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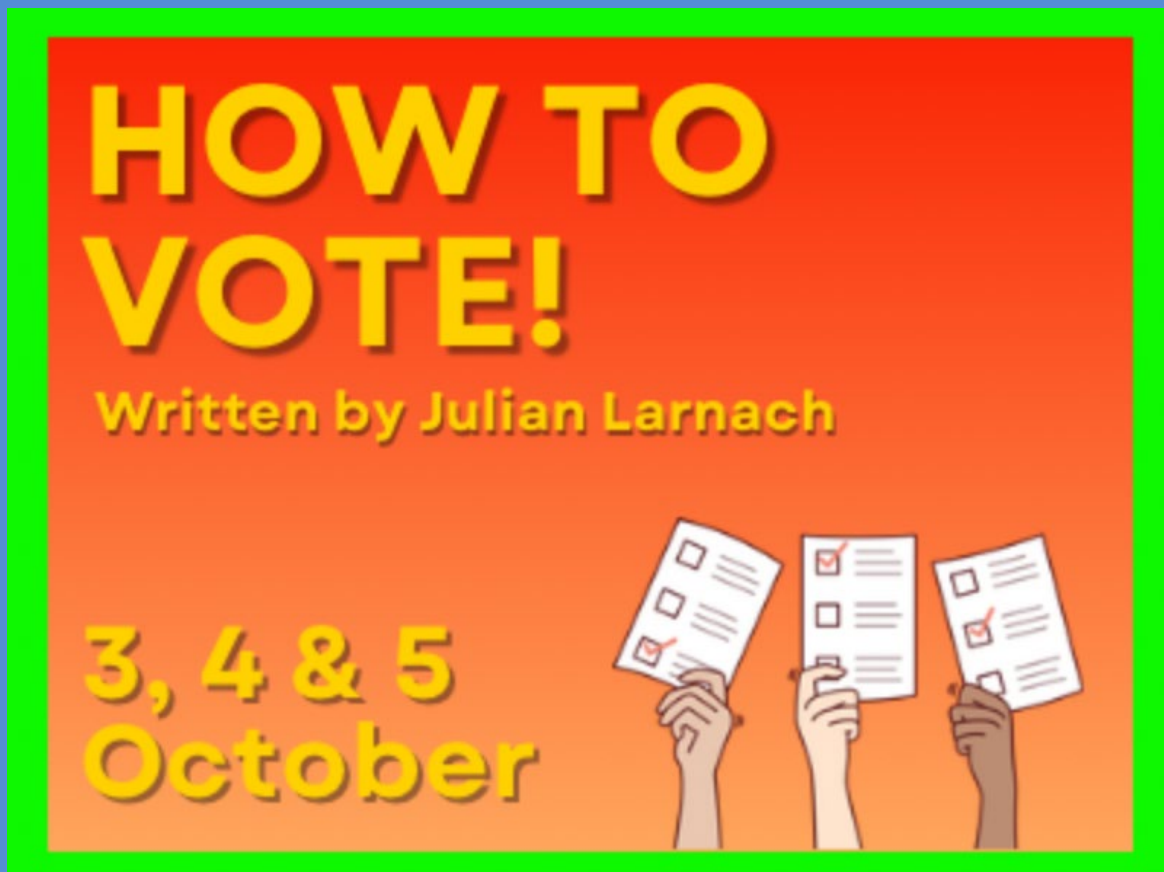


Official Newsletter of The Spotlight Theatrical Company Inc.  
Gold Coast Queensland Australia

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

October 2024

## OUR NEXT PRODUCTION BASEMENT THEATRE Performed by the Senior Drama Students



**Teacher: Ethan Speight**

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I'm addicted. I'm sick. I've been diagnosed, I've got all the symptoms and no amount of bed- rest is going to stop me getting what I want, getting all of what I want. **POWER REAL POWER.**

Election season is upon us! When the incumbent President of the University Student Council mysteriously steps down, new players must enter the arena. But behind the three -word slogans and non-core promises lies an underbelly of secret deals and divided loyalties, corruption, and ambition; all designed to win the hearts and minds of the student body. Following an entire election cycle within a prestigious university, **HOW TO VOTE!** explores the treacherous political landscape of campus life, and what happens when you put the word 'student' before journalism, politics, and theatre.

