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SPOTLIGHT

Powerhouse Theatre

From the President

First I'd like to congratulate the cast and crew of "WIT" on their excellent performance at Mainstage in Nanaimo . Our success is something that we all have to be proud of .

This year was the first time that I saw most of plays at Mainstage (I was hoping to see them all but I had to bring some legs back to Vernon). Watching all the plays and going to the coffee critiques is a good learning experience. It was interesting doing our show in a large theatre. and to represent Powerhouse Theatre. In 2011 Vernon will be hosting Mainstage. What a great opportunity for every one to participate and experience this exciting event . The elections are over and we have 3 new members on the board : Erin Pritchard , Bev Steeves and Sharie Lomas . Bev and Erin are new members that have been very active on stage and back stage this last season and will bring some new and exciting ideas to the executive.

It feels like yesterday that I started as president but my first year is almost over and it was a good year in which I learned many new things and opportunities for improvement in the coming year . One new initiative is to have a general meeting every second month, with the regular board meetings still held ever month. Our first general meeting will be the AGM on September 4th . I encourage everyone to attend and become active throughout the season. Three year memberships as well as the usual one year membership will be offered this year. We hope that this will make it easier for everyone to keep involved.

On August 17 everyone is invited to our year end BBQ to celebrate last season and learn more about th upcoming one . Our Artistic Committee has worked very hard to but together a very exciting new season with 3 great productions and some workshops . I hope to see all members old and new and their families at Monty's and Penny's Cottage at Beaver Lake for a great party.
See You There.

Your President
Willem G Roell

POWERHOUSE THEATRICAL SOCIETY EXECUTIVE 2007- 2008

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CHANGES TO EXECUTIVE FOR 2008-2009

Members Leaving Board: Val Heuman
Sherry Moir

Members Joining Board: Bev Steeves
Sharie Lomas
Erin Pritchard

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2008 - 2009 THEATRE SEASON



Spotlight

August 2008

POWERHOUSE WINS TOP HONORS AT MAINSTAGE

Congratulations to everyone who worked so hard on the production of “Wit”. This challenging show traveled to Nanaimo to bring home the honor of **Best Production** at Mainstage in July.

Other awards were given to: **Adele Kuyek as Best Director**, **Terri Flanagan as Best Actress** and **Jo Ann Jaques for Best Lighting**. The rest of the awards were given as follows:

Runner Up Night Mother by Langley Players
Best Director. Adele Kuyek Wit Powerhouse Theatrical Society
Best Actor Morris Holmes, American Buffalo Stage North
Best Supporting Actor, Kevin Flatley, Proposals, Deep Cove Stage Society
Best Supporting Actress Nickole Spring, Criminal Hearts, Cranbrook Community Theatre
Best Youth Jannen Karr, Proposals, Deep Cove Stage Society
Best Ensemble. Arms and the Man, Nanaimo Theatre Group
Best Set Design Mary Renvall, Night Mother, Langley Players
Best Cosutmes Maureen Houston, Proposals, Deep Cove Stage Society
Best Technical -Sound, Ken Wheeler, A Lie of the Mind, Terrace Little Theatre
Best Properties Mary Renval, Night Mother, Langley Players
Best Backstage Co-Operation Deep Cove Stage Society
Eric Hamber Memorial award Sharon Lynch Terrace Little Theatre
Diamond Award Cynthia Livinstone, Peace River Zone
Graphic Design Ladysmith Little Theatre
Jessie Richardson Scholarship Randy Emerson
Sid Williams Scholarship Charlene Scott
Workshop Play Darrell Phillips Award Legoland, The Fetch
Website Design Emerald Pig Society, Maple Ridge
Poster Design Courtney Little Theatre
Special Awards Writing Roy Teed Kersley Players
Scenic Painting Kelly O, Leaping Thespians



Theatre BC AGM Election Results

Board of Directors:

President: John Stuart, Maple Ridge

Vice-President: Bas Rynsewyn, Prince George

Vice-President: Peter Weinhold NSZ

Secretary– Treasurer: Ray Mordan, Victoria

Vice-President: Jacolyne Keith GVZ

Recording Secretary: Mary Tobias, Salmo

Powerhouse Memberships are now Due.
1 Year Adult: \$18, Student: \$15, Family:\$ 36
3 Year Adult: \$54, Student: \$45, Family:\$ 108

POWERHOUSE THEATRE PRESENTS

FALL SHOW

Same Time Another Year

A sequel to "Same Time, Next Year"

by BERNARD SLADE

directed by Sarah McLean

October 22-25, 8:00 p.m.

October 26, 2:00 p.m. matinee

October 29-November 1, 8:00 p.m.

