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Ipswich Little Theatre Newsletter

Open Day

Change of Date

The proposed Open Day on 21 November has been changed to **5 December**.

We have been gleaming fascinating pieces of historical importance since people's awareness of the 40th Birthday plans has circulated.

We urge members who were around in the pre- or immediate post Incinerator days to come along at 10am and share your memories with historian Margaret Cook.

Morning tea provided.

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RUMORS

Extra Performance Announced

.Due to demand for tickets, one more performance of Rumors has been programmed.

It will be a matinee on Saturday 6 December at 2pm.

This performance will not be a theatre supper but, of course, the Courtyard Bar will be open for your convenience.

Tickets for this last opportunity to book for *Rumors* are available at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre and are \$18 / \$14.

If you still want to see this great show but can't come to this performance, there may be seats available at one of the group nights.

Call Robyn on 3812 3450 to find out which nights are available.

Rumors Roster

Many thanks to our members who have volunteered to assist front of house for the *Rumors* season. Just to remind you, here is the roster:

(G = group night, P = public night)

26 November G

Ian Pullar, Helen Pullar, Joan McCann, Nadine England

27 November G

Ross Grant, Judith Grant, Carmel Kendricks, Jacqui de Villiers

28 November G

Jim Orr, Majella Gee, Linda Shapcott, Kathy Wilson

29 November G

David Austin, Chris Greenhill, Wendy O'Sullivan

4 December G

John Floris, Di Johnston, Tracey Spence, Jamie Spence

5 December P

Jim Orr, Ross Grant, Judith Grant, Sybil McCrea, Marie Barnes

6 December P

Jim Orr, Desley Cronon, Kerri-Ann McDonald, Ann Collyer

10 December G

Di Johnston, Suzanne Matulich, Lisa Moore

11 December G

Desley Cronon, Rosemary Lyons, Bette Rose, Sarah Wilson

12 December P

Jim Orr, Ian Pullar, Helen Pullar, Ann Collyer, Rebecca Noble

13 December P

Jim Orr, Jane Sheppard, Liz Boekholt, Rebecca Noble

Please note: Members on the roster are asked to be at the theatre by:

Public nights 6.30pm

Group nights 7.00pm

If you are unable to fulfil these front-of-house commitments, it is essential that you notify Desley (3288 8754) so that she can find a replacement.

STOP PRESS - AUDITIONS!

Auditions for the three plays in the One Act Play Season in February / March '09 will be held at the Jean Pratt Building **Monday 8 December at 7.30 pm**. A range of ages, both male and female are needed. Contact Doug for details 0411 284 081



Don't forget - Christmas Gift Idea

Here is an unusual idea for a Christmas gift for a friend or relative.

You can purchase Gift Tickets for plays at the Incinerator Theatre

\$30 for two and \$60 for four.

Contact Robyn 3812 3450 for more details

2009 ILT PROGRAM

Still waiting for confirmation of some of the plays for next year but a One Act Play season will be first in February.

NOMINATION FORM FOR '09

If you want to take on a role in the running of ILT next year, a nomination form is available on our website (see back page)

Contact our secretary Helen if you would like one posted to you.

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

S-Troupe

Don't forget to support S-Troupe as they perform at the Brassall Christmas Carols, Sutton Park Brassall on Friday 28th November, evening commences at 5pm and S-troupe are scheduled to perform a small piece at approx 5.40. They are also performing at Leichhardt Carols in Denman Street Leichhardt on Friday 12th December at 6.30 pm. Hope to see you all there.

Di Johnston

Daytime Theatre Troupe

Don't forget that the Daytime Theatre Troupe are always looking for new members. Give it some thought, maybe bring a friend and join our merry band of Daytime Theatre Troupers in 2009. They really do have lots of fun.

Call Kay 5464 3965 or Jan 3201 7974, you don't need any acting experience, its been 'on the job' training for most of the members. Hope to see you in the New Year.

Jan Paterson

Crossfyre Young Theatricals

Thanks to everyone involved in the excellent production of *Metamorphoses*. The standards of acting and backstage behaviour were outstanding.

Term 1 2009 dates will be announced on the ILT website by mid January so do make sure that you don't miss out on a place next year.

Merry Christmas from me as Director and best wishes to all students in their future productions.

Suzanne Matulich

Smart Arts

Smart Arts is now in recess till 2009.

Kerri-ann McDonald

Important Items from our last Committee Meeting

Set Building in the Jean Pratt Building

Members are reminded that the permanent flats in this building are actually flats to be incorporated into sets ie they can be painted. If, for any reason, additional flats are installed please do not screw them to the pelmets which are NOT flats. It is advisable to speak with Alan Brown (32821269) before proceeding.

Air-conditioning

Members are asked not to touch the controls of these units. Cranking them up to speed up the cooling process is ineffectual and frequently results in the areas eventually becoming too cold.

On performance nights, the air-conditioning should be turned on immediately on arrival by the back stage manager or designated person.



Theatre Keys

Please remember that Theatre Keys are associated with Theatre Positions and all members who hold keys need to resign at the AGM. People holding a key issued for activities during 2008 and which they no longer require are asked to return the key to the Secretary as soon as possible.

