



**Snow White–The Deliciously Dopey Family Musical – November 29th 2012 (Bdcast Nov 30th)**

It's the 17th year for Ross Petty's annual panto and it is by far the best with good songs, lots of humour for adults and kids – the mix is just right. I give the production 4.5 stars out of 5. There is a strong cast along with a good script that has lots of jibes at local and federal politicians. This production includes something for everyone like never before.

You have Melissa O'Neil as Snow White who acts well and has a gorgeous voice, Graham Abbey as an over the hill James Bond, David Cotton as Jack the Giant Killer, Eddie Glen as the narrator for the story and also Infestus The Fool Bryn McAuley as Red Riding Hood and the sparkplug for the story the Evil Queen played by Ross Petty. You also have Reid Janisse as Ham – a Don Cherry clone who is one of the three little pigs and Billy Lake as Pinocchio. The basic story is about Snow White and how the Queen casts a spell on her that can only be broken by a kiss from a true love. The three writers responsible for the mayhem Rick Miller Carolyn Bennett and Malcolm Clarke have delivered a delicious concoction that is out and out plain fun for all and of course the cast at times ad libs trying to break up the acting troop. With director Tracey Flye directing this wild troupe the result is one of the best pantos in years. The show is currently playing at the Elgin Theatre until January 5th.

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