# **CIRCO FOLKLORICO**

### Circo Folklorico is a colourful rollercoaster ride through the beautiful traditions of European Clown.



#### It's funny, it's skilled, it's clever, it's musical, and it's educational.

In 50 minutes of energetic, uplifting fun, we meet traditional and contemporary comic characters *Mas Rapido* from Spain, *Papa Gluck* from Germany, *Arlecchino (Harlequin)* from Italy... and of course *Christof!!* from Australia. This upbeat show highlights the joy of our multicultural world, communication, tolerance and diversity, and the ability of us all to surprise ourselves with what we can do.

The performance features simple but colourful costumes, musical clown, Italian mask, clever juggling, balancing, German tuned cow bells, loads of positive audience participation and a spectacular International unicycle-folk dance finale.

Whether simply as a joyous entertainment, or as stimulus for further investigation of different cultures, communication, music and physical skills, Circo Folklorico is a winner.

Christof!!, himself a product of a German/Australian family, was brought up in the rich environment of 1950's urban Melbourne. After training both as a teacher and actor, he has spent his adult life travelling the globe, performing in theatres, festivals and circuses, meeting and learning from some of the finest traditional and contemporary performers throughout the world.

While the show is in English, each character uses just enough words of their own language to have fun. Christof even uses some Auslan, just because we can.

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"Great show! Fantastic combination of languages, culture & circus tricks." – Beehive Montessori School, SA

"Fantastic – wonderfully engaging presentation with a number of 'WOW!' moments!" – Le Page PS, Cheltenham, VIC

#### Teachers' notes provided

**Cost**: \$6.00 per student + GST **Minimum Audience** 120 **Suitability**: Prep – Year 12

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES:** 

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## FEEDBACK FOR CIRCO FOLKLORICO

Absolutely *loved* it. Laughed 'til it hurt. Certainly worth the money - *one of the BEST* one man shows I've seen. *The Hutchins School, TAS* 

What an **absolutely wonderful** performance!! I have been a classroom teacher for 29 years and Christof!! Has to be in the top 3 of the many, many performers I have seen. Stawell PS, VIC

Students were absolutely *riveted*. Christof!! held their attention and captured their interest and humour. The staff were as totally *engrossed* in the performance as the students. *Brent St PS, TAS* 

**EXCELLENT**. Had them all enthralled – from 5 year olds to 12 year olds. The consummate performer! *Southwell PS, WA* 

Well presented and excellent involvement of audience. Thank you for bringing *fun and laughter* into the students' day. *Warrane PS, TAS* 

The children were *screaming with laughter*, clapping and cheering - thoroughly, actively involved in the performance. They wriggled closer and closer, keen to get as close to the action as possible. Brilliant!! *The Hamilton & Alexandra College, VIC* 

Great!! It was good to see the 'cool' Year 6 students laughing. Super! Fraser PS, ACT

Students responded with *delight*. There was lots of spontaneous applause, surprise and admiration of skills as well as empathy with Christof!!'s characters. *Kilmore PS, VIC* 

Fantastically funny, great explanations, very inclusive performance. I would *thoroughly recommend* Christof!! to come to your school. *Christian College, Belmont, VIC* 

The performance was wonderful. It is one of the best we have seen. Students were captivated, *enthralled* and very willing to participate – those at sport will be sorry to have missed out!

St Hilda's Anglican School, QLD

Fantastic! From the very start the student response was *electric*. I have never laughed so much in my whole life. A great way to start the day for <u>all</u> students and staff *Mentone Girls Grammar School, VIC* 

Excellent show. A top presentation! Pinjara PS, WA

Christof!! has an **amazing gift** with children – his humour and depth of insights have a profound effect – both delight and learning can be seen constantly throughout the show. Great! Channel Christian School, TAS

Christof!! had the ability, the desire and the *charisma* to relate beautifully with our special population of students...He was able to extend our students in a way that surprised all of the staff...Students and staff have both asked me to see if we can organise a repeat visit next year. I hope we can. Christof!! is *one terrific performer*. *Broadmeadows Specialist School, VIC* 

Extremely positive. All ages were equally engaged. Lots of laughter and applause. Fantastic. Great crowd control and audience engagement. *Kangaroo Island, Pandana, SA*