



# Burning News

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## RAFFLE

As you know, we are trying to raise as much money as we can this year to offset the huge cost of the major changes to the Jean Pratt Building. If you can donate items suitable for raffle prizes, that would be a great help. Raffles are being held each Wine and Cheese night. Contact Jan Paterson—see page 4 for contact details

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## ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST

You have seen the film, you've seen the photos here, now buy a ticket and see the whole play in all its energy and confrontation right in front of you, on stage at Ipswich Little Theatre.

Tickets are selling very well at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre, so do make sure that you don't miss out. Book your tickets by phone 3281 0555. Remember that there are matinee performances too if daytime viewing suits you best.



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### WANT A FREE DRINK ?

Don't forget to see if your ILT membership number is hidden in this issue of Burning News. It will look like this only with a different number.

Membership number 047

If your number is there bring your membership card with you next time you come to a play and you will be rewarded with a Free Drink!

### Ipswich Little Theatre from up in the air...

Photo taken by Tom Anthony for ILT



Quote to consider: "If God had really intended men to fly, he'd make it easier to get to the airport." - George Winters

## Special News for S-Troupe members

Please see if your ILT membership number is at the end of the S-Troupe report (at right) from Melinda.

The number is in red. If that is your number let Melinda know and she will give you a special prize.

## DRIFTWOOD

Scenes from a Separation director, Suzanne, needs a branch of driftwood (or just a dead branch that could be made to look like driftwood) for the set.

If you have one that you can give or lend please let her know.

Ideally it will be about 1metre long and not with too many large branches. Just something to suggest the beach setting.



## Don't Forget

Contact Robyn Flashman, now, if your group or organization would like to book a night at the theatre and possibly raise \$1000! Her number is 3812 3450



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

### S-Troupe

It was smiles all round on the first S- Troupe class for 2010 on Sunday 7 March, we played games, talked about the Easter Bunny coming soon and what Easter means to all of us, there was plenty of dancing & we got to hear everyone's stories from over the holiday break and also got to sing Happy Birthday to Paul Burke, Lance Brunjes and Bronwyn Jones.

As always we are looking for more helpers to come along and enjoy the S-Troupe experience so if anyone is interested in helping out then please call Melinda on 0419 650 441. Also note that S-troupe are planning a social afternoon with Parents & Carers to celebrate Easter, on Sunday 28 March 3.00 – 5.00pm so look out for your invitation soon.

Melinda Park

**S-Troupe lucky number 106**

### Daytime Theatre Troupe

The Daytimers have resumed for the year with one new member. Because of the work at the Jean Pratt Building, we have made the difficult decision to have only one production this year but for a 3 week season.

Kay McAllan has again worked her magic to provide a script for us - Snow White and the

Seven Dwarfs.

We are relying heavily on children's imaginations in relation to the 'dwarfs'!

We are undertaking a new venture - one that has been talked about for years. A dozen of us are going on a retreat to a huge house in the Gold Coast hinterland for a well deserved R & R break. Sorry Col and Alan - no men allowed! With our ability to kick back and have a good time, and all those cooks under the one roof, we should come back refreshed and revitalised!

Anne England

### Young Theatricals

No report this month.

Tony Erhardt

### Junior Theatre

Junior theatre begins for 2010 with a sign-on day on 17 April at 9.30am and then the classes will start on 24 April. Places will be allocated on a first in first served basis but with past students getting priority. Any inquiries please call Matt call on 0404 409 125 or email at [mattshield@live.com](mailto:mattshield@live.com)

Matt Shield

## Sunday Playreadings

Another fun social event was held at our theatre on Sunday 14 March.

It was great to welcome members and non members alike to the reading of the next play to be auditioned on 23 March, *Hypnosis* by David Tristram, to be directed by Doug Moses and Anne England.

If you haven't been to one of these Sunday Playreadings yet, mark the date of the next one in your diary now, Sunday 9 May.



This is also Mothers Day so it could be a great event to take Mum to - we even give you afternoon tea for free. And the bar is open if you would like to treat her to a glass of bubbly because she is so special.

The play being read that day will be *Time and Time Again* written and to be directed by Ian and Helen Pullar.

