

# SPOTLIGHT

## NEWSLETTER OF PHOENIX PLAYERS

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Welcome to our May edition of Spotlight.

This month we are seeking expressions of interest for directors wishing to stage a show, and also any interest in entering the Canberra Festival of one act plays –see below for more information.



### IT WAS THAT WAY WHEN I GOT HERE – BOOK NOW!

Get your tickets now!! Some shows are close to selling out... Opens May 8!

Don't miss this hilarious new Australian musical by Andrew Hackwill and Jonathan Flack.

Call Theatre 3 on **6257 1950** (office hours 9am-5pm, Mon to Fri) to secure your seats. Remember, there are only 5 performances...



Alyce Nesbitt (as Ooma), Toby Francis (as Jochen) and Jane Kellett (Francha)

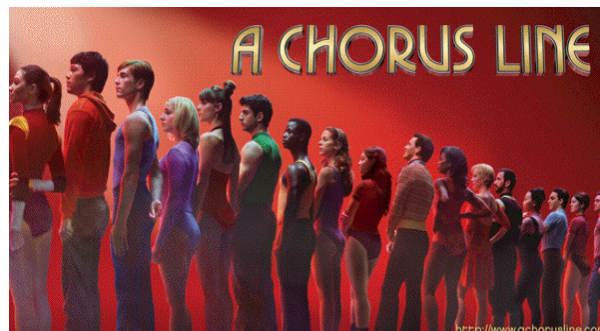


Mark Woods as Sister Elton John

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## A CHORUS LINE

Rehearsals are progressing well and some missing roles in the cast have now been filled. We would like to welcome Craig Francis (as Al) and Dave Smith (as Ritchie) to the Chorus Line cast.



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## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### Musicals

We are seeking expressions of interest from directors to stage future shows with Phoenix Players. Our selection criteria for shows are as follows:

1. Cost Recovery: the show needs to be financially viable to enable PP to at least recover costs of production.
2. Well Known: the show should be well known (eg from Film/Movie recognition) or popular
3. Cast Opportunities: Need to consider size and age range of cast – would like to give opportunities to a relatively wide range of people
4. Exciting Opportunities: We need to look at new shows, or shows that offer something that members of the theatre community would be interested in being involved with (notwithstanding the above criteria)
5. Achievable: We need to make sure the shows we choose are achievable in terms of set, costumes, orchestra, cast (availability and talent).

Please send your expressions of interest to [phoenix\\_players@yahoo.com.au](mailto:phoenix_players@yahoo.com.au) by close of business **Friday 16 May 2008**.

### One Act Plays

We are seeking expressions of interest from anyone who would like to enter a play into the Canberra Festival of One-Act Plays.

The festival runs from Friday 10 October to Sunday 12 October 2008 at Theatre 3, Ellery Crescent, Acton.

Check out the festival website at <http://www.canberraplayfest.com.au/> for more information.

Please send your expressions of interest to [phoenix\\_players@yahoo.com.au](mailto:phoenix_players@yahoo.com.au) by close of business **Friday 16 May 2008**.

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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 is attached to this newsletter.

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## THEATRE AROUND CANBERRA

What's happening around town in April and May...

**Phoenix Players – *IT WAS THAT WAY WHEN I GOT HERE*** – World Premiere! Original musical comedy by Andrew Hackwill and Jonathan Flack. At Theatre 3 from 8 -11 May. Bookings 6257 1950.

**Baby Boomers** – Tuggeranong Arts Centre - Fri, May 2, 8:00pm, Sat 3 May 2pm & 8pm. Tuggeranong Centre for the Arts. Bookings: 6293 1443.

**Supa Productions – *Pink Floyd's "The Wall"*** – 9 – 24 May at the ANU Arts Centre. Bookings 1300 737 363 or online – see the Supa Website <http://www.supaproductionsinc.com/> for instructions.

**Queanbeyan Players – *South Pacific***. At The Q from 16 - 31 May 2008. Tickets are on sale from The Q now - call 6298 0290 or visit the box office.

**FREE RAIN – *Rebel without a Cause*** from Thurs 1 May to Sat 17 May at the Courtyard Studio, London Circuit, Canberra. Tickets available from Canberra Ticketing.

**Canberra Dramatics – *Clowns in Winter*** from 23-30 May. Bookings at The Street Theatre on 6247 1223 or online at [www.thestreet.org.au](http://www.thestreet.org.au).

**Canberra Philharmonic Society – *A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum***. Thursday – Saturday, 15 – 31 May – At the Canberra Southern Cross Club. Dinner & show 7pm |\$65; Show only 8.30pm \$25. Bookings 6283 7288.



## MEMBERSHIP FORM

**Name:** Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss \_\_\_\_\_  
(full name)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone no:** Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of birth** \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Age range:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	under 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	18-25	<input type="checkbox"/>	46-55
(please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/>	6-12	<input type="checkbox"/>	25-35	<input type="checkbox"/>	56-65
	<input type="checkbox"/>	13-17	<input type="checkbox"/>	36-45	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over 65

**Areas of interest (please tick):**

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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:

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\_\_\_\_\_

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** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send to:** Membership Secretary  
Phoenix Players Inc.  
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