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!! MINEFIELDS & MINISKIRTS - OPENS THIS FRIDAY MAY 30TH !!



"Minefields & Miniskirts"

An insightfully moving drama with music. Directed by Paul Treasure, Minefields and Miniskirts will open to audiences on May 30 with a three week season at Hackett Hall on Draper St, Floreat.

Adapted by Terence O'Connell from Siobhan McHugh's book, Minefields and Miniskirts is a collection of stories and memories from the women who were affected by the Vietnam War.

Nearly a thousand Australian women played a part in the war and their lives were changed forever.

For many of them it was the most vital and alive they had ever felt.

Songs Include: Siagon Bride The Circle Game One Tin Soldier Leaving on a Jet Plane Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow

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EEEK! IT'S A COSTUME CULL!!

Calling all volunteers

It's time for a much needed costume clean up at Playlovers

Monday 2nd June (Foundation Day Public Holiday) 10am – till it's done!



We're going to clean up, correlate, calculate and cull what's not required.

Want to claim a costume?

You got to BE THERE!!

We're going to make it a fun day Let's go crazy in the costume cupboard Lunch at the club supplied to all who help.



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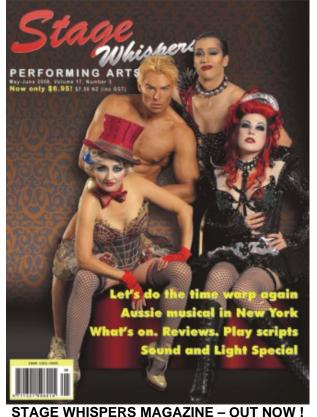
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Email <u>info@playlovers.org.au</u>

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"Wearing this kind of costume is not something I fantasize about. It's not natural, it's not comfortable. I don't see myself as this. But it gives you dramatic license to do almost anything when you're dressed as a bug." ~ Joan Severance

Playlovers' Playbill for 2008					
"The Small Poppies" Directed by Bev Hooper April 4-19	"Minefields & Miniskirts" Directed by Paul Treasure May 30–June 14	"Beauty & The Beast" Directed by Susan Vincent Sept/Oct at The Regal	"Bare" Directed by Kristen Twynam-Perkins Nov 7 - 29	Christmas Show incl. Plover Awards Sat Dec 14	
COMPLETED	Showing Now TIX ON SALE	B&B has been cast! TIX ON SALE	AUDITIONS SEE PAGE 4		



and Miniski





a drama with music written by Terrence O'Connell Directed by Paul Treasure

EATURING SONGS OF THE 60s aigon Bride... The Circle Game Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow..





Through a series of interconnected monologues, we follow the stories of a Red Cross volunteer, a journalist, a nurse, an entertainer and the wife of a Vietnam vet whose paths cross at an Anzac Day march during the 1980's. The women are transported back to the 60s and 70s to their youthful experiences in Vietnam into a memory world where rice paddies, paper lanterns and ancient temples team with G.I.'s, orphaned children and constant bombardment.

Minefields and Miniskirts is full of surprises. The pain of war is in this play, however you should also come prepared to laugh. No bomb ever killed the Australian sense of humour. These are the voices of those who were actually there, ordinary women revealing how they survived a war and discovered what they believed in.

Performance Dates 2008:

May 30, 31, June 5, 6, 7, 8*, 12, 13, 14

Time: All shows start at 8pm, except Sunday 8th June at 7pm. Doors and bar open half an hour prior to curtain.

Tickets: \$17 Adult, \$15 Concession

Group bookings of 10+ @ \$15 each available through

Playlovers Bookings.

Bookings: Ph: BOCS 9484 1133 www.bocsticketing.com.au Ph: 0415 777 173 bookings@playlovers.org.au



Featuring: Susannah Devenish, Kimberley Shaw, Kristen Twynam-Perkins, Penelope Andrews and Zalia Joi.





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AUDITIONS: "bare"



Book by Jon Hartmere Jr. and Damon Intrabartolo
Music by Damon Intrabartolo
Lyrics by Jon Hartmere Jr.
Directed by Kristen Twynam-Perkins
Musical Direction by Rachael Somers

Auditions Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th July 2008 10am - 5pm Hackett Hall, Draper Street, Floreat

Season - November 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29 2008

Characters

Students - Senior class at St Cecilia's, a Catholic Boarding School. (ages 17/18)

The Boys

JASON - handsome golden child of St. Cecilia's senior

PETER - introspective, Jason's room mate

MATT - studious, pious, Jason's rival both academically and for lvy's attention

LUCAS - The school's fun-loving purveyor of altered reality, needs to be able to rap.

