The **PROMPTER** Theatree

June 19, 2015

Patrick Allwood Celebration of Life

There will be a gathering at 3:00 pm on Saturday, June 20 at the Allwood home, 341 Foothill Road SW, to celebrate Patrick's life. Please join Erika and family and share your memories of this wonderful man. In memory of Patrick, donations to Shuswap Theatre through <u>Shuswap Community</u> <u>Foundation</u> would be appreciated.



Battle of Two Lakes Improv Games



This very special show is dedicated in memory to Laughing Gas Troupe member Patrick Allwood. He had the biggest heart and the biggest laugh. Read about Patrick on our <u>website</u>.

Saturday, June 20

Tickets are selling fast for <u>The Battle of Two Lakes</u> <u>Improv Games</u>!

Direct from ringside at Shuswap Theatre, we have *Laughing Gas Improv Troupe* representing Shuswap Lake (Salmon Arm) against contenders *Monkey With A Button* representing Swan Lake (Vernon). Relying on razor-sharp wit and lightningfast reflexes, this will be an epic battle of comedy and silliness, with audience members as the judges. The show is rated M for mature - ages 16 and up.

It's a cheap night to get together with family and friends - tickets are only \$9 plus small online convenience fee. No host cash bar serving beer and wine before the show, at intermission and after the show so you can chat with the winners and losers. Tickets are available online or at Intwined Fibre Arts on Hudson, or at the door. Doors open at 6:30pm come early and enjoy a cold one!

Buy Tickets Now



Fred Skeleton Theatre Company presents their OZone Festival winning play, a dark comedy about British convicts mounting the first ever theatre production in Australia, all in the shadow of the hangman's noose.

We are delighted to welcome this group back to Shuswap Theatre before they present their play at Mainstage, the provincial festival in Kamloops.

Join us on July 4 at 7:30 pm (doors open at 6:30) All seats are \$20, available on line (convenience fee applies, click button below), at Intwined Fibre Arts (80 Hudson Ave NE), or at the door.

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Theatre on the Edge is Shuswap Theatre's new summer festival of bold and brave theatre, running July 24-26 with seven shows in three days. Pick your show, pick your time – performances run 11:30 am to 10:00 pm daily.

All shows are under 60 minutes, so you can see one, have a drink and a bite onsite at Club Edge, and slip in to see the next one. Club Edge is open on the patio in front of Shuswap Theatre during festival hours, offering free entertainment and great licensed refreshments.

- One show \$10
- Three show pass \$25
- Five show pass \$40
- Seven show pass \$55

Tickets and more information about artists and schedules will be available in the near future at <u>www.shuswaptheatre.com</u> or on <u>Facebook</u>.



Board News

This was a busy week for your hard working Board members. First there was an all day Sunday planning meeting at the Deep Creek Retreat Centre, followed by our regular meeting on June 17th. Here are the highlights:

A New Vision Statement: We revised our vision statement (the one you can see on the top of every page on our website). The theatre has been branching out – not just putting on performances but encouraging other kinds of dramatic expression. Thus:

To enrich the lives of community members through diverse and inspiring live entertainment and opportunities for creative dramatic experience.

2015-16 Season Approved: We approved the Artistic Committee's recommended shows for this coming season:

- Bedtime Stories by Norm Foster, Directed by Paul Kirkwood-Hackett (Oct 16-31)
- *Welfarewell* by Kat DeLaney, Directed by Evelyn Birch (Feb 26-Mar 12)
- *The Best Brothers* by Daniel McIvor, directed by Marcus Smith (Apr 26-May 14)

The Artistic Committee is still looking for a director and script for our Christmas play.

Online Ticket Sales: Last season we made two changes. We raised our ticket prices (the first time in several years) and we offered the convenience of online ticket sales. To ease in the changes for our patrons the Board agreed to subsidize by 50% the ticketing fees charged by Vendini (our ticketing system). That means that Shuswap Theatre paid Vendini half of the fee for each purchase. This month the board formally decided to eliminate the subsidy as people are used to the fact that there is a convenience fee for online sales. Of course you can avoid the fee altogether by picking up your tickets at Intwined Fibre Arts.

Ticket Prices for Christmas Show: The board set the prices for our Christmas play at \$9.99 for adults, \$4.99 for children 12 and under.

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