Official Newsletter of THE SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY



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



SPOTLIGHT STAGE PRODUCTIONS A NOTE TO ALL PEOPLE INVOLVED:

IT IS COMPANY POLICY THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY. Memberships commence January 1 to December 31. (If you joined on or after November 1st your Membership is current for the following year.) Please check to see that your membership is current. The Annual fee is \$10 per annum.

You must be a Financial Member to vote at the AGM.

SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY REQUIRES A DEDICATED VOLUNTEER TO LOOK AFTER STAGE PROPERTIES. Please Contact 07 5539 4255 email: mailbox@spotlighttheatre.com.au IF YOU CAN ASSIST.



"Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?" "That depends a good deal on where you want to get to." "I don't much care where –" "Then it doesn't matter which way you go."

Quote - Lewis Carroll, Alice in Wonderland

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Congratulations to Clay English and his team for producing such an outstanding show with *Catch Me If You Can* in the Halpin Auditorium. The audience were in awe of the quality of the cast and their positive comments after each show were well deserved. Well done to all cast and crew, you were all a credit to your craft.



If you didn't get to see our Young Adults group performance then you missed seeing the stars of the future. They entertained the enthusiastic

audience with their self-written *Showcase* and left us all wanting more. Thank you and well done to this great group of young adults.

The following weekend we were entertained

by our musical youth theatre classes. WOW!! To see a hundred students on stage all at once, all in step and time, shows me that Spotlight has a bright future. This was three wonderful nights of entertainment. It makes all the effort that the Management Committee put in to keep our Company profitable, worthwhile, and the reason we do what we do. Hannah and Matt have done an outstanding job with these students. Congratulations and well done!

Alice in Wonderland directed by Nathan French opens on 3 July, in the Basement Theatre. There will be two shows a day at 10.30am and 2pm to give you plenty of opportunities to bring your children and grandchildren. Adult tickets are at children's prices. This is pantomime at its best, so come along and join in the fun – lots of audience participation.

Costume Hire shop is holding its own in this difficult retail time. The Sale went well on the Saturday, however the inclement weather put a dampener on the Sunday. Don't forget as a member you get a discount on any hire, so please support the shop and help the theatre prosper.

Higher and Higher Revival, the Motown Musical directed by the very talented Jamie Watt has now taken residence in The Halpin Auditorium and is getting ready for opening night on 2 August. **Tickets are on sale now,** so secure your seat for this foot tapping show online at www.spotlighttheatre.com.au

Kelly directed by Cilla Scott has now been cast. This show will be in the Basement Theatre and opens on 20th September.

Kinky Boots directed by Katie Steuart-Robins has held their auditions and the cast will be announced soon.

We have been doing some regular maintenance around the theatre and as the building ages we



have several items that have reached their use by date, so these need to be replaced. We can't do this without your continuing support. If every member came to two performances a year, bought a drink, a program and some raffle tickets the pressure would be off the bank account. This is the Members theatre so please help us do these needed upgrades. Why not introduce someone new to the theatre and bring them along to see one of the shows. They won't be disappointed and it will benefit us all.

As always, I look forward to catching up with you at the theatre soon, so until then look after yourselves and each other and remember a smile is more infectious than the 'flu, so keep smiling and spread.

Best regards

Duncan Sims



for Divisional funding to the value of \$2000 to update computers and office equipment.



We are almost at the end of Term 2 and I thank all parents who made payments promptly or contacted me for a plan.

Shelley and Taylor have now announced their production for the year and the students are really excited to be doing *The Almost Complete Works William Shakespeare* (Abridged). This is a very light-hearted look at Shakespeare; a combination of Shakespeare meets *The Play That Goes Wrong*, in other words great fun.

If you like Shakespeare, you will like this show. If you hate Shakespeare, you will love this show. All takes place on the 6th and 7th September in The Halpin Auditorium.

