



Curtain Call

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The American Plan



The American Plan opened on Thursday 25th June and has played to good houses so far. The audiences have been most appreciative of the show. Read extracts from two reviews on the Theatre Australia website below. Don't miss your chance to see this show. Final weekend this weekend. Bookings on 9330 4565

Amy Welsh's performance was powerful, yet whimsical as her moods adeptly changed from the spoiled child, to a stubborn, demanding youth. There was a strong chemistry between the lovers, and Marsha was convincingly frightening with her subtle strategies. The strong cast gave an emotion-filled rendition of this tricky play.

The set included a wonderful log cabin. The lighting was very well controlled, especially when a couple of light changes from day to dusk took place. The script is precisely and skilfully assembled, with plenty of humour and surprises.

Gordon the Optom

An enjoyable evening, with a very good cast, at a cosy little theatre. What more could you ask for.

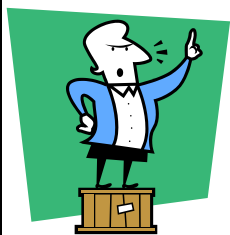
One of the biggest rewards for an actor is when he/she is able to draw their audience in with their performance and presence on stage. This cast did just that.

Congratulations to everyone involved. You have all done a very good job, and I did not see one unhappy spectator throughout the evening. And it is always a pleasure to see the lovely Edna, the raffle tickets lady.

Christian Dalton



This will be my last offering before the AGM on July 8. It has been a privilege and a pleasure to be President again, and I thank my committee and all members for their support this year.



Stuart's Soapbox!

I regret to have to announce that our 5th season "A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum" has had to be postponed due to a lack of a musical director. My thanks go to Lars Jensen for the work he has put in, and we look forward to seeing this production next year. In its place, we have inserted a comedy, "The First Sunday in December". This is a very funny Australian play which we are sure you will enjoy.

As I mentioned above, the AGM is on Wednesday, July 8, and all members are welcome.

We are putting a motion to the meeting to change the Financial Year of the Theatre. I do urge all members to support this motion.

Please continue to support the Theatre as you have over the past years.

Stuart

Request for Furniture for the One Acts

Do you happen to have an old hospital bed lying about in your shed, or even a metal bed with metal rails at head and foot? Or do you know where we can source one?



Please contact Vanessa Jensen 0413 079 146 if you can help.

Melville Theatre Company's AGM Wednesday 8th July at 7.30pm.

Nomination and proxy vote forms were in the last newsletter, they will also be available on the night.

Come along and have your say or just hear what others have to say.
Nibbles and drinks afterwards in the bar.

NOTICE OF MOTION

At the AGM this year, the following motion will be put to the members for vote;

"that the financial and membership year for Melville Theatre Company (Inc) be changed to January 1 – December 31 "



Winter Warmers 2009

Auditions were well attended and the directors were pleased to be able to cast all three plays on the day.
The cast lists are as follows:

***Queer Street* by John Donald Kelly, Directed by Kirstie Francis**



**Mr Hart
Mrs Hart
Edith
Albert
Joe
Policeman**

**Doug Hellens
Rosemary Longhurst
Breeahn Jones
Matt Lawrence
Norm Heath
Stephen Koczian**

***Effie's Burning* by Valerie Windsor, Directed by Vanessa Jensen**



**Dr Kapoor
Effie**

**Vidya Rajan
Penny Searle**

***Caught On the Hop* by David Foxtan, Directed by Felicity May**



**Sophie Fontaineau
Etienne Fontaineau
Esmeralda
Clothilde
The Porter**

**Laila Gampfer
Lewis Johnson
Anna Peluso
Melanie Payne
Jeff Hansen**

If you are interested in helping out backstage, maybe running lights or sound or helping with costumes, please contact stage manager Ian Black on 0419 925 468 or Season Coordinator Vanessa Jensen on 0413 079 146. The one act season is a great opportunity to try something in the theatre you have been meaning to learn! There are plenty of people able to teach you.

Submissions to Direct at Melville Theatre in 2010

The committee are calling for submissions from interested directors.

Submission forms and further details can be obtained from Val Riches, 9339 3719.

Bookings!

Bookings for Winter Warmers open after July 4th, when *The American Plan* has finished. Bookings can be made by phone on 9330 4565 or by email; melville.theatre.company@gmail.com

Please make your bookings soon and then put the enclosed flier up at your work or local shop to help spread the word about the next show.



What's On Elsewhere

<u>Club</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Bookings</u>
Harbour Theatre	Lucky Sods	Princess May Building Cnr Cantonment & Parry Sts Fremantle	July 10,11,12,13,15,17,18, 22,24,25	BOCS 9484 1133
Playlovers	The History Boys	Hacket Hall Draper Street Floreath	July 10,11, 16,17,18,19, 23,24,25	0484 1133 Or 0415 777 173
KADS	Men Behaving Badly	Town Square Community Theatre Barber St, Kalamunda	July 17,18,22,24,25,29,31	92932621

**Need to contact the committee?
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Wed 11.00 to noon	ImaginArt
Arts Collage	6EBA
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COLOUR!

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Vanessa
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Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to all those members whose birthdays fall during July.

*There is one long time member of the club celebrating a special birthday.
Very happy birthday wishes to Val Riches.*

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All contributions are most welcome

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