

Vivienne McKee presents  
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LONDON TOAST THEATRE

A guest production  
Performed in English

Vivienne McKee  
as

**Shirley  
Valentine**

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Willy Russell's play  
is for husbands,  
wives, sons, daughters,  
friends and lovers.  
Treat yourselves”

”

Shirley Valentine wants  
nothing more than not to  
waste her life”

**April 21st - May 14th 2022**

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# Shirley Valentine

by Willy Russell

## ONSTAGE

Vivienne McKee as Shirley Valentine

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Manuscript	Willy Russell
Direction	Helen Tennison
Costume & Scenography	Kirsten Brink
Sound director	Stuart Goodstein
Sound Engineer	Sofus Sean Bassett
Lighting design	Bjarne Olsen
Administration	Søren Hall, Ulla Håkansson & Søren B. Petersen

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## A word from the director

Shirley Valentine is a joyful call to grab our courage and embrace our dreams. Trapped at home, cooking egg and chips for her husband, Shirley wonders what has happened to young woman she used to be. She yearns for a more exciting life but doubts that she has the courage, or even the right, to pursue her dreams.

This isn't a classic play for no reason. Masterfully written by Willy Russell, one of Britain's best loved writers, known for his portrayal of working class Liverpudlian life, Shirley Valentine is honest, funny and moving – an inspiring call to live your life to its' full potential.

There's a growing visibility of older women in life and the arts. First performed in 1986, the piece is a reminder of how far women have come and how much further we have to go. It's still the case that women tend to bear the burden of child rearing and home making to the detriment of their own dreams and well-being.

But the sense of having lost a part of ourselves in the day to day demands of life is universal.

Especially right now, when the impacts of Covid have led many of us to look again at our lives. Just like Shirley we're asking questions about what really matters. After two years of restrictions we are all yearning for the freedom, travel and adventure that Shirley embarks upon making Shirley Valentine the perfect antidote to the (post?) pandemic blues.

Drawing on her depth and sophistication as an actor as well as her celebrated comedic talents, Vivienne McKee brings her personal spirit of adventure to this iconic role it's great to be back in Copenhagen working with Viv and Shirley.



Helen Tennison