

The Vagabond Player

BERNIE LEGGE THEATRE, QUEENS PARK, NEW WESTMINSTER
PRESIDENT: ISABEL MENDENHALL
RESERVATIONS: 604-521-0412

67TH SEASON

Next General Meeting Monday, September 19, 7:30 pm at The Bernie Legge Theatre

It's always nice to see the faces of our members, so if you aren't doing anything special on Monday the 19th of September, join us at the theatre! We'll have goodies and coffee for everyone. Meetings are the third Monday of each month.

Membership Dues Reminder!

It's that time again! We hope that you will renew your commitment to support community theatre. Dues are \$15 for individual members and \$25 for families. Your dues go toward keeping you informed; printing and mailing the newsletter, and various advertising. With your membership you get to enjoy one free gala night! If you come to the meetings, you can drink and eat all the coffee and cookies you can get your hands on!



A Facelift for the Theatre

We are giving the theatre a bit of a facelift to start off our season. Not only will we have new seats for everyone's comfort, thanks to generous donations and government grants, but we will have new carpeting on the floors, and fresh paint on the walls. We have had the support of a program called **Discovery to Apprenticeship**. This is a federally

funded program designed to give at risk young people work experience, and is sponsored by the United Food and Commercial Workers. The workers get paid and receive on the job training and we get a spruced up venue! With the help of donated materials, the walls have been freshly painted and the floor prepared for the new seats. If things work out as planned, we will be a project in the works for the next year or two. Out of that, we hope to eventually have newly renovated bathrooms, a new stage floor, roof, and outside paint job.

In the meantime, we still need a home for our old seats. If you know anyone, including yourself, who might want a few vintage seats at a great price, (a row of six seats for \$60) call Isabel @ 522-6246.

Vagabonds to host Theatre BC Festival

If you are a member of a club in our Zone, or even an individual who loves theatre, this is your opportunity to make a difference! The Zone

Festival will be held April 17th to the 22nd, dates still in flux, at the BLT. For those of you who have not been involved in a festival, it's an incredible experience. Even if you're not in a member club, come out and get involved. You'll never regret it! Call Gordon Mantle for more information, 604 531-0742.

Vags are also hosting a **Theatre BC Lighting Workshop** for two days, Sept. 17th & 18th. This workshop will cover every aspect of hanging and focusing lights right up to and including programming the board. **Space is limited** so register ASAP by calling Gordon Mantle or e-mailing glwm@shaw.ca.

New Executive

At the Annual General Meeting held on June 25th, 2005 the following members were elected for the 2005-2006 Season. Congratulations and sincere thanks to the following for their dedication and leadership:

President:

Isabel Mendenhall

Vice President:

Des Renard

Treasurer:

George Kopf

Recording Secretary:

Nancy Ebert

Corresponding Secretary:

Dwayne Campbell

Directors at large:

Garey Carlson

Ken Fynn

Kathleen Driscoll

Cynthia Chow

Vagabond Presents:

How The Other Half Loves

November 2 - 26, 2005

If you are interested in working the front of house please contact Ken Fynn at 604 433-2142.



Urgent! Actor Needed

An actor needed ASAP for the role of Bob in the upcoming production of James Reach's play **'Murder by the Book'**, which is being produced by **White Rock Players**. Bob is a handsome, vain actor who thinks that he is God's gift to the acting profession, a real pain. Interested people should contact Ken Morton at 604 535 9807 or via email k=lmorton@shaw.ca

Casting Call

The **Sidekick Players** will be holding auditions for **Ten Little Indians** by Agatha Christie, Sept. 19 & 21 from 7 - 10 pm at Sidekick Classroom, Sacred Heart Parish 3800 Arthur Drive, Ladner. 8m (30-60) 3f (25-50) Cold read, first come, first served.

What's Happening Around Town?

Metro Theatre presents
The Anniversary
Oct 1- 29, 2005

604 266-7191 for reservations.

Surrey Little Theatre presents
Some Assembly Required
Nov 3 - 26, 2005
604 576-8451 for reservations.

Community Theatre Coalition

Congratulations to the winners of this year's **Community Theatre Coalition (CTC)** awards!

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| Best Production | Surrey Little Theatre | <i>Proof</i> |
| Best Director | Alaina Holland | <i>Bye Bye Birdie</i> |
| Best Choreographer | Peter Jorgensen | |
| Best Musical Director | Martin Danylluk | |
| Best Actor | Darren Chapel | |
| Best Actress | Alexis Kellulum-Creer | |
| Best Musical Actor | John Mason | |
| Best Musical Actress | Deborah Allman | |
| Best Support Musical Actor | Arne Larson | |
| Best Support Musical Actress | Amber Grae Coe | |
| Best Support Actor | Clinton Lee Pontes | |
| Best support Actress | Carolyn Hunt | |
| Best Costume Design | Rene Schindel | |
| Best Graphic Design | Miles Harrison | |
| Best Lighting Design | Desmond Renard | |
| Best Set Decoration | Kristine Kavalec/ Daniel Pelletier | |
| Best Set Design | Randy Holmes/ Darren Chapel | |
| Best Sound Design | Keith Freeman/ David Campbell | |
| | (A Time to Remember) | |

We are still in need of replacing Jason Harris as our club's CTC representative. For a theatre lover, this is a great way to see lots of great theatre for free! If anyone is interested please be at the General Meeting on Monday the 19th.

A Letter...

It is with great pleasure that I have renewed my membership to the Vagabond Playhouse for this coming year. About 10 years ago I promised Bernie Legge that I would join as a volunteer, but I did not do so until he passed away. I felt that I was being watched from above, if I didn't (just kidding). Bernie knew how much I enjoyed live theatre. This year I brought a friend along and she is as much enthused as I am. Looking forward to this coming season,

Julie Doyle, New Westminster BC



Congratulations to...

Barb Blom and Tim Amey on the arrival of their new son Benjamin Jacob Dene Amey.

Sunshine & Birthday wishes to...

Ken Fynn.....October 2nd
Isabel Mendenhall.....October 14th



Got Something to Say?

Please send letters for inclusion in the newsletter to Colleen Byberg: cbyberg@shaw.ca