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Sweet! 'Spiel mit der Zeit', Germany's most sumptuous children's show, celebrates colourful world premiere at Friedrichstadt-Palast Berlin

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Final applause! Journeys through time took Lea, Jule and Ben to the Stone Age, Ancient Egypt, the Wild West, the Middle Ages, the Classical period – and into the future. Photo: AFP / Axel Schmidt

Today saw a double world premiere – with every single seat sold out. Almost 4,000 children shrieking and laughing, delighted parents, and a host of celebrities. With dinosaurs, dragons and mummies, there's a whole lot to see in this fast-paced stage adventure. 'Spiel mit der Zeit' is the most expensive and largest kids' theatre production in Germany. It has a cast of more than 100 children – including in all the main roles – who perform for their peers.

When Lea, Jule and Ben try out a new video game, the games console falls onto the floor. Something must have broken, because now whenever they shake the console, a loose contact whisks them away to a different era – the Stone Age, Ancient Egypt, the Wild West, the Middle Ages, the Classical period – and into the future. Accidental time travelling with a faulty games console is mega fun, but also a little inconvenient – because they all have to be home in time for dinner!

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'Children often run into situations that they find unsettling at first, because they've not experienced anything like that before. The changes of scene caused by a loose contact are a parable that shows children: stay cool, keep your eyes open, stick together, and you'll be fine,' says theatre director and producer Dr. Berndt Schmidt, who came up with the idea for this season's story. The script was written by Stefanie Froer, who also wrote the previous kids' show 'Ganz schön anders'. Andreana Clemenz was secured as director for a second time, following 'Verrückte Sonne'. The creative team includes three composers Ali Askin, Peter Keller and Martin Wingerath, along with José Luna (costume design), Jan Wünsche (stage design) and Chris Moylan (light and video design).

The Palast celebrates two premieres for its children's shows because child employment legislation requires there to be two casts, each with over 100 kids, for the 47 performances until 31 January. Among the audience at the colourful world premieres were: American actress Tami Stronach, who played 'The Childlike Empress' in *The Neverending Story* – to the delight of millions of children around the world. She came from New York with her family especially for the world premiere. At the Palast, the ruler of Fantasia met Oscar-winning producer Michael Simon de Normier, Floriane and Fritzi Eichhorn (from the film *Charlie & Louise – Das doppelte Lottchen*) and Arved Friese (*The Legend of Timm Thaler*).

Other celebrity guests were: Marc Bator, Luise Befort, Caroline Beil, Winnie Böwe, Johannes Brandrup, Klaus Bresser, Bettina Cramer, Andreas Elsholz, Peter Escher, Yasmina Filali, Sebastian Fitzek, Ulrike Frank, Patrick Graf von Faber-Castell, Tamara Gräfin von Nayhauß, Sascha Grammel, Kate Hall, Dieter Hallervorden, Jonas Hämmerle, Rhea Harder-Vennewald, Isabell Horn, Henry Hübchen, Eva Imhof, Peter Imhof, Wolfgang Lippert, MC Fitti, Rick Okon, Gaby Papenburg, Katrin Wrobel, Björn Casapietra, Julia Richter, Tina Ruland, Tobias Schenke, Bülent Sharif, Susan Sideropoulos, Detlef D! Soost, Jan Sosniok, Ludwig Trepte, Jördis Triebel, Benjamin & Timmi Trinks, Raphael Vogt, The BossHoss, Wolfgang Winkler, Natalia Wörner, Anastasia Zampounidis, Christiane zu Salm as well as numerous Excellencies from Berlin's embassies.

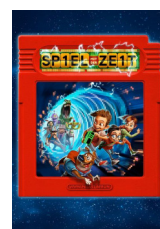
In just three months, from November to January, around 80,000 kids will see the multicoloured stage adventure. Typically, the children's shows have been mostly sold out, so early booking is recommended. Tickets for children start at € 9.80 and for adults at € 19.80, and are available from www.palast.berlin or via the ticket hotline +49 30 2326 2326. Prices for school groups on request. Recommended minimum age: five years old. Children under three years old are not admitted. 'Spiel mit der Zeit' lasts around two hours (including a 20-minute interval) and runs until 31

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January. It will run again in the coming 2018/2019 season from November 2018 to January 2019.

To find out more about 'Spiel mit der Zeit': www.palast.berlin/smdz

Show trailer (39 seconds): www.palast.berlin/kindertrailer

Photographic material to download:

www.palast.berlin/info/pressebereich/bildmaterial-logos/#spiel-mit-der-zeit

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