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DON'T FORGET!
SUPPORT YOUR
THEATRE
BY COMING TO THE
ILT AGM &
CHRISTMAS PARTY
SUN 6 DECEMBER

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Christmas Gift Vouchers

What a great idea for a Christmas present for someone really special!



Are you are looking for a Christmas gift for a relative or friend who enjoys a variety of quality professional plays and loves our beautiful historic Incinerator Theatre?

You are lucky because we have ILT Christmas Vouchers available for you to purchase, either at the Visitor Information Centre, the Courtyard Bar or by mail order. Mail Orders can be sent to: The Subscription Secretary, PO Box 154, IPSWICH 4305 using the form on page 4.

You can choose to buy a book of 4 vouchers for \$60 or 2 vouchers for \$30 or a single voucher for \$15. This represents a saving of \$3 a ticket on our regular admission price of \$18.

Wonderful Fund-Raising Opportunity in 2010

Do you belong to a group or organization which would benefit from making \$1000 in one night?

Do you want to know how to do this with a minimum amount of time and effort from busy committee members?

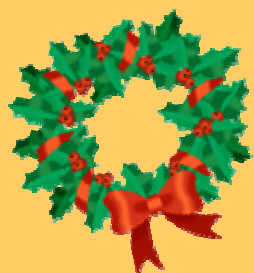
A Theatre Night at the Walter Burley Griffin historic Incinerator Theatre could be the answer.

Ipswich service clubs, sporting and church organizations and work social clubs have used this opportunity to fundraise and also enjoy a great night's entertainment at this unique theatre since 1970.

Do the other groups and organizations that you belong to a favour and pass on this information to them. It would be great to have new groups coming to ILT for the first time in 2010 as well as the ones who not only wouldn't miss the chance but also book more than one night in the year for double the results.

Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity by contacting Robyn Flashman now 3812 3450, to book a social night at one of the six plays on the 2010 ILT program. Many nights have already been booked so don't delay too long. Check out www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au for more info.

\$ \$ \$ \$ \$



Celebrate the
Christmas season
with theatre friends
4pm Sunday
6 December
(after the AGM)
Please bring a
plate to share



Don't Forget to book for *Forget Me Knot* !

Tickets are selling well for *Forget me Knot*. The Wine and Cheese night on 4 December is already sold out.

Other Public Nights are 5, 11, 12 December. We are hoping for another sell out season, so book now and don't miss out (as so many did with Milo's Wake). It promises to be a great end of year night of laughs.

Keys



A reminder that ALL keys need to be 'returned' and signed out again at the AGM.

If members who hold keys – especially those who are not able to attend the AGM – are not continuing in their current positions, it would be of considerable help if the keys were returned to Helen before the AGM on 6 December.

Snippets of interest to all

CONGRATULATIONS!

The lucky winner of our 2 tickets for *Forget me Knot* is Corinne Ramsey of Camira. (from the competition run at Milo's Wake)

S Troupe End of Year News

S Troupe performed at the Disability action launch on Sunday 13 September. This was an extremely hot day and S-Troupe did very well to manage all the obstacles and work with the microphones. The Mayor also donated \$250 and presented us with a huge cheque.

Minister Anastacia Palaszczuk also invited us to appear at next year's Disability awards.

Students attended *Beauty and the*

Beast (again via a Council donation) on Sunday 20 September and the Day-timers pantomime on 17 October – a very social life they have!

Many thanks to Gav, Relle and Rosemary for running classes while I was away. All the students had fun and I suspect so did these three.

S-Troupe is now working on a few Christmas items until our final day on 28 November when we will perform a little concert for parents followed by afternoon tea.

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Scripts

Please return all scripts borrowed from ILT to Jan Paterson before the end of the year, thank you.

Extensions to the Jean Pratt Building

Plans are currently being finalised for this major development and all the tedium of approvals, certification is being worked through. With any luck – and some real effort – we may see actual progress in early January.

Tourific Troupers

At the end of another very successful year both socially and financially, the Tourific Troupers were able to relax and enjoy some Christmas cheer.

This is another group within the Theatre where friendship and camaraderie is an important aspect. Members are encouraged to become involved, or to recommend anyone who might be interested in joining this group which is making a significant contribution to our activities.

At right: Joan McCann, Ian Pullar and Jane Sheppard enjoying the recent Tourific Troupers break up social.

Some of the 10-minute plays scripted by Ian Pullar for our tour groups have been performed at Dalby in a season arranged by ILT Life Member Diane Adams who now resides in Dalby. Several members traveled to Dalby to attend the performances.

Lost, stolen or strayed

A cricket bat stored backstage for on-going use in Tourific Troupers plays is missing.

It is the personal property of one of the performers who would very much like to track it down. Can anyone with information phone Helen on 3281 4437



Forget Me Knot is a



The cast of Forget me Knot are having great fun in rehearsals. Don't forget to book your ticket to see what is happening here.

Craig Taylor, star of Milo's Wake (another funny play) says that it is one of the funniest scripts that he has ever read.



