

April 2023

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Presents

CHICAGO

The Hit Musical

BY ARRANGEMENT WITH ORIGIN™ THEATRICAL
ON BEHALF OF SAMUEL FRENCH LTD.,
A CONCORD THEATRICALS COMPANY

Book by
Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse

Music by
John Kander

Lyrics by
Fred Ebb

Based on the play Chicago by
Maurine Dallas Watkins

Script adaptation by
David Thompson

Director
Lance Thompson

Musical Director
Peter Dick

Vocal Director
Cate Storen

Choreographer
Kate Simpson

5th - 28th May

Friday & Saturday 8pm
Sunday 2pm

With a special 2pm performance
Sat 27th May

"And All That Jazz"

Theatre Bookings
Online at www.playerstheatre.org.au
Via the Glasshouse 6581 8888
or at The Players Theatre Box Office
Cr Lord & Gordon St
1 hour prior to the show

From the President's Desk

Hello members!

Our first show for the year was received fantastically. Get Smart exceeded all expectations on several fronts. It introduced a host of new actors onto our stage and technicians onto our lighting and sound desks. It also performed better at the box office than was budgeted for. On top of this, it was Paul's first show as a director. Thanks for all the hard-work Paul, it certainly paid off.

Next up is Chicago, the block buster musical. The *set is amazing, the choreography is fantastic, and the actors/singers and dancers are rehearsed and ready to go. You will not want to miss this show and I would encourage you to go ahead and get your tickets sooner rather than later as I suspect seats will go fast. Lance and his team have really gone all out to make this an enormous success.

Remember we have added a matinee performance on the last weekend of the run, (Saturday the 27th of May at 2pm). Tickets are on sale now on our web site <https://www.playerstheatre.org.au/bookings> or on the glasshouse web site <https://www.glasshouse.org.au/Whats-on/Chicago-Presented-by-Players-Theatre-May-2023>.

As usual you can also buy tickets at the Glasshouse box office, and we will have our Box Office open each Monday and Wednesday mornings between 9am and 11am till Wednesday May the 3rd.

*NOTE: Thanks for Jeff Walsh for stepping up and spending a couple of evenings building this amazing set.

Following our purchases and grant application success, most of our sound equipment will be brand new in time for this show. New microphones, sound desk and amplifiers all supplied and expertly installed with the help of InPhase Productions. Also, in time for Chicago, you will see the beginnings of our lighting equipment overhaul with a few new, up to date light fixtures being installed and used in this production.

Remember, the "One Act Play Festival" is back, and we will be hosting it on the 9th to 11th of June. Tickets will be on sale on our web site by the time you read this newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you at "Chicago, which will continue an entertaining and fun season of shows at The Players Theatre in 2023.

Steve



2023 Show Season

Get Smart

directed by Paul Bishop
24th Feb to 12th Mar 2023

Chicago

directed by Lance Thompson
5th to 28th May 2023

One Act Play Festival

9th, 10th and 11th June 2023

A Doll's House

directed by Hamish Keddie
11th to 27th Aug 2023

Me and My Girl

directed by Adrian Davis
27th Oct to 19th Nov 2023

Committee Update

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

For the information of all parents and a reminder for all cast and crew involved with any of our productions, it is a requirement for all adults to have a current WWC status if you are in a show with children in the cast or crew.

The WWC checks are free for volunteers and can be applied for online, with attendance at Service NSW required to prove your identity.

Memberships

If you received this newsletter, you are already a member!

But tell your friends that if they don't have theirs, they need to check if they renewed for 2023

Members discounts on **tickets** and at the **bar**, plus **invitations** to other **exciting members events** such as Play Readings and Script Workshops.

FOH Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in being part of our Front of House or Bar Team?

Would you like to know what is involved of what it is all about?

Email

FOH@playerstheatre.org.au
for more information

The expressions of interest roster for "Chicago" has been sent out. Please Check your emails and let us know when you can help or click [HERE](#)

Technical Service

The theatre has now received and installed all 16 new microphones. Getting our full compliment going again just in time for our first musical.

The grant we have received for the new sound equipment has now been completely install and in use for Chicago.

We are very excited to keep the improvements to our technical equipment coming so that we can continue to put on quality shows.



