



# Papakura Theatre Company (Inc)

## NEWSLETTER

Patrons: Bruce and Jessie Pulman

January/February 2023



Hi Everyone

Being that this is our first newsletter of 2023, although a bit late, I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and Santa was good to you.

The year has started quite busy with auditions having just been completed and the cast announced for **NOISES OFF**. I am aware that the cast announcement was somewhat delayed and our apologies for this. This was due to the Director and Assistant Director having to make very difficult decisions with regards to casting due to the very high calibre of auditionees. It is very pleasing to see actors who have performed with us previously returning to the theatre and we welcome those who will be performing on the Off Broadway stage for the first time.

As Barb will mention later in the newsletter, we have the **REVIVAL** cabaret show currently rehearsing and they are sounding absolutely amazing. This time there will also be a live 5-piece band accompanying the singers. Please do come and support your local theatre as the singers are very kindly doing this as a fundraiser for PTC, as we like other amateur theatre companies have struggled through covid-19 with lost hires and reduced seating capacity. I wish to thank the singers and musicians for kindly giving their time.

I have again been asked by the Papakura Local Board to undertake the organising of another Papakura Summer Variety Concert. This will be held on Saturday 25 March at Central Park, Papakura and is a free picnic style concert. It will feature some local community bands, singers and cultural groups. I am also hoping for Andre Vegas, NZ's leading illusionist to perform again. I will have a detailed email out over the next week or so with full details. I will also be inviting anyone wishing to sing as part of a choir which will perform with the bands at the end of the programme. Please start letting friends and family know about the concert as the more we have in attendance enjoying their picnic, the more fun it is for the performers. Also, due to Council budget constraints this may be the last PSVC for quite some time.

As you will all know, Auckland has been through some devastating weather over the last couple of weeks. I was on duty on the Friday night when Auckland suffered the worst of the weather. At one point we had over 1650 pending incidents that required our attendance. I hope that you were all okay and my thoughts go out to all those affected in one way or another.

On behalf of the PTC committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank one of our committee members, Cheryl Simpson. As you would have read in the previous newsletter, Cheryl has undertaken an immense amount of work for Musical Theatre New Zealand (MTNZ) on behalf of all the members including PTC. Her countless hours spent liaising with other theatres and MTNZ, and utilising her expert knowledge of trusts has ensured that her rewriting of the deed passed a unanimous vote first time at a recent special general meeting, having been rejected at several meetings prior.

I think I have rambled on enough in this newsletter, so I will let you read on and enjoy all the things Barb has included. 😊

Take care everyone,

*Paul*

**PAPAKURA THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS**

# **NOISES OFF**

**6-27 MAY**

**THE HILARIOUS FARCE  
BY MICHAEL FRAYN**

**DIRECTED BY  
ANTHONY WHITEHOUSE**



Papakura Theatre Company is delighted to announce the cast for our production of **Noises Off!**

- Julia Leathwick (as Dotty Otley)
- Mike Daley (as Garry Lejeune)
- Mark Campbell (as Selsdon Mowbray)
- Jake La Jeunesse (as Lloyd Dallas)
- Jayden Finlay (as Tim Allgood)
- Olivia Shaw & Sharnie Carlyle (as Poppy Norton-Taylor)
- Natalie Peart (as Brooke Ashton)
- Trudy Price (as Belinda Blair)
- Ken Morrison (as Frederick Fellowes)

Congratulations guys! We are looking forward to having you on board for this popular and very funny play.

**Noises Off!** will be showing 6-27 May. Mark it in your diaries. Further details to come!



## TWO GREAT EVENTS COMING UP AT OFF BROADWAY IN FEBRUARY



Book your table and come and enjoy some great music from six superb vocalists accompanied by a 5-piece band

This is a fundraiser for PTC organised by Chiara van Baarle and she is joined by Sean Macfarlane, Jamie Lamb, George Everts, Simon Chapman and Lauryn Edmonds. They and the Band Members are all giving their time free to do this for PTC, for which PTC is extremely grateful!

Bar will open 30 minutes prior to each performance

Feel free to bring your own nibbles, although there will be cheese & cracker plates available for sale at the bar

Book online through iTICKET – [iticket.co.nz](http://iticket.co.nz) or ph 09 361 1000

OR book in person at Off Broadway on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 11 am to 2 pm



### **Pork Pie Charity Run - Team Humble Pie - Barry & Trudy Raymond**

A Quiz, an auction and finish the night with some great music from Barry & his Band so maybe a bit of dancing?!

It's going to be a great night, so grab a bunch of your mates and book a table. If you want to come alone or don't have enough people fill a table don't worry, we can sort a quiz team out for you on the night!

Email Jaimee at [accounts@rockontrucking.co.nz](mailto:accounts@rockontrucking.co.nz) or call 0211610021, or get in touch with Barb.

Barry is my sister Ann's son. He and his wife Trudy have already personally raised over \$24,000 for KidsCan and are hoping this fundraising night will take them over their target of \$25,000. That's a very impressive target and they are so close – will you come along for a night of fun and help them to reach their goal?

