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Artist Information Form

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Name of Show: Muttnik the First Dog in Space

Target Audience: Family - age three upward

Blurb:

A Physical Theatre Show for Children and Childish Adults.
Devised and Performed by Niki McCretton

Muttnik is a stray. She lives on the streets of Moscow, cold and hungry until one day she is captured. To her surprise, she finds herself a shiny new home with food, water and adventures better than dreams. She is living at the Russian Space Centre and has been selected to be the first dog in space! She learns to fly a rocket, to parachute jump, to dance in zero gravity and to go 'where no dog has gone before'. Will she skate on the rings of Saturn, what will be her first message home and what will it be like to dig holes on the moon.

Following her acclaimed production for children 'Throw me a Bone', which toured to sell out audiences in London and the United States, Niki McCretton brings us this imaginative slant on what happened to Laika, the dog that the Russians sent into space aboard the rocket Sputnik 2 in 1957. This enchanting tale is told with dance, music and puppetry and is suitable for children over three years old.

Full Running Length (anticipated if not yet known): 50mins

Length of Extract Being Performed: 50 mins

When the show is available for touring (from/to): Sept - Dec 2006

How many performers / how many on the road?:
One performer. Tours with own technician to operate

Technical Requirements (when on tour): By discussion

Other Requirements when on tour:
Overnight accommodation for two if not within travelling distance (from Somerset)

