

SPOTLIGHT

NEWSLETTER OF PHOENIX PLAYERS

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Welcome to our August edition of Spotlight.

This edition provides information on Eurobeat, the upcoming AGM and much more...

Enjoy!



Currently showing!

Don't miss it – get your tickets NOW!

Bookings at the Street on 6247 1223. Get a group together and vote for your favourite country. Tickets \$33 adult, \$31 member/group, \$28 concession and \$23 child.

EUROBEAT: 24 August to 8 September 2007 at the Street Two

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The Annual General Meeting of Phoenix Players Inc will be held on **Tuesday 18 September at 8pm** in Meeting Room 1 at the Belconnen Community Centre. The AGM agenda will be forwarded separately.

At this meeting, the committee is proposing a change to the Phoenix Players constitution – the Notice to Amend the Constitution is attached. The motion is to remove the role of “Technical Storage Officer” from the list of Office Bearers. The Committee considers that this role is no longer required as an Office Bearer mainly because more of our set building is now being done professionally. This has been necessary due to insurance and safety issues and lack of people, both skilled and willing, to be involved in set building. Also, with the resignation of the Technical Storage Officer in January, this role was not re-filled, and this did not have any detrimental effects on the functioning of the Committee.

The AGM is also when Phoenix Players members have the opportunity to vote for your committee, and support the winner of the Michael Thomas Award for 2006-07. This year we also have a new award - "The Ashes" award for contribution and commitment to Phoenix Players beyond the normal call of duty. "The Ashes" award recognises the contribution of those hard working people behind the scenes, without which our shows would just not be possible.

A proxy form is also attached, if you are unable to attend the meeting and wish to nominate someone else to vote in your place.

Note that you must be a current Phoenix Players member to vote.

THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER

Thank you to everyone who auditioned for Tom Sawyer, the field was very strong. Our congratulations go to all those who were successful in obtaining a part in this show. Judging by the wonderful talent we have secured, it is bound to be a fabulous show!



We will publish the cast list in the next newsletter, once it has been finalised.

Mark Twain's classic story comes to exuberant life in this musical adaptation of a favorite children's book. *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* is the irresistible story of a fourteen-year-old boy growing up in the heartland of America. This musical version of Mark Twain's immortal novel is set in 1840 in St. Petersburg, Missouri, a bustling town on the banks of the Mississippi River. In the course of the story, Tom matches wits with his stern Aunt Polly, falls in love with the beautiful, feisty Becky Thatcher, and goes on the adventure of his life with Becky and that irresistible renegade, Huckleberry Finn. Along the way we meet a terrifying villain named Injun Joe, Tom's bratty half-brother Sid, and all the other boys and girls in the village - providing one scene-stealing children's role after the other.

Director – John Alford...Musical Director – Graham Magarry... Choreographer – Ylaria Rogers

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Don't forget to renew your membership, or join if you are new to Phoenix Players! Everyone in a Phoenix show needs to be a member to be covered by insurance. And there are also some other great benefits such as regular updates via Spotlight and tickets to Phoenix shows at member prices. So send in your membership form now! The membership application/renewal form is attached to this newsletter. You also need to be a member to vote in the AGM...

PHOENIX RISING

The committee is always interested in receiving proposals from new directors, playwrights with original works, and other first timers, to take part in the Phoenix Rising program. Please send your proposals to the mail address at the top of this newsletter, or via email to phoenix_players@yahoo.com.au.

THEATRE AROUND CANBERRA

What's happening around town in August and September...

Phoenix Players – Eurobeat, Almost Eurovision – 24 August to 8 September 2007 at the Street Two. Tickets \$33 adult, \$31 member/group, \$28 concession and \$23 child. Bookings 6247 1223.

Canberra Repertory – Room to Move. A comedy by one of Australia's leading playwrights. At Theatre 3 Ellery Crescent Acton from 3 – 25 August: Wed – Sat 8pm (except Wed 8 Aug); Matinees Saturdays 11 & 18 Aug 2pm; Twilight Sunday 19 Aug 4pm; Preview 2 Aug 8pm. Tickets - Full \$33, Conc. \$25, groups 10+ \$2 off each ticket. Bookings: 6257 1950 (9am-5pm Monday to Friday or in person at the theatre).

Canberra Philharmonic – The Producers. 7 - 22 September at Erindale Theatre. Adults A Reserve \$45 B Reserve \$42; Members A Reserve \$40 B Reserve \$38; Concession (Pensioners & Health Card) A Reserve \$38 B Reserve \$35; Student (Full-time) A Reserve \$38 B Reserve \$35; Child (aged 14 & under) A Reserve \$27 B Reserve \$25; Family (2 Adults + 2 Children) A Reserve \$128 B Reserve \$120; Group Bookings (10+) A Reserve \$38 B Reserve \$35 each. Bookings: Phone 6247 4456 or email ticketing@philo.org.au or book online <http://ticketing.philo.org.au/>

Llewellyn Choir - Out of the Cupboard. An evening of light choral favourites: Morley, Spirituals, World Folk songs, Fauré and more. Thursday 13 September 2007 at Weston Creek Uniting Church 19 Parkinson Street, Weston ACT. Tickets \$25.00. Concession \$20.00. Family \$60.00 available at the door.

Canberra Repertory – Hay Fever. Noël Coward's Hay Fever is a comedy of manners about a family whose theatrical excesses torment a group unsuspecting visitors. 21 September – 13 October Wed – Sat 8pm (except Wed 26 Sept); Matinees Saturdays 29 Sept & 6 Oct 2pm; Twilight Sunday 7 Oct 5pm; Preview 20 Sept 8pm. Bookings: 6257 1950 (9am-5pm Monday to Friday or in person at the theatre).

Supa Productions – Oliver. Based on the famous novel by Charles Dickens, Oliver! will engage you with its pathos and drama, while delighting everyone with its outstanding musical numbers. Dickens' characters are brought to life-perhaps larger than life-with all their facets glowing in this production. 28 September - 13 October 2007 at the Street Theatre. Preview on 27 September, 28 & 29 September at 8pm, 3 to 6 October at 8pm, 10 to 13 October at 8pm, matinees 6 and 13 October at 2pm. Standard tickets \$38, Concessions \$32, Child \$25, Family \$110, first Wednesday (3 October) all adults at concession prices. Bookings 6247 1223.

**NOTICE TO MEMBERS
OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT
TO CONSTITUTION OF PHOENIX PLAYERS INCORPORATED.**

The Committee of Phoenix Players Incorporated recommend the following change to the Constitution.

We move that -

The Constitution be amended by special resolution at the Annual General Meeting of Phoenix Players Incorporated on September 18, 2007 as follows:-

Clause 5 - Sub Item 5.2 of the Constitution be amended from:-

"The Office Bearers of the Association shall be as follows:-

President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Community Liaison Officer, Technical and Storage Officer, Production Selection Coordinator, Committee Member."

to -

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President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Community Liaison Officer, Production Selection Coordinator, Committee Member."

PROXY FORM

I, _____ (name), being a financial member of Phoenix Players Incorporated, wish to nominate _____ (name) to act as my proxy at the Annual General Meeting on 18 September 2007.

My vote for the motion:

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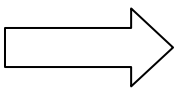
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is

Yes (agree to change constitution as described above)

No (disagree)

(please tick one)



Please fax to (02) 6267 3699 or mail to PO Box 51 Belconnen ACT 2616, to reach us by 17 September 2007. Or give this form to someone who can bring it along to the meeting.