


Official Newsletter of the  
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December 2017



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presents

# SPOTLIGHT on CHRISTMAS

**DECEMBER 8, 9**  
**main THEATRE**  
**7 PM**  
**ADULT \$20 CHILD \$10**  
includes a light supper after the show

Celebrate Christmas with some of the stars  
from our 2017 Season, as well as some very  
special guests.

## BOOKINGS

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Spotlight Theatre is a  
foundation member of the  
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**2018 MEMBERSHIPS DUE 1ST JANUARY  
ALL NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERSHIPS PAID NOW  
WILL CARRY THROUGH TO 31ST DECEMBER 2018.**



# Our *Welcome* form for **NEW** and renewing **MEMBERSHIP**

**(Calendar year Jan 1 to Dec 31)**

- Where talent, skills and interests merge

What sort of  
involvement are you  
seeking?

**I/we wish to apply for:**

- NEW membership (adult) \$10**
- RENEWAL (Adult) \$10**
- NEW (Youth Under 18yrs) \$5**
- RENEWAL (Youth U 18yrs) \$5**

**I would also like to be listed as a**

- HAT and/or**  **PET**

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The Spotlight Theatrical Co is among the leading amateur Theatrical producers in Australia. It caters for adult and youth theatre and especially popular Music Theatre. It is well equipped and complies with all Fire, Workplace Health and Safety requirements. But to do this it needs **VOLUNTEERS** aplenty to service its **Audience membership & patrons.**

You may also choose  
to volunteer flexible  
time as a -

**SPOTLIGHT 'PET'**

**PET** denotes PRODUCTION ENHANCEMENT TEAM and includes, for example, backstage crew, scenery design, art and or construction, property making or acquiring, costume design and or construction, sound or lighting design or operation, makeup and hair, and photography.

or a

**SPOTLIGHT 'HAT'**

**HAT** denotes HOSPITALITY ASSISTANCE TEAM. You can choose to be welcoming Front of House and or Bar assistance during scheduled performances.

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- **MEMBER BENEFITS INCLUDE -**
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- **Privilege for theatre tickets**
- **Eligibility for special offers**
- **Discount on party costume hire**
- **Promotional events**
- **Social events**
- **Some indemnity when working in or on a Production**
- **Renew online (from 2014)**

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## ***Les Misérables* – a wonderful theatrical experience and huge success.**

A huge THANK YOU to Tony Alcock, Matt Pearson, Jessica Papst, Cast, Crew, Technicians and Volunteers. Audiences of ***Les Misérables*** were treated to a real taste of Professionalism in Community Theatre. Congratulations to all involved in this very classy production. Standing ovations every night were well deserved. ***Also Thank You to Clay English – Vargo Studios for these and many more magnificent Production Stills.***



# Spotlight on Youth Theatre



## SPOTLIGHT TEACHING FRATERNITY & ADMINISTRATORS:

**ANDREW COCKROFT-PENMAN** (*Senior Drama Teacher*)  
**JESS PAPST** (*Senior Music Theatre Teacher*)  
**HANNAH CROWTHER** (*Intermediate Teacher*)  
**TERRI WOODFINE** (*Primary Teacher*)  
**JACY MOORE** (*Film & TV Teacher*)  
**VAL LEFTWICH** (*YT Administrator*)  
**VAL LEFTWICH / KAY HAWKER** (*YT Liaisons*)

The Junior classes are having fun time now with their show finished. It was Halloween for them a couple of weeks ago and they had a wonderful time. I took this photo in the Green Room, these two were having a great time.

After consultation with Terri, I wrote to all the parents who have children ready to move out of Junior and into Intermediate, offering them a choice of times on Saturday morning. I have received quite a few replies and a lot of parents have written and told me their children are returning next year. It is important to get this information because I have a large waiting list for this class.

The Intermediate Drama production of ***Snow White*** was staged 24,25,26 November. The children were far more confident this year than last year and did really well. Well done Hannah and Terri.

