

Official Newsletter of the
SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY

Fostering an outlet for creative youth and community, while seeking to produce vibrant, quality entertainment that enriches, engages and educates.

April 2018

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BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

KEN LUDWIG'S
BASKERVILLE
A SHERLOCK HOLMES MYSTERY

Directed by
KAELA GRAY
Assistant Director – **KATIE STEUART-ROBINS**
Assisted by **TONY ALCOCK**



APRIL 27 – MAY 13



*Spotlight Theatre is a
foundation member of the
Gold Coast Theatre Alliance.*



PLAYBILL SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED FOR 2019

Directors please present your submissions for
MUSICALS, PANTOMIMES and PLAYS
or other exciting suggestions
outlining your ideas for presentation during 2019.

APPROXIMATE DATES

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 2018

Please present to: Production Committee

Spotlight Theatre

185-187 Ashmore Road, Benowa

or mail to: Production Committee

Spotlight Theatrical Company,

PO Box 8074 Gold Coast Mail Centre Q 9726

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

With the Commonwealth Games upon us the theatre doesn't have any shows on but the theatres are still very busy with three shows in various stages of rehearsal. **Baskerville** directed by Kaela Gray is in the last stages of rehearsal ready for opening night April 27 in the Basement Theatre. **Heathers** directed by Jamie Watt and **Jack and the Beanstalk** directed by Nathan French are also rehearsing.

We have taken the opportunity to get some important maintenance done such as testing and tagging and all the drapes cleaned and treated.

We have also had to replace the guttering around the Basement Theatre and repair the lights leading to the theatre. There are lots of other jobs that need doing which will be progressively done through the year.

To make sure that we cater for the entire community from the young to the mature we have created a new group for our more mature members. STARZ is the name created for this group. After much discussion and consideration the committee have produced some rules and regulations and we are hoping that this group will be up and running after the games.

Costume Hire is having a huge clearance sale to create some room so that the store can be revamped. Come on in and get yourself some bargains.

Thats about it from me

Hope you have a Happy Easter.

Look after yourself and each other.

Duncan



The Spotlight Theatrical Company Acknowledges and Thanks the

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Acknowledges and Thanks the
Community Gambling Benefit Fund Round 94 for granting
the amount of \$34302.72 to our Community Theatre for a
lighting upgrade.

Spotlight on Youth Theatre



TEACHING FRATERNITY & ADMINISTRATORS:

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TERRI WOODFINE (*Primary Teacher*)

JACY MOORE (*Film & TV Teacher*)

VAL LEFTWICH (*YT Administrator*)

VAL LEFTWICH / KAY HAWKER (*YT Liaisons*)

Music Theatre classes are full with just a few places available in the Wednesday Senior class. Hannah and Matt have teamed up and the classes are having a great deal of fun. I see this first hand as I have attended many of the lessons this term.

Terri and Hannah are working well with Junior and Intermediate Drama and most of those classes are full. Junior are completely full and I have a couple of places in one of the Intermediate Drama classes.

Because of teacher work load, i.e. Intermediate Drama, Music Theatre and Senior Music Theatre, it was necessary to change the dates of their annual performances. Junior Drama will now have their production 30th November to 2nd December and Intermediate Drama 18th October to 20th October.



Senior Music Theatre students are working hard on Showcase and it seems to be shaping up well. This is a half year show for Music Theatre to show the parents just what we are doing and how the students are progressing.

The Senior Drama class is deciding what performance they are going to do in September. Andrew has a lot of ideas but I know he likes his students to be involved in the selection.

I would like to thank all parents for attending to their payments so promptly this term. Both Kay and I are volunteers and an enormous amount of time is spent sending emails and ringing parents requesting payment of accounts. It was such a pleasure this terms to have nearly all payments taken care off.

Tony has worked out the theatre time for rehearsals and Kay was able to send out a notice to the parents so they know well in advance when the students will be required to be at the theatre. Special attention should be given to this notice by parents of the Junior Drama, these students do have quite a change in their schedule at the start of Term 4.

I would ask that parents of all students, from Junior to Senior ensure that their students turn up at class wearing their Spotlight Tee Shirts. For the Senior Students this can be in their school bag to put on at the theatre. I have been to the theatre and want to take photos but the photos do not look nearly as good without the tee shirts on. We believe that these shirts give students an



*Youth Theatre photos
provided by Valerie Leftwich*

identity with the Theatre and we want them to be proud to wear them as a part of The Spotlight Theatrical Company.

