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Enya Daly with Spot and seagull patrol dog, Tauzer yesterday. Picture: Liam Driver

SPOT THE PUP(PET) ON OPERA HOUSE PAW PATROL

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A SPECIAL new pooch has been spotted on seagull patrol at the Sydney Opera House – children's book character favourite Spot.

The yellow pup has become an honorary patrol dog, joining full-time seagull-warrior Tauzer yesterday. The iconic Eric Hill

book character is performing at Sydney Opera House next month, tracking down farm animals that have mysteriously disappeared.

The stage show will feature a mix of puppetry, songs and puzzles. Puppeteer Enya Daly said she's delighted by the audience interest in the cuddly character.

"Spot is such an internationally

recognised puppy," she said. "It's so rewarding ... because it is quite a physically demanding show but as soon as people see Spot the audience reaction is amazing with so much love."

Ms Daly said the three-actor show can be tiring to carry out.

"I think the most difficult part is balancing singing, acting and

dancing so it's quite physically demanding," she said.

"It's amazing after the show sometimes I walk into the foyer and the kids don't recognise me because they have been so enamoured by the puppet.

"I think puppets are still very relevant and an amazing form of storytelling for children."