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Kiwi Moon Certain to Captivate Kids Hearts

During the 2008 New Zealand International Arts Festival, Capital E National Theatre for Children is proud to premiere the stage adaptation of Kiwi Moon, based on Gavin Bishop's exquisite picture book of the same name.

Adapted and directed by National Theatre for Children's Artistic Director Peter Wilson, Kiwi Moon combines a mix of magical puppets, stunning shadow puppets and catchy songs to tell the tale of a little Kiwi's journey of self discovery. This deceptively simple story speaks of diversity and the effect that being different has on our community relationships.

Gavin Bishop is an award-winning children's book author and illustrator having been nominated and won several NZ Post Children's Book Awards. Gavin was awarded the 'Sylvia-Ashton Warner fellow' at the Auckland College of Education for 2004. This is the second collaboration for Gavin and Capital E National Theatre for Children, the first the award winning Hinepau which is set to return to New Zealand audiences later in 2008.

Kiwi Moon features actors James Conway-Law, Will Harris, Joanne Murphy and Anya Tate-Manning, puppet design by Sue Hill, shadow puppets by Debz Ruffell, original composition by Thomas Press, musical direction by Laughton Pattrick, set design by John Hodgkins and lighting design by Marcus McShane. After this limited Wellington public season, Kiwi Moon will tour until October performing to school children nationwide.

Capital E is a Wellington Museums Trust facility. The Capital E National Theatre for Children receives major funding support from Creative New Zealand.

Kiwi Moon: 8 March – 5 April, Capital E McKenzie Theatre, Civic Square, Wellington season.
Sat 8 March: 2pm Sat 15 March: 11am, 2pm, 6pm
Sat 22 March: 11am, 2pm, 6pm Mon 24 March (Easter Monday) 10am, 11.30am
Tues 25 March: 10am, 11.30am Sat 29 March: 11am, 2pm, 6pm Sat 5 April: 11am, 2pm
PRICE: $10.50 per person. $38 family of four. $8.50 per person groups of 10 or more, under twos free

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