FASCINATING FACTS ABOUT 'THE LION KING'

- There are **106 ants** on the Ant Hill Lady.
- **27kg of grass** were used for the Grasslands headdresses.
- There are **27 kite birds**.
- The **longest animal** is the elephant: 4 metres long, 3.5 metres high, 2.75 metres wide. It collapses to 86cm wide.
- It took **37,000 hours** to build the puppets and masks.
- Nearly **700 lighting instruments** were used to create the lighting plot.
- There are more than **232 puppets** in the show, including rod puppets, shadow puppets and full-sized puppets.
- The **tallest animals** are the 5.5 metre giraffes in the song ‘I Just Can’t Wait to be King’. The tiniest animal in the show is the 13cm trick mouse at the end of Scar’s cane.
- The sun in ‘The Lion King’ is constructed from **30 aluminium ribs** attached to each other with silk strips. As the circle is lifted up by the wires, it gives the impression of the sun coming up over the horizon.
- More than **340kg of silicone** rubber were used to make the masks. The Timon puppet weighs 6.8kg.
- There are **25 kinds of animals**, birds, fish and insects represented in the play.