

# SPOTLIGHT

## NEWSLETTER OF PHOENIX PLAYERS

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Welcome to our August edition of Spotlight.

This issue contains

- A link to our new Miss Saigon website
- A request for help with MS costumes
- Announcement of our upcoming shows
- Happy birthday messages
- And more...

Enjoy!



### MISS SAIGON UPDATE!

Check out our new website – dedicated to our production of Miss Saigon:

[www.miss-saigon-canberra.com](http://www.miss-saigon-canberra.com)

You will also find links to this site from the Phoenix Players and Supa websites. This site will ensure that there is only one version of the information out there, and will let us use one link in future promotions.

We also have an official facebook event... so don't create your own – use ours ☺

Host: Phoenix Players and Supa Productions  
Start time: Thursday, 12 November, 2009 at 8:00pm  
End time: Saturday, 28 November, 2009 at 11:00pm  
Location: ANU Arts Centre  
Street: Union Court (off North Road)  
City/Town: Acton, ACT



**Season dates: 12 – 28 November 2009**

Presented by Phoenix Players and Supa Productions Inc.

### SEWING HELPERS – MISS SAIGON

Our fabulous costume designer for Miss Saigon, Judy Satrapa, is looking for volunteers to help with sewing. So no matter what your ability or capacity, Judy will find something you can assist with.

Please contact Judy on (02) 6292 6358 (ah), 0417 662 594 (mob) or via email to [judy@home.netspeed.com.au](mailto:judy@home.netspeed.com.au) if you can help.



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## ANNOUNCING OUR 2010/11 SEASON

In 2010 we will be presenting two theatre events. The highly comical, musical “Best Little Whorehouse in Texas” and a double bill of Disney Junior shows “Cinderella” and “The Aristocats”.

### Best Little Whorehouse in Texas

This multi-Tony Award winning musical was made popular with the film of the same name, starring Burt Reynolds, Dolly Parton and Dom DeLuise. It provides opportunities for lead roles and lots of supporting roles, a great dancing chorus and an additional strong vocal chorus. Lots of fun.....Yeehah!

*It is the late 1970s, a brothel has been operating outside of fictional Gilbert, Texas for more than a century. It is under the proprietorship of Miss Mona Stangley, having been left to her by the original owner. While taking care of her girls, she is also on good terms with the local sheriff, Ed Earl Dodd. When crusading television reporter Melvin P. Thorpe (based on real-life Houston news personality Marvin Zindler) decides to make the illegal activity an issue, political ramifications cause the place to be closed down.*

### Disney’s “Cinderella” and “The Aristocats”

“Cinderella” is such a well known story and combined with the great Disney score this show is a family favourite. It will be performed alongside another Disney classic with an Academy Award winning score “The Aristocats”. A fun bunch of cats with a lot of attitude. These will provide great opportunities for young performers and will be an ideal show for the young and the young at heart!

We are also very pleased to announce that we are planning to present “The Wizard of Oz” in 2011.

Of course if you have a favourite show you would like to see Phoenix produce in the future or a show you might like to direct, choreograph or musically direct (or perhaps work as an assistant in these areas) please don't forget to let us know. Send an email through to [phoenix\\_players@yahoo.com.au](mailto:phoenix_players@yahoo.com.au) with your ideas. Your ideas are important to us!

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The Annual General Meeting of Phoenix Players Inc will be held on **Tuesday 29 September 2009 at 7:30pm** in the Whitlam Room Alcove at the Canberra Labor Club. The AGM agenda will be forwarded separately. A proxy form will be forwarded with the agenda, in case 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.

This year we will be looking to increase our membership fees. However, the increase in price will come with an increase in the benefits of membership – we've managed to negotiate some great deals for Phoenix members. In order to increase fees, we need to amend the Phoenix Players constitution, so a Notice of Motion will be included in the agenda pack that we will be sending out.

The AGM is the opportunity for Phoenix Players members to vote for your committee, and support the winners of the Michael Thomas and The Ashes Awards for 2008-09, so please come along.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

Congratulations and happy birthday to our members (and special guests) who celebrate their birthdays in August:

Daniel Arquero	4	August
Amy Callan	15	August
Aisling Delahunt	20	August
James Harley	20	August
Phil Perman	24	August
Andrew Topperwien	29	August

### Leo (July 23 – August 22)

Your element: Fire  
Your ruling planets: The Sun  
Symbol: The Lion  
Your stone: Peridot  
Life Pursuit: To lead the way  
Vibration: Radiant Energy  
Leo's Secret Desire: To be a star



### Virgo (August 23 – September 22)

Your element: Earth  
Your ruling planets: Mercury  
Symbol: The Virgin  
Your stone: Sapphire  
Life Pursuit: To do the right thing  
Vibration: Compassionate and caring  
Virgo's Secret Desire: To love and be loved in return

Note: If you have any objections to having your birthday published in the newsletter, please email the editor a few months before your birthday on [gaby.schmid@finance.gov.au](mailto:gaby.schmid@finance.gov.au)

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## THEATRE AROUND CANBERRA

Click on this link to get all the info:  
<http://www.canberralocaltheatre.info/>

**canberralocaltheatre.info**

*theatre in Canberra - information for local theatre goers*

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## 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 can be found on our website at <http://www.phoenixplayers.com.au/images/membershipform.pdf>

Remember you need to be a member to vote in the AGM. We will be accepting membership renewals at the AGM.