**Barb**



Nominations for the 2022 ACTT Theatre Awards were announced late in January and once again PTC is incredibly proud of all our nominees. Congratulations to everyone who participated in our four wonderful shows last year. We will keep you posted when the Awards are announced!

<p><b>Best Costume Design</b> Paul Radden &amp; Heidi Lovatt - A Few Good Men Judy Wilson - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Best Properties</b> Susan Andisen – Steel Magnolias Susan Andisen - A Few Good Men Susan Andisen - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Best Lighting Design</b> Gary Hieatt &amp; Paul Richardson - Steel Magnolias Paul Richardson - A Few Good Men</p> <p><b>Best Sound Design</b> Robert Mitchell – Steel Magnolias Anthony Mitchell &amp; Robert Mitchell - A Few Good Men</p> <p><b>Best Set Design</b> Allan Wyatt – Steel Magnolias Allan Wyatt - A Few Good Men Allan Wyatt - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Best Stage Management</b> Carolyn Loader - Steel Magnolias Robert Mitchell - Dusty Susan Andisen - A Few Good Men Carolyn Loader &amp; Susan Andisen - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Outstanding Musical</b> Dusty</p> <p><b>Outstanding Drama</b> A Few Good Men Anne of Green Gables Steel Magnolias</p>	<p><b>Best Male in a Minor Role</b> Nick Flaherty (Jeffrey Howard) - A Few Good Men Peter Williams (Station Master) - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Best Female in a Minor Role</b> Miriam Gedge (Diana Barry) - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Best Male in a Supporting Role</b> Andrew Scott (Sam Weinberg) - A Few Good Men Grant Waugh (Mathew Cuthbert) - Anne of Green Gables Mike Daley (Nathan Jessep) - A Few Good Men</p> <p><b>Best Female in a Supporting Role</b> Ellen-Moana Smith (Reno) - Dusty Grace Knell (Mary O'Brien) - Dusty Emma Love (Marilla Cuthbert) - Anne of Green Gables</p> <p><b>Best Male in a Leading Role</b> Tom Calver (Daniel Kaffee) - A Few Good Men</p> <p><b>Best Female in a Leading Role</b> Ngairé-Ann Hobson (M'Lynn) - Steel Magnolias</p> <p><b>Best Ensemble Performance</b> The cast of A Few Good Men The cast of Steel Magnolias</p> <p><b>Best Direction</b> Anthony Mitchell - A Few Good Men Emma Love - Steel Magnolias</p> <p><b>Best Production</b> A Few Good Men Anne of Green Gables Steel Magnolias Dusty</p>
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# SUMMER VARIETY FESTIVAL 2023

**Saturday afternoon 25<sup>th</sup> March**  
**CENTRAL PARK**  
**A Free Fun-Filled Family Concert**

*Brought to you by the Papakura Local Board*

**Keep the date!**  
***More info to come***



SAVE THE DATE

**1 SCRIPT**  
**2 WEEKS**  
17 CAST MEMBERS  
3 PERFORMANCES  
**24 & 25**  
**FEBRUARY**

[www.southsidedrama.nz](http://www.southsidedrama.nz)

In Papakura // Friday 24th - evening  
Saturday 25th - afternoon & evening



**FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – with more details to come**

A poster for the 2022 iTicket NAPTA Awards. The background is dark with golden light streaks and a large, stylized golden trophy on the right. The text is in white and gold.

**2022  
iTicket  
NAPTA  
Awards**

**Saturday, 6:00 PM  
25 March 2023  
Centrestage Theatre,  
Orewa**

[napta.org.nz](http://napta.org.nz)

**iTICKET**

**TICKETS  
NOW ON  
SALE**

[iticket.co.nz](http://iticket.co.nz)

Get your  
group  
together and  
book early!

A great night  
for theatre  
people!

A poster for Off Broadway Big Band. The background is black with white text and a white skyline of New Zealand cities. The text is in a mix of serif and script fonts.

**OFF  
BROADWAY  
BIG BAND**

**THE BIG BAND  
WEEKEND!**

**SAT & SUN  
17<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

Tickets will go on sale  
end April.

More details to come  
in next newsletter.

## PTC NEWS

### From our Treasurer, Marie

Just to let you all know that your membership sub is due before end of March. It is now possible to complete and submit your membership form online via the PTC website ([www.ptc.org.nz](http://www.ptc.org.nz)) thus saving paper! Also, of course, you can pay your sub via internet banking but don't forget to use your last name and the word 'sub' as references so that I know who the payment is from and what it is for. If you do not have access to a computer, you can still use a hard copy membership form. Don't hesitate to give me a call if you need one.

Committee is currently looking at dates for our AGM so just a reminder that you cannot vote at the AGM unless you are a financial member of PTC.

Thanks!  
Marie

### PTC WEBSITE

Have you looked at our website recently? Robert has been doing quite a bit of work on this and has updated the photos on our home page and also added many new pics to the Gallery. Some great photos there – check it out! Thank you, Robert – looking really good!

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That's it for now – whilst I am finishing off this missive, around lunchtime on Monday, many of us are waiting for the afternoon to see what the weather brings. We have been told it will get worse. Hope you are all safely tucked in and safe! Wonder if we will see Summer again soon – let's hope so.

Here's a little bit of sunshine to cheer us all!

