



## Ask Hatshepsut?

### The Performance

Ancient Egypt; what's all that about? Why not **Ask Hatshepsut**.

A unique perspective of ancient Egypt from a unique Pharaoh. Hatshepsut, the fifth Pharaoh of the eighteenth dynasty of Egypt, ascended the throne in 1473BC. She ruled for 15 years over the most powerful civilisation in history. Her name meant Foremost of Noble Ladies. But how did this remarkable woman achieve power in a masculine society? A society where all life issues from the male God **Amen-Ra**. A society where power should pass from father to son.

Meet Hatshepsut as she tells the story of her life:

- Becoming ruler.
- Maintaining control.
- Thriving in a highly organised bureaucratic system.
- Embarking on the largest building projects ever seen. (Almost every museum in the world has a relic of Hatshepsut's reign).
- The first Pharaoh to form a full-time professional army.

Students will gain an understanding of life in ancient Egypt and the interwoven layers of religion, politics and administration that created the empire of this great Queen.

<b>SUITABILITY:</b>	Years 7 - 10
<b>DURATION:</b>	55 minutes + 15 minute Q&A
<b>COST PER STUDENT:</b>	\$7.70 (\$7.00 + 70c GST)
<b>MINIMUM PER SESSION:</b>	\$770 (\$700+ \$70 GST) if less than 100 students
<b>NOTE:</b>	Teacher Notes provided