

The SPOTLIGHTER

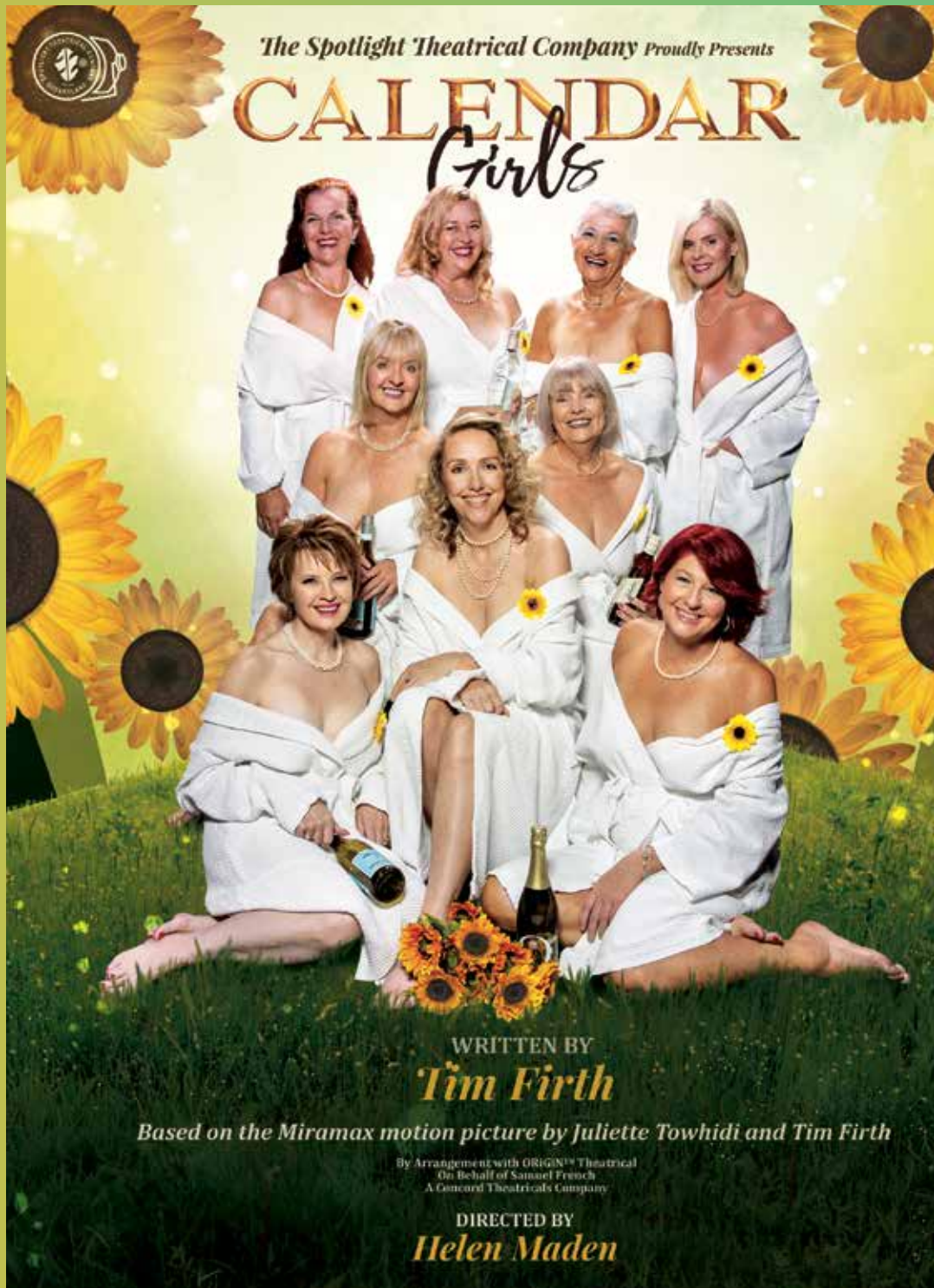
MARCH 2022

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

CURRENT COVID-19 RULES ARE BEING APPLIED.



**Official Newsletter of
THE SPOTLIGHT
THEATRICAL COMPANY**



11 MARCH - 2 APRIL 2022

The Halpin Auditorium

*Calendar Girls poster
courtesy Kit Tasker.*

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Directed by Helen Maden

EXTRA! EXTRA!

Calendar Girls tickets almost gone!

New seats opening soon.

Keep an eye on the socials for updates!!



Rehearsal are coming to an end and the whole team is excited to bring you this gorgeous show. We have a very experienced and talented cast who will be giving you *all the feels!*

Add in a crew of thousands backstage to help dress and move sets!

