

# Bees

By Polyglot Theatre

Presented by City of Ballarat

## Visual Story



## Before *Bees*



I will go to the Garden of Giggles in Ballarat Botanical Gardens to be part of a show called *Bees*.



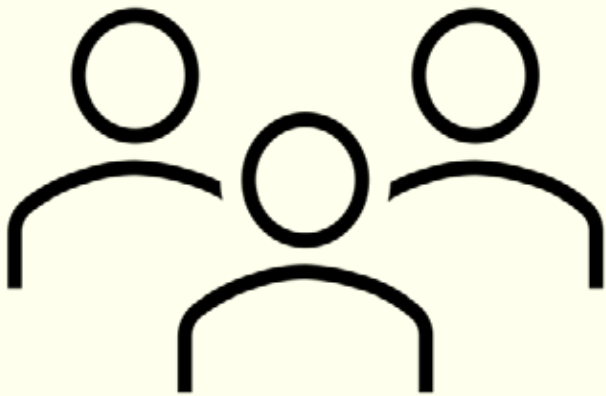
Ballarat Botanical Gardens is a large garden with lots of flowers, plants, and trees. There is also a Conservatory.



Lots of people will be there for Ballarat Begonia Festival.



There will be friendly people who will let me know that I am in the right place. I can say hello if I want to.



Other people will be arriving for Begonia Festival, or to be part of *Bees*.

## Some Polyglot People I might meet:



Afy



Briony



Lexie



Niamh



Tirese

## During *Bees*



There will be paper and tape that I can use to turn myself into a bee.



There will be a big blue and yellow hive, and round colourful mats that I can play on.



Sounds will come from speakers, and human-size bees will appear.



I can stay back and look at them, or I can go close to them.



The Bees will make interesting movements.



I can try these movements, or make up my own.



Other children and their adults will be moving around too.



My family can take a break or leave whenever we are ready.



When the Bees need to leave, they will start moving away and the sounds will fade.

## After Bees



Once the Bees have gone, that means the session is finished.



I can make myself into a bee at home, and play with my family and friends.

**My space to draw**

## About Polyglot Theatre

Polyglot Theatre is a world-renowned contemporary theatre company based in Melbourne/Naarm, making exceptional arts experiences for children and families. Our unique brand of theatre encompasses a wide variety of forms and is shared with audiences everywhere, from the world's most prestigious stages to the football grounds of regional Australia.

Polyglot's artistic and philosophical approach of child-centred practice has earned us a strong reputation at home and abroad as a leader in the Theatre for Young Audiences sector, celebrated for creating distinctive, participatory works that are playful and conceptually rigorous. Access is fundamental to our work at Polyglot; we are driven by the right of all children to experience growth and resilience through creative play.

[polyglot.org.au](http://polyglot.org.au)

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## About City of Ballarat

The City of Ballarat lies within a gently undulating section of the midland plains in western Victoria, about 80 kms from Melbourne.

It is positioned at the centre of some of Victoria's most important freight, tourist and commuter transport routes, with the Western, the Midland, the Glenelg and the Sunraysia highways radiating from it.

[ballarat.vic.gov.au](http://ballarat.vic.gov.au)

## About Ballarat Begonia Festival

Established in 1953, the Ballarat Begonia Festival is an innovative garden-based horticultural event that showcases Ballarat's natural assets including its unique and rare collections of begonias. For 10 months of the year, the City of Ballarat's horticultural team has grown and nurtured thousands of begonias in over 500 varieties. The impressive collection is the rarest in the Southern hemisphere. The annual event is held in March and represents an authentic part of Ballarat's story. It is one of Ballarat's largest events drawing thousands of visitors to the city.

[ballaratbegoniafestival.com](http://ballaratbegoniafestival.com)