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Young stars: the cast of the Create Theatre Company production of Peter Pan. Photo by Kate Roscoe.

## Peter Pan

Review by Tash Knight

Members of the Create Theatre Company once again worked their magic with a production of *Peter Pan* at the Finchley Youth Theatre in the High Road for three shows in early February. The annual production raised a fantastic £320 for Great Ormond Street Hospital and the Prostate Cancer Charity.

From the minute the stage lights dimmed, the audience was captivated by the beautiful costumes and set designs and the dedication and enthusiasm of the cast. The performance was personal and every character shone in their individual scenes.

The Lost Boys, led by Peter Pan (Georgia Hennessy), were

hilarious to watch as they fought against the group of Pirates, led by Captain Hook (Grace Milner). The dynamic between these rivals led to some outrageous fighting scenes and several broken swords. Under-terred by unreliable props, all the children stayed focused, and continued to uphold the enchanting atmosphere.

A highlight was watching the Mini Lost Boys teeter onto the stage, played by the Create-eenies, some of them performing for the first time, aged as young as three.

The production was brilliantly staged and it was easy to forget that over 30 children effortlessly held up the show. The latest from The Create Company has proved once again how talented our local community is in East Finchley.

To get involved or to find out more about the Create Theatre Company, contact Caroline Lau on 020 8882 9009 or visit [www.createtheatreschool.co.uk](http://www.createtheatreschool.co.uk)

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To celebrate the centenary of Long Lane Pasture in 2012, friends of the nature reserve have launched an art and photo competition.

It is open to everyone who would like to photograph or make a painting or drawing of the pasture in 2012, until 15 September when the competition closes.

Long Lane Pasture is a fragment of ancient hay meadow which is rich in wildflowers and wildlife and is sited opposite Long Lane Fire Station.

There will be an exhibition of competition entries at artsdepot in North Finchley during October and artworks will be judged by local artists and art companies.

There will be prizes, and the winning entry will be included in the pasture calendar for 2013. School groups are welcome by arrangement (telephone 020

8346 9894). For more information, come to the pasture on Saturday mornings from 10am to 12 noon. A list of pasture events can be found at [www.longlanepasture.org](http://www.longlanepasture.org)

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