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FEBRUARY 2023

PRODUCTIONS 2023

We are pleased to announce that our productions for this year have been cast.

First "cab off the rank" will be the Australian classic "AWAY" written by Michael Gow, to be staged at the Earl Arts Centre from 19th – 28th April and directed by Megan Jolly.

Rehearsals are underway and the cast list is as follows:

Tom – Angus Purtell Meg – Angie Collins Gwen – Georgie Todman Jim – Travis Hennessy

Vic – Kathryn Gray Harry – Chris Bryg Coral – Anne Riley Roy – Julius Godman

"A CLOCKWORK ORANGE" written by Anthony Burgess, also to be staged at the Earl Arts Centre in September, and directed by Leigh Oswin.

The cast list is as follows:

Nikia Breen Sally Crates Emma Carracher Ashlee Prewer Amanda Dawes Mallory Schipper Debbie Parish Jade Howard Kelly Howell Angie Collins Liz Penfold Caitlyn McCarthy Olivia Brodzinski Gina McKenzie Janice Molineux Naomi Leighton Lilly Amos Laura Scott

We thank all involved for their participation in what we hope will be another good year for the Society – 96 years on from the first production in 1927.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It's that time of year again! Our AGM will be held in the Narthex of Holy Trinity Church, 34 Cameron Street on **TUESDAY 14**th **MARCH at 6p.m**. Refreshments will be served from 5.30p.m. and all members are cordially invited to attend. REMEMBER – to be eligible for election and voting, you MUST be a financial member. A nomination form for the committee and membership renewal advice is included with this newsletter.

Please note that, due to unforeseen circumstances, the date had to be changed from the previously advised date of 15th March on our website.

MEMBERSHIP FEES are unchanged and great value at \$15 (concession) \$20 (single) and \$30 (family). Payment details, preferably by a direct deposit are:

Bank: Bank of us **Account Name:** Launceston Players

BSB: 632-001 **Account number:** 100070572 **Reference:** Surname and Initials

TASMANIAN THEATRE AWARDS 2023

Our congratulations to Ryan Politis and Olivia Brodzinski who have received nominations in the Tasmanian Theatre awards acting categories for their performances in **Bums on Seats** in April last year.





Ryan's nomination in Best Male Supporting Performance Community Theatre list; Olivia's nomination in Best Female Supporting Performance Community Theatre list. Also congratulations to committee member Janice Molineux who has been nominated in the costume design category for another theatre company production. The awards presentation ceremony will be held in Hobart next Saturday, 4 March and we wish them well.

CONGRATULATIONS PETER



Courtesy of the Theatre Council of Tasmania

Our sincere congratulations to Peter Hammond who has been recognized by the Theatre Council of Tasmania with the LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR 2023. This has been given for his most valuable contribution to the performing arts in Tasmania and particularly in the north.

Peter worked for the School of Performing Arts at the University of Tasmania for over 30 years. He directed many full scale musical productions for the Players, starting with *The King and I* in 1984, then **Annie** in 1985 and the first world-wide community production of *Evita* in 1986 to name a few. For the full Achievement Award citation go to https://theatrecounciltas.org

Peter will be honoured at the 4 March Theatre Council dinner in Hobart.

UPCOMING EVENT

Priscilla Queen of the Desert: Presented by Encore Theatre Company – 16 March to 1 April

Bookings can be made at the Princess Theatre booking office or online at www.theatrenorth.com.au

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