## **Media Release**

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## Dive into pre-sale tickets to 2024 Combined Schools Musical

Get ready to escape reality and take a deep dive under the sea as tickets are set to go on sale this week for the 2024 Combined Schools Musical performance of Disney's *The Little Mermaid*.

But don't stay in the water for too long as you'll miss out on your opportunity to secure pre-sale tickets at discounted prices!

Pre-sale commences at 10am on Wednesday 8 November, ending at 10am on Wednesday 15 November. General ticket sales will commence following the pre-sale period.

Disney's *The Little Mermaid* will be performed from 6-17 March 2024 at Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre (GECC).

Eight shows will be performed, split between public shows and school shows, with 74 students from 18 schools participating.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett anticipates the 2024 Combined Schools Musical will continue the long-standing tradition of successful, entertaining and well attended school musicals.

"Recently, we have seen thousands attend *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* (2022), *The Wizard of Oz* (2020) and *Shrek* (2018), so I expect Disney's *The Little Mermaid* to be just as popular," Councillor Burnett said.

"Our talented students and experienced creative team started rehearsals at the beginning of September and this followed an audition process that saw 167 people attend across two days in July.

"There will be 74 cast members with eight lead roles, nine minor roles and all your favourite childhood songs to sing along to."

2024 marks the 13th Combined Schools Musical since the 1999 debut of Pirates of Panzance.

## DETAILS

WHAT: 2024 Combined Schools Musical – Disney's *The Little Mermaid*WHEN: Public shows 9-10 March and 16-17 March (7pm Saturday, 11am Sunday), School shows 6-7
March and 11-12 March (11am)
WHERE: Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre (56 Goondoon Street)
TICKETS: Pre-sale opens 10am (AEST) Wednesday 8 November until 10am (AEST) Wednesday 15
November. General tickets on sale following pre-sale period.

Visit <u>www.gladstoneentertainment.com</u> for more information and to purchase tickets.

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