

The Stars of Matariki

Key Facts for Directors

Why?

1. Deepen knowledge of Te Āo Māori
2. Increase understanding of Matariki
3. Aligns with proposed Aotearoa History Curriculum



The Show

- Written for primary/intermediate age children
- Combination of English and Te Reo Māori
- 9 songs (sing/dance)
- 4 instrumentals (dance)
- 75-90 minutes long
- 12 scenes (optional half time)
- 2 script options (depending on number/age of participants)
- 25-28 main characters (depending on version of script)
- 100+ one line parts (optional)
- 11 groups
- 2 choirs

Your License Includes

- 2 alternative scripts
- 13 demonstration & performance backing tracks
- Musical notation for song melodies
- 12 months performance license
- Rights to record and sell video/audio copies of your performance for school fundraising
- Director's Notes



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The Team Behind The Musical



Dedication

The Stars of Matariki is dedicated to Jenny & Laughton Pattrick for lighting my musical passion, almost 50 years ago, at primary school in Wellington. Some years later, I was also fortunate enough to participate in their musicals at Wellington Teachers College.

On behalf of everyone that you have nurtured and inspired in their musical journey —thankyou for your selfless generosity.



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Dr Lynley McMillan (support & encouragement)

Bruce MacQueen, Share NZ (sponsorship)



Jenny

Laughton (In memory)

Composer/writer

Dr Dave McMillan

(Ph.D., MBA, Trained Teacher)

Written 3 musicals

Published 2 books

Recorded 4 original albums

Key Reference Resources

Dr Rangi Matamua—*Matariki Star of the Year*

Witi Ihimaera—*Navigating the Stars—Māori Creation Myths*



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