Be sure to grab yourself a copy of our amazing show program, either at a performance or from Costume Hire in coming weeks. Chris Dickinson has outdone herself making the program into a 2022/23 Calendar, with awesome photography by Clay English and a bevy of beautiful 'nude' models.

Michael Sutton's glorious sunflower scene is in full swing with many wonderful worker bees making the Sunflower Factory, the FUNflower factory!

Don't miss out. Checkout the website to book,

Or Call 5539 4255 to get on a waitlist!



AUDITIONS

Sunday 13th March 2022

Spotlight Studios

4/50 Johnston Street, Southport QLD 4215



By **QUEEN** and **Ben Elton**

Director/Choreographer – CLAY ENGLISH

Musical Director – SHARI WILLNER

Associate Choreographer – LAURA ENGLISH

SHOW DATES

PREVIEWS 11 & 12 MAY 2022

**RUN 13 MAY - 11 JUNE 2022 (Performances Wednesday to Sunday)
REHEARSALS WILL BE SUNDAYS TO THURSDAYS FROM MID MARCH.**

For call times, synopsis & character breakdowns

View / Download AUDITION PACK (pdf) on the Spotlight website:

www.spotlighttheatre.com.au

Presidents Report

Calendar Girls directed by award winning director **Helen Maden** opens on the **11 March**. With the relaxation of some of the Covid regulations we have been able to release a few more seats for each performance. There are limited tickets left, so act now by calling the **Box Office on 5539 4255** or online at www.spotlighttheatre.com.au. You won't want to miss this fabulous cast. **Chris Dickinson** has created a wonderful **Calendar** that is also the **programme** and proceeds from sales will be supporting the **Leukemia Foundation** and the **CWA** as they celebrate their **100 years in Australia**.



Hot Shoe Shuffle has been postponed until 2023 so that director **Drew Anthony** can hopefully still direct this show that he helped to write if he is ever able to leave WA .

In it's place we are bringing you **We Will Rock You** directed by the multi award winning director and choreographer **Clay English**. After a successful season of **Singin' in the Rain**, Clay was going to take some time out, but has agreed to take the reins again so that we have a show for you. We can expect some surprises from Clay as he brings this Rock Show to life. **Auditions are on 13 March** and tickets will be on sale towards the end of the month. **Show dates are 13 May to 11 June**.

Our **Youth Theatre** students are settling into their new term. Most of the classes are held in our studios in Johnson Street, Southport. We have made some improvements there to make them more comfortable for the students and teachers. More work is planned as funds become available.

Costume Hire is still trading although it had a quiet time with all the restrictions, so please support the shop so we can keep upgrading and improving.

As our buildings age more maintenance is required, so your continuing support is appreciated. We have some major expenses coming up as we have to replace equipment that has reached its use by date.

Our big fundraiser for the year is **The Boy From Oz at The Star** from **14 -23 October** directed by **Drew Anthony**. Plans are continuing so more news next month.

I look forward to seeing you at a show soon, so until then, look after yourselves and each other.

Best Regards,

Duncan Sims

To read the the latest details,

please go to our Official website: www.spotlighttheatre.com.au and click on

COVID-19 VACCINATION MANDATE: OFFICIAL STATEMENT TO PATRONS

Congratulations to Director, Cast and Crews of 'Puffs'!

What a wonderful review by Theatre Haus!

'PUFFS' WAS BEWITCHING by Ellie Waddingham

<https://www.theatrehaus.com/2022/02/puffs-spotlight-theatre/>

Paste the above address into your browser to read the full Review.

Congratulations Director Mitch Walsh, and also to all who performed in or contributed to the production PUFFS. You must be so proud!

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Noni Buckland
STARS Liaison

For the past two months we have been rehearsing a new show which includes some old favourites and also new numbers.

Although we officially start our shows for 2022 in March, we had a request by Pineshaven at Elanora, for a special performance on **Valentines Day**. It was a great success and gave us some valuable feedback for the new show.

I have included two current photos, (below) is our Group (minus Sam who was away) in our opening number *Side by Side* and (right) is Marilyn in *I wanna be loved by you*.

A big hello to everyone as we hope for a better year getting back to normal. **Now back to the boards.**

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All performances will be held in The Halpin Auditorium.

**PUFFS ... Or Seven Increasingly Eventful
Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic**

Jan 14 - Feb 6

Directed by Mitchell Walsh

CALENDAR GIRLS

Mar 11 - Apr 2

Directed by Helen Maden

WE WILL ROCK YOU

May 13 - Jun 11

Directed by Clay English

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

Jul 22 - Aug 20

Directed by Jamie Watt

GREASE

Nov 11 - Dec 10

Directed by Joshua McCann-Thomson

SPOTLIGHT ON CHRISTMAS

Dec 16 - 18

Hosted by Spotlight

Disclaimer: Subject to change without notice.



