



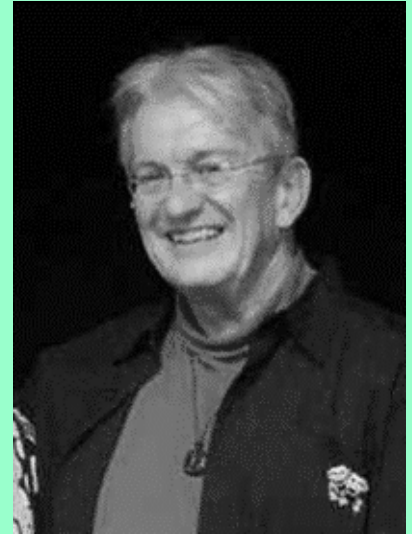
# Burning News

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Ipswich Little Theatre Newsletter

## Ipswich One Act Play Festival



### Introducing our 2010 Adjudicator Kurt Lerps

It has been four years since Kurt adjudicated the Ipswich Drama Festival and he is looking forward to the challenges that the 2010 Festival will hold.

Kurt has lived in Brisbane since 1971. He received a Master of Letters in Drama from the University of New England and his first love is theatre. He is well-known throughout Southeast Queensland as an actor, director, adjudicator and teacher.

Kurt brings to his responsibilities as an adjudicator a background in English Literature and Drama studies together with extensive theatrical experience in acting, directing and adjudicating

He has acted in and directed numerous plays from the classics to the most modern. Two of his favorite roles are the Stage Manager in 'Our Town' and Lenny Ganz in Neil Simon's 'Rumors'.

He has also conducted Master Classes in Acting and Directing for the The Mousetrap Theatre, Gold Coast Little Theatre, the Ipswich City Council, The Association of Community Theatres and the Wyong Theatre Group.

Kurt has always been a great advocate of the One Act Play Festival Circuit, seeing it as an invaluable means of keeping community theatre alive. Kurt feels that festivals are a wonderful way for people with an interest in theatre to meet, share ideas and develop their craft.

BOOKINGS OPEN AT THE Ipswich Visitor Information Centre 1 August

See page 3 for the dates and times of all the six Festival sessions this year.

#### STOP PRESS

Time and time  
again

#### TICKETS

on sale

2 August at the  
Ipswich Visitor  
Information Centre

AND

Odd Couple

All nights sold out!

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

### S-Troupe

After a two week break S-troupe resumed class on Sunday 18 July 2010. The students will spend the next couple of weeks working on polishing the Ipswich Little Theatre Festival performance which notes will be circulated in the next week or so clarifying details for parents & helpers.

All students are progressing well and we get the joy of seeing them grow and improve each week at Stroupe which is reward in itself.

I would like to take the time to thank my helpers Di, Sue, Ronelle, Marie, Gloria, Lily & Rosemary who turn up each week and help make Stroupe possible. It is a big commitment that you make and for that I would like to say a BIG Mid Year Thanks.

*Melinda Park*

### Daytime Theatre Troupe

Rehearsals of *Snow White* are continuing satisfactorily, though attendances by cast are rather sporadic. There were only 2 actual dwarfs at last week's rehearsal with the other parts being filled

in by the Prince, Wicked Queen, Hank the Huntsman, the mirror and a visitor. We hope that improves very soon. The set will be built in a week or two.

*Anne England*

### Young Theatricals

YTs have three plays entered into the Youth Section of the Ipswich One Act Play Festival on 13/14 August. Do make sure that you support them by coming along to one of the sessions. See Festival program overview in this newsletter.

There is a good fairy in our midst! Kerri-Ann Macdonald offers her heartfelt thank you to the good fairy who paid for her son Lincoln's semester fees for YTs.

*Tony Erhardt*

### Junior Theatre

Junior Theatre is up and running again for 2010. Many thanks to Deirdre and other ILT members who have given their time to make this happen. We know that the young ones are going to have a great time and put on a fun show at the end of the year.

**JT's July lucky number 180**

## SELECTION REPORT

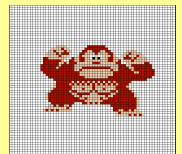
A very satisfactory cast was selected for *Time and Time Again* comprising (in order of appearance): Elizabeth Ball, Kate Mallory, Philippa Prole, Stephanie Groves, Harry Risson and Daniel Wheeler.

Rehearsals have commenced and we are delighted with early progress.

### CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for a few props and are hoping members may be able to lend us the following:

- a fob watch (or stop watch);
- a kerosene hurricane lamp (does not need to be in working order);
- a gas camping lamp;
- a "donkey kong" (or similar) game;
- a 1950s style vacuum cleaner.



### Opening night for Time and Time Again.

**Wednesday 29 September**

An **Ipswich Little Theatre Special Event** is being organized for this night.

One reason is to celebrate the performance as a **World Premiere Performance** of a brand new play and the other reason is that we will be fundraising for more funds to offset our major building project at the Jean Pratt Building this year.

Tickets for this special night are \$25 – ticket and supper included.

