Official Newsletter of the

SPOTLIGHT THEATRICAL COMPANY

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

January 2018

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> 2 Shows Daily

PEACE and JOY to All THROUGHOUT 2018

JANUARY 3 – 13

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BASEMENT THEATRE 3 – 13 JANUARY 2018 Two shows daily 10:30am & 2:00pm





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SPOTLIGHT ON CHRISTMAS! A VERY MEMORABLE PRODUCTION.

Thank you to Cast, Production Team and Volunteers . Special Thanks for surprise performances from Bob La Castra, Oliver! children and Drew Anthony, with the Ben Mayne's Brat Pack and Spotlight Ladies.



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RAFFLE WINNERS WERE

1	One nights accommodation	Sea World	WON BY ROB VERHOEF
2	Range Rover for a weekend	Bruce Lynton	STEVE *
3	One month Personal Training Vouch	er Vision	NO NAME PROVIDED - TAKEN
4	Spotlight Season Ticket	Spotlight Theatre	VIRGINIA McCARNY
5	Beautician Assessment and Treatme	ent Esab Clinic	ETHAN CAIRNS
6	Photo Session with Hair and Makeur	o Studio Star	PAT LOCK
7	Swarovsky Jewellery	Sarroff Designs	TRACY KRIZ
8	Swarovsky Jewellery	Sarroff Designs	DIANE EVANS
9	Christmas Hamper	Spotlight Patrons	DENIS McCONNELL
10	4 x \$25 Liz Clift vouchers	Liz Clift	HELEN MADEN
11	Pool cleaning Voucher 2017	Swim Mart Bundall	PETER MADEN
12	Mermaid Fin & Goggles	Aqua Shop	SANDRA MARTIN
13	Moet Chandon	Patsy Drew	DIAN MURPHY
14	Moet Chandon	Patsy Drew	ANNALISE WHITINGHAM
15	Dinner Voucher	Grill'd Benowa Gardens	KYLIE COOK
16	Dinner Voucher	Grill'd Benowa Gardens	KARAPHTY *
17	Ice Skating Voucher	Iceland	SCOTT *
18	Dinner Voucher	Grill'd Benowa Gardens	DENIS *
19	Dinner Voucher	Benowa Tavern	ROBERT KENDALL

Thank You to our generous Donors of Raffle Prizes and Erica Graham for Securing and Organising the Monster Raffle. Money raised will go towards much needed Airconditioning Units in the Basement Theatre.

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SPOTLIGHT TEACHING FRATERNITY & ADMINISTRATORS:

ANDREW COCKROFT-PENMAN (Senior Drama Teacher) TBA (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)

What a successful round of end of year performances from our talented Youth Theatre. It was capped off with the great offering by our Music Theatre students of *CURTAINS – The Musical Comedy Whodunit*. Each audience was wowed by the professional and talented shows. Thank you to teachers Jess and Jono and also to Tony and Matt and all the behind-the-scenes supporters.

Val Leftwich, our Youth Theatre Administrator, is in charge of enrolments for 2018 but is away overseas until 5th January. If you have any questions about next year's classes please wait until after that date and then contact her on 0452 501 941 or valleftwich41@gmail.com .

Classes do not start until school resumes so there will be plenty of time to organize places. Our **Orientation Day** will be on **January 20th** and we will advertise the format for the morning a week before.

Everyone at Spotlight Youth Theatre wish all our families a safe and happy holiday and look forward to catching up with you in 2018.

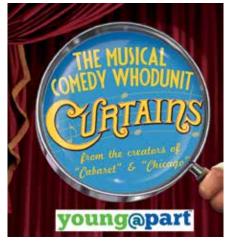
Kay Hawker in the absence of

Valerie Leftwich – Administrator for Spotlight Youth Theatre.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MUSIC THEATRE STUDENTS ON A WONDERFUL END OF YEAR PRODUCTION –

CURTAINS - The Musical Comedy Abodunit

Thank you to all involved with this Youth Production and all the hard work put in by Teachers, Students, Production Teams, Crews and Volunteers.



The Spotlight Theatrical Company Acknowledges and Thanks the

Gold Coast City Council

Division 7 and Councillor Gary Baildon for the Grant Donation to our Community Theatre.