A memorable evening with Doris and George, two of the world's favourite characters. This sequel to Same Time, Next Year continues the love story conducted one weekend a year. Hilarity and tenderness are perfectly balanced against the changing backdrop of the last quarter of the twentieth century. Maturing into their late sixties, Doris and George share the inevitabilities of aging and the convolutions of parenting and grand parenting as they re-define their love.

Open Reading: Sept. 5th at 7 pm
Auditions: Sept. 7th at 1 pm
Call Backs: Mon. Sept. 8th at 7 pm
All at Powerhouse Theatre

WINTER SHOW

The Taming of the Shrew

by William Shakespeare

directed by Bruce Hostetler

February 11-14, 8:00 p.m.

February 15, 2:00 p.m. matinee

February 18-21, 8:00 p.m.

This season, we have invited a professional guest director for this hilarious Shakespearian romp. Young Lucentio loves Bianca, but he has two problems: first, Bianca already has several suitors; and second, Bianca's father has declared that no one may court Bianca until her older sister, the ill-tempered Katherine, is married. Fortunately, Lucentio's friend Petrucio arrives in Padua to find a wife. He intends to marry a rich woman and agrees to marry Katherine sight unseen. But will he survive the relationship? Can love exist without compromises?

Acting Workshop for members with
invited Director Bruce Hostetler: Dec. 3-6, 2008
Auditions, Dec. 7th, Call Backs Dec. 8th.
Rehearsals start on Jan. 6th
All at Powerhouse Theatre

SPRING SHOW

The Loves of Cass McGuire

by Brian Friel

directed by Monty Hughes

April 22-25, 8:00 p.m.

April 26, 2:00 p.m. matinee

April 29-May 2, 8:00 p.m.

Friel's bawdy, vital and compassionate play deals with Cass McGuire, an Irish-American exile returning to Ireland after 50 years. It is her dream to rekindle some of the memories of the homeland she left behind. Her genteel family does not have the same enthusiasm for her return. This intriguing play has been described as a "gentle romantic comedy" filled with colourful characters. It is a play of sentiment and wit, which according to the New York Post, exhibits "the rueful imagination of the true Irish Poet."

Auditions and Rehearsal Times
To be Announced Later

All at Powerhouse Theatre

Notes From Your Zone Rep.

At the recent TBC Board Meeting The following motions were passed. They were not announced at the AGM but they directly impact future Zone Festival Organizers and Participants.

[1] All Zones must set and register the week of their Zone Festival Dates by January 15th of any given year.

[2] Zones will not be eligible for a "Mainstage" Production if they DO NOT have at least three distinct clubs registered 60 Days before the scheduled opening of their Zone Festival.

Please ensure that all your Club Executives are aware of the ruling in #2 as it directly effects them.

There are other proposed changes that will be discussed at our next Zone meeting in September.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE POWERHOUSE THEATRE SUMMER BBQ PARTY

AT
Monty Hughes' & Penny Thorburn's
Lake Cottage
On Beaver Lake, East of Winfield.
(See Map Below)

Sunday, AUGUST 17 TH. At 4 pm

BRING YOUR CANOE
BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS
BRING A POT LUCK PICNIC ITEM
Meat will be provided.



If you are a member of the theatre, **PLEASE COME!**



Take Hwy. 97 south to Beaver lake rd. at Winfield. Follow that road to Dee Lake turnoff, then follow Dee Lake Rd. Once you cross the in road cattle gate, watch for a Party sign outside the large black gate at the cottage. See You There.

MEMBER PROFILES

Vernon actress cracks the X-Files



Carrie Ruscheinsky, daughter of Mike and Maureen and former actress with Powerhouse Theatre makes it on the big screen in Los Angeles, California.

Top Teen of Canada



Meghan Price

Meghan Price (Choreographer for "Oliver") is entering the Top Teen of Canada Youth Development Program 2008 and needs some help. The program assists the youth of our country to achieve their goals through workshops and seminars that touch on their self development needs. Each contestant must raise \$895 for fees as well as air fare and expenses. If anyone would like to help Meghan please e-mail her at bugsy285@hotmail.com

Molly Wins Scholarship To Mainstage



Molly Noonan

Going to Mainstage was the experience of a lifetime says Molly. With the scholarship, I had access to shows, workshops, backstage, and more, for the full nine days. One of the highlights for me was the opportunity to shadow the Technical Director of the Port Theatre. In assisting with the load-in for a show, I learned so much about running this kind of theatre, and even got to help out the "old pros", so to speak. I met other theatre students, made new friends, and even got to meet the great Jeff Hyslop. Mainstage has been a wonderful highlight to top off my high-school theatre career.

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www.powerhousetheatre.net**