I have been to many of the Music Theatre rehearsals and these students are really excited, particularly the Intermediate Music Theatre class, most of whom have not experienced being in a professional show. Apart from the numbers they are performing in, Tony has some of them in the production, ***Curtains***, and also helping backstage. This is a great learning experience for them all. Jess, Tony, and Matt have worked so hard with our students, they are so lucky to have such talented teachers.

I am looking forward to all of the shows as I am sure each and every one will be special.

Kay, our Youth Theatre accountant, has been in hospital but she is now out and recovering well. The Youth Theatre wish her well and thank her for her help over the past year.

I am going away for four weeks. I will leave on the 4th December and will be back on the 3rd January. I would ask parents to hold on to their enquiries after the 4th December as I will not be in a position to answer them until I return.

Classes will commence on Monday the 22nd January, with Orientation day being the 20th. I will send out more information on this early January.

Happy Christmas to you all and all the best for 2018.

Regards,  
**Valerie Leftwich – Administrator  
for Spotlight Youth Theatre.**



Next up on our 2017 calendar is our Youth Theatre production of

## ***CURTAINS the Musical!***

**Opening November 30 - December 3.**

*Curtains* is a parody of 1950s "whodunnit" theatre mysteries, where a lone detective, Lieutenant Frank Cioffi, investigates a series of murders that take place behind the scenes of a fictional 1950s cowboy musical, *Robbin' Hood*. This rollicking musical comedy by the creators of *Chicago* and *Cabaret* is sure to delight the Spotlight audience!

Featuring performances by 2017 Gold Coast Area Theatre Award nominees Lachlan Beck and Jessica Johnston, both nominated for best performance by a leading actor and actress in a youth musical, *CURTAINS the Musical!* features our best and brightest youth theatre stars in this magical musical mystery!

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**NOV  
30 -  
DEC  
1,2,3**

### **Special Promotion on Season Tickets**

Are you stuck for some different ideas for Christmas presents?

Why not give your loved ones a Season Ticket to Spotlight Theatre.

They are available all year round, but there is a Special Promotion from now and the first 3 months of 2018.

### **Great Bargains!**

Get in early! **CONTACT BOOKINGS 07 5539 4255.** \* Special Conditions apply.

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## **SPOTLIGHT ON CHRISTMAS**

**Friday December 8 and Saturday December 9 at 7.00 pm**

*Fun family entertainment with guest entertainers*

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**Adults \$20 Children \$10**

**Includes supper after each performance**

**Spotlight Main Theatre**

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The Spotlight Theatrical Company

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# Snow White



*Great Family entertainment  
for the school holidays!*

Written & Directed by  
TERRI WOODFINE

Choreographer  
SOPHIE KLEINSCHMIDT

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BASEMENT THEATRE

3 – 13 JANUARY 2018

Two shows daily

10:30am & 2:00pm

**EMAIL TO THE EDITOR:**

We would love it if you would kindly convey to everyone involved in the wonderful production of *Les Misérables* just how fantastic it was - we enjoyed every minute. Thank you & best wishes for the coming Christmas season & 2018. We look forward to *Oliver!*

Kind regards

Barbie & Mike Norman



# Oliver!

HAS  
BEEN  
CAST!



