

Rain or Shine Theatre Company

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Go Wilde this Christmas with a Victorian ghost story!

Following their successful summer tour of Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, Rain or Shine are pleased to present a new stage adaptation of his delightful short story **The Canterville Ghost**.

Shortly before Christmas1884, the Otis family from America move into the ancestral home of Sir Simon de Canterville, a 300 years old ghost. The culture clash that ensues as the brash new American materialism and the stuffy old British tradition battle it out for control of the house is charming, witty, farcical and moving. Only Miss Virginia Otis is concerned about the ghost; can she save him from having to haunt Canterville Chase for all time?

Suitable for ages 7 upwards the story, including some 'sing along' Christmas carols, is sure to set the scene for this festive season!

The Canterville Ghost is Rain or Shine's second Christmas show, and follows their hit 2009 production of '*A Christmas Carol'*...

- "...an excellent performance, full of emotion, humour and a touch of magic"
- "...slick, witty, inventive and superbly costumed show. We may know the tale, but there is much pleasure in a new and fizzing telling"
- "...as I drove back to King's Lynn past Christmas Lights, having had my first mince pie of the year, I decided the festive season had really started"

Be sure to book early for The Canterville Ghost – some venues have been sold out since the middle of October!

Tickets are available from each venue. The full listing of tour dates & venues near you is available <u>by clicking</u> here or <u>www.rainorshine.co.uk</u>. Publicity images downloadable by clicking here.

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