



# LPA TIMES

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## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In two short years the Liverpool Performing Arts has come a long way. We have built assets, created strong relationships and are now performing our third production with an incredible cast of professionals, some new and some "old".

So now that we have turned 2, what next? Over the next 2 years, the Liverpool Performing Arts has plans to put on another 4 performances, expand on relationships, build bigger assets, and find a home to put those assets, but we need the support of the local community to do this. So whether you want to perform, direct, build sets or know of an unused storage area that we can use, then pick up the phone or send us an email and get involved!

On another note, the tech savvy Liverpool Performing Arts have logged onto social networking site Facebook to pose a question: What shall we perform next? If you or someone you know wants to see or be a part of a particular show, then log onto Facebook or send us an email with your suggestions.

Happy Birthday LPA & thank you to everyone for helping us get this far.

Peter Hornjik  
*Vice President*

## COSI by Louis Nowra ONSALE NOW!!

COSI is now well into the rehearsal period and we only have 9 rehearsals till opening night. We ran all of Act 2 last night and will do Act 1 on Thursday. There are some great things happening on stage as the very talented cast develop their characters.

The interaction between characters is building nicely and we are focusing on bringing out the dialogue and the humour. We are still laughing at the lines and situations which is a very positive sign. The cast are bonding well which helps with character interaction.

Phil has built us a stage which we are all very excited about. He is a man of many talents. There are still some logistical things to sort out (isn't there always) so once they are sorted it is full steam ahead. Please come and enjoy the show and bring all your friends.

John Brown (*Director*)

### CAST

Lewis	Doug Bryant
Roy	Phil Donney
Lucy	Christine Sedgwick
Nick	Ian Fletcher
Julie	Maryann Wright
Cherry	Melissa Spiteri
Ruth	Dawn Ridsdale
Zac	Mark O'Sullivan
Henry	Ken Fletcher
Doug	Matthew Orchard
Justine	Cathy Laezza

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 8pm  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2pm & 8pm  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 8pm  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 8pm

Casula Powerhouse  
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Adult \$20, Student/Senior \$16  
Tickets purchased via phone on 0439 939 120  
Or online at [www.liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](http://www.liverpoolperformingarts.com.au)

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## VOLUNTEERS + HELPERS

A show cannot go on without all the hard work behind the scenes. This being so we still require some assistance as Front of House crew for our productions of *COS!*.

Specifically, if you or anyone you know has an endorsed RSA (Responsible Service of Alcohol) certificate, their skills would be especially appreciated.

If you or anyone you know could spare a couple of hours during all or any of our productions, please contact our Production Co-ordinator Dawn at [treasurer@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](mailto:treasurer@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au)

## MEMBERS ON THE MOVE

- **Ken Fletcher** currently starring as Henry in our upcoming production of *Cosi* can be seen in Penrith Musical Comedy Company's May production of *Footloose*, playing Uncle Wes.
- **Phil Donney** currently starring as Roy in our upcoming production of *Cosi*, is stage managing NTT Production Inc's June production of *Black Adder*, and makes a minor appearance in the production as Randy Sailor and Drunk Monk.
- **Jenny Bryant** (*Dimboola*, 2008) can be seen in Holroyd Musical Society's May production of *The Wizard of Oz*.
- **Allison Brown** (*Dimboola & That Scottish Play*, 2008) can be seen in Blacktown City Community Theatre's July production of *Rent*.

See the Social Calendar section for booking details for upcoming events that Liverpool Performing Arts will be taking part in. If you have a suggestion for another production we CAN'T miss, please let us know.

If you're a past or present member of LPA, let us know what you're up too. Keep us in the loop by forwarding casting results and show details to [secretary@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](mailto:secretary@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au).

## HAPPY 2<sup>ND</sup> BIRTHDAY LPAE!!

The Liverpool Performing Arts Ensemble has turned 2 and we want to celebrate! The gang will be headed to Western Sydney Parklands for a mighty bbq feast and all of our members are invited to attend.

Where: Western Sydney Parklands, Entry via cnr of Elizabeth Dr & Windsor Rd Cecil Hills

When: July 11 - 1pm until 4pm

What to bring: BBQ meat and drinks will be supplied on the day. All we request is that you bring a plate of finger food or side dish to add to the yumminess ☺

An invitation will be sent closer to the day but for any other information please contact the secretary on 0408431540

## CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSET?

Tying to decide what to do with those shirts or jackets etc. that you can't bare to throw away, but know that a time to wear them again may never come? Then donate them to us and watch them dazzle on stage!!

We are looking for early 70s Australian fashion for our production of *Cosi*. If you think you can help, contact Production Coordinator on 0439 939 120

## WANTED

As LPAE celebrates its 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday, and our boys are working hard building wonderful new sets, we are still in need of a space for storage.

Communication is still being made through Liverpool Council who will hopefully come through with something, however if you do know of somewhere that could be used please drop us an email at: [lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](mailto:lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au)



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## SOCIAL CALENDAR

There are lots of wonderful and exciting productions coming up within the next few months. Liverpool Performing Arts will be organising group bookings to the following events. If you are interested in being part of the group, please contact the Social Events co-ordinator Melissa Spiteri on 0404 169 836 or email [lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](mailto:lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au)

### MAY – *Footloose*

Presented by Penrith Musical Comedy Company  
Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May, 8.00pm  
Tickets: Adult \$30



### JUNE – *Black Adder*

Presented by NTT Productions Inc  
Lennox Theatre, Riverside Theatres  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 8.00pm  
Tickets: Adult \$30

### AUGUST – *Avenue Q*

Presented by Arts Asia Pacific & Power Arts  
Theatre Royal, Sydney  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August, 7.00pm  
Tickets: Adult \$65



## A MOMENT WITH... Mathew Orchard

Matt Orchard is currently playing the part of pyromaniac Doug in Liverpool Performing Arts third production... COSI.

**So Matt, what was the last play you went to see?**  
I saw a collection of short plays at Newtown Theatre called Short and Sweet.

**What is your favourite play – of all time?**  
Carousel the Musical

**What character do you relate to in life?**  
Benjamin from the Graduate

**Why is that?**  
He's straight out of school and doesn't really know what to do.

**Not because he's attracted to older women?**  
I think he wasn't really attracted to older women, he was just seduced, I mean he was really in love with the daughter... no wait, can I change it?

**Nope... ☺ So do you have any secret ambitions?**  
No, I'm pretty open about all of my ambitions

**You have mentioned before that you want to be a professional actor, who would you want to star alongside?**  
Ed Norton and Dustin Hoffman, they are my favourite actors

**Do you want to be rich and famous?**  
Would be nice, I'd have more options then

**What would you buy with your first million?**  
A house for my mum with hard wood floors, she would be here by then, so she'd like that.

Thank you Matt and good luck with the production



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President: Phil Donney  
 Vice-President: Peter Hornjik  
 Treasurer: Dawn Ridsdale  
 Secretary: Jacqueline Hornjik  
 General Member: Melissa Spiteri  
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For any general enquiries, please contact: -  
[lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](mailto:lpaadmin@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au)

Liverpool Performing Arts Ensemble Inc also offers plenty of opportunities to participate in many different aspects of the theatre, so if you would like to become involved with LPAE we would love to hear from you. Drop us a line at:  
[treasurer@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au](mailto:treasurer@liverpoolperformingarts.com.au).

## A TECH SAVVY COMPANY

Don't forget to look for us on Facebook.

Simply type "Liverpool Performing Arts" in the search box & locate us in the Groups listings. It's an open group, which means that anyone can join, so invite your friends, family and theatre colleagues to join us online.