<b>Oliver Twist</b>	<b>Flynn Nowlan</b>	
<b>Oliver Twist</b>	<b>Zander Engel-Bowe</b>	
<b>Jack Dawkins (Dodger)</b>	<b>Jake Binns</b>	
<b>Jack Dawkins (Dodger)</b>	<b>Luke Harrison</b>	
<b>Charlie Bates</b>	<b>Connor Otto (Dodger U/S)</b>	
<b>Charlie Bates</b>	<b>Kieran McGinlay (Oliver U/S)</b>	
<b>Fagin's Gang (Pick Pockets Cast)</b>	<b>Sonny Pascoe, Eva Langone, Anton Tait, Isaac Clark, Jaryn Oliphant, Jack Williams</b>	
<b>Fagin's Gang (Bow Street Runners Cast)</b>	<b>Zak Drew, Kalani Bell, Jasmyn Smith, Kaden Forbutt, Jaron Dalton, Jack Orpwood</b>	
<b>Both Casts</b>	<b>Ethan Cook, Joshua Winter, Patrick Phillips, Isaac Thorpe, Freya Haywood</b>	
<b>Workhouse Ensemble (Pick Pockets Cast)</b>	<b>Emma Quinn, Emily Turnbull, Cadence Ernest, Poppy Nowlan, Aliyah Luman, Lauren Owen</b>	
<b>Workhouse Ensemble (Bow Street Runners Cast)</b>	<b>Emily Marshall-Simmons, Joshua Farnworth, Connor Arnold, Linton Hartley, Jai Godbold, Myah Hennessy</b>	
<b>Both Casts</b>	<b>Ashley Van Litsenborgh, Daena Lucas, Molly Orpwood, Sophie Rees, Jessica Bowles</b>	
<b>Mr Bumble</b>	<b>Nathan Skaines</b>	
<b>Widow Corney</b>	<b>Katy Charles</b>	
<b>Mr Sowerberry</b>	<b>Nigel Tolsten</b>	
<b>Mrs Sowerberry</b>	<b>Susan Carey</b>	
<b>Noah Claypole</b>	<b>Samuel Bailey</b>	
<b>Charlotte Sowerberry</b>	<b>Sophie Kleinschmidt</b>	
<b>Fagin</b>	<b>Rob Horton</b>	
<b>Nancy</b>	<b>Zoe Richards</b>	
<b>Bet</b>	<b>Montana Alguera-Lara</b>	
<b>Mr Brownlow</b>	<b>Arthur Shacklock</b>	
<b>Mrs Bedwin</b>	<b>Kate Peters</b>	
<b>Bill Sykes</b>	<b>David Law</b>	
<b>Dr Grimwig</b>	<b>Joel Beskin</b>	
<b>Rose Seller</b>	<b>Louise Thorpe</b>	
<b>Milk Maid</b>	<b>Melissa Quirk (U/S Widow Corney)</b>	
<b>Strawberry Seller</b>	<b>Francesca Spear (U/S Nancy)</b>	
<b>Knife Grinder</b>	<b>Allan Lyra</b>	
<b>Sally</b>	<b>Natalie Stephenson (U/S Mrs Sowerberry)</b>	
<b>Bullseye</b>	<b>Mia</b>	
<b>Adult Ensemble (5-9)</b>	<b>Benjamin Oxley (U/S Noah Claypole) Joe Bourke (U/S Mr Bumble) Damien Moran</b>	<b>Keeley Pejovic (U/S Bet) Naomi Mole (U/S Strawberry Seller) Nicola Barrett (U/S Charlotte Sowerberry) Jamie Catherwood Livia Abreu</b>





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Orchestral Arrangements by  
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**MAIN THEATRE**  
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Choreographed by  
**JAMIE WATT**

Directed by  
**ANDREW COCKROFT-PENMAN**

Vocal Direction by  
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# PLAYBILL SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED FOR 2019

Directors please present your submissions for Musicals, Pantomimes and Plays  
OR OTHER EXCITING SUGGESTIONS

outlining your ideas for presentation during 2019.

## APPROXIMATE DATES

### Main Theatre - Musicals

Mid February/March

Latter part of May/June

Late July/August

Late October/November

### Basement Theatre Pantomimes/Plays

Early January

Early April

Late June/July

Mid September/October

## Submissions close 30th June 2018

Please present to: Production Committee

Spotlight Theatre

185-187 Ashmore Road, Benowa

or mail to: Production Committee

Spotlight Theatrical Company,

PO Box 8074 Gold Coast Mail Centre Q 9726



### Joel Beskin's 'Theatre Roundup'

is now on Air every week on Tuesdays.

Tune in to 4CRB 89.3FM between 2.35pm and 3pm  
for Community Theatre News and

### Kate Peters' 'Showbiz Buzz'

will air on the same station at 2.15pm Friday afternoons.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2017 has certainly been an amazing success for productions. I hope you have enjoyed the fabulous shows that we have produced and that you have some lasting memories.

