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Older Drivers – Can you spare an hour that could save your life.

Calling older drivers – a new play is being staged at venues across North Yorkshire which could help keep you safe behind the wheel of a car.

Urban Rodeo is a funny and fast paced drama directly aimed at older drivers to help them stay safe on the roads.

It's done by Baldy Bane Theatre Group, from Scotland and has been widely acclaimed. It's being brought to nine different venues by North Yorkshire County Council working with 95 Alive the York and North Yorkshire Road Safety Partnership.

It's run alongside the Older Driver roadshows which are being held across North Yorkshire this year but people are invited to go along wether they've been to a roadshow or not.

The play is based on a family journey, with an older driver behind the wheel.

One road safety group in Edinburgh commented

"Everyone thoroughly enjoyed it – the acting, the laughs and not least the road safety message – really brilliant."

North Yorkshire County Cllr John Fort, Executive Member for Road Safety said:"We hope that events like this will help get our message home to older drivers, using theatre and humour, we hope to encourage people to think about their driving and be more aware of the different issues affecting drivers as they get older."

The play will travel to different venues around the County from April 19th, anyone who would like to see it contact the Customer Service Centre on 08458 727374 and ask for Debbie Spencer.



Urban Rodeo will be at the following venues:

19 April 2010 - 2 pm - The Main Hall, Hugh Ripley Hall, Skellbank, Ripon HG4 2PT

19 April 2010 - 7.30 pm - The Octagon, The Devonshire Institute, Grassington

20 April 2010 - 2pm - The Mill Suite, Memorial Hall, Potter Hill, Pickering

20 April 2010 - 7.30 pm - Yorkshire Coast College, Scarborough

21 April 2010 - 2 pm - The Hambleton Forum, Bullamoor Road, Northallerton

21 April 2010 - 7.30 pm - Middle Hall, Richmond School, Darlington Road, Richmond

22 April 2010 - 2 pm - The Galtres Centre, Market Square, Easingwold YO61 3AE

22 April 2010 - 7.30 pm - Selby District AVS, Community House, Portholme Road, Selby YO8 4QQ

23 April 2010 - 2 pm - The Exhibition Hall, The Mart Theatre, CCMAuctions, Gargrave Road, Skipton BD23 1UD

Contact Debbie Spencer, Road Safety Project Officer on 01609 533798 or Janet Gleeson 95 Alive Communications Coordinator on 01609 798304 for more information.