## PIAYERS PONDERINGS

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# The PLAYERS THEATREING.

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HAMISH KEDDIE

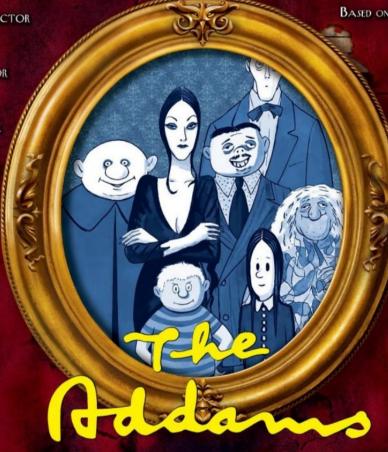
Assistant Director Jordan Frith

VOCAL DIRECTOR DEB KING

CHOREOGRAPHER KATE FORD Book by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice

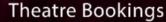
Music and Lyrics by Andrew Lippa

Based on Characters Created by Charles Addams



17 May ~ 02 June 2019 Family
A NEW MUSICAL
COMEDY

FRI AND SAT 8PM SAT AND SUN 2PM



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





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FRI 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY –
SUN 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE
FRI & SAT 8PM - SAT & SUN 2PM

THE ADDAMS FAMILY MUSICAL COMEDY TELLS THE STORY OF WEDNESDAY ADDAMS, ALL GROWN UP AND FALLEN IN LOVE WITH A 'NORMAL' AMERICAN BOY.

TWO WORLDS ARE ABOUT TO CLASH WHEN THE TWO FAMILIES MEET FOR DINNER!

WE KNOW THE TUNE, WE KNOW THE CHARACTERS SO BE AMAZED AT OUR PRODUCTION FULL OF TALENTED PERFORMERS.

DO NOT MISS THIS MUSICAL COMEDY THAT'S FULL OF LAUGHTER, LOVE, AND HEARTS!



GALA NIGHT FRIDAY 17TH MAY

Complimentary Drink and Finger Food plus a Program



#### Welcome lovely members to another edition of Players Ponderings!

Things are certainly ramping up at the theatre as we hurtle towards opening night for The Addams Family and our fabulous One Act Plav Festival (OAPF). Hamish, Jordan, Deb, Kate and the cast and crew of Addams are busy putting the finishing touches on this kooky musical comedy and if sales are anything to go by, you best get your tickets early! A huge thank you to talented our set construction crew and to Jeff Walsh and his band of merry men for their late nights helping to construct the Addams Lair! We're looking forward to seeing you all on the red carpet on opening night! While we're on the subject of opening nights, we've made some changes to our complimentary tickets system. Most of you will be aware that cast and crew members of each production receive complimentary tickets have not been redeemable on opening nights.

The committee discussed that we'd really love to see as many people in the audience as possible on opening nights so we can get word of mouth working for us much sooner in each show season. SO, complimentary tickets are now redeemable for all performances including opening night!



wonderful OAPF Our committee are now in full swing for this great event on the June Long Weekend. The next couple of months are where the rubber really hits the road when it comes to the planning and execution of the festival and I would like to thank each and every member of the festival committee and their assistants who have worked tirelessly to bring this mammoth event to our theatre. Please be sure to the festival support wherever you can, both as a audience volunteer and member.



After a long day of auditions and further call backs, Lance Thompson and his team have now cast Singin' in the Rain and we are delighted to welcome some wonderful new members to our theatre in the cast!

Dance-Man Dane Shedden will wow you as the iconic Don Lockwood! We also welcome lovely Lachlan Wilson and sassy Susan Healey to our ensemble. Don't forget to bring a raincoat!



Onto other theatre news and our ongoing tug-o-war with council regarding the infamous tree and the demountable buildings well.... ongoing. As I'm sure you can all appreciate, the process is long and drawn out and tedious to say the least, with council in no hurry to come to the party! However, efforts although our negotiate with council have so far fallen on deaf ears, we are forging ahead. We have been working with James Kay from Falvey Kay Lawyers who has provided us with invaluable advice and guidance when deciphering the relevant legal documents. Unfortunately, his workload at the moment is not conducive to our need for swift resolution and we are..

speaking with another firm regarding the ongoing management of our case. We sincerely thank James for his expertise to this point, without which we would not be in a position to push forward with confidence. As always, when new information regarding this matter comes to hand, we will pass it onto all our members.



With our AGM approaching, I encourage all of you to consider how you could contribute to this great theatre. I know the thoughts and opinions people often conjure up when they hear the word COMMITTEE, the reality is great community organisations just don't survive without them. We have such an eclectic membership with a huge range of skills and ideas, the kind of skills and ideas that will see Players succeed for generations to come.