We started the year with a traditional pantomime *Rapunzel* and followed that with *Saturday Night Fever* in the Main Theatre. *Boy Band* was our next show in the Basement followed by *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* in the Main Theatre. *Planet of the Nebulons* took over the Basement Theatre before *9 to 5 – the musical* entertained us all in the Main Theatre. *Take A Chance On Me* was performed in the Basement Theatre before *Les Misérables* performed in the Main Theatre. In between these shows we were entertained by our Youth Theatre Students who showcased the future talent of the theatre. Many of these shows played to sell out audiences and received standing ovations. An indication of the standard of the performances.

A huge THANK YOU to all Production Teams, Casts and Crews for your commitment and hard work to provide so much outstanding entertainment for us all.

None of these shows could be seen at Spotlight without the dedication of our wonderful Volunteers giving of their valuable time. There are too many of you to mention so please accept our Thanks and Appreciation for all the effort you put in to make sure that our Theatre can still function and keep on producing these shows.

Our Costume Hire shop has suffered in this economic challenging times and changing retail needs, so 2018 will see some major changes to its function. Thank you to all staff members for all your hard work this year in a very difficult market.

Thank you to the elected Committee for so diligently working through the challenges we faced this year and with your foresight and determination **The Spotlight Theatrical Company** is able to continue doing what it does so well. The **2018 Playbill** has been released and I hope that you are able to come along and enjoy the shows we are producing.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year with Family and friends and hope that 2018 brings you all that you wish for.

So until next year keep smiling and look after yourselves and each other.

Best Regards,  
**Duncan Sims**  
President



*Thank You Deb Bolt  
and Assistants*

The Spotlight Theatrical Company would like to thank **Deb Bolt**, for stepping in to take over the organisation of our **Opening Night Suppers**. She is doing a wonderful job and is currently sourcing other menu ideas for our 2018 Season. Deb is grateful for all the support she is receiving from **Michelle Edwards, Diana Gibson, Tony Alcock, Nathan Skaines, Terri Woodfine** and **Erica Graham** who have helped on the busy nights. Thank You each and every one of you for all you are doing for our wonderful Theatre Company. TSTC Committee Members



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## **BASKERVILLE**

Follow your favourite detectives Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson in this fast paced comedy adaption of *The Hound of the Baskervilles* by Ken Ludwig. The male heirs of the Baskerville lineage are being dispatched one by one and it's up to Holmes and Watson to brave the moors before the family curse dooms the Baskervilles forever. With a cast of 5 actors playing over 40 different characters, *Baskerville* is sure to be a murderously funny night at the theatre.

## VALEDICTION

Sincere Condolences to the families and loved ones of:  
Margaret Portors, Bettina Stewart and Joan Stalker-Brown  
from The Spotlight Theatrical Company Committee and Members.

### FACEBOOK POSTING:

"On Friday the 27th October 2017 Margaret Portors passed away after a very short battle with Lung and brain cancer complicated by her declining dementia.

Thank you to everyone for your thoughts and messages on the passing of our mum, Margaret. We are grateful that she is now at peace.

Thanks for continuing to send her posts and messages during this time.

I tried to encourage her to keep in contact but due to her health and sometimes confusion she was unable to do so.

I have attached a link for you tube with our tribute to mum. As you will see she did it Her Way. And as she would always finish with "Love You". We say farewell.....

*Mandy, Garry, Wayne and Jenny and families. xxx"*

[Margaret Portors photo slide show](#)

[Margaret Portors - "Marrow Song"](#)

[Margaret Portors - "My Way"](#)



### FACEBOOK POSTING from Brian Stewart

November 10, 2017·

"We have lost a beautiful, vibrant, funny and troubled woman.

Bettina Stewart is no longer with us and will be missed by everyone who has ever crossed her path. She was and always will be loved. *Rest in peace with all my love.*"

Bettina performed in many GC shows - **Doctor in the House** and **Noises Off** at GCLT; **Bullshot Crummond**, **The Woman in Black**, **Who Saw Him Die** and **Chorus Line** at Javeenbah; **Little Shop of Horrors**, **Crimes of the Heart** and **Cold Comfort Farm** at Spotlight. Bettina Stewart - 18.12.1972 – 10.11.17



### FACEBOOK POSTING - Neil King:

"Joan Stalker-Brown passed away peacefully 8th November, 2017.