Audition Results

Auditions were held for *Voices* on 3 November. Attendance, particularly by youngish actresses was extraordinary, with nearly 20 reading for parts. There were also a number of males, although predominantly of the youthful variety. The directors and committee were impressed by the talent displayed and had a very difficult task in selecting the casts, regretting that we had to turn so much talent away.

Those selected were as follows:

- ◆ ***Far From Perfect*** Lauren Roche and Matt Shields;
- ◆ ***Farfie*** Lauren Van de Ven and Geoff Burns;
- ◆ ***Ebbed*** Lance Stewart, Kyle Breese, Kate Fraser, Rebecca Noble and Harry Risson.
Unfortunately, Lance Stewart withdrew from the cast, but he has been replaced by David Austin.

REMINDER! Casting for *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* is scheduled for Monday 30 November. If you are not comfortable learning a piece for presentation at the audition, come along anyway and audition in the usual way. The important thing is to get the numbers attending for a play which requires a very large cast.

BECOME AN ACTIVE MEMBER NOW



AND SAVE WITH THESE SPECIAL OFFERS

MEMBERSHIP FEES

In 2010 membership fees for Ipswich Little Theatre Members will be:

- ◆ **Either** one year's 2010 membership for \$25 **OR**
- ◆ 5 year membership (2010-2014) for \$100 (a saving of \$25)

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Membership of ILT entitles you to:

- ◆ be a member of the cast or crew of any production and attend workshop activities
- ◆ purchase a ticket to each production for \$15 (\$11 concession) - a saving of \$3 on the regular price
- ◆ purchase a book of 4 vouchers, which can be exchanged for tickets to any major production, at a cost of \$56 (\$40 concession) – saving \$4 per ticket off the regular price

As an **extra bonus**, those members who purchase their vouchers before the commencement of our 2010 play season (6 February), will receive a drink voucher (for a wine, beer, soft drink or juice) which can be presented at our courtyard bar

- ◆ Nominate for any position on the Administrative Committee and vote at the AGM (18 years and older)

The 2010 ILT program features 6 plays! (see Sept newsletter for the details)

In 2009 we averaged over 90% audience attendance for our productions.

Please support your fellow members by being a regular audience member in 2010 and help us achieve our goal of a 'sold out' season for every production!

Membership forms and our 2010 Program can be downloaded from our web site:

www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au.



Forms available on our website

If you are looking for a nomination form for the AGM, membership or subscriber forms etc they are all available at www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au



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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. Please call one of our Committee (details below) for more information about any specific queries that you might have.

**NEXT ILT
COMMITTEE MEETING:
8 December '09
7.00 pm**

2009 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

Monday 30 November	AUDITIONS — <i>Once Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest</i> . Director Jan Paterson. 3810 5884. 0417 787 130
4, 5, 11, 12 December 8.00 pm	Forget Me Knot , book now or risk missing out!
Sunday 6 December 2.00 pm	Ipswich Little Theatre AGM . Nomination forms online or phone Helen 3281 4437
Sunday 6 December 4.00 pm	Immediately after the AGM is our Griffin Award ceremony and ILT Christmas Party . EVERYONE who has acted on our stage this year is specially invited to come! The Golden Griffin award ceremony is part of our Christmas Party. Please rsvp to Helen for catering 32814437

2010 ILT Program at a glance

- 10-20 February: **Short Season of One Act Plays** by Kahli Williams and Mark Lucas. Director General Jim Orr, assistant directors Shane Mallory, Kahli Williams and Chris Greenhill
- 7-24 April: **One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest** by Ken Kesey. Director Jan Paterson, assistant director Desley Cronon.
- 26 May–12 June: **Scenes from a Separation** by Andrew Bovell and Hannie Rayson. Director Suzanne Matulich, assistant director Kyle Breese
- 17-31 July: **Unoriginal Sin** (or *Hypnosis*) by David Tristram. Director Doug Moses, assistant director Anne England.
- 30 September–16 October: **Sisters in War** by Ian & Helen Pullar. Directors Helen & Ian Pullar.
- 24 November–11 December: **Mother and Son** by Geoffrey Atherden. Director Jane Sheppard, assistant director Tony Erhardt.

'09 Contact details that you might need

President	Judy Grant	3288 0717
Vice President	Jim Orr	0447 20 00 06
Past President	Craig Taylor	3201 4444
Secretary	Helen Pullar	3281 4437
Treasurer	Jan Paterson	3810 5884. 0417 787 130
Front of House Management Coordinator	Desley Cronon	3288 8754
Group Liaison Secretary	Robyn Flashman	3812 3450
Theatre number	Note, only answered during rehearsals or meetings	3812 2389



Ipswich Little Theatre Christmas Gift Voucher Order Form

YES! I wish to purchase

- Book/s of FOUR vouchers @ \$60 each
Book/s of TWO vouchers @ \$30 each
Book/s of ONE voucher @ \$15 each

NAME:
 ADDRESS:
P/CODE.....

I enclose cheque / money order for \$