Look at every position, it's healthy for EVERY position to go to a vote at AGM time, be sure not to associate one person with one position, putting your hand up doesn't mean you are condemning the Incumbent committee member, it just means you are passionate

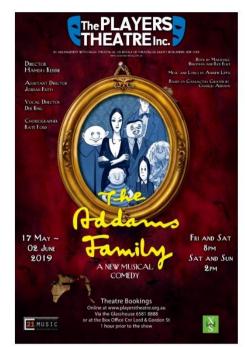
about our theatre and believe vou have something to offer in that position. Our theatre must be managed as a business be financially sustainable whilst also honouring the creative arts the Mid across North Coast.

Food for thought.



Thanks to all who attended our recent play reading night, keep your eye out for these fun nights throughout the year! These are a great way to introduce friends to Players in a casual, friendly setting, remember you don't have to read, come along for a listen!













# ACT PLAY FESTIVAL

7th - 8th - 9th June 2019

#### **Theatre Bookings**

www.playerstheatre.org.au
or at the Players Theatre
Corner of Gordon and Lord Streets Port Macquarie
One Hour Prior to Sessions







The weekend will be non stop theatre entertainment at the players theatre on Lord Street.

Theatre groups from interstate and within our own local community will be competing in our One Act Play Festival.

Our Festival is a not for profit event that unites fellow thespians in a non threatening environment of participation and competition.





#### June 7th - 8th - 9th

Its an excellent opportunity to experience and learn different approaches to stagecraft. directing and performance. We invite the wider community to as an audience to enjoy the plethora of one act plays for a nominal fee. The adjudicator for this excellent Festival is Mark Lucas from the Excalibur Theatre in Queensland. Mark is a renown playwright and director, and has many years of experience in the world of theatre and adjudication. Groups will compete for excellent prizes generously provided by our sponsors.







### **Director Lance Thompson**

#### **Principals**

#### Character

Dane Shedden
Simone Sherrin
Daniel Parleviet
Kate Petrie
Jade Smith
Paul Bishop
Harley Lindley

Don Lockwood Kathy Sheldon Cosmo Brown Lina Lamont Dora Bailey RF Simpson Roscoe Dexter

We've got a great cast for Singin in the rain, headlined by Dane Shedden (Don), Simone Sherrin (Cathy), Daniel Parlevliet (Cosmo) and Kate Petrie (Lina). With over thirty incredibly talented people auditioning for the show it took call back auditions to sort out a number of the major roles. The fun has already begun with rehearsals beginning on Easter Monday.

This is going to be a show not to be missed.

#### Minor Roles doubling as members of ensemble

Cindy Brennan Miss Dinsmore

Matt McDonald - Kearns Rod

Georgia O'Keefe Zelda Zanders

Jordan Frith - Nutt Dictation Teacher

Lachlan Wilson Policeman

Rylee Parry Cynth Phillips

#### **Dance Ensemble**

Ashleigh Kiem Sarah Rowsell Georgina Saad Rose Hawkins

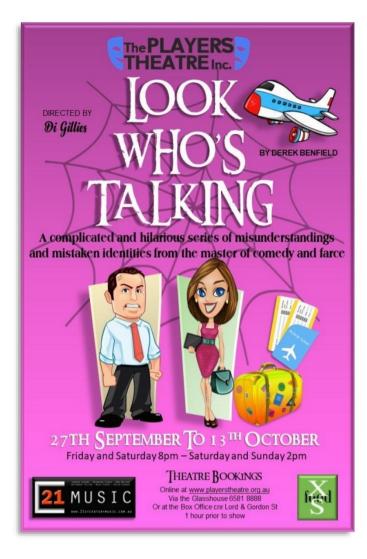
#### **Ensemble Members**

Susan Healey Rebecca Lakis-Smith Robyn Bell Thomas Allen

As this newsletter goes to print, a couple of minor roles are yet to be confirmed (stay tuned!).







27<sup>th</sup> Sept –13<sup>th</sup> Oct

A COMEDY

Directed By Di Gillies

INFORMATION DAY

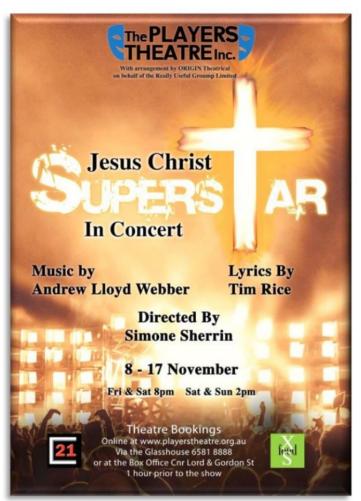
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 10am

**AUDITIONS** 

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 10am

At the Players Theatre Corner of Lord and Gordon Street





8<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> November
Directed By
Simone Sherrin

