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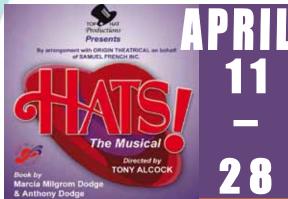
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SPOTLIGHT 1/2 YEARLY GENERAL MEETING 19th March 2013 7pm

March 2013



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You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown.

The hit Broadway musical brings to life the characters created by Charles Schulz from his 'Peanuts' comic strip.

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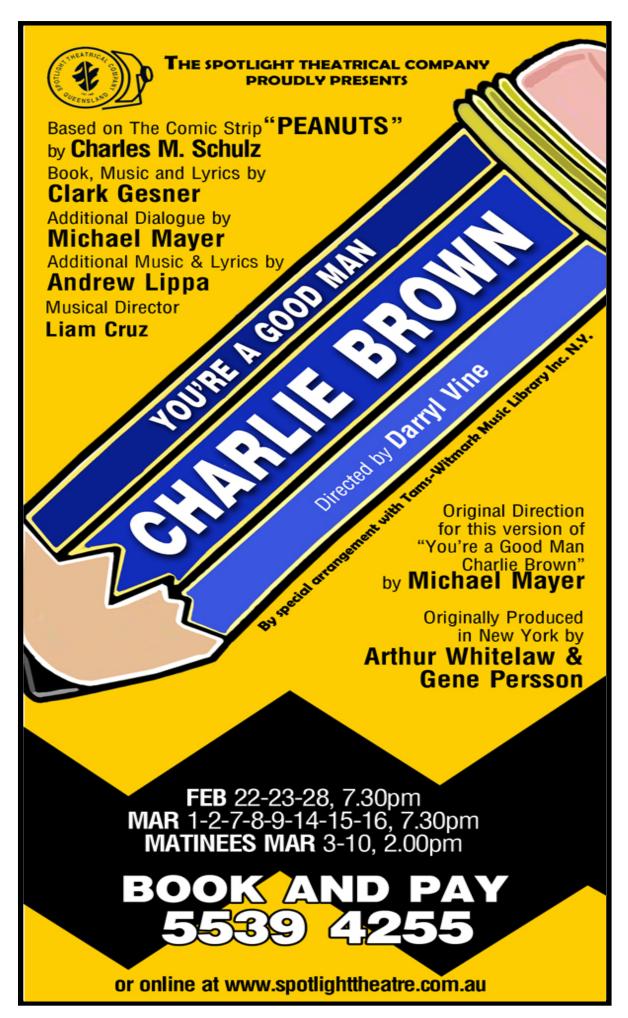
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Spotlighter March 2013

THE SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY

HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING 7.00 PM - TUESDAY, 19TH MARCH 2013

TO BE HELD AT 185-187 ASHMORE ROAD, BENOWA

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Minutes of General Meeting held on 20th March 2012
- 3. Business arising from minutes
- 4. President's report and overview (to be read)
- 5. Treasurer's report and overview (to be read)
- 6. Other reports:

Bar

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Small Props

Building Manager/Security

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Membership

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Front Of House

Production

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Programmes

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Please Note: These reports will not be read. Copies will be made available at the meeting.

- 7. Election for Committee Member
- 8. Any other business:
- 9. Date for Annual General Meeting

Karen Sherriff (Secretary)

PLEASE BRING A SMALL PLATE OF NIBBLIES AND ENJOY A DRINK AFTER THE MEETING.



To: The Returning Officer
The Spotlight Theatrical Company
PO Box 8074
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Re: 1/2 Yearly General Meeting – Nomination for office	
I (please print name)	
hereby declare that I am willing to offer myself for election to a position	
on Committee to the Company for the term 2013.	
Signed:	
Date	
Nominated by:	
Signature	
Seconded by:	
Signature	
on Committee to the Company for the term 2013. Signed: Date Nominated by: Signature Seconded by:	

CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership will now be under a calendar year, 1 January – 31 December, so renewing members will start from 1 January 2014. Any new members from now will be under new prices. Current members who have joined under old fees will be current until end of December 2013.

