

North Shore Music Theatre

Newsletter August 2007

From The President

NSMT has recently finished a very successful season of 'By Jeeves', everyone who came thoroughly enjoyed it and had a great laugh and we thank you all for your continued support. Also recently, we held very successful auditions for 'The Buddy Holly Story' and it is great to see some new talent coming to our society. Rehearsals will be underway very shortly.

We are still working with the council to find out exactly what we can put on the Pidgeon Club site but be assured we are working on this.

My congratulations to Cathy and Mark on the birth of their daughter Sarah Alex and to Ray and Alison on the birth of their granddaughter Madeleine.

Look forward to seeing you all at 'The Buddy Holly Story'.

NSMT Online

For the latest news and updates, keep an eye on www.nsmt.org.nz

North Shore Music Theatre has a big representation on Stage and Beyond. Find out whats on, auditions that are coming up and all the latest gossip, all online or by subscription to e-mail updates. To join Stage and Beyond, follow the link from the NSMT website links page.

To keep in touch with fellow members of NSMT, join the NSMT Facebook Group. Facebook is a social utility that connects people with friends and others who work, play, study and live around them. You can use Facebook to keep up with friends, upload an unlimited number of photos, share links and videos, and learn more about the people you meet. To join the NSMT Facebook Group, follow the link from the NSMT website links page.

Upcoming Shows



3 November 2007
The PumpHouse



7 June 2008
The PumpHouse

'The Buddy Holly Story' Cast

After the auditions on the 20th and 21st July the creative team of 'The Buddy Holly Story' announced the cast of the show;

Buddy Holly - Jeremy Pickford
Joe Mauldin - Matt Baker
Jerry Allison - Alastair Ferris
Hipockets Duncan - Darren Ludlum
Maria Elena - Grace McMillan-Caires
Big Boppa - Darren Ludlum
Norman Petty - Kinloch Anstiss
Vi Petty - Verity Burgess
Richie Valens - Leand Macadann
Apollo Singer -
4th Cricket - Matt Carr
Mary Lou - Gabrielle Smith

Alexandra Foster, Tormos Gill, Christina Orgias, Graham Wagstaff



Entertainment Books

North Shore Music Theatre is once again offering Entertainment Books as a fundraiser for the society.

Purchase your Entertainment Book now to receive over \$10,000 in valuable offers, valid through June 1st 2008. At the same time you will be helping support North Shore Music Theatre's fund-raising!

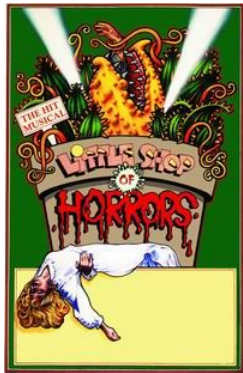
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Future Shows At North Shore Music Theatre

NSMT is proud to announce the following shows for 2008/2009.

'Nunsense' Late '08

Nunsense begins when the Little Sisters of Hoboken discover that their cook, Sister Julia, Child of God, has accidentally poisoned 52 of the sisters, and they are in dire need of funds for the burials. The sisters decide that the best way to raise the money is to put on a variety show, so they take over the school auditorium, which is currently set up for the eighth grade production of "Grease." Here we meet Reverend Mother Regina, a former circus performer; Sister Mary Hubert, the Mistress of Novices; a streetwise nun from Brooklyn named Sister Robert Anne; Sister Mary Leo, a novice who is a wannabe ballerina; and the delightfully wacky Sister Mary Amnesia, the nun who lost her memory when a crucifix fell on her head. Featuring star turns, tap and ballet dancing, an audience quiz, and comic surprises, this show has become an international phenomenon.



'Little Shop Of Horrors' Mid '09

A down-and out skid row floral assistant becomes an overnight sensation when he discovers an exotic plant with a mysterious craving for fresh blood. Soon "Audrey II" grows into an ill-tempered, foul-mouthed, R&B-singing carnivore who offers him fame and fortune in exchange for feeding its growing appetite, finally revealing itself to be an alien creature poised for global domination!

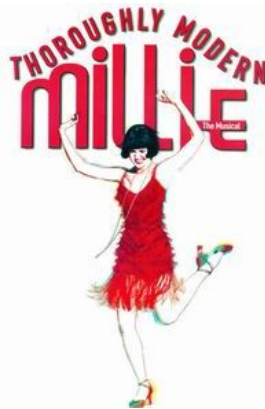
One of the longest-running Off-Broadway shows of all time, this affectionate spoof of 1950s sci-fi movies has become a house-hold name, thanks to a highly successful film version and a score by the song-writing team of Howard Ashman and Alan Menken, who redefined the animated musical film with Disney's "The Little Mermaid", "Beauty And The Beast" and "Aladdin." Charming, tuneful and hilarious, with tongue firmly planted in cheek, "Little Shop Of Horrors" never fails to entertain. A small cast, band and unit set make the other aspects of production a snap.

