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Dragon In A Basket

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The Dragon-in-a-Basket was originally made for the Make A Wish Foundation in 2018. It has since made an appearance at Floriade Australia Festival and Wyndham Animal and Pet Expo in 2019.



Construction & fabrication

The Dragon-in-a-Basket is a suit puppet which is puppeteered by one person in a brown safari costume.

The puppet itself consist of fake hands that hold a wicker basket with a beautiful hand sculpted baby dragon sat inside. The Dragon has horns, detailed nostrils, claws and a long overhanging tail.

The puppeteer's hands activate the puppets claws, head, neck, mouth and hidden smoke machine, which enables the baby dragon to breathe Bubble-gum scented smoke.

It is durably coated and painted with multiple layers using sophisticated techniques to achieve a realistic textured scaly exterior. Vibrant colours such as blues, reds, pinks, whites and purples have been used.

The Dragon Keeper is the baby dragon's minder. The performer also wears a brown safari costume along with a safari hat.

This suit puppet comes with a large 60cm Dragon egg prop, which is hand sculpted from foam as well as painted and coated in a similar colour and texture to the baby dragon. A Blanck Canvas also supplies an artificial seaweed prop for audience engagement; where they can feed the baby dragon.

Please let us know if you require any other props.

Message

The Baby Dragon-in-a-Basket is a fun and cheeky character. It invites people young and old to get up close to create a memorable sensory performance which is full of interaction.



Performance

The Baby Dragon and Dragon Keeper can be performed anywhere, as it is a suit puppet it can both roam streets and stay stationary.

The Baby Dragon can be manipulated to look around and interact with crowds. It can be made to play catch with seaweed, mimic audience movements and cheekily fool around.

The Keeper helps add to the narrative and assist the audience's engagement with the baby puppet. For example, the Keeper may tell the crowds the baby dragon loves to be tickled under its neck, resulting in the baby dragon breathing out bubble scented smoke in delight.

Each performance runs for 30-minutes and our performers require a 30-minute break between shows*.

The Team

There are 4 members of The Dragon-in-a-Basket team, including:

- 2 professional performers
- 1 puppetry director
- 1 production assistant



To discuss how you can work with us to deliver your event, please get in touch for an obligation-free quotation.

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