NEW PRICES: Adults - \$10:00

Children/Youth (18 years and under) - \$5:00

Administration

A Few Good Men required The Drowsy Chaperone Director - Clem Halpin

Director – Clem Halpin
Assistant Director – Shelly Halpin
Assistant to the Director – Russell Williams
Musical Director – David McNeven
Choreographer – Shani McKay
Costuming – Shelly Halpin & Kate Tardy

Production dates: 15th 16th May 2013 7.30pm Charity Preview 17th 18th 23rd 24th 25th 30th 31st May 7.30pm 1st 6th 7th 8th June 7.30pm Matinees – 26th May 2nd June 2013 2.00pm

Plot: **The Drowsy Chaperone** is a spoof of American musical comedy of the 1920s. An antisocial musical theatre fan sits in his drab apartment talking to himself (or is it to the audience?). To cheer up, he plays the record of his favourite musical, the (fictional) 1928 hit **The Drowsy Chaperone**. As he comments on the musical, story and actors, the show comes bursting to life and his apartment transforms into a full-fledged Broadway musical.

Background: "Drowsy" ran on Broadway for over 2 years and was nominated for 5 Tony awards, including Best Musical. It won Best Book and Best Score.

Characters: Man in the Chair – Peter Maden

Aldolpho – Jay Ahrens Feldzieg – Clem Halpin

2 Gangsters – (1) Michael Gallegos (2) To be cast

George – To be cast

Janet Van Degraff – Charlotte Winter

Kitty - Sarah Haynes

Mrs Tottendale – Sandra Harrhy

Robert Martin – Alex Downey

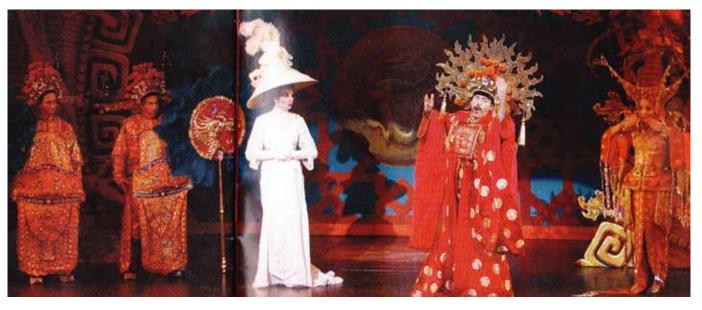
The Drowsy Chaperone – Alison McKenzie

Trix - Lisa Stanley.

Underling – David McNeven

Ensemble: Jessica Huxley, Melissa Fenton, Mark Thomson, Denis Watkins, Luke Johnson









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The Musical

Directed by
TONY ALCOCK

Book by Marcia Milgrom Dodge & Anthony Dodge

"Inspired by the stories, experiences and mission of The Red Hat Society"

Additional material by Rob Barlett, Lynne Taylor- Corbett & Sharon Vaughn

Special Thanks to Maxine Phillipe - "Lady Maxx" "Conceived by Mitchell Maxwell"

Songs by

Doug Besterman, Susan Birkenhead, Michele Brourman, Pat Bunch, Gretchen Cryer, Anthony Dodge, Beth Falcone, Marcia Milgrom Dodge, David Friedman, Kathie Lee Gifford, David Goldsmith, Carol Hall, Henry Krieger, Pam Tills, Stephen Lawrence, Melissa Manchester, Amanda McBroom & Sharon Vaughn

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APRIL: 11-12-13-18-19-20-25-26-27 7.30 pm Matinees APRIL: 14-21-28 4.00 pm

"HATS!" was originally produced at the Denver Civic Theatre by Siblings Theatricals, Inc. and is presented by arrangement with Hats Holdings LLC and Siblings Theatricals, Inc. in New York City



"HATS! The musical"

WATS! The Musical! is a new musical about a 49.999 year-old woman who reluctantly faces the inevitable BIG 5-0...until she meets several remarkable women who show her about fun, friendship and forgetting about things that simply don't matter anymore. After all, birthdays are just nature's way of telling us to eat more cake!

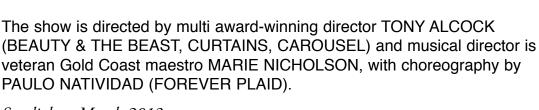


HATS! features original music by a team of Grammy, Golden Globe and Tony winning songwriters (including Melissa Manchester and Kathie Lee Gifford) – it's a joyous, provocative, and hilarious evening for everyone who is 50, knows anyone who is 50 or plans to be 50. **HATS!** is inspired by the experiences, philosophies, and mission of the Red Hat Society.