RORY - sarcastic student

ZACK - jock type student

ALAN - nerdy student

"bare, the musical" is a coming of age story of two high school seniors, Peter, a socially awkward loner, and Jason, the golden-boy popular jock. It depicts the reality of adolescence, as the youths struggle to find themselves amidst the pressures within their Catholic boarding school. They deal with their sexuality, their friendships and at the end of the year find themselves thrust into a world with more questions than answers.

"Better than "RENT" both musically and dramatically" – Los Angeles Daily News

"bare" has won numerous awards over the years including the Los Angeles Ovation Awards, 2001, for Best Musical, Best Original Score

The Girls

IVY - pretty, popular, insecure

NADIA - Jason's, sardonic twin sister, describes herself as Plain Jane Fat Ass. (Character plays the cello. This is optional)

TANYA - Lucas's girlfriend

KYRA - sexy, confident student. Zack's Girlfriend

DIANE - very naive, quiet student.

Adults

CLAIRE (40 +) - Peter's mother SR. CHANTELLE (35 +) - nun, wise, no-nonsense PRIEST (35 +) - St. Cecilia's headmaster

Please note: All ages are stage ages.

For more information on the show and to hear samples of the songs go to www.barethemusical.com

This show contains drug references, sex scene's, swearing and adult themes. Due to the nature of the subject matter Over 18's only for auditions.

Auditionees are required to prepare a song from the show and/or one of their own choice in style of the show.

To book auditions or for further information please contact Kristen Twynam-Perkins via:

email - kristen1@westnet.com.au

or Mobile - 0429 426 845.







"BEAUTY & THE BEAST" ~ an update ~

We started the Beauty & The Beast rehearsals with a cast get together party at Hackett Hall on Sat 17th May.

It was fantastic and the Playlovers committee

Bronwyn Hammond & Charlotte Christo

with husband John cooked a scrumptious meal.

Some of the cast had been asked to reprise their audition songs for the entertainment of the company, what a talented and highly amusing fun way to break the ice and get the party rolling.

Director Susan Vincent welcomed everyone and put the cast at ease, enthralling the cast with the proposed schedule of exciting things to come.

The room was buzzing and you could feel the warmth and the feelings of goodwill and anticipation knowing we were finally getting started on this fantastic show and beginning our magical journey into the world of Disney.

The first rehearsal was the following Monday 19th & 21st, and its started with great enthusiasm and energy.

Craig Dalton our MD was ready and rearing to go, and started work on the opening number.

At the end of the evening that number was sounding fantastic and gave a fine sample of the talent in the room and the promise of great things to come.

The season will run from September 10 – October 4, 2008 (including some matinees) at the glorious Regal Theatre in Subiaco. Part proceeds go towards Save The Children.

September/October 2008

Evening performances at 8pm: September 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27 October 1, 2, 3, 4

Matinee performances at 2pm: September 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, October 1, 4

Ticket Prices	Evening	Matinee		
Adult	\$60	\$60		
Concession	\$50	\$40		
Children Under 14	\$25	\$25		
Groups of 10 or more	\$50	\$40		
Special Family Discount (2 adults & 2 children) \$140				



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If you will be aged between 16 and 19 in 2008, then your dream could come true with Storm the Stage!

Storm the Stage is a national event with heats in Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia.

The Grand Final, featuring the 20 best performances, will be held at the Burswood Entertainment Complex in Perth on Saturday 20th September.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE SATURDAY 31ST MAY – BE QUICK www.stormthestage.com.au

Why enter Storm the Stage?

- Chance to win \$5,000 in each of the two categories: drama and music theatre
- Receive guidance from arts mentors and judges
- Acquire a more intimate knowledge of stagecraft
- · Make lasting friendships with other people your age with a passion for performing

All finalists will receive a Certificate of Participation, and grand finalists will also receive a medallion from the Perth Mint.