Box Office
9am - 11am
Monday and Wednesday
10th April to 3rd May
or
1hr prior to each
performance

BOOK TICKETS



- **Website**
 - Logging in to playerstheatre.org.au
- At the **Players Theatre Box Office**
 - Monday and Wednesdays only between 9-11am OR
 - 1 hour prior to each performance.
- At the **Glasshouse Box Office** or ph. 6583 1888

Any queries regarding bookings - email
boxoffice@playerstheatre.org.au

OPEN MIC NIGHT

Friday 28th April
7PM until 10PM

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SHOWCASE WHERE YOU SHINE
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MEMBERS

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The PLAYERS
THEATRE Inc.
Presents

A Doll's House

Auditions

Saturday
29th April



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ONE ACT
PLAY
FESTIVAL

9th - 10th - 11th
June 2023

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CHICAGO

REHEARSAL

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SHOTS

5TH MAY –
28TH MAY



The PLAYERS
THEATRE Inc.
Presents

A Doll's House

Written by
Henrik Ibsen

Adapted and Directed by
Hamish Keddie

Assistant Director
Emily Barham

11th - 27th August

Friday & Saturday 8pm
Sunday 2pm



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ME AND MY GIRL

Musical Production October 2023

Dear Members, just a quick update. Behind the scenes, Me and My Girl preparations continue to build momentum. Two important dates for your diaries are the information day to be held Saturday 1 July at Players Theatre and Saturday 15 July for the auditions at the same venue. There will be 13 performances all up, from Friday 27 October until Sunday 19 November. Please note we have an extra Saturday matinee on the final weekend. Any member needing to know more information about the musical before 1 July, can contact me via email: adrianhomeland@live.com.

Slight change since my last update, Sim Berry will be taking up the musical baton as MD and is calling for any interested musicians who want to join the band, to email her direct on simberry2283@gmail.com

Cate Storen will be our Vocal Director and Emily Barham is the Stage Manager, what a team! Emily has asked if there are any volunteers wishing to join the crew, to email Emily directly on barham.emily65@gmail.com

Welcome to the production team. In the meantime, sit back and enjoy the many awesome events ahead of us at Players, including Chicago the musical.

Adrian Davis.



Archives

The Players Theatre Archives are always looking for old photos and videos or any old theatre items and paraphernalia to store with our archives. We can even convert them to digital files and let you keep the items. Contact Archives Coordinator on archives@playerstheatre.org.au.

Would you like a copy of a photo or programme? All of our archive photos, posters, newspaper clippings and programmes are now converted to digital files and are available to members and former cast and crew who wish to have a copy.



CHICAGO FIND-A-WORD PUZZLE

C H I C A G O G U N
A E W C K B J A Z Z
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CAN YOU FIND THE 30 BELOW WORDS IN THE GRID?

THERE SHOULD BE ONE LETTER LEFTOVER.

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ROXIE

KELLY

CELLOPHANE

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CHICAGO

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BILLY

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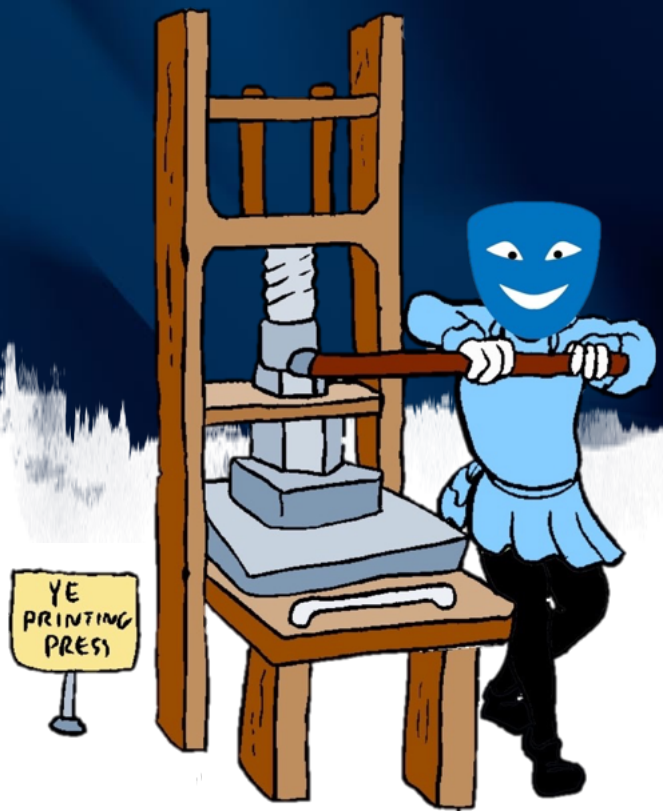
WHICH IS THE SINGLE LETTER LEFT OVER?



**Do you have something
for our next
Players Ponderings?**

**Click the submit button
below**

Deadline 21st July 2023



Submit

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Can be ordered via

Our Website: <https://www.playerstheatre.org.au/shop>

Save the Date

Open Mic Night

- 28th April @ 7pm – 10 pm

A Doll's House Auditions

- 29th April @ 10am

Chicago Opening Night

- 5th May @ 8pm

One Act Play Festival

- 9th, 10th & 11th June

AGM

- 15th June @ 7pm

*See you
there*