ILT AGM

Mark this date in your diary -
**Sunday
7 December**

The AGM will be held at 2pm in the Incinerator Theatre and will be followed at 4pm by the

ILT Christmas Party including the becoming famous **Golden Griffin Awards** for amazing contributions to the theatre in 2008.

ALL actors involved in plays this year are encouraged to come along to both events.

Please RSVP to Helen for catering 32814437

A message from the ILT President—Judy Grant

We have now wound up the business end of our 2008 year and our books are at the auditor in preparation for the financial report to the AGM.

2008 has been a most successful year, financially, for Ipswich Little Theatre Society as we have been rewarded with high audience attendance. This has been due, primarily, to the huge effort that our office bearers and conveners of sub groups and sub committees have put into our administration. Members have been rewarded through improvements and upgrades that have been made to our theatre precinct.

I urge members, who are interested in hearing about, and acknowledging the work of our committees and sub groups, to come along to our AGM at 2pm on Sunday 7 December. I would also urge those of you who wish to serve the society, at an administrative level, to nominate for positions or indicate expressions of interest. Appointments to our executive, administrative committee, selection committee and building committee will be made at the meeting, and, where necessary, elections will be held.

For those of you who just want to celebrate our year of

theatre and the contribution our Society has made to the Ipswich community, please come along to our Christmas Party which will commence at 4pm, immediately after our meeting. The bar will be open and we will share afternoon tea.

At our Christmas Party we will be presenting our Golden Griffin Awards. Members of our Administrative Committee have been invited to nominate members for awards to acknowledge outstanding contributions they have made in 2008. As President, I have the unenviable task of deciding who the recipients will be. You must be at the party to claim your reward, as we all want to join in your celebration!

I'm looking forward to seeing you on the 7th!

Judy Grant

Valuable Volunteers

As the end of yet another successful ILT year approaches and we reflect on the activities of our organisation throughout the year, it is timely to acknowledge the efforts of those who work front of house.

These people, who are absolutely vital to our operation, do not get the 'buzz' associated with onstage work but instead work long evenings ensuring the comfort and well being of our patrons is of a high standard.

This year, in addition to managing the bar and kitchen, many of them have provided an excellent addition to our marketing by raising awareness of future productions, membership benefits and other promotional strategies.

Our contact data base for publicity has increased enormously and the results are really starting to show up in our bookings.

These people – and this year there were 79 individual volunteers, many of whom worked on a number of occasions – are vital to our ongoing success and we thank them for their efforts.

Regarding Committee positions for 2009:

Selection Committee. Desley, Doug and Dianne having completed their elected terms are automatically standing down.

Dianne is unavailable for re-election. Jane, Alan and Ian are continuing members.

Building Committee. Suzanne and Phil are automatically standing down.

Phil is not available for re-election Helen and Alan have two years to run, Robyn and Ian one more year.

Expressions of Interest for other positions are also requested by the AGM for consideration at the meeting on 9 December.

If you have any questions about the membership of any ILT committee please contact our secretary, Helen.



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The Ipswich Little Theatre complex, including the historic Incinerator Theatre designed by Walter Burley Griffin, is 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 all the time.

ILT AGM 7 DECEMBER
2PM
COMMITTEE MEETING:
9 DECEMBER 7 PM

2008 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

26 November - 13 December	Rumors - Director Robyn Flashman. Bookings from 1 October ring Robyn 3812 3450
7 December 2pm	Ipswich Little Theatre Annual General Meeting
7 December 4pm	ILT Christmas Party EVERYONE who has acted on our stages this year is specially invited to come! Please rsvp to Helen for catering 32814437
8 December 7.30 pm	AUDITIONS for the three one act plays in February / March '09. Directors: Jim Orr, Suzanne Matulich and Ian Pullar . Contact Doug Moses for details 0411 284 081
9 December 7.00 pm	Last admin meeting for '08 to ratify outcomes from the AGM.

'Green theatre' way of the future

Is the Queensland Theatre Company home to Australia's greenest thespians?

The state's leading theatre company has joined forces with URS (one of the largest engineering design services firms worldwide, providing environmental and engineering expertise to businesses and communities within Asia Pacific) to put climate change centre stage. In a Queensland first, emissions generated from the production of *The Importance of Being Earnest*, were neutralised by carbon offsetting. Emissions generated from all facets of the production - including lighting, travel, set production, waste disposal, as well as make-up and costume fabric, were offset with the purchase of carbon credits through an accredited provider. Emissions generated by theatre-goers were also considered, with URS including the average travel distance of 7km per person in the offset total.

Contact details that you might need to know

President	Judy Grant	3288 0717
Vice President	Desley Cronon	3288 8754
Immediate Past President	Pam Floris	3288 6159
Secretary	Helen Pullar	3281 4437
Treasurer	Jan Paterson	3201 7974

Smart Arts Director	Kerri-ann MacDonald	3812 7368
S-Troupe Director	Di Johnston	3812 9141
Crossfyre Director	Suzanne Matulich	3281 4748
Daytime Theatre Troupe Coordinator	Jan Paterson	3201 7974
ILT One Act Play Festival Director	Suzanne Matulich	3281 4748
Front of House Management Coordinator	Desley Cronon	3288 8754
Group Liaison Secretary	Robyn Flashman	3812 3450