Congratulations & Thank You SPOTLIGHT

Special Thanks to all Directors, Musical Directors & Musicians, Choreographers, Production Teams, Stage Managers and Crews, Cast Members, Bar Staff, Front of House Volunteers and all other workers for all you've done throughout 2017. Thank you for contributing your tireless work, creativity and talents to bring such wonderful shows to The Spotlight Theatrical Company patrons. Hope you will be back in 2018.

It is very rewarding to hear and receive the wonderful comments from satisfied and in many cases "overwhelmed by the quality" from our patrons. You should all be very proud of your contribution.

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JOIN/RENEW NOW! **2018 MEMBERSHIPS DUE 1ST JANUARY** ALL NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERSHIPS PAID NOW WILL CARRY THROUGH TO 31ST DECEMBER 2018.



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(Calendar year Jan 1 to Dec 31)

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Copy of Constitution and other documents available online or by request.

The Spotlight Theatrical Co is among the leading amateur Theatrical producers in Australia. It caters

What sort of involvement are you seeking?

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.

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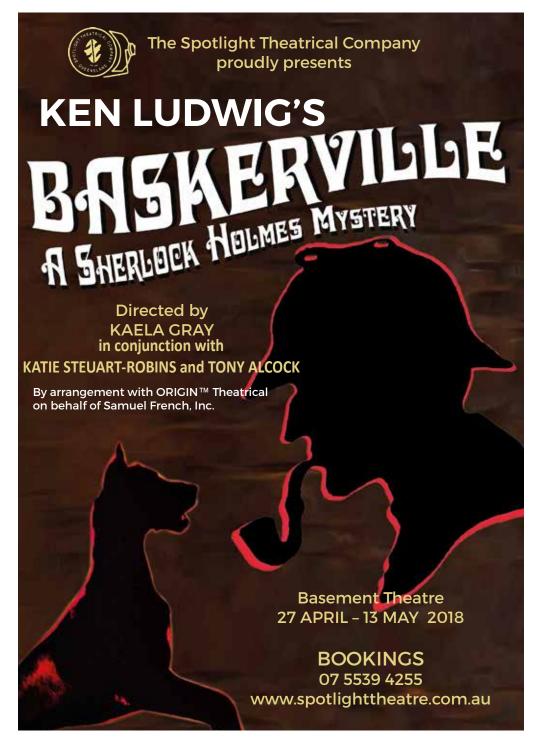
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AUDITIONS MONDAY JANUARY 15th AT 7:00 p.m. For Information or an Audition Pack please email: graela.kay@gmail.com

BASKERVILLE A Sherlock Holmes Mystery is a mystery not for the faint of heart nor faint of wit. In the style of **39 Steps**, which was highly applauded by Spotlight Basement patrons, the twists turn and the turns twist and Arthur won't know if he's Martha or Sherlock Holmes.

40 characters, not nearly as many actors ... and a whole lot of fun! If you like your acting flexible and your scene changes whip fast, this is the play for you. The audition will involve some improvisation exercises followed by cold reads of script excerpts. Cast size determined by audition process, at least 1 female and 2 males required.



Faremell to Sputlight GOLDED GIRLS

The Spotlight Golden Girls have decided to hang up their dancing shoes, and give their voices a rest after 27 years performing for Nursing

Home residents and Senior Citizens. The Girls have been performing since 1990 when Isabel Williams and Pauline Davies decided to resurrect a group of ladies from Spotlight who had been performing in the 1960-1970s and call them the Spotlight Golden Girls. To the present time they have been doing this minus the "girls" who have passed on or are unable to perform and replacing them with new faces and new talents.

Over the years the Golden Girls have been great embassadors for The Spotlight Theatrical Company and brought much joy,



humour and respect to their audiences. They have also staged Benefit performances at Spotlight to help with funds on many occasions. A Morning Tea at the theatre to celebrate their wonderful contribution to society and Spotlight was organised and provided by Patricia Drew on Wednesday 13th December. Thank You Patsy. It was great to see so many of the early as well as recent members at the Farewell. **Thank You Golden Girls** you will be missed.

Photos Left: Some of the early Golden Girls (clockwise from top left) Pat Riek, Jane Grange, Pauline Davies, Brenda Spence (dec), Bobby Steer, Jacqui Cornelius, Anita Mooney and Patricia White. (Centre) Marilyn Hodge, Muriel Watson (dec) and seated Isabel William (dec) (Initiator and MD). Below Left: Pat Reik entertaining Jacqui, Zoe Nourse, Pauline and Patsy. Below: Marilyn Hodge cuts the cake while newer Golden Girls look on Patricia, Noni, Kerry and Sam. Inset: Marilyn Culell and Lea Vosti.



