



# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Alexandra Palace, London · 3-4 June 2026

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SEMINARS

WORKSHOPS

COFFEE CHATS

CAREERS HUB

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ABTT

## DAY 1

WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE 2026

11 AM

PREEVUE ROOM

### WHAT'S NEXT FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY? PREPARING FOR THE NEXT DECADE

National Theatre / RB Health & Safety Solutions / Royal Ballet & Opera / Birmingham Hippodrome

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### LEDS IN THE SPOTLIGHT: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BUT NO ONE TELLS YOU!

Robe UK Ltd

HARPER TACKLEY

### 5 WAYS TO FIT A RADIO MIC

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

BRISTOW

### REACTIVE THEATRE: HARNESSING PERFORMER TRACKING TECHNOLOGIES

Flamingo Software

RB HEALTH & SAFETY SOLUTIONS

### BREAKAWAY TRAINING: PERSONAL SAFETY FOR THEATRE AND LIVE EVENTS STAFF

RB Health & Safety Solutions

COFFEE CHATS

### RYAN METCALFE

*in conversation with*

### STUART GRAHAM

12 PM

PREEVUE ROOM

### MARTYN'S LAW UPDATE: WHAT THE NEW ACT MEANS FOR THEATRES AND VENUES

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### PRODUCING THEATRE SOUND: HOW DO THE UK'S MOST ICONIC THEATRES DESIGN THEIR IN-HOUSE SYSTEMS?

d&b audiotechnik

COFFEE CHATS

### TED MOORE

*in conversation with*

### BRYAN RAVEN

**12.30 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**INTRODUCTION TO WIG MAKING**

ENO

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**ALL CHANGE! COSTUME SUPPORT FOR PERFORMANCE**

Royal Ballet & Opera

**HARPER TACKLEY**

**MAC AND RAPP TOOLS: MANUAL HANDLING RISK ASSESSMENT**

Steeldeck / ABTT



**1 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**SMA STAGE MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2026**

SMA

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**FUTURE PROOFING YOUR SEATING: A NOD TO THE PAST, AN EYE TO THE FUTURE**

Audience Systems

**2 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR PLACES OF ENTERTAINMENT — UPDATES FOR 2026**

ABTT / The Fire Surgery / Arup



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**CONTINUING TO LEARN BEYOND EDUCATION: OUTCOMES FROM THE 2026 MAKE A DIFFERENCE CONFERENCE**

University of Greenwich / GSA / ABTT



**HARPER TACKLEY**

**CHECKING ELECTRICAL SAFETY**

ABTT



**BRISTOW**

**KNOW YOUR KNOTS**

ABTT



**RB HEALTH & SAFETY SOLUTIONS**

**INTRODUCTION TO ABTT AUTOMATION TRAINING**

RPS (Resolution Production Services)



**COFFEE CHATS**

**GARY PELL**

*in conversation with*

**GAV PELL**

**3 PM**

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**DEMYSTIFYING APPRENTICESHIPS**

GERMINE WALLOWAY

### 3.30 PM

PREEVUE ROOM

#### FROM DMX TO DATA: NETWORKING IN MODERN LIGHTING SYSTEMS

ChamSys

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#### AN INTRODUCTION TO SAFE MANUAL HANDLING

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#### ALL CHANGE! COSTUME SUPPORT FOR PERFORMANCE

Royal Ballet & Opera

### 4 PM

PREEVUE ROOM

#### AI WON'T REPLACE YOU — BUT SOMEONE USING AI WILL

Preevue

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#### LEARNING LIGHT, TODAY, YESTERDAY AND TOMORROW

ALPD

COFFEE CHATS

#### LUCY EDELSTEIN

*in conversation with*

#### KATHERINE HERZOG PARSONS

### 4.30 PM

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#### KNOW YOUR KNOTS

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### 5 PM

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#### UNDER THE SKIN OF SACN AND ART-NET

Artistic Licence

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#### INTRODUCTION TO WIG SETTING

ENO

BRISTOW

#### BREAKAWAY TRAINING: PERSONAL SAFETY FOR THEATRE AND LIVE EVENTS STAFF

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★ **WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE, 6PM — ABTT AWARDS & SOCIAL ON THE TERRACE — SPONSORED BY TAIT**

