

West End star **David Hunter** is to play Bob Cratchit

Olivier-nominated West End actor **David Burt** returns to star again as Scrooge

as award-winning theatre company Antic Disposition celebrate their 10th anniversary year with the return of **A Christmas Carol** in spectacular and historical Middle Temple Hall

David Hunter - last seen in the West End starring as Guy in the Olivier, Tony and Academy Award-winning musical *Once* - is to play Ebenezer Scrooge's downtrodden employee, Bob Cratchit, in award-winning Antic Disposition's magical, musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' festive classic, *A Christmas Carol*.

And returning to the lead role of Scrooge for a second year is Olivier Award-nominated West End star David Burt.

Following sell-out seasons in 2012 and 2014, *A Christmas Carol* will play between Tuesday 22 December and Wednesday 30 December.

Press are invited to review on Wednesday 23 December at 7.30pm.

Seen by over 5,000 people and now established as one of London's most magical festive treats, *A Christmas Carol* will be performed in the highly atmospheric 16th-century Middle Temple Hall, a location well known to Dickens himself, who studied law at the ancient institution.

David Hunter first rose to fame as a finalist on Andrew Lloyd Webber's ITV casting programme, *Superstar*, as he competed to play the role of Jesus in *Jesus Christ Superstar*. He performed in front of millions, reaching the semi finals and receiving high praise throughout for his honest, dramatic performances. His West End credits include *One Man, Two Guvnors* (Adelphi & National Theatre), *Tommy* (Prince Edward) and *Seussical* (Arts). He also had the lead role in *The Hired Man* (Leicester Curve and Colchester Mercury).

David Burt is one of the West End's most respected and in-demand leading men. He has appeared in dozens of notable West End productions, including playing Enjolras in the original cast of *Les Misérables*, Magaldi in the original cast of *Evita*, Pontius Pilate in *Jesus Christ Superstar* and Count Fosco in *The Woman in White*. David's other credits include *Cats*, *Chess*, *The Far Pavilions*, *Closer to Heaven*, *Taboo* and *Kiss Me, Kate*, as well as seasons at the National Theatre and RSC. He was nominated for a Best Actor Olivier Award for his performance as Macheath in the RSC's *The Beggar's Opera*.

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David Burt and David Hunter
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The rest of the cast are: David Anthony, Chris Courtenay, Alex Hooper, Victoria Hope, Kerry Loosemore, Katie Lovell, Dean Riley, Andrea Sadler, and child actors Harley Gallacher, Leo Mann, Miles Roughley and Archie Stevens.

Creative Team: Directors: Ben Horslen, John Risebero.
Designer: John Risebero. Musical Director: Christopher Peake.
Choreographer: Edward Lewis French. Lighting Designer:
Tom Boucher. Associate Costume Designer: Sophie Howard.

Award-winning Antic Disposition has won critical acclaim for staging visually striking, site-specific productions in spectacular historic buildings, including recent sold-out runs of *The Tempest*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *A Christmas Carol* in Elizabethan Middle Temple Hall, and *Henry V* and *Romeo and Juliet* in the ancient Temple Church.

The company triumphed last year at the Peter Brook / Empty Space Awards, winning the coveted Peter Brook / Equity Ensemble Award.

Listings Info

Antic Disposition presents

A Christmas Carol

by Charles Dickens

Book and Lyrics by Ben Horslen and John Risebero

Music by Christopher Peake

22 – 30 December

Daily at 3.00pm and 7.30pm

11.00am and 3.00pm on 24 December

No performances on 25 / 26 December

Press night: Wednesday 23 December at 7.30pm

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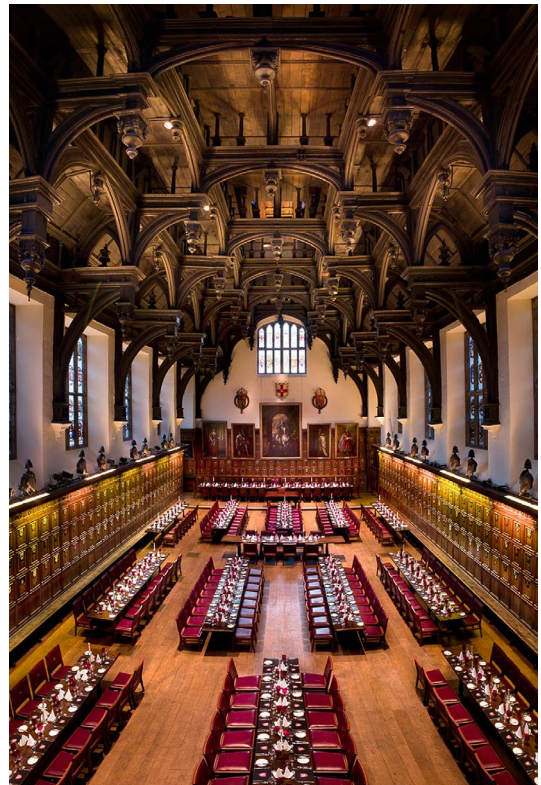
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Middle Temple Hall, London
Venue for *A Christmas Carol*