TICKET PRICING & BOOKINGS:
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185-187 Ashmore Road Benowa
facebook.com/SpotlightTheatricalCompany

Spotlight Theatre is a Foundation Member of the Gold Coast Theatre Alliance

SEASON TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE
WATCH THIS SPACE & www.spotlighttheatre.com.au

Spotlight on Youth Theatre

CLASSES HELD AT:

Unit 4 - 50 Johnston Street Studios

Spotlight Basement Theatre

TEACHING FRATERNITY & ADMINISTRATORS

HANNAH CROWTHER

MITCHELL WALSH JORDAN BOYD

MEL DORGE GEORGIA BECK

LIAM LOCKWOOD and ETHAN SPEIGHT: Trainee Teachers

VAL LEFTWICH: (YT Administrator) KAY HAWKER: (YT Accountant)

We are now three weeks into term one and fortunately everything is getting back to normal for Spotlight Youth Theatre.

As I reported in the last edition we have a new class this year, **Junior Song and Dance**. These students were given a song and a routine to work with and in just three weeks they performed for their parents at the end of class last Saturday. It was just a little song but they did so well and made their teachers Miss Hannah, Miss Jordan and their parents very proud.

The 1st of March will see our **Senior Music Theatre** students audition as part of their curriculum. I have sent out call lists and it would be appreciated if you can make sure they arrive on time.

All drama classes **with the exception of Intermediate Drama**, are now being held at the Basement Theatre, of the Spotlight Theatre Complex, Ashmore Road, Benowa. Mr. Mitch and his team is excited to be back in his favourite theatre.

In the next couple of weeks our studio walls will have mirrors, which will really assist the dance students. We are also having another air conditioner fitted in the dance studio so there will be two, one in each room. Kay and I would like to thank all parents for attending to their invoices so promptly this term, it does save Kay and I hours of time. I believe we have run out of some sizes of Spotlight Tee Shirts; I have a quantity on order and they should arrive very soon.

Best Wishes,
Val Leftwich



Spotlight on Youth Theatre





SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY



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The Spotlight Theatrical Company wishes to acknowledge and thank you for your donation to sponsor a chair/s. This sponsorship is urgently needed to replace 240 chairs with new, quality, stackable chairs to fill both our main stage theatre and basement theatre. The **cost of a chair is \$90.00** and Spotlight will have a plaque created and attached to back of every chair purchased by a sponsor.

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

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Spotlight Theatrical Company, PO Box 8074, Gold Coast Mail Centre, Qld 9726

Or, personally deliver to:

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Audrey Goetz	1	Marita Schrader	1
Brian Bradnam	1	Marjorie Adams	1
Brian Graham	1	Maureen Stevenson	4
Bryn Jenke	1	Maureen Williamson	1
Brooke Daley	2	Mobile Barber Shop Depot	4
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Danny, Rosa & Jack Maher	1	Pam & Don Bullen	1
Darryl C Nisbet	3	Patricia Drew	2
David Corby	1	Patricia Riek	1
David McNeven	5	Pauline Davies	2
Dawn Briggs	1	Quota International Of Gold Coast	4
Deborah Beskin	1	Robert Deatherage	1
Deborah Bolt	1	Robyn Collins	1
Don & Madeline Kibble	1	Rod & Gwen Seppelt	2
Doreen Hinton	1	Ruby Antonia Rose Hand	1
Drew Anthony	2	Russell & Elizabeth White	1
Duncan & Lorrae Sims	9	Ryan Van Schrader	1
Erica Graham	1	Sandy Ackerman	1
Evo 1 Pty Ltd	1	Sea Change Emerald Lakes	1
Faye Connelly	1	Sean Van Schrader	1
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Fire Up Spit Roast Catering	2	Shanna Jones	1
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Hannah Rose Healy	1	Stella Simpson	1
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James McNab	1	Tymyka Adele Wines	1
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Joel & Margaret Beskin	2	Trish Pederson	11
John Everingham	1	Victoria Ryder	1
Joseph and Wendy Hawryluk	1	William Collins	1
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Julz Smith	1	Zina Lee	1
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Kay Horsey	1		
Kerin Hannan	1		
Lauren Burdett	1		
Leigh Kealton	1		
Lisa Story	2		

*Your donation
is greatly appreciated.*

TICKET PRICES - 2022 SEASON

MUSICAL PRODUCTIONS

Opening Night \$45.00

Adult \$40.00

Seniors/Age Pensioner \$35.00

Child under 16 / Student \$30.00

Member \$32.00

PLAY PRODUCTIONS

(PUFFS & CALENDAR GIRLS)

Opening Night \$40.00

Adult \$36.00

Seniors/Age Pensioner \$33.00

Child under 16 / Student \$28.00

Member \$32.00

Spotlight on Christmas (2022) \$25.00

BLOCK BUSTER SEASON TICKETS

\$570

(Table of 4, admit to 4 productions)

BLOCK BUSTER OPENING NIGHT TICKETS

\$650

(Table of 4, admit to 4 productions)

To be used from *Calendar Girls* onwards.