Ever wondered who the group of women wearing the red hats were?? We've all seen them – laughing, enjoying life and each day as it comes..... well here's a show written about them and their experiences. They are a bunch of fun-loving women who add an element of frivolity to ageing. They are part of the vast society of caring, vibrant and creative women who come together to enjoy themselves to the limits of their imagination. They love experiencing the genuine enthusiasm for the adventures they have while participating in cultural, entertainment and social events.



- The cast includes:
- * double-Mo Award winner KIRRI APAMS (Dusty, Cabaret)
 - * Aussie music theatre icon **SHEILA BRADLEY** (In the Mood Again)
 - * music theatre leading lady KATE PETERS (Annie, High School Musical)
 - * LINPA VAN VIERSEN (Cabaret, Thoroughly Modern Millie)
 - * CHERIE GOOSEY (Guys & Dolls, Lola Montez)
 - * MARTINA FRENCH (Putnam County Spelling Bee, Scallywags)
 - * KATRINA LARDNER (All Shook Up, Ruthless).











Directed by KIM REYNOLOS

The American Tribal Love Rock Musical

Music by

Book & Lyrics by

GEROME RAGNI & James Rado GALT MACDERMOT

Originally Produced by the New York Shakespeare Festival Theatre Produced for Broadway stage by Michael Butler

By special arrangement with Tams-Witmark Music Library Inc. N.V.

AUGUST: 2-3-8-9-10-15-16-17 22 - 23 - 24, 7.30pm

MATINEES, AUG: 11 - 18, 2.00pm

BOOK AND PAY

or online at www.spotlighttheatre.com.au

AUDITION NOTICE - HAIR

Director/ Choreographer Kim Reynolds Auditions will be held at the Main Theatre, Spotlight Theatre Complex Sunday 21st April 2013

Vocal Auditions from 10.00am Dance Audition from 6.00pm

ALL AUDITIONEES MUST BOOK A VOCAL AUDITION AND ATTEND THE EN MASSE DANCE AUDITION.

Please prepare a verse and chorus from any 60's song (music theatre, pop, rock or folk).

Auditionees need to supply a cut/edited backing track. No pianist will be available on the day.

PLEASE NOTE: "HAIR" IS STRICTLY AN 18+ CAST.

HAIR – is at once both a joyous celebration of youth and a poignant journey through a tumultuous 1960s America! This exuberant musical about a group of teenagers searching for truth, peace and love in a Vietnam War era America has struck a resonant chord with audiences of all ages. HAIR features an extraordinary cast singing a long list of chart topping hit songs, including 'Aquarius', 'Let the Sun Shine In', 'Good Morning, Starshine' and 'Easy To Be Hard'. The themes and struggles in HAIR, although from another era, seem vital and relevant to the times we live in today in more ways than you realize until you experience the show first hand.

HAIR is about a group of young people in New York City's East Village who band together as a TRIBE. They are a New York contingent of flower children, (a freeform phenomenon that had begun a little earlier in Haight-Ashbury, San Francisco and would subsequently spread to Europe and elsewhere). Taking on the feel of an American Indian tribe, they question authority and the society they are living in and the war in Asia. They seek to find a new way. They yearn to change the world. They begin by recreating themselves. They find a potent organic natural aesthetic; the most dramatic visible element, all the men grow their hair long. They tune in to Eastern thought and meditation. They turn on and drop out. They hang out in self-made clouds of incense and grass. They laugh and cavort, as they find a new freedom of expression and camaraderie. They live in crash pads, in the parks and on the streets. Unkempt, wild, free, and deep, they are unique, colourful, something genuinely original and beautiful...and so hip (yet in a different style from the earlier hipsters and beatniks). A new word is coined to identify them. They come to be called hippies. They try to live by the philosophy of 'Peace and Love'. They are on a trip of liberation. They commune, join hands in protest and in song. Within the context of the play, they struggle for the light, but are forced to fight and die, only to be reborn, again to suffer more, then to rise from the ashes, to glow, to shine...

The authors of *HAIR* played with the idea that this movement was connected astrologically to the heavens, to the coming of the Age of Aquarius...

