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Ipswich Little Theatre Newsletter

# Ipswich One Act Play Festival WINNERS ANNOUNCED! See pages 2 & 3 for all the Festival

#### LAST CHANCE

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Directors who are interested in putting their hand up for a place in the Ipswich Little Theatre 2011 Program - don't forget that they must let Selection Committee know by the end of August.

Don't forget to complete an Expression of Interest form from our website.

You only have a few days left to get your Expression of Interest in.

Contact Ian Pullar, as he is the Head of Selection this year 3281 4437.

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## Time and Time Again Time and Time Again

The season begins with a Champagne Gala World Premiere: 29 September being organised by Jan Paterson (3810 5884). Tickets \$25

Public Nights 8, 9 & 15 October (FINAL NIGHT ALREADY SOLD OUT) & a Sunday Matinee 10 October (with Devonshire Teas on sale)

Book your tickets for public night performances by contacting the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre. (3281 0555).

#### What is the play all about?

**Time and Time Again**, written and directed by Helen and Ian Pullar, is a play with a difference. Its lighthearted story examines issues which have resonated with young women for over a century.

Libby (Stephanie Groves), a champion of women's rights no matter the issue, persuades her younger sister Carey (Kate Mallory), a dedicated nurse, that they cannot fulfill their individual potential if they marry. They vow not to succumb to the ardent attentions of their suitors (Harry Risson and Daniel Wheeler), much to the frustration of their mother Martha (Elizabeth Ball) and wily little sister Blythe (Philippa Prole). Martha longs for grandchildren and Blythe has much to gain if her sisters leave home, but despite their combined efforts the young men are driven to the brink of despair. Is there a solution?

With the aid of theatrical devices such as costume, visuals and music, the action moves against an historical background stretching from the late 1890s when suffragettes began the march to the corporate boardroom, and ends in the present day. It leads the audience to the conclusion that the more things change the more they are the same.

#### **The Cast**

The cast of *Time and Time Again* comprises a group of talented young actors who bring enthusiasm and youthful exuberance to the production. Most of them have risen through the ranks of the Ipswich Little Theatre's youth group, the Young Theatricals, and it is very rewarding to see them now venturing on to the main house stage.

The play has its own set of challenges for both cast and crew, and Sound and Lighting Manager Phil Holmes, Wardrobe Mistress Rebecca Noble and Stage Manager Nadine England are devoting a great deal of time and energy to help ensure the success of the production.

## Hey! JUNIOR THEATRE members

Don't forget to check if your ILT membership number is at the end of the Junior Theatre report (at right). Let Deirdre know if it is YOUR number.

### LUCKY WINNER 2 TICKETS!

The Winner of 2 free tickets to

Time and Time Again is A. Butler of Raceview.

Congratulations, we know that you will really enjoy the show.

## WHERE'S LORNA?

Ipswich Little Theatre member Lorna Longston and her husband have swapped the tropics of Cairns for the wilds of Kalgoorlie in Western Australia.

She hopes that you will let her know if you are travelling West in the near future and take the time to visit her.

Robyn Flashman has her contact details.

## News from the groups within Ipswich Little Theatre .... four groups all based in the Jean Pratt Building

#### S-Troupe

Many thanks to the wonderful STroupers who wowed our Festival patrons once again with a delightful performance on Sunday afternoon. Thanks also to their Director Melinda Park and her helpers for putting this show together and to such a great standard.

Suzanne Matulich Festival Director

#### Junior Theatre

Deirdre is having a great time working with our Juniors.

No-one can say that our theatre is not a vibrant and active place to be, on the Saturday of the Festival, Junior Theatre continued as per usual with Jane Sheppard taking the group as Deirdre was not available.

See pic below for Jane and some of the Juniors.

JT's August lucky number 184

#### **Daytime Theatre Troupe**

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs has been another successful production for this hard working group. Well done everyone!

#### **Young Theatricals**

Great to see such a strong presence of YTs at the Festival. Not only on stage and winning awards (see below and page 3) but also working hard backstage and front of house.





## Ipswich One Act Play Festival YOUTH SECTION 2010 WINNERS!

First Prize Youth Play	The Gun	Young Theatricals - Ipswich Little Theatre
Second Prize Youth Play	A Fully Sick Fairy Tale	The Rohl Academy
Best Director – Youth Play	Craig Taylor	The Rohl Academy
Best Youth Actor	Brodie Shield – The Gun	Young Theatricals - Ipswich Little Theatre
Best Youth Actress	Amila Sargeant – When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet	Young Theatricals - Ipswich Little Theatre
Best Supporting Youth Actor	Adrian Ferguson – The Tav- ern at Coral Cove	BYDE - Brisbane Arts Theatre
Best Supporting Youth Actress	Katye McKerrow – Macbeth Inc	Rosewood High School
Best Youth Actor in a Minor Role	Jarrod Lawler – Macbeth Inc	Rosewood High School
Best Youth Actress in a Minor Role	Amelia Rohl – A Fully Sick Fairy Tale	The Rohl Academy
Youth Incentive Awards	Oliver Hetherington-Page - The Tavern at Coral Cove	BYDE - Brisbane Arts Theatre
Youth Incentive Awards	Hannah Avery - A Fully Sick Fairy Tale	The Rohl Academy
Youth Incentive Awards	Thomas Doherty - A Fully Sick Fairy Tale	The Rohl Academy

From the Rosewood High School Director of Macbeth Inc: "Just wanted to congratulate you on running such a fantastic program. My kids loved being a part of such an event and it was such a great experience for them. I'm so appreciative that they participated and now understand a lot more about putting a play together."



