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Patch Theatre Company secures Sydney Theatre Awards Nomination

South Australia's internationally recognised children's theatre company, Patch Theatre, has been nominated for a Sydney Theatre Award for Best Production for Children for the 2011 season of *Me and My Shadow* at the Sydney Opera House.

Me and My Shadow is a gentle story depicting the fanciful escapades of a girl who finds a way to be friends with her shadow. Following its 2010 premiere in Adelaide, the show performed critically acclaimed seasons in 2011 at the Sydney Opera House and The Arts Centre in Melbourne and will tour nationally in 2012.

The Sydney Theatre Award Nomination follows Patch Theatre's success at the Helpmann Awards in Sydney last year where *Me and My Shadow* took out the Helpmann Award for Best Presentation for Children.

Resident in Norwood, Adelaide, where the company also manages the Odeon Theatre, Patch Theatre has quietly accumulated an enviable range of awards for its high quality theatre for 4-8 year olds, including Helpmann Awards in 2008 & 2011, a Ruby Award in 2009 for Sustained Contribution to the Arts, six Drover's Awards for national touring and an Adelaide Critics Circle Award for Innovation.

In 2012 Patch Theatre celebrates forty years, a major milestone for any theatre company, and has lined up a year of celebrations that includes the premiere of its new work, *A Lion in the Night* and a tour to the Kennedy Centre in Washington with its critically acclaimed production, *Emily Loves to Bounce*.

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