

Theatre by the
Sea
10th of April

President's Message

Here we are in April already. Time sure does fly. *Haunted Halloween* has wrapped up with great feedback. Thank you to all involved in the production.

In May, we have something different to our normal Café One Acts. We now have a variety show, from one act plays to comedic sketches to sensational singing. It will include a special Bingo game where someone will win a double-pass to the next major production. I'm excited.

If you have some ideas and want to put them forward, then come along to the committee meetings and have your say. Many hands make light work.

Until next time. Be safe.

Peter Murray

Sandgate Theatre Newsletter



The Final Curtain falls on *Haunted Halloween*

Our spooky and spectacular first show of the year, *Haunted Halloween*, has come and gone. While providing the usual fun night out, our run of this show had the added bonus of playwright Judith Prior coming along to see her work brought to life on the Sandgate Stage.

Congratulations to all involved.



A confrontation from beyond the coffin with Fonso (Casey Stevenson), Al Capone (Mark O'Connor), and Lily (Michelle Whitmore).



Judith Prior with Mark O'Connor



Director Chris Packman joins in the action!

Our Committee

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Peter Murray

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An Intimate Night with Sandgate Theatre

Due to not being able to fully mount our usual Café One Acts this year, we have decided to mount a variety show instead. The show will comprise two one-act plays alongside comedy, singing, and light entertainment!

There are also prizes to be won. Bingo and theatre will come together at Sandgate and the winner will receive a double-pass to see our next main house production of *Where There's a Will* by Alan Tibbles, to be directed by Peter Murray.

There will be a mix of old and new Sandgate Theatre faces. Performers include Jane-Louise Turner, Paula White, Stanislaw Wisniowiecki, John Da Cruz, Christine Duncan-Linning and many more.

Performance Dates are the 10th, 11th, 17th, and 18th of May for a 7.30pm start and 19th of May Matinee performance starting at 2pm.

Prices are \$22 for Adults, \$18 for Concession Card Holders, \$12 for Members, and \$10 for Children (12 and Under)

Keep checking our [Facebook Page](#) for booking details or phone 0474 160 407.

Submission are Currently Open for our 2020 Season

The Committee of Sandgate Theatre is calling for submissions for our upcoming 2020 season. We have decided to have a full plan for next year's season firmly in place in 2019 and looking for expressions of interest from directors or recommendations for plays we could perform.

As the committee will be required to read all submissions, please ensure you are able provide us with a copy of the script you are proposing.



Bookings

Chris Packman

Webmaster

Greg Jones

Yarrageh Festival

Wendy Thomas assisted by

Kerry Heath, Michelle

Whitmore, Christine Duncan-

Linning, and Glenda Lawrence.

The Hunt is On for A New Venue!

Sandgate has been performing at the Sandgate Town hall for years. Our comedies have made the punters laugh, our dramas have made them weep, and our musicals have had them tapping their feet. The venue has certainly served us well.

However, to quote the old song, "times they are a changin'". Increasingly, we have had to share the venue with other non-theatre groups, and this has led to some operational issues. Sets must be pared back to allow for quick dismantling; a bare minimum of costume and set can be left at the premises; and the theatre incurs hire costs for each day we use the site.

Therefore, the committee has decided to redouble our efforts to find a new home for Sandgate. A sub-committee has been formed to find Sandgate a new venue with all the new opportunities that such a venue could bring, such as more shows per season, the ability to build more permanent sets, better storage facilities, and more opportunities for the members and friends of Sandgate Theatre Group. The sub-committee includes: Peter Murray, Michelle Whitmore, Trish Kiessler, Christine Duncan-Linning, and Peter Lovely.

Meetings have been held with our local councilors and the wheels are in motion. If you know of any venue possibilities, they are keen to hear from you.

If you have any leads on a potential space for Sandgate Theatre Group, don't hesitate to contact us either in person, via our Facebook page, or by sending an email to sandgatetheatre@yahoo.com.au



If you have articles, promotions, or general information you would like included in future newsletters contact our Newsletter Editor John Da Cruz through our company email:

sandgatetheatre@yahoo.com.au

“With theatre, you have to be ready for anything.”

Willem Defoe

Our New Subscriber Tickets!

What could be better than buying a ticket for one Sandgate Theatre show? Well, how about our new Subscriber 5-show ticket? \$80 for 5 shows (this does not include the Yarrageh Festival). Valid for the next 5 shows we put on, from the date of purchase. Perfect for the avid theatre-goer or a wonderful gift for a friend.

99.7 Bridge FM with Suzy and Johnny

‘Sunday Soiree’ with Suzie & Johnny at Sundays 6 - 9pm

Any local community theatre groups putting on a production are welcome to contact Suzy & Johnny at 99.7 Bridge FM at johnsayles48@gmail.com or by phone 0408 718 351 to discuss their show on air or to send flyers and/or audition notices to promote. We thank both Suzy and John for their continued support of local theatre.

Four Great Reasons to Become a Member

Thinking of becoming a member of Sandgate Theatre Company, or perhaps you have let your membership lapse? Well, if you are a member of Sandgate, on top of joining one of the friendliest theatre companies in Brisbane, you will also gain reciprocal rights at ACT 1 Theatre, Mousetrap Theatre, and King Street Players. This means you can see plays at all these venues at Members’ prices. That’s a pretty sweet deal!

Membership forms can be downloaded at our website:

<http://www.sandgatetheatre.net/images/Membership.pdf>

Or you can send an email to Jane-Louise Turner:

sandgatetheatre@yahoo.com.au

Around the Traps

Wonderful nights of entertainment in the North Brisbane Area

Mousetrap Theatre Company's *Olde English Pub Night*

3 Shows Remaining and selling out fast!

***12 and 13th of April at 7.00pm and
14th of April at 2.00pm***

Good old English pub entertainment with a sit down meal of Fish and Chips, Tea or Coffee.

BYO drinks and nibbles

\$25 per person.

Book [online](#) or phone 0439 954 719

Act 1 Theatre

A Murder is Announced

By Agatha Christie

Adapted by Leslie Darbon

Directed by Chris Sargent

One of Christie's best Whodunnits

10,11,17,18,24 and 25th of May at 7.30pm

And 19th of May at 2.00pm

Book [online](#) or phone 0458 579 269