**OUR YOUTH THEATRE SEASON IS IN FULL SWING**  
**HALPIN AUDITORIUM**  
**Performed by the Sophomore Music Theatre Students**  
**Teacher Lucy Martin**



**Extra performance added Saturday 12 October at 2pm**

Charlie and the Chocolate factory is a musical based on the 1964 children's novel of the same name by Ronald Dahl, with book by David Greig, music by Marc Shaiman and lyrics by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman

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**BASEMENT THEATRE**  
**Performed by the Freshman Drama Students**  
**Teacher Ethan Speight**



When Miss J assigns an “adult life” simulation project, her class transforms into BIZ TOWN, a modern city with a hospital, bookshop, zoo, exotic pet shop – and crime. The bottom line is that the kid with the most heart points gets to pick the toppings for their pizza party, and that’s a prize worth playing dirty to win. One hard-boiled detective tries to uncover the criminals and set the town on a better path only to end up ruffling a few feathers and shaking the town to its foundation, all in the name of a cheese slice.

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## HALPIN THEATRE

Performed by Freshman and Intermediate Music Theatre Students

Teacher Mel Dorge



A story of true love and acceptance between sisters, FROZEN JR expands upon the emotional relationship and journey between Princesses Anna and Elsa. When faced with danger, the two discover their hidden potential and the powerful bond of sisterhood. With a cast of beloved characters and loaded with magic adventure, and plenty of humour, FROZEN JR is sure to thaw even the coldest heart.

## BASEMENT THEATRE

Performed by Sophomore Drama Students

Teacher Ethan Speight



Christopher, fifteen years old, stands beside Mrs Shears 'dead dog. It has been speared with a garden fork, it is seven minutes after midnight, and Christopher is under suspicion. He records each fact in the book he is writing to solve the mystery of who murdered Wellington. He has an extraordinary brain and is exceptional at maths, but he is ill-equipped to interpret everyday life. He has never ventured alone beyond the end of his road; he detests being touched and he distrusts strangers. Christopher's detective work, forbidden by his father, takes him on a frightening journey that turns his world upside-down.

## BASEMENT THEATRE

Performed by

The Intermediate Drama and Junior Song and Dance Students

An original play written by Sarah Hunt



Bedtime stories is a short play with songs that centres on three kids who are sharing stories to see who the better storyteller is. Seeing two stories come to life, a high fantasy mediaeval adventure and an emotional story about finding childhood wonder.


## *Spotlight Youth Theatre*





Photos from the production of CRY BABY performed by the Senior Music Theatre Students. Photos courtesy of Vargo Studios

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

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*Proudly presents*

**A**  
**Kick In The**  
**Baubles**

By Gordon Steel

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**Halpin Auditorium**  
**22 November - 7 December 2024**  
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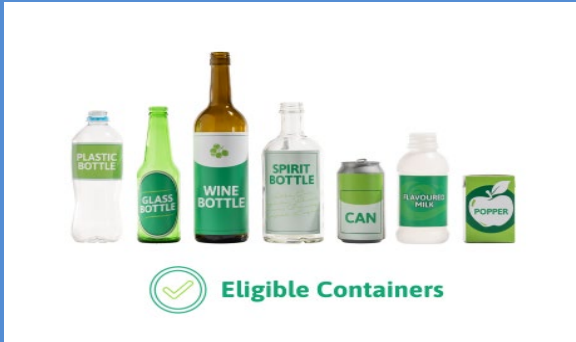
**Directed by Dawn China**

It's another peaceful Christmas in the Bauble household, but chestnuts aren't roasting on an open fire. And although a Silent Night would be welcome, all is not calm, and all is certainly not bright.

Frank does not wish it could be Christmas every day - in fact, he's dreading the arrival of snobbish in-laws who only ever bring a single bottle of wine for the entire festivities. Throw in a couple of larger-than-life neighbours, let the drink flow merrily, and everything is set for a car-crash Christmas. But when Frank and Jean's estranged daughter Milly suddenly appears, the rug is pulled out from underneath the chaos and the heartstrings are firmly tugged.

# Spotlight on Environment

Thank you to all our patrons who have been bringing in their cans and bottles to support our fund-raising efforts. Since we joined the scheme, we have raised just under \$7000 and now that wine and spirit bottles are included in the scheme, we should be able to quickly increase our income.




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# Annual Spotlight on Christmas Dates



The Spotlight Theatrical Company  
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# Spotlight ON Christmas

Halpin Auditorium

**13 December - 15 December 2024**

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*Tickets On Sale Next Month*

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DATE SAVER

Our Annual Gold Unity Gala is being held on  
20 January 2025  
At SOPO (Southport RSL)



Raising the bah and shining a little gold spotlight on  
Community Theatre

This is a combined event run by the Presidents of Spotlight Theatre,  
Gold Coast Little Theatre and Javeenbah Theatre.

More details to come so lock this date in your Calendar NOW!

2025 sees GCLT turn 75, Spotlight turn 70 and Javeenbah 50 +



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### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**are held on the**

**THIRD TUESDAY EACH MONTH**

**7:00pm at The Spotlight Theatre Complex**

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