

Henry Shields

Writer



Henry trained at LAMDA where he met fellow Mischief Theatre founders Henry Lewis and Jonathan Sayer. He has written and starred in West End hits *The Play That Goes Wrong, The Comedy About a Bank Robbery* and *Peter Pan Goes Wrong.*

Lights! Camera! Improvise! a devised show in which Henry appears with the Mischief Company has played the Edinburgh Fringe festival several times and is performed regularly in the West End as Mischief Movie Night. During the pandemic Henry and the Mischief team put on Mischief Movie Night in open air theatres before moving into Riverside Studios and performing the show in from of a live streamed audience for 4 weeks.

Co-author of *The Play that Goes Wrong* (which has recently celebrated its 3000th performance) and the winner for Best New Comedy at the Laurence Olivier Awards in 2016. Henry is also co-author of *Peter Pan Goes Wrong* which played in London's West End at the Apollo Theatre, London and and *The Comedy About a Bank Robbery* which played from 2016 until the forced shutdown due to COVID-19. *The Play that Goes Wrong* opened on Broadway in April 2017 at the Lyceum starring the original cast and played until 2019. *Peter Pan Goes Wrong* will also open in Broadway Spring 2023 for a 16 week run.

Mischief Theatre took up residency at London's West End Vaudeville Theatre in Autumn 2019 and two new plays ensued from the same writing team. *Groan Ups* which played at the Vaudeville Theatre until the pandemic shutdown, before going on a UK tour in 2021; and *Magic Goes Wrong*, co-created with the famous magic duo Penn & Teller, which played in the Vaudeville Theatre before moving to the Apollo Theatre after the pandemic.

Henry teamed up with Henry Lewis to create *Good Luck, Studio* which had a limited run in the Mercury Theatre, Colchester where it received strong reviews.

Mischief's first TV series, *The Goes Wrong Show*, was commissioned by the BBC and had 2 series which were both met with glowing reviews. Both series are still available to watch on BBC iPlayer.

The Play That Goes Wrong is currently playing in London until October 2023, where they are occupying the nearly 100 year old Duchess Theatre in the heart of the West End. Henry has co-written as well as starring in the Mind Mangler: Member of the Tragic Circle which is now touring the UK as well as some dates on the West End.

For acting, Henry is looked after by James Foster Ltd - www.jamesfosterltd.co.uk

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Credits

Television

Production	Company	Notes
THE GOES WRONG SHOW	Big Talk Productions / BBC	Co-Creator & Actor
Series 2		
2021		
THE GOES WRONG SHOW	Big Talk Productions / BBC	Co-Creator & Actor
Series 1		
2019		

Theatre

Company	Notes
Mischief Theatre / UK Tour / Garrick Theatre	
Mischief Theatre / Ethel Barrymore Theatre	The 16 week Broadway run will feature the original cast as they take the hit play to the Broadway audience.
Mischief Theatre / Mercury Theatre, Colchester	
Mischief Theatre / Vaudeville Theatre / Apollo Theatre / UK Tour	Olivier Nomination for Best Entertainment or Comedy Play 2020.
Mischief Theatre / UK Tour / Alexandra Palace, London	Opening at the Everyman Theatre, Cheltenham on Saturday 19 October 2019, the production toured over 15 venues nationwide through to Spring 2020, including a Christmas season at Alexandra Palace Theatre in London from Friday 13th December 2019 to Sunday 5th January 2020.
Mischief Theatre / Vaudeville Theatre / UK Tour	
Mischief Theatre / Criterion Theatre	Olivier Nomination for Best New Comedy 2017
	Mischief Theatre / UK Tour / Garrick Theatre Mischief Theatre / Ethel Barrymore Theatre Mischief Theatre / Mercury Theatre, Colchester Mischief Theatre / Vaudeville Theatre / Apollo Theatre / UK Tour Mischief Theatre / UK Tour / Alexandra Palace, London Mischief Theatre / Vaudeville Theatre / UK Tour / Mischief Theatre / UK Tour

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THE NATIVITY GOES WRONG 2013	Mischief Theatre / Reading Rep	
PETER PAN GOES WRONG 2013 - 2017	Mischief Theatre / Apollo Theatre, London	2016 Olivier Award Nomination for Best New Comedy 2013 Off West End Award Nominations for Best Ensemble and Best Production
THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG 2012 - 2023	Mischief & Kenny Wax Ltd UK / International Tour / West End / Broadway	2017 The Tony Award for Best Scenic Design of a Play (The Play That Goes Wrong – Broadway) 2017 Broadway World Award Winner for Best New Play (The Play That Goes Wrong - Broadway) 2017 Broadway.com Audience Choice Award Winner 2016 Best Commercial Production award at the Drama Critics' Awards for 'Ma Este Megbukunk' (The Play That Goes Wrong Hungary) 2016 Moliere Award for 'Les Faux British' (The Play That Goes Wrong France) 2015 Olivier Award Winner for Best New Comedy 2015 BroadwayWorld UK Winner for Best New Play 2014 WhatsOnStage Award Winner for Best New Comedy 2013 Edinburgh Six-Star Bobby Award