



LPA TIMES

Liverpool Performing Arts Ensemble Inc Newsletter Volume 2 (April Edition)

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Presidential Prattle

Friends, Countrymen, Thespians, Lend me your Ear.

DIMBOOLA is here!

After months of behind the curtains organisation, we are proud to be able to officially announce auditions for our Premier Show.

The play Dimboola is the country celebration of the wedding of Morrie McAdam, a protestant, to Reen Delaney, a catholic. No holds are barred as the two families come together for the wedding, which the author Jack Hibberd calls "the testing of strengths of the newly conjugated tribes". The family members try to preserve social form and dignity in the face of impending disasters. And disasters there are a plenty! After the drink has flowed a little too freely, mayhem ensues when the families exchange insults and punches as they resolve to come to terms with the situation.

Dimboola's unique presentation of the inclusion of the audience as the wedding guests, sharing all the events and intimacies of Morrie and Reen's Big Day, make for a comedic show with a twist of uncertainty. When

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Well here we are at last. The event you've all been waiting patiently for. After a long year of hard work behind the scenes LPAE is proud to announce audition dates for our first production 'Dimboola', by Jack Hibberd.

Auditions will be held at the Mt Pritchard Community Centre, Pritchard St, Mt Pritchard on Tues 13th May from 7pm. Call to book an audition time with Jacqueline on 0408 431 540 or email at secretary@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au. Experience is not a pre-requisite.

We are also looking for assistance in areas other than on stage. Eg: Front of House Manager, Props Coordinator / Set Dresser, Costume Coordinator, Program Designer, plus more. Call Dawn on 0439 939 120 or email treasurer@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au if you are interested in being a part of the production team. See following synopsis and character descriptions.

Hope to see you all there.

Dawn Ridsdale
Production Co-Ordinator



D I M B O O L A

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guests arrive at a performance of *Dimboola*, they are in for some outrageous fun.

Sixteen characters of all age groups make up the "bridal table from hell" and while one might not like to think that we are laughing at ourselves, we all know one or more of the characters portrayed or, we have even been to a wedding just like *Dimboola*.

Like to be a part of this fantastic show? Then "No worries!" as all the details for "this auspicious occasion" can be found on our website www.liverpoolperformingarts.com.au. I hope that you all have a look, and help support this milestone for the South West!



But that's not all we have been up to. LPAE have been busily involved in establishing contacts within the region, and were delighted to receive an invitation to attend the Official Opening of The Casula Powerhouse, a cultural facility of the Liverpool City Council. The NSW Premier Morris Iemma as well as local identities attended the opening, which marks a leap in the Arts sector for the South West. You can see what's on at the Casula Powerhouse by going to their website at www.casulapowerhouse.com.

We would like to thank the Theatre Technical Manager, Stephen Walker for his time in showing us the new theatre, and to the Powerhouse Executive Director Kon Gouriotis for his extended tour of the facility prior to the opening last year.

We have also recently been contacted by the NSW Police Mental Health Intervention Team, who has asked us to assist them with their Training Workshops. We are currently working on this project, and look forward to assisting the MHIT over the coming months.

If you would like to become involved with LPAE, we would love to hear from you. There are plenty of opportunities to participate in many different aspects of theatre. Please drop us a line to lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au for more information.

Until next time, I leave you with a quote from Sir Laurence Olivier that I feel suits, considering the opening of the Casula Powerhouse:

"I believe that in a great city, or even in a small city or a village, a great theatre is the outward and visible sign of an inward and probable culture."

Phil Donney
President
Liverpool Performing Arts Ensemble Inc



School Holiday Workshops

School Holiday workshops are a great way to teach kids the fundamentals of the performing arts in a fun group activity.

The workshops will take your child through improv learning, teaching them how to think fast in often difficult scenarios. This type of learning means that your child uses his or her own imagination to role play and there are no right or wrong answers.

Workshops will be held over the June School Holidays at Cecil Hills primary School Cecil Hills. Cost per 2 hour workshop is \$10/child. Each group is divided according to age (8-12 and 13-16). For more information, to grab a copy of the workshops flyer or to book your child in please go to www.liverpoolperformingarts.com.au

OUR FRIENDS THE HOLROYD MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The Holroyd Musical and Dramatic Society are performing Les Miserables at the Redgum Centre, 2 lane St, Wentworthville.
For ticket purchases and information contact 9632 4011 during office hours.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DIMBOOLA AUDITIONS

MT PRITCHARD COMMUNITY CENTRE
7PM – 10PM TUESDAY THE 13TH OF MAY

Please make sure you arrive 20 minutes early for your audition.
Auditions usually last for 5-10 minutes.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

CECIL HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL
9AM – 11AM DURING JUNE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (DATES TO BE
CONFIRMED)

Please go to www.liverpoolperformingarts.com.au for booking
info and details on workshops

HOLROYD MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY'S PERFORMANCE OF LES MISERABLES

THE REDGUM CENTRE, 2 LANE ST, WENTWORTHVILLE
PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LISTING FOR TIMES AND DATES

Please contact 9632 4011 (During office hours for ticket
purchases and info)

DIMBOOLA

PERFORMANCES TO BE HELD AT CECIL HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL
STARTING FROM THE 1ST TO THE 9TH OF AUGUST 2008 (PLEASE SEE
WEBSITE FOR TIMES CLOSER TO THE DATE)

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info and details

Other Information

- Be on the lookout for our July Auditions of A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare.
- The Liverpool Performing Arts is on the lookout for a new home, all suggestions should be made to lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au
- The Liverpool Performing Arts Ensemble has sponsorship packages available to businesses in the Liverpool area wanting to get involved in something a little different. Please contact Jacqueline at secretary@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au or 0408 431 540 for more information or to be sent sponsorship package information.

Until Next Time!

The Liverpool Performing Arts Ensemble Inc.