## NEWS that YOU need to KNOW

## **Ipswich One Act Play Festival OPEN SECTION 2010 WINNERS!**

2010 AWARDS	NAME	THEATRE COMPANY
First Prize	Golf, Marriage and Other Murderous Matters	Australian Community Theatre
Second Prize	Queen vs Dudley & Stephens	Brisbane Arts Theatre
Third Prize	Ebbed	Ipswich Little Theatre
Best Director - Patti Jordan Memorial Prize	Dale Murison	Australian Community Theatre
Best Actor in a Dramatic Role	Matt Shield – Far from Perfect	Ipswich Little Theatre
Best Actress in a Dramatic Role	Sarah McMahon – I Want a Metermaid at my Funeral	BATS Theatre
Best Actor in a Comedy Role – ILT Life Members Tro- phy	Brent Schon – When God Comes for Break- fast You Don't Burn the Toast	Beenleigh Theatre Group
Best Actress in a Comedy Role – ILT Life Members Tro- phy	Debra Chalmers - Golf, Marriage and Other Murderous Matters	Australian Community Theatre
Best Supporting Actor	John Boyce – Queen vs Dudley & Stephens	Brisbane Arts Theatre
Best Supporting Actress	Belinda Cargill - Golf, Marriage and Other Murderous Matters	Australian Community Theatre
Best Supporting Actor in a Minor Role	John Sayles - Golf, Marriage and Other Mur- derous Matters	Australian Community Theatre
Best Supporting Actress in a Minor Role	Jenni McCaul – The Way Out	Miranda's Dressing Room
Helen Haenke Memorial Prize	Golf, Marriage and Other Murderous Matters	Australian Community Theatre
Best Production of a new Australian script first performed in 2010		
Adjudicator's choice	Aaron Evans	Ipswich Little Theatre
STAGE MANAGERS AWARD		
Most professional, considerate group backstage	Brisbane Arts Theatre	

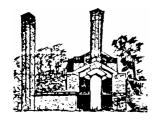
As Director of the **56th Ipswich One Act Play Festival**, I would like to thank the many theatre groups who supported our Festival and congratulate them, not only winning one or more of the awards but on the overall standard of plays in this year's program. It really was a program of the most professional performances that I have seen on the Festival circuit.

Our adjudicator Kurt Lerps gave us the benefit of his wisdom and experience and his comments were once again, well received, fair and encouraging.

Many thanks too to the many very hard working ILT members who gave up their time and energy to make the whole Festival such a fun, welcoming and well organized event. All contributions were appreciated, even if you were only able to help out for one session.

And talking of contributions, once again we had very generous sponsorship from Ipswich City Council, New Hope Coal, our Life Members and many local identities and businesses.

Thank you everyone!



#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

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The Ipswich Little Theatre complex, including the historic Incinerator Theatre designed by Walter Burley Griffin, is located in Burley Griffin Drive off Griffiths Road Ipswich.

To ring the theatre when there is a class or rehearsal PHONE 3812 2389.

NOTE: this phone is not staffed at other times.

## NEXT ILT COMMITTEE MEETING: 7.00 pm 14 September '10

2010 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY		
7 September	AUDITIONS: Mother and Son by Geoffrey	
7.30 pm	Atherden. Director Jane Sheppard. 5464 5363 shepahoy@bigpond.com	
9 - 15 October	Time and Time Again by Helen and Ian Pullar- see page 1 for booking details	

#### THE PRODUCERS

Support another active theatre group in Ipswich!

**Ipswich Musical Theatre Company** will stage *The Producers* in the Ipswich Civic Centre, 11 to 18 September.

This funny and outrageous musical won a record breaking twelve Tony Awards. The plot of *The Producers* is a Mel Brooks masterpiece of brilliant comedy.

Down on his luck theatrical producer, Max Bialystock, and young accountant, Leo Bloom, hatch the ultimate scam. Raise more money than is needed for a sure-fire Broadway flop and pocket the difference. Their theatrical fiasco, the musical *Springtime for Hitler*, unexpectedly becomes a smash hit. The Producers is a show rich with comedy, music and entertainment and great creative talent.

**SEASON:** Saturday 11 September 7:30pm Matinee Sunday 12 Sept 2pm, Saturday 18 September 7:30pm

#### **BOOKINGS OPEN NOW** for The Producers

Over the counter bookings at Ipswich Civic Centre booking office Phone bookings: 3810 6100 - all major credit cards accepted

Online bookings: www.ipswichcivicentre.com.au

#### 2010 Contact details for Exec. Committee Members

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