If you are keen to be a part of this event please call Jan on 3810 5884 to book your tickets.

Who knows – we might even roll out a red carpet and let the paparazzi know in advance!

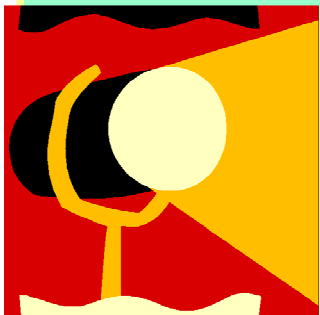
**JUNIOR  
THEATRE  
members**

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

### DON'T FORGET

Selection Committee is seeking nominations from potential directors for 2011, together with suggested scripts, to be submitted by the end of August. If any aspirants are able to make their offers earlier than then, it would assist the six members of Committee to read scripts in a timely fashion.

Ian Pullar, Convener



**WORLD PREMIERE  
PERFORMANCE!**

**See at right for details**

# NEWS that YOU need to KNOW

## Ipswich One Act Play Festival - 13-15 August

This year we are offering two separate sections in our Festival: a Youth Section for actors who are all 18 or under by 31 December 2010 and an Open Section (no age limits).

The Youth Section entries will be performed over two sessions: Friday evening 13 August and Saturday morning 14 August to be followed by their own separate Youth Section Awards Ceremony.

Kurt Lerps will be the Adudicator for both sections of our Festival.

Festival details for your early reference (full program with all the details will be available at the Festival )

### YOUTH SECTION

SESSION 1 13 AUG	Start time 7.15 pm	• FULLY SICK FAIRY TALE	Rohl Academy
		• WHEN SHAKESPEARE'S LADIES MEET	Ipswich Young Theatricals
		• WHAT	Ipswich Young Theatricals
SESSION 2 14 AUG	Start time 8.50 am	• THE GUN	Ipswich Young Theatricals
		• MACBETH INC	Rosewood High
		• THE TAVERN AT CORAL GROVE	BYDE Brisbane Arts Theatre

### 12.00 pm Youth Section Awards Ceremony

### OPEN SECTION

SESSION 1 14 AUG	Start time 1.50 pm	• DEATH BY SAUSAGE	Therapeutic Theatrics
		• THE WAY OUT	Miranda's Dressing Room
		• A LIVE JACK IN THE DITCH	Jigsaw Players
SESSION 2 14 AUG	Start time 7.20 pm	• FAR FROM PERFECT	Ipswich Little Theatre
		• SORRY	Hills Players
		• QUEEN VS DUDLEY STEPHENS	Brisbane Arts Theatre
		• FARFIE	Ipswich Little Theatre
SESSION 3 15 AUG	Start time 8.50 am	• I WANT A METERMAID AT MY FUNERAL	BATS Theatre
		• SEEDS	Brisbane Arts Theatre
		• WHEN GOD COMES FOR BREAKFAST YOU DON'T BURN THE TOAST	Beenleigh Theatre Group

### 12.00—12.50 pm our renowned Festival Barbecue Lunch

SESSION 4 15 AUG	Start time 12.50 pm	• AVATAR	JPC Productions
		• EBBED	Ipswich Little Theatre
		• LIFE SUPPORT	Miranda's Dressing Room
		• GOLF MARRIAGE AND OTHER MURDEROUS MATTERS	Australian Community Theatre

### 5.15 pm Special non-competitive STroupe Performance in the Jean Pratt Building

### 6.15 pm Open Section Awards Ceremony

TICKETS can be prebooked at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre from 1 August or you can buy them at the door



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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 10 August '10**

## 2010 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

14—31 July 8.00 pm	<b>THE ODD COUPLE (<i>female version</i>)</b> in performance at the Incinerator Theatre. Director Doug Moses and assistant director Anne England. Tickets at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre 3281 0555
13, 14, 15 August	<b>Ipswich One Act Play Festival</b> - 20 plays total in two sections YOUTH SECTION: Friday night and Saturday morning OPEN SECTION Saturday afternoon and evening, Sunday morning and afternoon. Prebook your tickets at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre from 1 August or buy them at the door.

## AUDITIONS!

**WHEN AND WHERE:** Tuesday 7 September 2010 at 7.30pm at Ipswich Little Theatre

**THE PLAY:** *Mother and Son* by Geoffrey Atherden (this is the well loved TV show from a while ago), director Jane Sheppard and assistant director Tony Erhardt

### CAST REQUIRED:

**Main characters:** Maggie - (an elderly woman), Arthur and Robert (her sons), Liz (Robert's wife),

**Supporting characters:** Diedre (Arthur's estranged wife), Matron of the Nursing Home, a Police Officer, Uncle Tom,

**Cameo characters:** a Funeral Director, a Minister, a Doctor, a Receptionist, Delores (Robert's intended mistress). (Several of these roles can be played by either gender.)

**PERFORMANCE DATES:** 24 November to 11 December 2010 (Wednesday to Saturday evenings + one weekend matinee)

**ENQUIRIES:** phone Jane 54645363  
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