Seen at the Sunday Playreading on Sunday 14 March

Above: Bill, Elizabeth, Alan, Patti and Doug

Left: Daniel, Samantha and Michaela



# NEWS that YOU need to KNOW

## AUDITION NOTICE

The next audition at Ipswich Little Theatre will be for the 4th play in our 2010 program, *Hypnosis* by David Tristram. The director is Doug Moses and he will be assisted by Anne England.

**The audition will be held on Tuesday 23 March at 7.30 pm**

The season for the play is 14-31 July with 23, 24, 30, 31 July being public nights.

The play is a comedy from the same playwright who brought you *Sex, Drugs Rick'n'Noel* and *Forget Me Knot*, both recent hits on the Ipswich Little Theatre stage.

The cast required are two men (ages various) and one woman.

If you would like to know more about the script or the production, please contact Doug on 3281 2846.

## HAVE YOU PUT YOUR NAME ON THE FRONT OF HOUSE ROSTER YET?

As you will have read in an earlier newsletter this year, Majella Gee has taken over from Desley Cronon as the Front of House coordinator for 2010. The hardest part of this volunteer job is to put together a roster of members to work on each night that our plays are in performance and Majella needs your help.

We need 4 members each night and a season is 12 nights long. If you are good at maths you will quickly realise that means we, ideally, need 48 members to volunteer to assist in welcoming our audience members, work in the kitchen for interval (and serve supper on group nights) and serve drinks. Obviously what happens is that a small group of members do many more than one night's volunteer work in each season.

You can help! The work is easy, the camaraderie is great and the rewards are worth an evening of your time. Some people say that being the first with theatre gossip is an added bonus, but your editor wouldn't be so crass as to repeat that.

Give it a go and you will be warmly welcomed by the merry band of Front of House workers. Give Majella a call (see page 4) to let her know the good news.

## Desperately Seeking Support

There are still many gaps in the **Tourific Troupers** Roster.

Are you able to spare a few hours during the day to work with this group? Tours are held irregularly so you won't be making a regular weekly commitment and you don't have to act or learn lines.

You do get the chance to meet visitors to Ipswich and be an ambassador for our theatre and our city.

These tours are great revenue earners for ILT so don't let the work be done by just a few.

**If you are able to help please contact Helen urgently (3281 4437),**

## Jean Pratt Building extensions

The extensions to the Jean Pratt Building are well under way with each day bringing more excitement, decisions, bills and - for quite some time - rain.

With the assistance of loans from generous members we hope to have an almost completed annexe for use within a couple of months.

Helen Pullar, Building Committee

*View of work in progress*

**Membership number 028**





## 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 13 APRIL '10**

## 2010 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

**Tuesday 23**  
**March 7.30 pm**

**AUDITION : *Hypnosis*** by David Tristram. Director  
 Doug Moses, assistant director Anne England. For  
 more information contact Doug on 3281 2846

**7-24 April**  
**Evenings and**  
**matinees**

***One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*** by Dale  
 Wasserman. Director Jan Paterson, assistant director  
 Desley Cronon. Bookings at the Ipswich Visitor Infor-  
 mation Centre 3281 0555

## Young Theatricals - WE NEED YOU!

This is a special chance for you to be a part of one of your  
 theatre's other activities

Ipswich Little Theatre is going to have an Information and  
 Sales tent as part of the 2010 Ipswich Festival in **Queens**  
**Park on Sunday 25 April.**

This is the annual family-focused Kids Kingdom event and  
 this year it is being expanded to have major community  
 involvement to help celebrate Ipswich being 150 years old.

We would love you to give a couple of hours of your time on  
 that day to help spread the word about our wonderful thea-  
 tre and maybe sell some of our promotional merchandise—  
 mugs, pens, stubby holders etc and wear a crazy costume  
 or mask if you would like to.

We need you to be an ambassador for our theatre at this  
 event.

If you can give us some time between 11am and 4pm  
 please let Tony and Matt know (page below for contact de-  
 tails). Should be fun!

## 2010 Contact details for Exec. Committee Members

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<b>Junior Theatre Director</b>	Matt Shield	3496 1271 or 0404 409 125
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<b>Young Theatricals Director</b>	Tony Erhardt	0408 058 706
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