Claude 18+ tenor lead

Sheila 18+ belt lead

Chrissy 18+ mezzo supporting

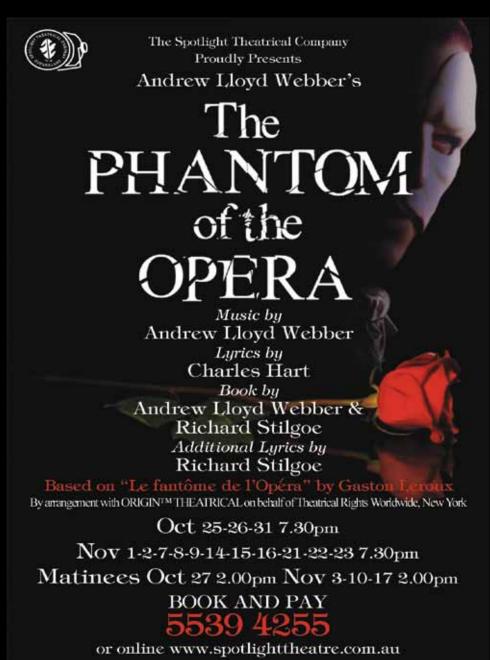
Hud 18+ Baritone supporting

Woof 18+ Baritone supporting

The Tribe 18+ Ensemble

To Register for an audition please email auditions@spotlighttheatre.com.au

EARLY AUDITIONS WILL BE HELD FOR THE FIVE PRINCIPAL ROLES IN



CHECK THE SPOTLIGHT WEBSITE – auditions – FOR DETAILS www.spotlighttheatre.com.au or PHONE SPOTLIGHT THEATRE 07 5539 4255

DATE CLAIMERS

2013 auditions

SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS - SUNDAY 14TH APRIL

(A TOP HAT PRODUCTION SHOWING AT SPOTLIGHT THEATRE)

HAIR - SUNDAY 21ST APRIL

ON AIR! ON AIR! - SUNDAY 16TH JUNE

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA - EARLY AUDITIONS FOR 5 PRINCIPAL ROLES

SEE WEBSITE AUDITION PAGE

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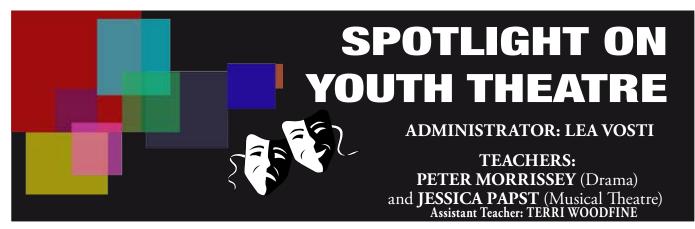
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big hello from Youth Theatre 2013! We've had a great start to 2013 with a big influx of new faces; the high school drama classes have been particularly popular with an extra class going ahead on Monday afternoons. I don't think there's a great many youth theatre programs that can boast over two-hundred students!

First term is always an exciting time as new friendships are formed and some returning students graduate into the next level of challenge. We've already been treated to some excellent improvised drama across all age levels as students are put through the paces of basic acting exercises.



As the term progresses we start to get into some scripted drama with a view to beginning the arduous task of casting for our annual productions. Watch this space for news of the upcoming shows planned for 2013.

Regards

Peter



That an amazing month we've had since orientation.

These are the final figures for Youth Theatre 2013. An additional High School Drama class on a Monday 4.pm to 5.30pm. has been added.

Junior Primary	64
Senior Primary	54
High School Drama	72
High School Music	78

TOTAL 268

We have 176 renewing students and 92 new students. 18 of these students are doing both the H.S.M and H.S.D. classes.

Peter and Jess are very excited about the talent we have in our Youth Theatre this year.

Cheers

Lea ph 56308289 for any enquiries.

WE WELCOME INTO THE SPOTLIGHT FAMILY

New Members:

Yvette, John & Letisha Nikolic. Lisa & Olive Miller. Maria Corbett. Alison Miller. Silvia & Gabby Gawthorpe. Will Miller. Maria How. Gabriele, Rolf & Rebbecca Latham. Louise & Zara-Grace McIntosh. Rhona Christie. Belinda, David & Luke Van Herwaarde. Julie Jackson.