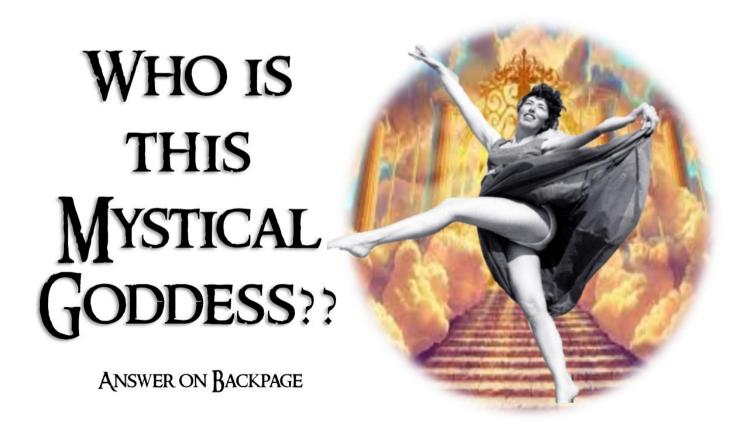
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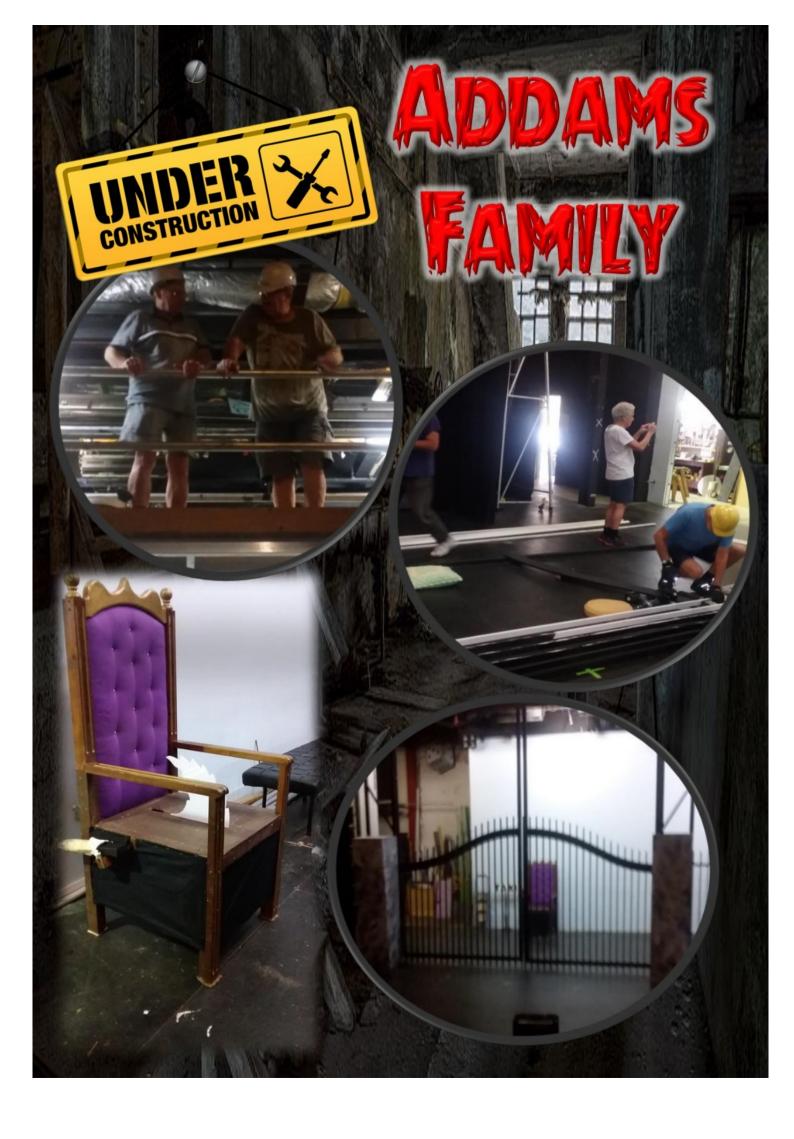
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>
August at 10am

**AUDITIONS** 

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>
August at 10am

At the Players Theatre Corner of Lord and Gordon Street









# MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

I have been in IT for 40 years and specialise in application development and process re-engineering. I have been at Players since 2008 and have been in at least one show each year since then.

Highlights are many but being Captain Von Trapp in Sound of Music is right up there.

**Steve Harris** 

## PLAYERS PONDERINGS SPORT







# SMASH HITS ON THE GREENS



The Players Theatres first foray into the field competitive sport has concluded with resounding success. Sports experts agree that Madam Fifi and the Illusionists (Players Theatre TEAM) showed signs of talent that could lead to Olympic selection. Once the issue of which side the little dot goes on was sorted out, away they went and there was no them until the stopping sausage rolls came out.

The five week tournament was played with great spirit at Port City Bowling Club (major sponsors of the One Act Play Festival) on Friday nights and all proceeds raised went to YP Space.

It appears that the Players Theatre is not only capable of turning out talented thespians but gifted athletes as well.











These finely tuned athletes really showed their style which resulted in Four wins out of five games. Team Captain Barry Bedrash put the teams surprise success down to enthusiasm & spectacular dumb luck.



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PLAYERS THEATRE SUPER STAR
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