

PRESS RELEASE

Cloud Man floats to

Delightful tale for children aged 4-7

Cloudia has always had her head in the clouds. A cloud expert, she has dreamt all her life of seeing a Cloud Man – extremely rare creatures who live a quiet life high up in the sky...

In this delightful show brought to you by Ailie Cohen Puppet Maker, the audience follows the clues to the very top of Cloud Mountain, a place where the views are always surprising – and, if you're lucky, you might see something very special indeed.

Featuring a blend of puppetry, storytelling and sumptuous visuals, Cloud Man is a 45-minute show suitable for children aged 4 to 7 years.

The show was devised and developed together with collaborator Lewis Hetherington, and directed by Alasdair Satchel. It features original music by Niroshini Thambar and Nik Paget-Tomlinson, as well as set and puppets created by Ailie.

The show was featured as part of Creative Scotland's prestigious *Made in Scotland* showcase at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival 2011 with Jen Edgar Ireland as performer/puppeteer.

Jen and Ailie will both be touring Cloud Man throughout the UK and Abroad during 2012/13.

Ailie and Lewis are very excited to announce the creation of a Cloud Man book, on sale after the show, so audiences can enjoy the tale of Cloud Man at home too!

Ailie has toured extensively in the UK, Ireland and Australia. She is an associate artist of Puppet State Theatre Company, with whom she directed and designed 'The Man Who Planted Trees'. She has also worked with the National Theatre of Scotland, The Citizens and Grid Iron, and has produced solo shows including *Rumplestiltskin at the Fairytale Laundry* and *Jazz Mouse*. She was also commissioned by TAG theatre to create *Museum of Dreams* which appeared at the Singapore Arts Festival 2011. Ailie is currently co-creating Puppet State's new show for Edinburgh 2012.

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