

SPOTLIGHT

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Welcome to our June edition of Spotlight.

This edition provides information on the cast lists for the upcoming Phoenix shows – the one act plays in June and Eurobeat, which will play in August/September. We also announce our January 2008 show!

PHOENIX RISING – DOUBLE ACT

Get your tickets now for the inaugural Phoenix Rising program Double Act which will showcase two one-act plays **from June 27 – 30, at the Street Two.**

Albert – Directed by Dim Ristevski

Nico	Dennis Bittisnich
Albert	Martin Searles
Karin	Bozana Krsteska

Synopsis: A one act play by Richard Harris - When three strangers come together, none of whom speak each other's language, chaos reigns. Two of the three characters speak only their native tongue, Italian and Finnish, but what we hear is straightforward English. Occasionally they attempt a few words in an alien tongue but this serves only to hurtle them faster towards an unexpected resolution of the challenges of the European Union.

Fairytale Ending – Written and Directed by Jonathan Garland.

Libby	Sarah Purdue
Jenny	Jodi McAlister
Josh	Adrian Flor
David	Alex Rouse
Michael	Reid Workman

Synopsis: Five young people are spending three days on an island in search of a rare spider. But each also has a more personal motive. When a group of young adults, all with issues of romance and relationships to sort out, are forced into such close proximity, there are bound to be fireworks. Is it going to end happily ever after for any of them?

So please come and support the inaugural Phoenix Rising production – Phoenix Rising Double Act. Tickets are only \$20 (or \$18 for members, groups and concessions). Book NOW on 6247 1223!



Well, the panel were WOWed by everyone who auditioned for Eurobeat, Almost Eurovision and are pleased to announce the following cast:

Country	Character/Act	Played by:
Italy	Vesuvia Versace	Erika Tolano
Germany	Herbert Gönemeyer Jnr	Kevin Crowe
Iceland	Gert Grollmersdetter	Jessica Taylor
UK	Rayne & Sheiner:	Toni Maxfield, Michael Hemming
Estonia	Toomas Jerker & The Stone Hard Boys	Tim Sekules, Daniel Aquero & James Harley
Greece	Persephone	Jessica Taylor
Russia	KGBoyz	Tim Sekules, Micheal Hemming James Harley & Mark Willis
Hungary	The Molnar Sisters:	Toni Maxfield, Erika Tolano, Amy Dunham, Alyce Nesbitt
Ireland	Ronan Corr	James Harley
France	Estelle Lacroix	Janelle McMenamin
Liechtenstein	Nepotism	TBA
Sweden	AVLA:	Lara Jurkiewicz, Amy Dunham, Tim Sekules, Michael Hemming
Hosts	Bronya Sergei	Michelle Klemke Max Gambale
Ensemble		Kathryn Jones, Margie Roser, Jane Faulder

And we also have a winning Production Team:

Director - Gordon Nicholson
 Musical Director - Sean Ladlow
 Choreographer - Emma Tattam
 Production Manager - Pam McManus
 Production Assistant - Nola Russell
 Stage Manager - Myles Leon
 Costumes - Christine Pawlicki
 Sets - Brian Sudding (Sudzsets)
 Lighting/Sound Design - Chris Neal (Eclipse)
 Publicity - Pam McManus
 Programme/Poster Design - Kate Gosling (Designanytime)

So make sure you put these dates in your diary so you don't miss out on a fabulous night of entertainment!

24 August to 8 September 2007 at the Street Two

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.

JANUARY 2008 SHOW

Phoenix Players are pleased to announce our January 2008 show:

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer at Theatre 3

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.



The main production team is:

Director – John Alford

Musical Director – Graham Magarry

Choreographer – Ylaria Rogers

Auditions will occur around Aug/Sep... Stay tuned to further editions of Spotlight for more information.

THEATRE AROUND CANBERRA

What's happening around town in June and July...

PhoenixRising – Double Act – *Albert* by Richard Harris and *Fairytale Ending* by Jon Garland.
Dates: June 27 - 30. Performances at Street Two. **Tickets are only \$20 (or \$18 for members, groups and concessions). Book NOW on 6247 1223!**

Canberra Repertory – 33rd Old Time Music Hall - Season 14 - 23 June; 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, & 23 June at 8pm; Matinee Saturday 16 & 23 at 2pm; Prices: Full price - \$44.50; Concessions - \$40.50; Children/U27 - \$30; Groups (10+) Take \$2 off each ticket; Booking fees may apply.

Canberra Dramatics – The Recruiting Officer – Opens 21 June at the Tuggeranong Arts Centre. Tickets are now on sale, to book, telephone 6293 1443.

BKu Theatre – Accidental Death of an Anarchist – from Wed 6th June to Sat 9th June and Wed 13th June to Sat 16th June. The show will start at 8pm and finish at 10:30pm. Adults: \$10; Concession: \$7. For bookings or further enquires you can contact Mick Keane on 0404 196 881 or calon-segur@grapevine.com.au.

Child Players ACT – Through the Looking Glass, and what Alice found there – 11.00 am and 3.00 pm on 12, 13, 14, 15 and 18, 19, 20 and 21 July at the Belconnen Theatre, Swanson Court, Belconnen. All tickets \$12.50. Bookings on 6247 4456 or through ticketing@philo.org.au.



MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss _____
(full name)

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone no: Work: _____ Home: _____

Day of birth _____ **Month of birth** _____ **Year of birth** _____

Age range: under 5 13-17 25-40
(please circle) 6-12 18-25 over 40

Areas of interest:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> directing | <input type="checkbox"/> production management | <input type="checkbox"/> stage management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> acting | <input type="checkbox"/> front-of-house | <input type="checkbox"/> backstage crew |
| <input type="checkbox"/> costume design | <input type="checkbox"/> props | <input type="checkbox"/> lighting design/operation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> costume sewing | <input type="checkbox"/> orchestra/instrumental | <input type="checkbox"/> sound design/operation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> set design | <input type="checkbox"/> make-up | <input type="checkbox"/> arranging social activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> set building/painting | <input type="checkbox"/> hairdressing | <input type="checkbox"/> poster distribution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> participation in workshops | <input type="checkbox"/> advertising/poster design |

I also have the following skills and experience which I would like to offer to Phoenix Players:

Membership also entitles you to ticket price concessions and regular issues of the Spotlight Newsletter.

Membership fee enclosed:	<input type="checkbox"/> full membership	\$15
	<input type="checkbox"/> concession membership	\$10
	<input type="checkbox"/> family membership	\$25
I also enclose a donation of		\$
Total		<u>\$</u>

Please send to: Membership Secretary
Phoenix Players Inc.
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