Ralph, Vanessa & IsabellaWiesenthal. Maddi Barnett. Skye & Fiona D'ercole. Emma Goodman. Emily Backus. Narrelle, Andrew, Sarah, & Emma McTaggart. Taylor Carlson. Isabella Pedersen. Kim & Zoe Fisher. Briana Hitchock. Nicole & Jonathon Aiello. Anne-Marie Behn-Katz. Chris, Kevin & Lauren Straw. Leslie & Mackenzie Swift. Cathy, Toby & Elijah Fuller. Joel, Brieanne & Bridget Haafkens. Rebecca Walters. Susanna Boettger. Jaime, Neves & Ronja Capper. Stephen, Sheryl & Cassidy Knowles. Debbie Lo. Kylie & Kiara Newman. Marie-Claire Dean. Angel Assafire. Rachel & Sarah Scherer. Holly Barnett. Joseph, Sharyn, Niamh, Ryan. Finnbar Bourke. Laura, Carey, Harry & Oliver Dobson. Hanna Whitbread. Samantha Macgillvray. Lauren Wyndham. Lara Jackson. Cate & Ashleigh Coote. Grant, Joanne & Brianna Kelly. Susie, Ruby, & Matisse Duncan. Garry Polis. Jacob Love. Harry Nairn. Georgia Onofrio. Lachlan Beck. Laura Knox. Rod, Rose, Ebony, Jacob & Tiffany Henderson. Kylie, Kris, Alexa & Jane Hook. Sky & Sahara Stewart.

Jenny, Garry, Bree, Connor & Kye McDonald. Brodie Young. Dannielle, Justin, Caitlin & Page Appi. Josie & Brooke Bartlett. Young-Kyoon, Seo-Woo Choi. Narmyeon Heo. Ella Christidis. Vanessa & Riley Craig. Cindy, Nathan & Anais Dare. Rihana Jamal. Karen Wyman. Alisha Milne. Sarah & Sky Stewart. Tanya, Mikkella & Annalaise Sophias. Daria Chernova. Margy, Kevin, Brittany & Alison Stimson. Madison Game. Geraldine, Ian, Harry & Katherine Townend. Liz, Brett, Lachlan, Chloe & Paris Williams. Danni, Darren, Chloe & Pederson Brown. Soma Cowan.

Sapphire Cowan-Ranch. Adrian & Mia Hoffman. Jane Jennings. Dannielle, Maddison, Oska & Zane Grant. Michael Caminitti. Jacqui Bailey. Sienna Jack. Sally, Mark, Neve & Callum Lockett. Jessica Travers. Helen, Neil, Connor & Natasha Lynch. Jenny, Craig, & Lewis Scrimgeour. Amy Lewis.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 1149

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Prospective Directors please present your submission for Musicals, Pantomimes and Plays outlining your ideas for presentation.

Please include:

- Letter of Proposal Set and Props Design Synopsis of Show
- Character Descriptions
 Costume Information
 Production
 Team (if known)
 Anything else you feel may assist your proposal Approximate dates in 2014 will be

Main Theatre - Musicals

Mid February/March
Latter part of May/June
Late July/August
Late October/November

Basement Theatre Pantomimes/Plays

Early January
Early April
Late June/July
Mid September/October

Submissions close 30th June 2013

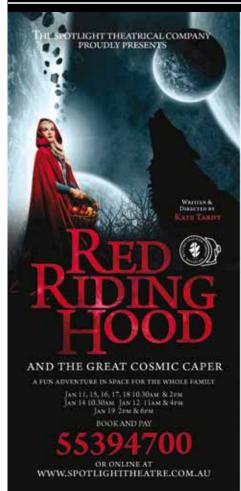
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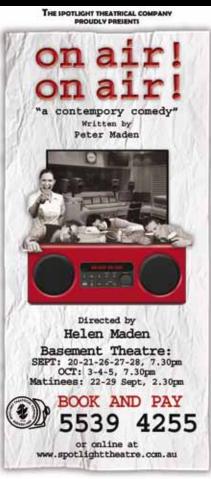
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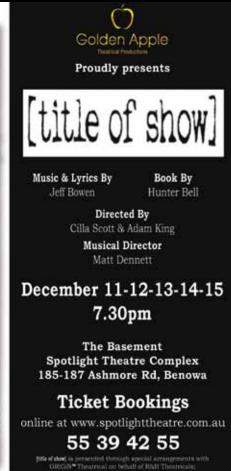


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Theatre Alliance Secretary: theatrealliance@qld.chariot.net.au

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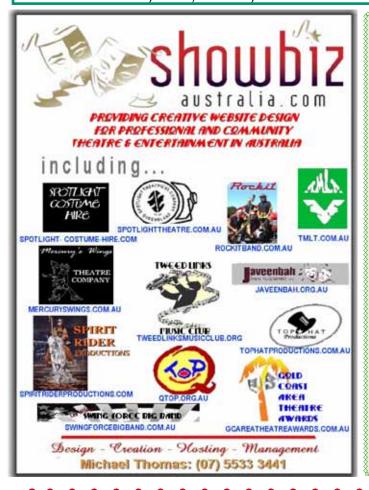
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