'Thoroughly Modern Millie' Late '09

Thoroughly Modern Millie is a high-spirited musical romp that has all of New York dancing the Charleston. It's the zany new 1920's musical that has taken Broadway by storm!

Taking place in New York City in 1922, Thoroughly Modern Millie tells the story of young Millie Dillmount, who has just moved to the city in search of a new life for herself. It's a New York full of intrigue and jazz - a time when women were entering the workforce and the rules of love and social behavior were changing forever. Based on the popular movie, the stage version of Thoroughly Modern Millie includes a full score of new songs and bright dance numbers.

Filled with frisky flappers, dashing leading men and a dragon-lady of a villainess audiences will love to hate, Thoroughly Modern Millie is a perfectly constructed evening of madcap merriment. And with the role of Millie Dillmount, musical theatre has found a new heroine for the ages in Thoroughly Modern Millie.



What's On

'The Pajama Game'
Otamatea Repertory
24th August - 9th September

'Blithe Spirit'
Centerstage Theatre
15th - 22nd September

'Spotlight On Broadway'
Harlequin Musical Theatre
1st - 17th November

'Hair'
Auckland Music Theatre
2nd - 17th November

'The Buddy Holly Story'
North Shore Music Theatre
3rd - 17th November

'South Pacific'
Playhouse Theatre
3rd - 17th November

'Much Ado About Nothing'
Pukekohe Light Opera Club
8th - 10th November

'The Buddy Holly Story'
Whangarei Theatre Company
16th November - 8th December

'Guys And Dolls'
Centerstage Theatre
24th November - 9th December

Members

Congratulations to Mark and Cathy Betty on the birth of their daughter Sarah Alex Betty on Friday 20th July.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

James Brookbanks
Myra Dignan
Louise Graham
Val Hemphill
John Moloney
Lisa Trail
Muzz Trickett
Janice Webb
Tony Wood
Cathy Elliott
Tal Brink
Roseanne Simms
Victoria Hollings
Roseanne Rodgers
Matt Stenton

If we have missed your birthday, please update us with your details. info@nsmt.org.nz



MTNZ Launches New Website

Musical Theatre New Zealand are about to launch their new look website on the 13th August. The MTNZ website is a fantastic resource for musical news, show calendars, contacts, links, training and much more.

Check out their new look at www.musical.org.nz

Newsletter Contributions

If you would like to contribute or have notices for the newsletter, please contact Andrew Comrie at info@nsmt.org.nz

Ever Wanted to Work Backstage?

AUT University and THE EDGE[®] are offering you the rare opportunity to learn from the best the entertainment industry has to offer. This course is ideally suited to people who already have an interest and are keen to develop skills and explore possibilities within the entertainment industry. The AUT - THE EDGE[®] 'Introduction to Entertainment Technology' course will engage you in an exciting, hands-on, full-time two week program starting on December 3rd 2007.



The course covers THEATRE ETIQUETTE common words, stage directions, team roles; LIGHTING - rig, focus and operation; SOUND - set up of systems, mics, amps, mixers; VISUAL - projection systems, data shows, screens; STAGING - rigging, trusses, staging, counter-weighting; SAFETY ISSUES - associated with these areas

Networking opportunities provide valuable links to a range of top current industry professionals. Learning Environment: THE EDGE[®] professional venues such as The Auckland Town Hall, The Herald Theatre, The Aotea Centre and The Civic.

Course Cost: \$534.88 [incl. GST] Date and Time: December 3rd - 14th [Monday to Friday] 8.30am - 5.30pm. To apply complete an AUT enrolment form, in addition please supply a CV stating relevant work experience and / or a letter of support from your employer / school. Applications close 19th December 2007. Any queries contact Leonie DuVal on leonie.duval@aut.ac.nz or (09) 921 9999 ext 8713. www.aut.ac.nz

Get Involved

We are always looking for new and enthusiastic volunteers in all aspects of productions and in the running of our society; and not just onstage in singing and dancing roles, but behind the scenes sewing, painting, building or even making tea for the cast suppers - every role in our productions is vital to the success of our shows.

Dates For Your Diary

November 3 - Opening Night of 'The Buddy Holly Story' The PumpHouse

October 5 - NAPTA Fundraising Concert NSMT Clubrooms

December 5 2007 - North Shore Music Theatre Annual General Meeting NSMT Clubrooms

December 15 - NSMT Christmas Function NSMT Clubrooms

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The Hon G.F. Gair, C.M.G., Q.S.O

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