Matt and Hannah have just finished their **Showcase** for 2019 and what a great display it was from all classes of Musical Theatre. Last weekend the Adult Music Theatre students were amazing and showed just how much talent we have produced over the years, many of these students being with Spotlight since Intermediate classes.





This weekend we had 100 Intermediate and Senior Music Theatre students performing on stage. The final number had 100 students in it and it was fantastic. The Senior's number Amazing Grace was just that, amazing, such beautiful voices and wonderful harmony.

The Intermediate class performed so well. For most of the



Young Adult performance



students it was their first time on the big stage and they took it all in their stride.

At the end of the show Matt and Hannah announced the programme for the end of the year productions, viz:

Intermediate Music Theatre will do a special *Showcase*; Middle School: The two classes will combine to do *Thoroughly Modern Millie Jnr*; Senior Music Theatre: *All Shook Up* and Adult Music Theatre: *Avenue Q*.

The Junior Drama group are performing *Twisted Tales and Crocodile Tales* at the end of the year and Miss Kirstie has been auditioning the students for the various roles.

Music Theatre teachers Matt and Hannah are off to America on 2nd July for a Broadway Workshop and will be returning on the 17th in time for afternoon classes. Our Senior Drama Teacher Miss Shelley will take Tuesday's class.

Term three commences week beginning Monday the 15th July. Kay will send out invoices to all parents and we would appreciate payment by the second week of term. We really do appreciate you paying on time but if you have a problem then I am only a phone call away to talk and make up a plan for you.

Thank you for all the parents that supported the Mid-Year Showcase. We played to full houses for all three performances and we appreciate that support.

I will be going overseas for five weeks and will return the second week of August. During that time, if you have any problems or enquiries, please contact Kay Hawker who will do her best to help you. (email dkhawker@westnet.com.au)

Valerie Leftwich – Spotlight Youth Theatre Administrator



Spotlighter July 2019

2019 PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE Young Adult Cabaret 14th and 15th June

Music Theatre Showcase Intermediate and Senior Music Theatre 21st, 22nd and 23rd June

> Senior Drama 6th and 7th September

Intermediate Drama 18th, 19th and 20th October

Junior Drama 29th, 30th November and 1st December

Intermediate & Senior Music Theatre (Tuesday 4pm, Wednesday 5:30pm classes) End of Year Showcase 5th, 6th and 7th December

> Senior Music Theatre Production 12th, 13th and 14th December

> > Young Adults Production 17th and 18th December

THE SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY PROUDLY PRESENTS

CONCEPT BY UAMIE WATT & DETER LAUGHTON

DIRECTOR JAMIE WATT

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DANCERS



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is on Air, Tuesday every week. Tune in to 4CRB 89.3FM between 2.35pm and 3pm for Community Theatre News





HAS BEEN CAST AND WILL BE ANNOUNCED AS SOON AS CAST MEMBERS HAVE BEEN ADVISED. CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK. AUGUST SPOTLIGHTER WILL HAVE ALL THE DETAILS.

The Spotlight Theatrical Company proudly presents Harvey Fierstein Music and Lyrics by Cyndi Lauper Original Broadway Production Directed and Choreographed by Jerry Mitchell Based on the Miramax motion picture Kinky Boots Written by Geoff Deane and Tim Firth Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia). All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia. **Music Director** Choreographers Directed by Georgia Beck & Jackson Kook Steven Days Katie Grace

1 – 23 NOVEMBER 2019 HALPIN AUDITORIUM Book now on (07) 5539 4255

or online at www.spotlighttheatre.com.au

BRAD KENDRICK HAS BEEN CAST AS NED KELLY, MITCH WALSH AS DAN KELLY and NATHAN FRENCH AS THE GUARD. Director Cilla Scott will introduce the Cast in the August Spotlighter.