Kind regards,
Valerie Leftwich –
Administrator
Spotlight Youth Theatre





Hot on the heels of our sellout production of **OLIVER!**, we are proud to introduce to you the cast of our next theatrical outing, **Ken Ludwig's BASKERVILLE: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery!** It's a MYSTERY why you haven't already booked, but now that you can see this fantastic cast, get in quick as the season is strictly limited.

Opening 27th April - 13th May in our Basement Theatre
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BASKERVILLE: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery

Sherlock Holmes:
 Adam Hellier

Dr Watson:
 Cassia Rosenstrauss-Krojs

Dr Mortimer/ Man 1:
 Alex Breen

Sir Henry Baskerville/Man 2:
 George Pulley

Mrs Barrymore/ Woman 1:
 Cassie Baan

Miss Stapleton/ Ensemble:
 Lia Hope

Cartwright/ Ensemble:
 Carole Lang

Daisy/ Ensemble:
 Chris Drummond

Milker/ Ensemble:
 Harmony Baldan-Vine

Director:
 Kaela Gray

Assistant Director:
 Katie Grace

Assisted by:
 Tony Alcock



KEN LUDWIG'S BASKERVILLE

A SHERLOCK HOLMES MYSTERY

Directed by
KAELA GRAY

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Basement Theatre
27 APRIL - 13 MAY 2018

BOOK NOW for this fun filled and exciting Basement Theatre comedy thriller starring **Adam Hellier** as *Sherlock Holmes* and **Cassia Rosenstraus-Krojs** as *Dr Watson*. Follow your favourite detectives Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson in this fast paced comedy adaption of *The Hound of the Baskervilles* by Ken Ludwig. The male heirs of the Baskerville lineage are being dispatched one by one and it's up to Holmes and Watson to brave the moors before the family curse dooms the Baskervilles forever. With the cast playing over 40 different characters, Baskerville is sure to be a murderously funny night at the theatre.

BOOKINGS 07 5539 4255

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GENEVIEVE TREE

AS

VERONICA SAWYER



DYLAN HODGE

AS

JASON 'JD' DEAN



TANELE STORM GRAHAM

AS

HEATHER CHANDLER



ZOE RICHARDS

AS

HEATHER MCNAMARA



CARLA BEARD

AS

HEATHER DUKE

DIRECTOR/CHOREOGRAPHER

JAMIE WATT

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
EMMA-JUNE CURIK**

HEATHERS

**MUSIC DIRECTOR
JULIE WHITING**

**COSTUME DESIGN
JESSICA BENNETT**

**HAIR DESIGN
ANN-BRITT RIGET**

ROLE	CAST	COVER
VERONICA SAWYER	Genevieve Tree	Tanele Storm Graham
JASON 'JD' DEAN	Dylan Hodge	Alexander Thanasoulis
HEATHER CHANDLER	Tanele Storm Graham	Madison Jennings
HEATHER McNAMARA	Zoe Richards	Emilia Talbot
HEATHER DUKE	Carla Beard	Isabella Wiesenthal
MARTHA DUNSTOCK	Kirsty Huth	Amber Douglas
KURT KELLY	Domonic Bradley	Clay Carlaw
RAM SWEENEY	Alexander Thanasoulis	Lachlan Beck
MS. FLEMING/VERONICA'S MOM	Melissa Dorge	
RAM'S DAD/VERONICA'S DAD/ COACH RIPPER	Aiden Ossovani	
KURT'S DAD	Andrew Cockroft-Penman	
PRINCIPAL GOWAN	Nathan Skaines	
POLICE OFFICER #1	Andrew Cockroft-Penman	
POLICE OFFICER #2 /BIG BUD DEAN	Andrew Ross-Graham	
ENSEMBLE		
BELEAGUERED GEEK	Andrew Cockroft-Penman	
PREPPY STUD	Lachlan Beck	
HIPSTER DORK	Clay Carlaw	
THEATRE GEEK/ONSTAGE SWING	Andrew Ross-Graham	
NEW WAVE GIRL	Madison Jennings	
STONER CHICK	Jessica Ng	
YOUNG REPUBLICANETTE	Georgia Beck	
PERFECT CHRISTIAN GIRL	Emilia Talbot	
ONSTAGE SWING	Erin Brummage	
VOCAL BACKING		
Vocal Backing	Isabella Wiesenthal	Samantha McLaughlin
	Amber Douglas	Ricky Moss
	Nathan Skaines	Sam Flowers

HOLD ON TO YOUR SHOULDER PADS!