The Gold Coast Theatre Alliance Inc. promotes, engages and supports the diverse Regional Live Performing Arts Community.

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

Spotlight on Environment

We are taking part in the **Cash for Containers Scheme** to help the environment and also get some valuable funds for the theatre. Since we joined we have earned almost \$2500 by recycling the cans, bottles and plastic bottles at the local depot. We have our own **Scheme ID number C10106788**.

How can you help?

Every day you will be using containers that have a 10c refund on them. When you have finished with them instead of throwing them in your waste to end up in landfill why not recycle them and help us.

You can take them to the local depot yourself and, instead of collecting the cash, put our scheme number above into the system and the funds will be directly deposited into our account.

Or you could drop them off at the theatre when you next visit and when we have collected a decent amount, a volunteer takes them to the recycling depot. It doesn't matter if you only have one or two or twenty or more, every one you give to us will help your theatre earn valuable coin to help meet the costs of running the complex.

What can you recycle that is refundable?

All beer and pre mix spirit cans and bottles.

All soft drink cans and bottles.

All plastic drink bottles, water and soft drinks.

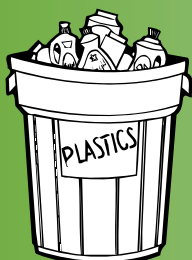


No wine bottles please as these are not part of the refund scheme.

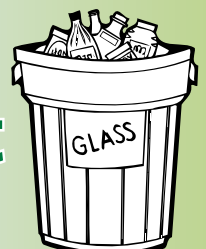
(They are recyclable so put them in your yellow top bin.)

We will be doing more environmental friendly changes to help lower the amount of landfill in 2021, so please help us to help you to help the environment.

**Thank you
for helping**



Spotlight on Environment





Our Welcome form for NEW and renewing MEMBERSHIP

(Calendar year Jan 1 to Dec 31)

- Where talent, skills and interests merge

What sort of involvement are you seeking?

MEMBERSHIP -2022

I/we wish to apply for:

- NEW membership (Adult) \$15
- RENEWAL (Adult) \$15
- NEW (Youth Under 18yrs) \$5
- RENEWAL (Youth U 18 yrs) \$5

I would also like to be listed as a

- HAT and/or
- PET

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The Spotlight Theatrical Co is among the leading amateur Theatrical producers in Australia. It caters for adult and youth theatre and especially popular Music Theatre. It is well equipped and complies with all Fire, Workplace Health and Safety requirements. But to do this it needs VOLUNTEERS aplenty to service its Audience membership & patrons.

You may also choose to volunteer flexible time as a -

SPOTLIGHT 'PET'

PET denotes PRODUCTION ENHANCEMENT TEAM and includes, for example, backstage crew, scenery design, art and or construction, property making or acquiring, costume design and or construction, sound or lighting design or operation, makeup and hair, and photography.

or a

SPOTLIGHT 'HAT'

HAT denotes HOSPITALITY ASSISTANCE TEAM. You can choose to be welcoming Front of House and or Bar assistance during scheduled performances.

This is a family-friendly form: All family at one address!

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- Privilege for theatre tickets
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- Promotional events
- Social events
- Some indemnity when working in or on a Production
- Renew online (from 2014)

Location! Location! Location!



Spotlight Theatre Complex comprises of two highly equipped theatres, Green room, a costume-hire & retail outlet, 'Youth Theatre' facilities, bookings centre, store-rooms and workshop facility. On-premises limited parking.

All activities situated conveniently in the heart of the Gold Coast.

Mail to Spotlight MEMBERSHIP, PO Box 8074 GCMC Q. 9726 or visit

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PROGRAMMES

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Helen Maden, Spotlight's Programme Historian, is seeking the following programmes for our records.

1958: Happy Snaps – June

1979: California Suite

1989: A night of Nostalgia

1990: The Variety Five, Top Gear

1992: Something's Afoot,

1992: The New Fabulous Rhythm Boys

1995: Move Over Mrs Markham,

1995: Stop the World I Want to Get Off

1996: Little Shop of Horrors

1997: Company, Tangled Web

1998: Working

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