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NEWS FLASH:

Congratulations to Louise Harris who has announced her engagement to: (Sorry you'll have to contact Louise to find out who the lucky man is.)

THANK YOU FROM DEB BOLT, Supper Caterer for Spotlight on Christmas and Show Opening Nights

Deb would like to thank those people who helped her in various ways on the two nights of *Spotlight on Christmas*: Nathan Skaines, Marilyn Culell, Shirley King, Andrew Cockroft-Penman and the Oliver! Cast with Special Thanks to Katie Taylor who was exremely helpful on both nights.

A real Team effort! Thank you, Everyone it is very much appreciated. – Deb

Thank **YOU** Deb for the time and effort you put in providing these delightful Suppers.





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Oliver! Cast and Crew are gearing up for the Opening of Oliver! on February 9. There is much excitement round the Theatre for this Mammoth Production. Make sure you BOOK EARLY! Tickets are selling fast. 07 5539 4255

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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

Theatre Roundup & Showbiz Buzz

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

<u>Kate Peters' 'Showbiz Buzz'</u>

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



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I hope that you have an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas and are refreshed for the year ahead. HAPPY NEW YEAR. As usual the company has scheduled a hectic but exciting year for 2018. In the year that the Gold Coast hosts the Commonwealth Games we had to rejig the usual dates of shows so that our patrons were not inconvenienced travelling to the theatre.

Our last production of the year was performed by our High School Musical students. What an outstanding performance of *Curtains* our students put on. Congratulations to the teachers on bringing out the amazing talent of these students. The energy and enthusiasm of the students shone through.

Well done to all. Some of these students have now graduated from Youth Theatre and I wish them every success in their chosen careers.

Our Annual **Spotlight on Christmas** showcased just some of the amazing talent that has graced the Spotlight Theatre stage over the years alongside some very special guests Bob La Castra and Drew Anthony & Friends and Santa. A fabulous night of entertainment and I would like to thank all the artists for giving of their time to entertain us and providing a memorable evening. I would like to thank all the people and companies that donated over \$3600 worth of prizes for our Monster Raffle Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all of you for supporting this raffle that raised \$1801 so that we can now get the air-conditioning improved in the Basement Theatre. A very appreciative thanks goes to Erica Graham who coordinated and procured the donations for this raffle.

Unfortunately, the **Golden Girls** have performed their last show. Thank you to all our wonderful Golden Performers for providing such a valuable service entertaining those that are unable to get to the theatre. We all appreciate what you have done over many years and wish you all the best.

The first production of 2018 *Snow White* commences on the January 3 through to January 13 in the Basement Theatre. This will be great fun for the children and grandchildren so book your

tickets now. The Main Theatre sees the cast busy rehearsing for the blockbuster **Oliver!** which opens on February 9. We enjoyed a preview of the kids singing Food Glorious Food at **Spotlight on Christmas** so please book early online to avoid missing out on this wonderful show.

I would like to thank the Committee for their commitment to make the Theatre the best it can be and 2018 looks like another busy but exciting year ahead for The Spotlight Theatrical Company.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Theatre so until next month, keep smiling, look after yourself and each other .

Best Regards, Duncan Sims President



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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 Jun
Music Theatre Showcase	Main	28, 29, 30 June
Jack and the Beanstalk	Basement	4 - 14 July
Strictly Ballroom The Music	cal Main	27 Jul - 18 Aug
Senior Drama	Main	7, 8 Sept
The Marvelous Wonderette	s 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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	Chris and John Dickinson	1
	Joel & Margaret Beskin	2
	Joseph and Wendy Hawryluk	1
	Drew Anthony	1
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	Tanele Storm Graham	1
	Brian Graham	1
	Erica Graham	1
	Terry Kalaf	1
	Pauline Davies	1
	Marjorie Adams	1
	William Collins	1
	Robyn Collins	1
	Mrs B. Elliott	1
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	Deborah Bolt	1
	Doreen Hinton	1
	Malcolm Davidson	1
	Patricia Drew	2
	Robert Deatherage	1
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	Sewroo Products	1
	Karyn Lively	1
	Russell & Elizabeth White	1
	Katherine Ogge	1
	Julz Smith	1
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