After an exhaustive audition process, we are delighted to announce the exceptionally talented alumni of Westerberg 2018, our cast for **HEATHERS: The Musical!**

Jam packed with enough hairspray, scrunchies and teen angst to blow up a high school (pun-intended), **HEATHERS** is a darkly comic observation of all things teen! It's 'Mean Girls' with a body count! HEATHERS is a hot headed, wildly inappropriate thrill ride that you won't want to miss!

TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!!! BOOK NOW!!!

STRICTLY LIMITED SEASON 25 MAY - 16 JUNE

MA15+ (language, drug and adult references)

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Books, Music *Kevin Murphy &*
& Lyrics by *Laurence O'Keefe*
Based on the film *Daniel Waters*
written by *Daniel Waters*

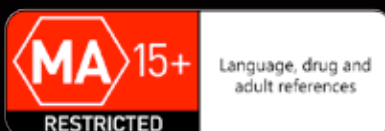
HEATHERS

The Musical

Directed &
Choreographed by
Jamie Watt

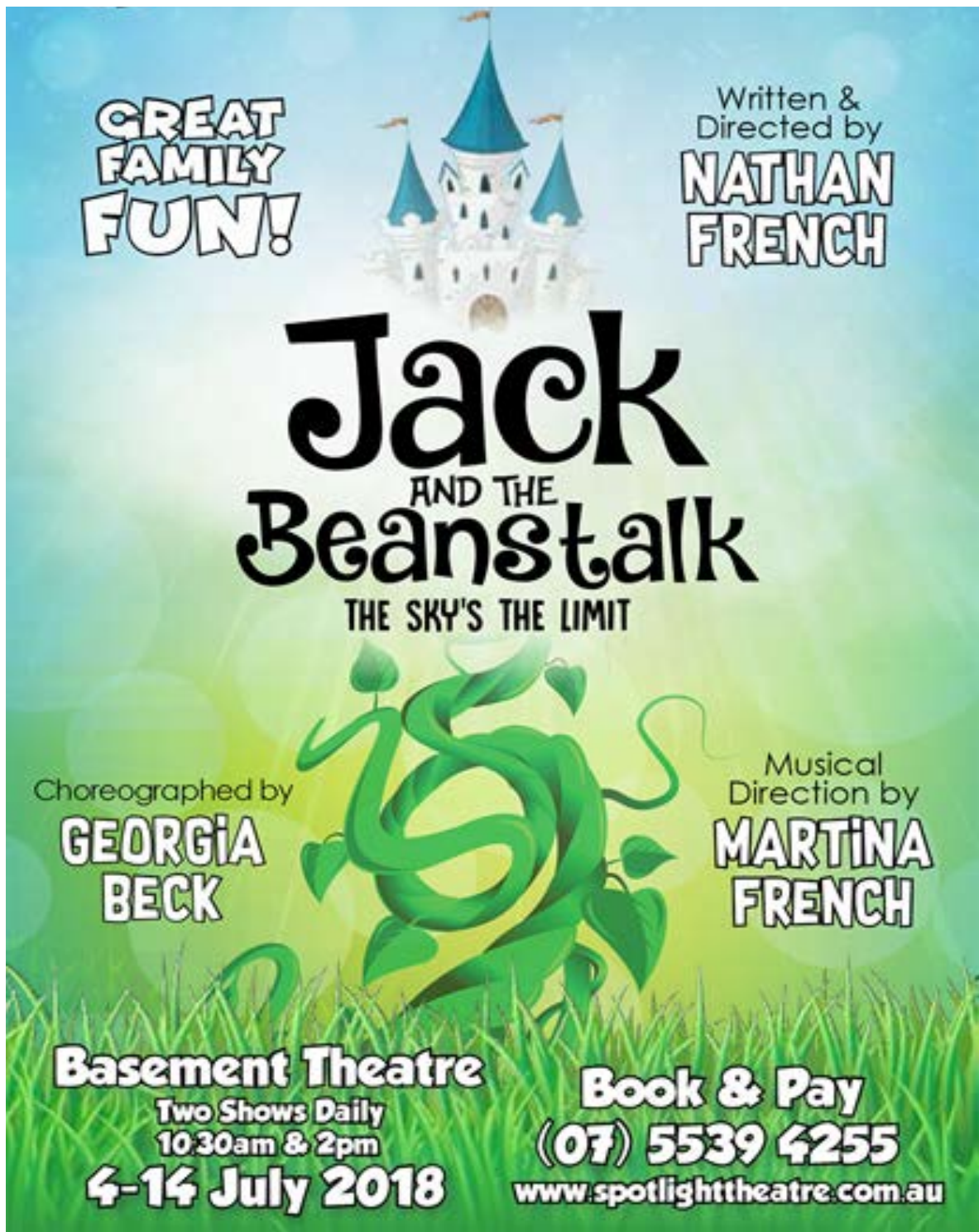
Main Theatre
25 May - 16 June 2018

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JACK and the BEANSTALK - THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

has been Cast and is now in Rehearsal Mode so get in early and BOOK NOW for this exciting pantomime.