THE SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY

PROUDLY PRESENTS

BY MATTHEW RYAN

DIRECTED BY CILLA SCOTT

BASEMENT THEATRE 2019 20 SEPTEMBER – 5 OCTOBER

BOOK NOW 07 5539 4255 or online at www.spotlighttheatre.com.au Members are advised that the



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on

TUESDAY, 20 AUGUST 2019 COMMENCING AT 7.00pm SHARP

at

Spotlight Theatre 187 Ashmore Road, Benowa

All members are urged to attend. (For voting rights you MUST be a Financial Member.)

AGENDA

Apologies Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting Matters arising from Minutes President's report Treasurer's report and Auditor's financial statements Other reports Election of new office bearers General Business

If any person wishes to add an item to the Agenda, this must be put in writing, and seconded by another financial member. Any additions must be received by the Secretary seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Nomination for Life Membership according to Constitution:

5(c) Life Membership – The title of 'Life Membership' may be awarded by The Company, at the Annual General Meeting, to a person who has rendered services to The Company for not less than ten years. Any Member of The Company may submit candidates for Life Membership up to one month prior to the Annual General Meeting. A Committee of three (3) Life Members and four (4) Councillors must vet such nominations. When the Committee is satisfied that all requirements are met, the Council shall award Life Membership to the selected Member who will be notified at the Annual General Meeting. To preserve the dignity of Life Membership, no more than two persons shall be admitted as such, during one financial year. *Nomination to be forwarded to shirley@spotlighttheatre.com.au by 23rd July 2019.*

The bar will be open for drinks and if you wish to stay after the meeting for a drink, tea or coffee and a chat, a small plate of supper would be appreciated.

Shirley King Hon. Secretary

To:	The Returning Officer
	The Spotlight Theatrical Company
	PO Box 8074
	GOLD COAST MAIL CENTRE QLD 9726



Re: Annual General Meeting – Nomination for office

hereby declare that I am willing to offer myself for election to a position

to the Company for the term 2019/2020.

of: . .

I (please print name)

Signed:	Date
Nominated by:	Signature
Seconded by:	Signature

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PLEASE NOTE: All nominations must be received in writing by the Returning Officer no later than 24 hours prior to the time for commencement of the meeting.





Since the last newsletter we have completed two shows at the following venues:-

Bluecare Pineshaven and Bupa Banora Point

This month has been quieter as some of our members are on holidays, but we have a busy month ahead. We will also be rehearsing new numbers and putting

together costumes and numbers for our November and December Christmas shows.

I have included two photos from our current show. One photo of Marlene in her Hello Dolly number and one of Lyn in her Broadway Medley number.

Thats all from the STARS and now back to the boards. *Noni*





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PLAYBI Spark & the Crystal Crusade Basement 9 - 19 January 8 February - 2 March The Little Mermaid Halpin A Slice of Saturday Night Basement 22 March - 7 April 17 May - 8 June Catch Me If You Can Halpin Young Adult Cabaret Halpin 14, 15 June 21, 22, 23 June Music Theatre Showcase Halpin Alice in Wonderland Basement 3 - 13 July **Higher & Higher Revival** Halpin 2 - 24 August Halpin 6, 7 September **Senior Drama** Kelly Basement 20 Sep - 5 October 18, 19, 20 October Intermediate Drama Basement **Kinky Boots** Halpin 1 - 23 November **Junior Drama** Basement 29, 30 Nov, 1 Dec Int. & Snr. Music Theatre End of Year Showcase Halpin 5, 6, 7 December Halpin 12,13,14 December Snr. Music Theatre Production Young Adult Production 17, 18 December Halpin

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Spotlight On Christmas

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20.21 December

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As this is considered a donation, it would be tax deductible and a tax receipt will be forwarded to person/business donating.

Should you wish to become part of this sponsorship please complete the following and forward to:

Spotlight Theatrical Company, PO Box 8074, Gold Coast Mail Centre, Qld 9726 Or, personally deliver to:

Costume Hire, Spotlight Theatre, 185-187 Benowa Road, Benowa.

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