Watch the Storm the Stage promo on www.myspace.com/stormthestage







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Jill Perryman - Patron



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Auditions Elsewhere

"The Stillborn Lover"

by Timothy Findley Directed by John Lobb

Garrick Theatre

16 Meadow Street, Guildford Audition: Sat 24th May 2008 @ 1pm

Season: August 2008 Further Info: ph John 0400 468 322

"Peter Pan"

directed by Douglas Sutherland-Bruce **Darlington Theatre Players** Marloo Theatre, Marloo Rd, Greenmount Audition: Sat 5th & Sun 6th July – 10am to 4pm

Further Info: Douglas 9295 2489 or 9294 4150

STORM THE STAGE

National Challenge for 16-19 yr olds Theatre & Musical Theatre www.stormthestage.com.au

Registrations close May 31st 2008 Heats begin soon

Final – Burswood Entertainment Complex Sat 20th September 2008

Other Auditions Online:

"How About That" - Garrick - June 8 "The Day of the Moribund" - KADS- July 6 A Chorus Line - Meville - tba "Gas Light" - Old Mill - tba "Mother Goose" - Murray Music & Drama - Aug 4

For more information on Auditions and What's On Out & About - go to Theatre Australia www.theatre.asn.au or TAZ Entertainment www.tazentertainment.com.au

What's On Elsewhere

"Confetti From Graceland" - KADS

a comedy drama written and directed by Noel O'Neill KADS, Town Sq Theatre, Barber St, Kalamunda Dates: May 9, 10, 14, 16, 17, 21, 23, 28, 30, 31

Times: All shows @ 8pm

Tix: \$15/\$13 or \$20 Sat incl Fish n Chips

Bookings: 9293 2621

And then...

"Confetti From Graceland" - Irish Theatre Players

a comedy drama written and directed by Noel O'Neill Irish Theatre Club, 61 Townsend Rd, Subiaco

Dates: June 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 14

Times: All shows @ 8pm, except Sun 8 June @ 3pm

Bookings: 9364 2270 Tix: \$15/\$12

"The Geometry of Love" - Garrick Theatre

by Peter Dunne, directed by Ailsa Travers Garrick Theatre, 16 Meadow St, Guildford

Dates: May 23-25, 29-31, June 1, 4-7 Times: All shows @ 8pm except Sundays @ 2pm

Tix: \$15/\$12 Bookings: 9379 9400

"Jake's Women" - Old Mill Theatre

a comedy by Neil Simon, directed by Simon James Old Mill Theatre, Cnr Mends St & Mill Point Rd, Sth Perth

Dates: May 30, 31, June 1, 5, 6, 7, 12, 14

Times: All shows @ 8pm except Sundays @ 2pm

Tix: \$19/14 Bookings: 9367 8719

"The Mystery of Edwin Drood" - Roleystone Theatre

a musical by Rupert Holmes, Directed by Priscilla Busher Roleystone Theatre, 587 Brookton Hwy, Roleystone Dates: May 28, 30, 31, June 4, 6, 7, 11, 13, 14

Times: All shows @ 8pm

Tix: \$16/\$12 Bookings: 9397 5739

"The Hot Mikado" - Wanneroo Rep Club

a musical by Gilbert & Sullivan

Directed by Alex McLennan, MD: Kate McIntosh Limelight Theatre, Civic Drive, Wanneroo

Dates: June 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21 Times: All shows @ 8pm, except Sunday's @ 2pm

Tix: \$25/\$20/\$12 **Bookings: 9571 8591** (9am-12pm M-F)

"'night Mother" - Melville Theatre

a drama by Marsha Norman

Directed by Lindsay Sedgewick

Roy Edinger Hall, cnr Stock Rd & Canning Hwy, Palmyra

Dates: June 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28

Times: All shows @ 8pm, except Sun 15th June @ 2pm

Tix: \$15/\$12 **Bookings: 9330 4565**

"Nunsense" - Rockingham Theatre

a musical by Rupert Holmes, Directed by Priscilla Busher

The Castle, 8 Attwood Way, Rockingham Dates: June 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28

Times: All shows @ 7.30pm, except Sundays @ 2pm

Tix: \$18/\$16 **Bookings: 9592 3464**

"Cabaret" - Kwinana Theatre Workshop

a musical. Directed by Paul Treasure: MD Sarah Cosstick Kwinana Arts Centre, Sulphur Rd, Kwinana

Dates: June 27, 28, July 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19 Times: All shows @ 8pm, except Sun July 13 @ 2pm,

PLUS Saturday July 19 show @ 2pm

Tix: \$25/\$20 **Bookings: 9439 0290** (12noon-5.30pm M-F)

"Macbeth" - Class Act Theatre

by William Shakespeare, directed by Stephen Lee Subiaco Arts Centre, 180 Hamersley Rd, Subiaco

Dates: June 24, 25, 26, 27, 28

Times: All shows @ 8pm. Matinee Sat June 28 @ 2pm Tix: \$32/\$27/\$25/\$20 **Bookings: BOCS 9484 1133**



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Tix: \$17 Full - \$15 Conc.

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