



DRIFTWOOD PLAYERS' BOARD WALK



Driftwood Players' Newsletter

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Here & There

Driftwood Players put on a variety of short performances in what was billed as "An Evening of Satire & Silliness" for the final weekend of **SOPA (Showcase Of Performing Arts)** at the Heritage Playhouse. Trish Atkinson, Marilyn Browning, Kevin Crofton, Matthew Evans, David Hurtubise, Nest Lewis, David Short, and Ed White were involved in "Beyond The Fringe" pieces as well as work written by Marilyn Browning, Kevin Crofton, and Matthew Evans. Although the audiences were not large, they were fun evenings for everyone and, financially, we broke even after providing the 60% of the ticket money for the Heritage Playhouse. This was the arrangement that all performers during SOPA had agreed to. SOPA was a joint venture of Driftwood Players and the Gibsons Landing Heritage Society. There are plans in the works already for a repeat the showcase next year.



The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Towns- women's Guild Dramatic Society's Production of A Christmas Carol

Yep, that's the title of our fall production! Described as being "another classic, dramatic massacre with an awesome, convincing idiocy that enthral, despite one's better judgement", this play features the F.A.H.E.T.G.D.S. ladies mounting (or at-

tempting to mount) their stage version of *A Christmas Carol*. This comedy leads in to the Christmas season when it is performed from November 14th to 30th at the Heritage Playhouse. Dave Hurtubise has agreed to direct the play. If you're interested in being in the play, please see the next item.

Call For Auditions

Auditions for *The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Towns-women's Guild Dramatic Society's Production of A Christmas Carol* will be held on Saturday, August 24th, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Heritage Playhouse. Auditions are by appointment only, by calling David Short at 604.886.8228 or emailing dshort@dccnet.com. There are 4 women and 1 man in the play, with each person playing several parts. One of the female parts is young, while the rest are "over 40". In addition there will be a need for at least 2 male voice-overs. Aspiring actors should prepare a comedy monologue of no more than 2 minutes and be ready to perform a 30-second segment of a Christmas carol of your choice.

Help Needed

If you are able and willing to help in any way backstage or front of house for our fall production, please let us know by phoning David short at 604.886.8228 or emailing dshort@dccnet.com.

Scrapbook Project

The scrapbook project is progressing really well – thank you to all that found items that could be copied or included in our binders. Presently we have 2 binders

full of cuttings and programs, from the over 30 years of Driftwood Players performances.

Donna Wallace and Pam Feichtner have been working on this project diligently, but we are still looking for more information. If you have any cuttings, programs or other memorabilia that you could share with us, please call Pam Feichtner at 604.886.7476



Spring Production A Success

Our April/May production was well-attended and received acclaim from reviewers and the audiences. The *Coast Reporter* headlined their review with "*Confusions lays on*

chuckles, belly laughs and a riot". With the recent addition of new members to our acting strength, we are seeing a markedly higher level of "professionalism" among our amateur group. We are always looking for new talent, new people to work backstage, and new people to support our endeavours by becoming members of Driftwood Players. Please encourage others to become part of our burgeoning group!

Murder Mystery for Spring 2003

Driftwood Players will be putting on a production, which will be a change of pace from recent works with their spring production. It has been decided to mount an Agatha Christie murder mystery in April – with *Ten Little Indians* presently topping the list of plays to perform. David Short has agreed to direct the play



Membership Application / Renewal Form

Name: _____ Phone: h. _____ w. _____

Mailing Address: _____, Street Address: _____

City & Postal Code: _____ Previous Member? (Y/N) _____

E-mail: _____

Interested in: Acting , Directing , Producing , Publicity , Stage Managing ,
Props , Backstage work , Set Design , Set Construction , Sound , Lighting
, Front of House , Ticket Sales , Program Design & Publication , Play readings , Theatre go-er ,
Executive leadership , Newsletter publication , Other _____

Please return this form, with your 2002 membership dues (\$10 cheque made out to Driftwood Players) to:

The Secretary / Treasurer, Driftwood Players, 662 North Road, Gibsons, BC V0N 1V9