

An SDC Youth Production

A painting of a landscape with trees and a rainbow. The scene is set on a dark, silhouetted hillside. Several trees of varying heights and shapes are scattered across the slope. In the background, a vibrant rainbow arches across a sky filled with soft, blended colors of blue, purple, and yellow. A simple wooden fence runs along the crest of the hill on the right side.

Whistle Down The Wind

From an original novel by Mary Hayley Bell

**Adapted by Russell Labey & Richard Taylor
With Music & Lyrics by Richard Taylor**

CAST

The Bostock Family

Cathy.....	Bex Hinds
Nan.....	Toni Spofforth
Charles.....	Andrew Lee
Dad.....	Guy Unsworth
Aunt Dorothy.....	Juliet Anderson

The Children

Elizabeth Wareing.....	Chloe Ackers
David Edwards.....	Michael Morris
June Edwards.....	Sarah Alty
Jackie Greenwood.....	Jenny Holden
Billy Greenwood.....	Tom Mackley
Raymond Jackson.....	Daniel Fell
Molly Pilkington.....	Jessie Wall
Maggie Pilkington.....	Amy Wilson
Teddy Pilkington.....	Mark Newell
Grace Robinson.....	Yasmin Paul
Victoria Churchill.....	Mariah Paul
Jennifer Churchill.....	Corinne Paul
Phyllis Bickerstaff.....	Helen Bench
Jessie Bickerstaff.....	Katie Alty
Judy Pembridge.....	Olivia Darkes-Sutcliffe

The Adults

The Man.....	Andrew Mackley
The Rev. Victor Churchill.....	Nick Breen
Ann Churchill.....	Clare Haworth
P.C. Frank Jackson.....	Rikki Spofforth
Emily Jackson.....	Emma-Jayne Corboz
Judith Lodge.....	Natalie Fletcher
Ethel Pembridge.....	Laura Gorse
Eddie Jones.....	Alex Howarth
Bobby Pilkington.....	Adam Hodgson
Betty Pilkington/Salvation Army Woman.....	Jessica Daniels
William Robinson.....	Brian Fraser
John Robinson.....	Daniel Windham
Harry Edwards.....	Jack Herlihy
Mary Bickerstaff.....	Laura Howarth
Samuel Greenwood.....	Josh Bullen
Jane Greenwood.....	Caitlin Molyneux

PRODUCTION TEAM

The Production Team

Director.....Stephen Hughes-Alty
Musical Director.....Paul Williams
Youth Theatre Co-ordinator.....Judith Gorse
Staging.....Arnold Gorse

The Crew

Stage Manager.....Mark Haworth
Asst. Stage Manager.....Ashley Turner
Lighting.....Tony Berry
Sound.....Bernie Howatt
Wardrobe.....James Hughes-Alty
Properties.....Judith Gorse
Properties (Assistants).....Laura Neal
.....Beth Schofield
Crew.....Andrew Connard
.....Phil Hutchinson
.....Chris Hutchinson
.....Roderick Beardsell
Scenic Artist.....Bob Jessamine
Conceptual Artwork.....Syd Coley
Programme Design.....Stephen Hughes-Alty
Matron.....Val Howatt

The Orchestra

Piano/Keyboard.....Paul Williams
Flute.....Debbie McGowan
Oboe.....Yvonne Forshaw
'Cello.....James Hill

Special thanks to Dorothy Alty, David Charters & Dave Ballinger.

There will be an interval of twenty minutes
The use of recording equipment is strictly forbidden

Children under the age of fourteen are
not allowed in the bar

A MESSAGE FROM STEPHEN HUGHES-ALTY, DIRECTOR

It was with great pleasure that I accepted the challenge of directing this production. Hardly a challenge at all when you consider the quality of the script and score and the talent and drive of this incredible young cast. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their diligence and dedication.

Thank you also to Paul for his perseverance, musicality and innate ability to get children to perform to their full potential. My gratitude must also go to Judith, Arnold and James for their constant and invaluable support and to the many people who have helped to make this production a happy and rewarding experience.

Finally, thank **you** for taking the time to attend our production. I chuckled the first time I heard the lyrics from one of the songs you will hear tonight. It reads, "Children are, let's face it, not really 'theatre', hardly worth the trip to town." Well, I hope tonight's performances prove that wrong and you enjoy the show as much as I have enjoyed working on it.

A MESSAGE FROM JUDITH GORSE, YOUTH THEATRE CO-ORDINATOR

I have many fond memories of the film 'Whistle Down the Wind' starring Hayley Mills and it has been a great privilege for me to watch a wonderful group of young people re-create the emotions and atmosphere you will experience tonight.

My special thanks to Stephen, Paul, James, Arnold and the production team for their skill and expertise. I guarantee you will enjoy it!