Theatre Ltd. was founded in 2008 by a group of acting graduates of LAMDA and began as an improvised comedy group. Mischief performs across the UK and internationally with original scripted and

improvised work and also has a programme of workshops. *The Play That Goes Wrong* is currently playing in the West End and begins a three-month tour at Bath Theatre Royal in April, with both *Magic Goes Wrong* and *Groan Ups* currently touring the UK. Series 2 of the BBC comedy *The Goes Wrong Show* is currently available to watch on iPlayer. The company is owned and controlled by its original members and is led by a creative group and its directors **Henry Lewis** and **Jonathan Sayer**.

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## WEST END BOX OFFICE INFORMATION

### THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

Duchess Theatre  
3-5 Catherine Street  
London WC2B 5LA

Booking number: 0330 333 4810

Website: [www.theplaythatgoeswrong.com](http://www.theplaythatgoeswrong.com)

Running time: 2 hours including an interval

Twitter: @playgoeswrong

Facebook: The Play That Goes Wrong

Instagram: @playgoeswrong

### BOOKING TO 2 April 2023

#### PERFORMANCE TIMES

Tuesday to Saturday at 7:30pm

Saturday at 2:30pm

Sunday at 3:00pm & 7:00pm

#### AGE

8+

Please note children under 15 years of age must be accompanied by an adult over 18 years of age.

#### PRICES

Tickets from £22.

Prices include booking fees of £2.50, applicable to online & telephone bookings.

All tickets include a £1.25 Theatre Restoration Levy.

#### MISCHIEF

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Pre pandemic, Mischief had multiple productions playing in New York and London. *The Play That Goes Wrong* (Duchess Theatre, which re-opened 18 June 2021), *The Comedy About A Bank Robbery* (which played at the Criterion Theatre for four years) and following a record-breaking two-year run on Broadway it was represented Off Broadway by *The Play That Goes Wrong* (New World Stages since 2019, re-opened October 2021, co-produced with Kevin McCollum

and JJ Abrams). In September 2019 the company started a West End residency at the Vaudeville Theatre with *Groan Ups* followed by *Magic Goes Wrong*. *Magic Goes Wrong* returned to the West End for a strictly limited run at The Apollo Theatre from October 2021. Other Mischief productions, including *Peter Pan Goes Wrong*, regularly tour the UK, USA and worldwide.

In 2017 Mischief Theatre Ltd. and Kenny Wax & Stage Presence, the producers of all the company's West End productions, formed Mischief Worldwide Ltd. to manage the rights to all Mischief projects in all artforms. Mischief Worldwide Ltd., based in London, licenses copyrights, trademarks and other Mischief properties to producers, distributors, publishers and others around the world.

Mischief was first seen on television in the Royal Variety Performance of 2015 and subsequently in two BBC One Christmas specials, *Peter Pan Goes Wrong* (2016) and *A Christmas Carol Goes Wrong* (2017). In 2018 Mischief Worldwide Ltd. and the Anthology Group formed Mischief Screen Ltd., an independent TV production company headed by CEO Hilary Strong. Their Royal Television Society award-winning BBC One series *The Goes Wrong Show* aired in December 2019 with a Christmas special, further episodes in early 2020, and a hit Nativity special last Christmas. The second series aired in September 2021 on BBC One and iPlayer where the gang tackled a Downton-esque family saga and a US-style prison break drama, with predictably disastrous results.

All the companies develop, create and perform under the single name of Mischief. Mischief is developing new works of comedy for theatre, TV, film and other media.

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