Jack: Ethan Cairns

Princess Amelia: Tymyka Wines

Simon: Isaac Thorpe

Dame Dolly: Tony Alcock

Astria the Good Fairy: Ella Tynan

Veneficus the Evil Sorcerer: James Greenwood

Blunder-Bore the Giant: Wesley Neale

Daisy the Cow: Mia Wooldridge & Tahlia Gibson

Ensemble: Rebecca Blake, Chelsea Halliwell-Herbet, Holly Cruickshanks, Jasmyn Negrao, Georgia Ogge, Connor Lynch, Ethan Cook

Oliver! Thank You

Oliver's opening night supper was a real team effort.

Thank You to all those who helped, Gayle Kelinschidt, Michelle Edwards, Diana Gibson, Sally plus two other Mums who were chaperoning.

I believe the supper was a great success, but this was due to all the cheerful help I received.

Thank you Gayle for the tasty meatballs and the Mum who made the beautiful *Oliver!* Cake.

Your help is very much appreciated. **Deb Bolt**

Spotlight on Youth Theatre



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO JUNIOR DRAMA AND INTERMEDIATE DRAMA STUDENTS

Junior Drama will now have their production 30th November to 2nd December and Intermediate Drama 18th October to 20th October.

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Road closures and restrictions for Commonwealth Games have started so you may need to allow extra time or revise your route for journeys.

The biggest issue with our Theatre area is from March 31 – April 15 there is no on street parking on Ashmore Rd (**\$2000 fine**).

We are unable to determine how this will impact on our car park, however Benowa Gardens are increasing the monitoring of their 3 hour limit and there have been suggestions from Benowa Mansions (Dentists) that they will be having security on their car park.

With three shows in rehearsal during this period parking will be tight, not allowing for random people also parking here.

At this point there are no restrictions on Glyn St, Inveray Ave & Dunkeith Ave (across the road) however we must keep in mind that this is a residential area and noise will be an issue.

Here is the link to the website, there are updates coming through on a daily basis so it is worth signing up for the alerts.

<https://www.getsetforthegames.com/carrara>



Road / Street	Changes	Timing*
Nerang-Broadbeach Road Sports Ground Carpark	Closed to public for GC2018.	23 March – 18 April, day and night
Chisholm Road	No on-street parking or loading.	
Nerang-Broadbeach Road (between Chisholm Road and Ross Street)	Eastbound closed.	23 March – 29 March
	Full closure.	29 March – 18 April, day and night
Alabaster Drive	Road closed. No on-street parking or loading.	29 March – 18 April, day and night
Birmingham Road Ashmore Road Maryland Avenue Lakeview Drive Ross Street (between RACV Pines and Nerang River)	No on-street parking or loading.	31 March – 15 April, day and night
Boulton Drive	Road closed. Local access only to residents. No on-street parking or loading.	4 April – 18 April, day and night

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Neil Simon's comedy

LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS
at the Ocean Shores Community Centre

Directed by Clem Halpin

10.00am Departure
from Spotlight Theatre Benowa
Gold Coast Pacific Bus Tours

Lunch Stop

at the Oceans Shores Country Club
Orana Road Ocean Shores
(Lunch at your expense)

Depart from Club approx 1.15pm to
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Performance commences 2.00pm

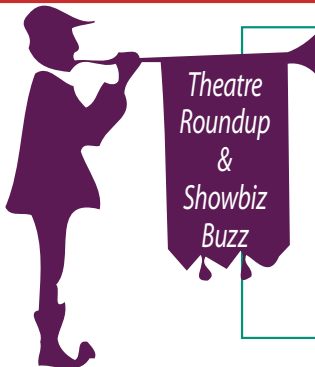
Departure 5.00pm

return to Spotlight Theatre Co Benowa

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by the 30th April or ASAP**

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Opening Night \$39, Adults \$34, Concession \$30,
Member \$29, Child (under 16) \$25,
Group 10+ \$31

Basement Theatre Plays

Opening Night \$37, Adults \$32, Concession \$29,
Member \$27, Child (under 16) \$25,
Group 10+ \$29

(Note: Musicals as per Main Theatre)

PANTOMIMES: All tickets \$16, Group of 10+ \$15.

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