Joan was a forthright strong matriarch of the family who was never one to hold back on her opinions, even if politically incorrect, yet would always be there and go above and beyond for her family. For decades her passion was the theatre and she directed numerous stage productions to great acclaim. Joan wished to be cremated without ceremony and Fiona, Melissa and I will respect these wishes. However we will arrange to have a memorial gathering shortly, details of which will be posted on Facebook in due course.

Kindest regards Neil King on behalf of Fiona King, Melissa Cliff, Ben King & Alex King. *Rest in peace and give 'em hell up there, Joan!"*



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Announced 21 November 2017

Category 1: Best Set Design

Beenleigh Theatre Group | COSI | RAYMOND MILNER  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | CROWN MATRIMONIAL | MICHAEL SUTTON  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | GARY KARSTEN  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN | HELEN MADEN

Category 2: Best Costumes

Coomera Anglican College | HAIRSPRAY | LIZ BROWN  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | SHARYN STUBBS  
and TEAM  
Redcliffe Musical Theatre | THE ADDAMS FAMILY | PAULA REESE,  
BARBARA BLOODWORTH  
Bangalow Theatre Company | CHICAGO | DEBORAH YANN, GALE BISHOP

Category 3: Best Lighting Design / Operation

Javeenbah Theatre Company | NIGHT, MOTHER | COLIN CROW  
Pannic Productions | THE WALL | ANDREW 'PANDA' HADEN  
Ipswich Musical Theatre Company | LES MISERABLES | WESLEY BLUFF  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | LES MISERABLES | MICHAEL SUTTON**

Category 4: Best Sound Design / Operation

Redcliffe Musical Theatre | BACK TO THE 80s | BRUCE NOY  
Beenleigh Theatre Group | COSI | JAMES MARSDEN  
Ipswich Musical Theatre Company | LES MISERABLES | MURRAY KEIDGE  
Ballina Players | MARY POPPINS | JACKIE REIDY

Category 5: Best Technical Achievement or Effect  
(excluding Lighting and Sound)

Bangalow Theatre Company  
LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS – WILL GAMMON, MAHDI MANAR, CUMULUS  
VISUAL EFFECTS for Projection used in the show

Helensvale State High School – BEAUTY & THE BEAST  
COLIN BURNIM for Projection used in the show

Pannic Productions – THE WALL  
ANDREW 'PANDA' HADEN for Projection used in the show

Category 6: Best Program

Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School | JOSEPH & THE AMAZING  
TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT | BEN BROWNING, KATE CORNELL  
Emmanuel College | CHESS | SALLY LINTOTT, KAREN SHERRIFF  
Redcliffe Musical Theatre | THE ADDAMS FAMILY | KAREN HAMMOND  
Ipswich Musical Theatre Company | LES MISERABLES | BRUCE EDWARDS

Category 7: The Jock and Beverly McIlwain Special Encouragement Award

Coomera Anglican College | HAIRSPRAY | LIAM OWEN-JONES  
**Spotlight Theatrical Co. | JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR  
DREAMCOAT | MICHAEL FRYER**  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | LIAM CHAPMAN  
Redcliffe Musical Theatre | THE ADDAMS FAMILY | SOPHIE PRICE

Category 8: Magic Moment of Theatre

Beenleigh Theatre | COSI – The Toilet Paper Dress and Choreo

Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST  
Transformation of The Beast ~ BRETT EDWARDS

Javeenbah Theatre Company | OBSESSION  
Clever Rocking Chair ~ COLIN CROW, BARRY GIBSON

Category 9: Best Actor in a Supporting Role in a School / Youth Play

NAPA | BOY GIRL WALL | MITCHELL NELSON  
NAPA | BOY GIRL WALL | MATTHEW BIRGAN  
NAPA | BOY GIRL WALL | HENRY SHAKESPEARE

Category 10: Best Actress in a Supporting Role in a School / Youth Play  
NAPA | BOY GIRL WALL | NADINE CHIA  
NAPA | BOY GIRL WALL | LEILANI FROST

