

Bah, Humbug! our Christmas pantomime, received an enthusiastic reception from our audiences, with many sold-out houses. A huge thanks to the countless people who worked to bring this show to us.



Thanks to the generous audience members, the "singers", Cadgit and Beggit passed the hat for Belle's orphans during each performance, collecting \$70 in all. Shuswap Theatre has added \$30 and, since we have no orphanage nearby, \$100 was donated to the Shuswap Family Resource Centre.

# 2 X 2

Rehearsals are about to begin for the next show, **2 X 2**, two one-act plays by two directors. **Jewel**, by Joan MacLeod, will be directed by Elizabeth Ann Skelhorne and **My Narrator**, by Norm Foster is directed by Kate McKie. Dates of the run are:

### February 20 - March 7

Producer, Teresa McKerral, has filled most of the main crew positions. However, if you are interested in being part of this show, including working on Front of House, there's still room for you!

You can contact Teresa at <a href="mailto:teresamckerral9@gmail.com">teresamckerral9@gmail.com</a> or 250-515-1978.

# **Theatre 101**

Would you like to know more about how a theatre production is put together? Perhaps you're new to theatre or have only been involved in one or two areas before. If so, **Theatre 101** is for you. And its *free*!

You'll learn how plays are chosen, what the Director does, how each department works, about Producers, Set Designers, Lighting and Sound and much more. Our in house experts will explain it all. You'll also get a tour of the dark corners of the Theatre.

When? Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 10:00 am till 2:00 pm. Where? Shuswap Theatre, 41 Hudson Ave NW Register online or call Julia at 250-833-1496







The Seniors Theatre program begins again on Tuesday, January 13 at Shuswap Theatre.

This group welcomes anyone, at any time. If you made a New Year's resolution to step outside of the box, even just a little, and would like to meet a group of very interesting people, then Shuswap Theatre on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 - 11:00 am is the place to be. Drop ins are always welcome and you don't have to be a senior! For more information contact Peter Blacklock at 250-675-3004 or <a href="mailto:peter.blacklock@seniorstheatre.ca">peter.blacklock@seniorstheatre.ca</a>

## CALLING ALL YOUTH

The Youth Committee of Shuswap Theatre has been busy planning some exciting events for the new year.

### **Unplug and Play**

This year, Shuswap Theatre will be taking part in the *Unplug and Play* event organized by Literacy Alliance of the Shuswap Society (LASS).

What: A reading of the popular children's story, We're Going on a Bear Hunt

When: January 31st from 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Where: Shuswap Theatre

What else: Drama games, snacks and juice

### **Spring Break Drama Camp**

This camp will provide children with opportunities to use their creativity and learn theatrical skills – being on stage, projecting the voice, using props and enhancing the love and joy of theatre! Snacks will be provided.

Who: Ages 8 - 12

When: March 16 - 19, 9:30 - 11:30 am

Where: Shuswap Theatre

**Cost**: \$80

What else: Facilitated by Nathan Zwicker and Joy Peters

To register or for more information please contact Shannon Hecker 250-833-6001 or <a href="mailto:shshanny391@gmail.com">shshanny391@gmail.com</a> Check our <a href="mailto:website">website</a> for further information closer to the event.

### After School Drama Club

This club will resume on January 13 from 3:45 - 5:30 pm and run every Tuesday at SAS Jackson Campus (to be confirmed). This is open to 14 - 18 year-olds who are interested in adding to their theatrical skills and learning new ones – actors, writers and those interested in backstage opportunities. Please bring a toonie! For more information contact Joy Peters, 250-833-2550 or Nathan Zwicker, 250-803-2267.

### **Theatre Collective**

If you are between the ages of 18-29 and you are interested in starting a Theatre Collective that meets regularly with a focus on sharing your creative genius around all things theatre, contact Shannon Hecker 250 833-6001 or <a href="mailto:shshanny391@gmail.com">shshanny391@gmail.com</a>

## Theatre On-the-Edge Festival

Plans are underway for the 1st Annual "Fringe-style" festival at Shuswap Theatre. This three-day event will take place from July 23 - 25 and will showcase one-act plays. Invitations are being sent to both community and professional theatre companies in BC and beyond. Both original and published plays will be accepted.

Many people are needed to help organize an event like this. If you are interested in helping or learning more about what is involved, please come to a planning meeting at the Theatre on Wednesday, January 14 at 7:00 pm.

For more information please contact Julia Body - jebody@telus.net or 250-833-1496.

### Welcome

The Board of Shuswap Theatre welcomes Eva and Dettmar Hasbach of Benieta Accounting Services as our new bookkeepers. Eva and Dettmar have been doing accounting and business consulting in Salmon Arm for the past five years. They are enthusiastic about theatre and are looking forward to working with the Board and making new friends through this new involvement.

### **SPONSORSHIPS**

Shuswap Theatre offers three levels of Show Sponsorship for community minded businesses, organizations and individuals. To find out about sponsoring the entire production or an individual performance of *2 X 2*, please click here for the sales sheet or contact Joyce Henderson at 250-832-4127.

### **Beginning of a New Era!**

This is the last *Prompter* to be published in this format. We are switching to our new online system to email News Bulletins. These will keep you up to date in a more timely manner and in smaller bites. They will be sent as needed about once every few weeks. You will still be able to read back issues on our website (click the News tab). If you're not getting our news updates now, <u>subscribe here</u>.

For the few local members who do not have email, paper copies of these news bulletins will be available at our ticket seller - Intwined Fibre Arts, 81 Hudson Ave. Every few weeks, when you are downtown, pop in and pick up the latest news.

### SHUSWAP THEATRE CALENDAR

**Every Tuesday** Seniors' Theatre starting January 13, 9:00 - 11:00 am at the Theatre **Every Tuesday** After School Drama Club at Jackson Campus, 3:45 - 5:30 pm, starting January 13 January 14 Theatre On-the-Edge Festival meeting, 7:00 pm at the Theatre

January 21 Board Meeting 7:00 pm at the Theatre January 24 Theatre 101, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Unplug and Play event, 1:30 - 3:30 pm January 31 February 18 Board Meeting 7:00 pm at the Theatre

Feb. 20 - Mar. 7 2 X 2 run

March 16 - 19 Spring Break Drama Camp, 9:30 - 11:30 am





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