**Also in the venue:** Palace Suite (Robe Group) · KV2 Audio Roman Bar · Prepared Demo Room

## 9 AM

PREEVUE ROOM

### EDUCATION BREAKFAST: SUSTAINABLE SUPPLIERS

Theatre Green Book / Royal Ballet & Opera

## 10.15 AM

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### NEVER DRAW THE SAME THING TWICE: REUSABLE CONTENT IN AUTOCAD

cad4theatre

## 11 AM

PREEVUE ROOM

### SUSTAINING PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH BACKSTAGE

BAPAM / Backstage PASS / The Back Lounge / Hermes Health



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### 'BEHIND THE CURTAIN': ACCESSIBLE AND INCLUSIVE THEATRE MAKING

Craidd / Sherman Theatre / PMF

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### INTRODUCTION TO WEFT MAKING

ENO

BRISTOW

### STANDBY! HOW THE RBO STAGE MANAGEMENT TEAM GET A SHOW ON

Royal Ballet & Opera

RB HEALTH & SAFETY SOLUTIONS

### SKILLS OF A SCENIC ARTIST

Royal Ballet & Opera

COFFEE CHATS

### KAT ELLIS

*in conversation with*

### SAM GARNER-GIBBONS

## 12 PM

PREEVUE ROOM

### PRODUCTION TECHNICIAN UPSKILL TRAINING: WHAT ARE OUR NEEDS TODAY?

ABTT / Royal Central School of Speech & Drama



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### THE LAST AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCE: WHY THEATRE WINS WHEN EVERYTHING IS AUTOMATED

Preevue / Line-Up

COFFEE CHATS

### CHRIS BOONE

*in conversation with*

### LIV GARNER

**12.30 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**5 WAYS TO FIT A RADIO MIC**

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

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**AN INTRODUCTION TO AFRO HAIR STYLING: CURLY AND TEXTURED HAIR IN THEATRE**

Royal Ballet & Opera

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**EMERGENCY FIRST AID FOR THEATRE STAFF: CPR, DEFIBRILLATORS AND CATASTROPHIC BLEEDING**

RB Health & Safety Solutions

**1 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**THEATRE GREEN BOOK: PRACTICAL TOOLS FOR SUSTAINABLE THEATRE-MAKING IN 2026**

Theatre Green Book / Re-Source / TAZAAR

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**AUDIO SYSTEM DESIGN FOR OBJECT-BASED MIXING IN THE PERFORMING ARTS**

L-Acoustics

**COFFEE CHATS**

**EMMA WILSON MBE**

*in conversation with*

**ANNA FOX**

**2 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**LAUNCHING THE NEW ABTT APPRENTICESHIP NETWORK**

Chichester Festival Theatre / Royal Ballet & Opera / RSC / Birmingham Hippodrome



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**POWER FUNDAMENTALS: DON'T LICK IT!**

LSC Control Systems / Robe UK

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**CHECKING ELECTRICAL SAFETY**

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**BRISTOW**

**STANDBY! HOW THE RBO STAGE MANAGEMENT TEAM GET A SHOW ON**

Royal Ballet & Opera

**RB HEALTH & SAFETY SOLUTIONS**

**SKILLS OF A SCENIC ARTIST**

Royal Ballet & Opera

**3 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**BACKSTAGE BREAKTHROUGHS: HOW INNOVATION IS SHAPING THE FUTURE OF THEATRE**

ABTT VIP / Theatrical Solutions / Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

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**COFFEE CHATS**

**SARA BARR**

**3.30 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**SAFE USE OF STEELDECK AND ITS ACCESSORIES**

Steeldeck / ABTT



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**VENUE HIRE MADE SIMPLE**

Prospero Labs

**HARPER TACKLEY**

**DRAPE HANDLING AND CARE**

Drapemakers

**4 PM**

**PREEVUE ROOM**

**RETHINKING THEATRE DESIGN: FLEXIBILITY AND INNOVATION  
IN MODERN PERFORMANCE SPACES**

Clark Door Ltd

**Also in the venue:** Palace Suite (Robe Group) · KV2 Audio Roman Bar  
· Prepared Demo Room

# ALSO AT THE SHOW

WHAT ELSE IS ON THE SHOW FLOOR

**SHOW FLOOR CHALLENGE**

**EDUCATION ALLEY**

**CAREERS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HUB**

**COFFEE CHATS ★ NEW**

**ASSOCIATIONS AREA**

**ABTT AWARDS & SOCIAL**

## Also in the venue:

Palace Suite (Robe Group) — workshops and demos throughout both days

KV2 Audio Roman Bar — live demonstrations all day, both days

Prepared Demo Room — one session per day; see programme for times

 SEMINARS

 WORKSHOPS

 COFFEE CHATS

 CAREERS HUB

**FREE  
ENTRY**

The ABTT Theatre Show is free to attend. Register at [abtt.org.uk](https://abtt.org.uk)