Category 11: Best Actor in a Supporting Role in a School / Youth Musical

**Spotlight Theatrical Company | RAPUNZEL | ALEX BREEN**  
Coomera Anglican College | HAIRSPRAY | HARRISON HANLEY  
All Saints Anglican School | MARY POPPINS | JON CORNISH  
Benowa State High School | HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL | JACK NEPSON

Category 12: Best Actress in a Supporting Role in a School / Youth Musical

Marymount College | ROCK OF AGES | HOPE BRASS  
Emmanuel College | CHESS | MOLLY MECHEN  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | THALIA DOHERTY  
Benowa State High School | HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL | ERYN LARDNER

Category 13: Best Actor in a Leading Role in a School / Youth Play  
No Award Given this Year

Category 14: Best Actress in a Leading Role in a School / Youth Play  
No Award Given this Year

Category 15: Best Actor in a Leading Role in a School / Youth Musical  
All Saints Anglican School | MARY POPPINS | ANGUS REARDON  
Marymount College | ROCK OF AGES | THOMAS WEATHERALL  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | LIAM CHAPMAN  
Benowa State High School | HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL | LACHLAN BECK

Category 16: Best Actress in a Leading Role in a School / Youth Musical

**Spotlight Theatrical Company | HAIRSPRAY JR. | JESSICA JOHNSTON**  
Coomera Anglican College | HAIRSPRAY | KIERA BANKS  
All Saints Anglican School | MARY POPPINS | OLIVIA PAGE  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | ISABELLA  
WIESENTHAL

Category 17: Best Production of a School / Youth Play  
No Award Given this Year

Category 18: Best Production of a School / Youth Musical

Coomera Anglican College | HAIRSPRAY  
Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School | JOSEPH & THE AMAZING  
TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT  
All Saints Anglican School | MARY POPPINS  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST

Category 19 Best Choreographer

Ballina Players | JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT |  
JAIME SHEEHAN  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR  
DREAMCOAT | JAMIE WATT**  
Benowa State High School | HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL | KYLIE DIVIAK,  
AMANDA de BYL  
Bangalow Theatre Company | CHICAGO | ANOUSKA GAMMON

Category 20: Best Vocal Director

Gold Coast Little Theatre | BACK TO THE 80s | STEFFANIE KRIZ  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR  
DREAMCOAT | SHARI WARD**  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | A.J. HAWKINS  
Bangalow Theatre Company | CHICAGO |

Category 21: Best Musical Director

Bangalow Theatre Company | LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS | MARGARET  
CURTIS



**2017 Gold Coast Area Theatre Award**  
nominees **Lachlan Beck** and **Jessica Johnston** appear in Spotlight Music Theatre Classes production of



Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | CINDY ASHTON  
Benowa State High School | HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL | JULIANNE DEVEREUX  
Pannic Productions | THE WALL | JASON ZADKOVITCH, GRACE COCKBURN, KYM BROWN

Category 22: Best Director of a Play  
Beenleigh Theatre Group | COSI | TIMOTHY WYNN  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN | ROB HORTON  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | TAKE A CHANCE ON ME | HELEN MADEN**

Category 23: Best Director of a Musical or Musical Revue  
Bangalow Theatre Company | LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS | KATE FOSTER  
All Saints Anglican School | MARY POPPINS | CHANTELE FLINT, CHRIS CHERRY  
Helensvale State High School | BEAUTY & THE BEAST | BRETT EDWARDS  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | 9 TO 5 | JAMIE WATT**  
PRIMA | SPAMALOT | MIRANDA SELWOOD

Category 24: Best Actor in a Supporting Role in a Community Theatre Play  
MATES THEATRE GENESIS | AUSTRALIA DAY | ROY NUNN  
Beenleigh Theatre Group | COSI | BENJAMIN BRAY  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | CROWN MATRIMONIAL | ROB HORTON  
Javeenbah Theatre Company | BILLY LIAR | PETER MADEN

