# Relaxed Performances of Hansel and Gretel

The dlr Mill Theatre is dedicated to making our Christmas Show enjoyable for everyone. Our relaxed performances create a calm, flexible environment designed for audience members who may benefit from reduced sensory elements or a more informal setting.

### What to Expect:

#### **Pre-Show Introduction**

• Before the show begins, a cast member will come onstage to introduce themselves and the character they play, helping audiences feel comfortable and familiar before the performance starts.

## **A Flexible Theatre Experience**

- Audience members are free to move around or leave the auditorium at any time.
- Doors remain open throughout the performance, and the house opens early for a gentle, unhurried arrival.
- Capacity is reduced to ensure a relaxed, spacious atmosphere.

### **Sensory-Friendly Adjustments**

- Softer lighting with no harsh flashes or full blackouts where possible.
- Lowered sound levels and reduced screams or intense moments from the cast.
- Water effects removed from prop guns.
- House lights stay dimmed but on, and comfort items such as fidgets or ear defenders are welcome.

### **Additional Support**

- Cast will avoid moving through the audience unless confirmed otherwise.
- A digital programme, with images of each actor playing the roles is available to view here

Our aim is to offer a welcoming, inclusive experience where every family can enjoy the magic of our Christmas Show in comfort and confidence.