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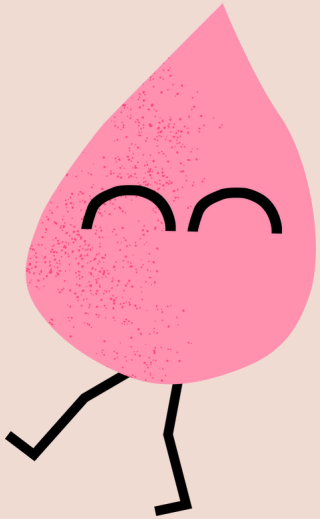
Theatre Unlimited



At Monkey Baa, we believe every young person deserves a front-row seat to creativity.



Evidence shows (and we know this in our hearts) that engaging with theatre can profoundly impact young people's lives. Theatre can:

- Improve academic performance
- Boost cognitive skills and creativity
- Improve mental wellbeing
- Model diversity and different perspectives
- Develop a deeper understanding of emotions

But perhaps most importantly, it helps young people see and feel how they belong.

But... we have a problem

Not all young people experience these benefits.

We also know Australian stories for young people are in decline, yet they're vital for identity and understanding diversity. Without these stories, young people lose the chance to see themselves reflected.

Live theatre offers unique opportunities for emotional growth, empathy and social skills. As these experiences fade, young people miss out on essential pathways to emotional literacy and wellbeing.



Our response...Theatre Unlimited

To ensure more young people have access to the benefits of theatre, we have launched a major new initiative, Theatre Unlimited.

The aim is to expand our capacity and remove the barriers so more young people have the opportunity to engage with live performing arts.

In the next decade we hope to reach 1,000,000 young people and their families.

Who will benefit?

We are committed to bringing our work to a diverse range of communities across Australia.

We are prioritising areas and communities where the need is greatest:

- Regional and remote communities
- Schools with limited resources
- Young people and families navigating medical challenges.
- Young people supported by the Out-of-Home care system
- Families with lived experience of DV, complex trauma and homelessness

With your support, we aim to inspire and engage 30,000 young people experiencing disadvantage each year.

How will we do this?

We will break down barriers and reach more young people by:

- Providing free tickets and transport to schools and community groups in need
- Expanding our touring to reach more regional and remote communities
- Embedding emotional development into new works using evidence-based approaches
- Developing partnerships with charities, arts organisations and other institutions to amplify our reach

We aim to create a world where every young person is emboldened by creativity.

Your support



1.6 million

young people and their families



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communities visited

We are growing our social impact and we need your support.

We are currently seeking assistance to:

- Expand our Theatre Access Program
- Create bold and exciting new theatre works
- Expand our reach to new communities and markets
- Build our capacity to become a social impact driven theatre company

Together, we can empower the next generation through the power of storytelling and the arts.

Let's chat

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