Category 25: Best Actress in a Supporting Role in a Community Theatre Play  
MATES THEATRE GENESIS | AUSTRALIA DAY | SUZANNE KELLY  
Beenleigh Theatre Group | COSI | ELODIE BOAL  
Tugun Theatre Company | SYLVIA | PAMELA PAYNE  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | TAKE A CHANCE ON ME | KATRINA LARDNER**

Category 26: Best Actor in a Supporting Role in a Community Theatre Musical  
Phoenix Ensemble | DIRTY ROTTEN SCOUNDRELS | PHILLIP FITZJOHN  
Bangalow Theatre Company | LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS | GRAEME SPEED  
Bangalow Theatre Company | CHICAGO | BRIAN PAMPHILON  
PRIMA | SPAMALOT | JACK KELLY

Category 27: Best Actress in a Supporting Role in a Community Theatre Musical  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | 9 TO 5 | MARTINA FRENCH**  
Redcliffe Musical Theatre | THE ADDAMS FAMILY | GEORGIA BERNARD  
Phoenix Ensemble | HEATHERS | ALANAH BEBENDORF  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS | KRISTINE DENNIS

Category 28: Best Actor in a Leading Role In a Community Theatre Play  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | CROWN MATRIMONIAL | CHRIS CATHERWOOD  
Javeenbah Theatre Company | SWEET ROAD | DAVE FRASER  
Javeenbah Theatre Company | THE KINGFISHER | CHRIS HAWKINS  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN | STUART LUMSDEN

Category 29: Best Actress in a Leading Role In a Community Theatre Play  
Javeenbah Theatre Company | NIGHT, MOTHER | AMY McDONALD  
Beenleigh Theatre Group | COSI | JERMIA TURNER  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | CROWN MATRIMONIAL | DEL HALPIN  
Tugun Theatre Company | SYLVIA | KATE LEARMONTH  
Gold Coast Little Theatre | LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN | CHLOE DEAR

Category 30: Best Actor in a Leading Role In a Community Theatre Musical  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company | SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER | JACKSON BRASH**  
Bangalow Theatre Company | LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS | BRIAN PAMPHILON  
Redcliffe Musical Theatre | THE ADDAMS FAMILY | REAGAN WARNER  
PRIMA | SPAMALOT | CHRIS KELLETT

Category 31: Best Actress in a Leading Role In a Community Theatre Musical  
Bangalow Theatre Company | LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS | MADELEINE LIPSON  
Redcliffe Musical Theatre | THE ADDAMS FAMILY | SOPHIE PRICE  
Bangalow Theatre Company | CHICAGO | JULIA KEAST  
PRIMA | SPAMALOT | HEIDI ENCHELMAIER

Category 32: Outstanding Community Theatre Production  
**Spotlight Theatrical Company - LES MISERABLES**  
Bangalow Theatre Company - LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS  
Gold Coast Little Theatre - CROWN MATRIMONIAL  
Ipswich Musical Theatre Company - LES MISERABLES  
Pannic Productions - THE WALL

Gold Palm Award  
Most Nominated Production Across All Categories

To Be Announced on Presentation Night

Platinum Palm Award  
Individual Having Given Outstanding Service to the Theatrical Community

To Be Announced on Presentation Night



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*"Fostering an outlet for  
creative youth and community, while seeking to  
produce vibrant, quality entertainment  
that enriches, engages and educates."*

## 2018 PLAYBILL

Snow White	Basement	3 - 13 Jan
Oliver!	Main	9 Feb - 3 Mar
Baskerville – A Sherlock Holmes Mystery	Basement	27 Apr - 13 May
Heathers – The Musical	Main	25 May - 16 June
Music Theatre Showcase	Main	28, 29, 30 June
Jack and the Beanstalk	Basement	4 - 14 July
Strictly Ballroom The Musical	Main	27 Jul - 18 Aug
Senior Drama	Main	7, 8 Sept
The Marvelous Wonderettes	Basement	21 Sep - 7 Oct
Junior Drama	Basement	19, 20, 21 Oct
We Will Rock You	Main	26 Oct - 17 Nov
Intermediate Drama	Basement	30 Nov, 1, 2, Dec
Music Theatre	Main	6, 7, 8, 9 Dec
Spotlight On Christmas	Main	14, 15 Dec



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