



# Burning News

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Ipswich Little Theatre Newsletter

Next Ipswich Little Theatre production:

## SCENES FROM A SEPARATION



### ORIGINAL MUSIC

Local composer, Daniel Phillippe, has created a series of musical themes for *Scenes from a Separation*.

There is a different theme for each of the locations in the play as well as music for the introduction.

Daniel's CD *Songs for Stillness* will be on sale (\$15 ea) in the Courtyard Bar at each performance.



### More details about *Scenes from a Separation*

#### Scenario:

A fascinating collaboration between two of Australia's most talented writers, Andrew Bovell and Hannie Rayson, which presents the male and female perspectives on the breakdown of a marriage.

The play is presented as a series of scenes, in a variety of locations, which show the life of this couple torn between their life and work.

Mathew and Nina have been married for twelve years. He is forty - a successful publisher whose path is littered with the discarded souls who have tried to keep up. Nina is thirty eight and a journalist. She hasn't worked since the birth of the children. So when Mathew suggests she takes on the biography of Lawrence Clifford - tycoon, philanthropist, and now Australian of the year - she throws herself into the project with all-consuming enthusiasm.

A play about love, betrayal and sex; of falling in love and getting found out!

#### Cast:

Seven Ipswich Little Theatre members make up the cast: The lead roles are taken by Lance Stewart and Majella Gee and ably supported by Dave Shapcott, Shirlee Burns, Amy Williams, Sarah Vanli and Geoff Andrews.

We welcome to the ILT stage newcomers Sarah and Geoff and are delighted to have Shirlee back in front of our audiences.

#### Audience:

The audience takes on a role too. Not on stage, nor in an interactive way but as good friends do, listening to Nina and Mathew's stories and not taking sides but supporting them in their search for answers in this emotional stage of their lives.

#### Bookings:

Public night tickets (4,5, 11, 12 June) from the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre 3281 0555 and 27 May (ILT fundraising night) from Robyn 3812 3450 or 0412 446 580

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

**S-Troupe members**

Don't forget to check if your ILT membership number is at the end of the S-Troupe report (at right) from Melinda.

Other ILT Members  
Don't forget to check 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 you find your number, bring your membership card with you next time you come to a play and you will be rewarded with a Free Drink!

**FIVE LAUGHS TO LIGHTEN YOUR DAY**

The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is fully recovered.

A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France and resulted in Linoleum Blownapart.

You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.

A calendar's days are numbered.

A boiled egg is hard to beat

**S-Troupe**

In term 2 for S-troupe the students seem to be enjoying themselves and growing in confidence each week, Helpers are doing a wonderful job and we recruited two new helpers, Thellie and Jenny and also welcome back Rosemary Lyons. Rehearsals are in progress for our always popular Ipswich Little Theatre Festival performance in August and our end of year show. We would also like to congratulate Kane Wojcicki (Ten Pin Bowling) and Andrea Dundas (Gymnastics) who recently competed in the Special Olympics won a swag of medals each.

Melinda Park

S-Troupe April lucky number 117

**Daytime Theatre Troupe**

We are still rehearsing Snow White and the four members involved in the Tourific Troupers play had their first performance on 17 May.

We have heard of Pauline Brayford's health concerns and are supporting her in whatever way we can. She remains her usual cheerful self at this stage, while being surrounded by her family.

Anne England

**Young Theatricals**

No report this month

Tony Erhardt

**Junior Theatre**

Not available currently.

***Raffle Request***

We are running a series of raffles at our performances this year to off-set the ever increasing costs of running our theatre.

If you can contribute any goods for us to use, gift vouchers, wine, chocolates, new but unwanted gifts, whatever you think might be attractive to raffle ticket buyers, please contact Jan on 3810 5884 or 0417 787 130



**Seats still available for ILT Fundraising Night at *Scenes from a Separation***

If you have been around the theatre in the last couple of months you will be aware of the amazing transformation which has taken place in the Jean Pratt annexe. We now boast a handicapped shower and toilet facility, a large kitchen, dressing rooms and a storage area all painted nearly complete. These additions also mean a permanent, designated lighting and sound area is in the Jean Pratt building.

We still have a fair bit to do to complete this transformation. We need large and small kitchen appliances and curtaining of the dressing rooms etc.

To help us to acquire these desired final touches, there is a **fundraising Theatre Night, Thursday 27 May 27** at the performance of ***Scenes from a Separation***.

This could be your way to contribute to the largest building project we have undertaken since the beautiful courtyard, bar and kitchen facilities were completed in 1994, the air conditioning of both theatre buildings in 2003-2004 and the refurbishment of the theatre auditorium in 2007. It will also be a great opportunity to catch up with your theatre friends.

**Tickets, \$25 per person**, include a home made supper at interval. Following the play there is the opportunity to view the Jean Pratt annexe.

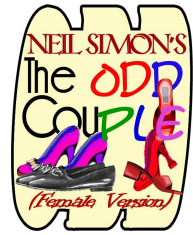
May Membership number 136

**Ring Robyn 3812 3450 or 0412 446 580 to book your seats.**



# NEWS that YOU need to KNOW

## THE ODD COUPLE



Last chance to be a part of the cast of *The Odd Couple*. Another actress is now needed to complete the cast because Anne England, who was cast in the play, would prefer to put all her energies into being Assistant Director. If you are interested in taking on the role please contact the director, Doug Moses for more information 3281 2846.

Congratulations to these people who were successful in gaining roles at the recent audition: Di Dickinson, Brendan Dieckmann, Samantha Johnson, Lucia Grant, Christine Ilka, James Miles and Sarah Wilson. Best of luck for a successful rehearsal process.

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

Only a couple of places left for volunteers on the roster for *Scenes from a Separation*. If you would like to assist, please contact Majella as soon as possible 3812 7821 or 0415 258 162

## WINNERS!

We have two winners to announce this month. Colin Bryan from Goodna was the lucky one who won the Movie Pack raffle held during the *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* season last month - congratulations.

And the winner of two free tickets to see *Scenes from a Separation* is Denis Canning from Lowood. Dennis put his contact details on one of the entry slips on the courtyard tables during the Cuckoo season and is now rewarded with the comp tickets.

## WHERE HAVE ALL THE YOUNG MEN (AND WOMEN) GONE?

The next play to be auditioned, *Time and Time Again*, was written specifically to cater for the request from younger members for more roles for them. The cast comprises two young men and two young women in their 20s, a younger teenage girl and the mother of the girls.

Rebecca Noble has already undertaken the very challenging task of Wardrobe Mistress and Costume Designer. The audition will be held on **Monday 21 June at 7.30pm** and directors Helen and Ian Pullar are anxious to hear from interested performers. Scripts are available for perusal. (Phone 3281 4437)

### Here is some great news for parents and grandparents of under 8's



"There has never been a better time to be eight years and under than during **Out of the Box**. This is a time when children take over important cultural icons of our city and reinvent them as one great big playground full of fantastic artworks that celebrate our connection with each other and our world.

When 50,000 children come out to play the city becomes one humming, drumming ecosystem where all kinds of magic can happen.

We know that the arts are a great way for families to reconnect, engage, laugh and imagine together. So come with us and dare to dream.

See a tiny world through a magnifying glass or marvel at a huge pirate pyramid of child circus superstars.

In 2010, Out of the Box will scale the epic to the intimate and provide new points of view and new points to view from! We guarantee there will be lots to talk about on the way home.

We look forward to welcoming and entertaining you and sharing our program with lots of unforgettable arts action for the very young. There is so much to enjoy together you may even want to come back again and again and again. See you there."

Want more information?

<http://www.outoftheboxfestival.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.

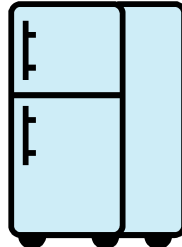
To ring the theatre when there is a class or rehearsal PHONE 3812 2389.

NOTE: this phone is not staffed at other times.

**NEXT ILT  
COMMITTEE MEETING:  
7.00 pm 8 June '10**

## 2010 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

26 May—12 June	<i>Scenes from a Separation</i> by Andrew Bovell and Hannie Rayson. Director Suzanne Matulich, assistant director Kyle Breese. Bookings at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre 3281 0555
21 June 7.30pm	<b>AUDITION: <i>Time and Time Again</i></b> (see page 3 for details) Authors and Directors - Helen and Ian Pullar. Ring 3281 4437 for more details.

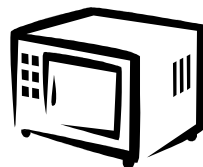


## All donations gratefully received!

The initial building works are now finished and our Jean Pratt Annexe is ready for use.

There is, however, much still to be done in terms of fitting out the building.

For the dressing rooms to function, we need privacy curtains fairly urgently; makeup benches will be required asap; an urn and basic kitchen equipment for general purpose use – and so on.



We are committed to repaying the loans from members as quickly as possible and, therefore, our funds are limited.

Any donations from members towards these projects would be greatly appreciated while donations of \$50 or more will be acknowledged permanently in the extension.

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