The **PROMPTER** Stuswap

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abrídged)

What an opening night! A standing ovation for this zany production! Uther, Marcus and Nathan pulled out all the stops as they wowed the audience with their energy, humour and wild antics! The three actors are supported by a wonderful crew including first time director, Evelyn Birch.

One experienced theatre-goer was heard to say she'd never laughed so much at a show! Other comments were: 'Brilliant!', 'My sides are aching', 'I should've worn water-proof mascara!', 'If I'd been near an aisle, I'd have been rolling in it!'

There are still two weekends to catch this amazing show: May 1-4 and 8-10. All performances start at 7:30 except the Sunday matinee at 1:30. Thursdays are \$10 for all seats, tickets only at the door. Tickets for all other shows are for sale at Intwined Fibre Arts, 141C Hudson Ave NE. Buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

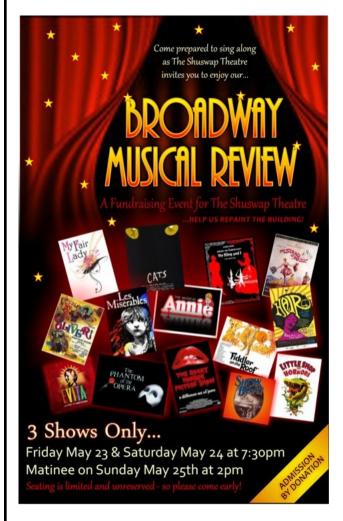
Let us entertain you! Let us wow you! Come on out and have the experience of a lifetime!



Photo by Kathy Moore

O-ZONE FESTIVAL

The Okanagan Zone Drama Festival takes place at Powerhouse Theatre in Vernon from May 11-16, with Michael Armstrong as the adjudicator. This is a wonderful opportunity to see six great plays in six days! Our performance of *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)* is on Wednesday, May 14. You can find the full schedule <u>here</u>. This year the Festival Committee has reduced the cost of 3, 5 and 6 day passes to encourage more people to attend the Festival. Also, new this year is the purchase of tickets online.



If you love the great Broadway Musicals be sure to attend the benefit concert being staged for Shuswap Theatre.

To raise money to paint the outside of the building and other upgrades, the Theatre Board asked long time member Jake Jacobson who organized the popular Woody Guthrie Centennial concert, to mount another for the occasion.

The concert will feature over two dozen Broadway tunes from twenty-two shows spanning seven decades. Eighteen vocalists and four instrumentalists are busy rehearsing, and a dozen other volunteers will help make it happen.

There are three shows:

- Friday May 23rd at 7:30 pm
- Saturday May 24th at 7:30 pm
- Sunday May 25th at 2:00 pm.

Admission is by donation at the door.

There will be sing-a-longs, sad songs, happy songs and fun songs. It is sure to bring back fond memories and create new ones!

PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL

On April 14 Joyce Henderson and Evelyn Birch gave a presentation to the City Council about our entry into the O-Zone Festival. Joyce detailed all the awards Shuswap Theatre won at the 2013 Festival as well as the Theatre events of the last year. Evelyn talked about *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)* and gave each council member a complimentary ticket to the show. The mayor and several councillors commented on how much they appreciate Shuswap Theatre's contribution to the community.

A huge 'Thank You' to the City of Salmon Arm for their recent grant which will enable us to purchase an online ticketing system for our upcoming shows.



Shuswap Theatre's Laughing Gas Improv Troupe will be hosting their Summer show on Saturday, June 14 at 7:30 pm. Doors will open at 6:30 pm and as always you can enjoy a 'cold one' before the show and at intermission. Tickets are only \$8 each and will be available in advance at Intwined Fibre Arts or at the door. For more information contact Monica at 250-833-6100 or pr@shuswaptheatre.com



Many members turned out this past month for two events at the Theatre. On <u>Spring Cleaning Day</u> there were seventeen volunteers to scrub, vacuum, dust, steam-clean chairs and oil wood in the green room. The peeling bricks on the front face of the building were replaced and work was done to pigeon-proof the awning over the marquis.



Seat washing



A well earned rest

The weather cooperated for our outdoor <u>Garage Sale</u> which netted a profit of \$727.51. A huge thank you to everyone involved in both ventures and to Joyce Henderson for spearheading both events.

SHUSWAP THEATRE CALENDAR

April 25	The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) Opening Night
April 25-May 10	The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) Run
May 11 - 17	Okanagan Zone Festival at Powerhouse Theatre in Vernon
May 16	Writers' Group Coffee House 7:00 pm
May 21	Board Meeting at the Theatre 7:00 pm
May 23 - 24	Broadway Musical Review 7:30 pm at the Theatre
May 25	Broadway Musical Review 2:00 pm at the Theatre
June 8	<i>Alice in Wonderland</i> 2:00 pm at the Theatre - South Shuswap Children's Theatre Foundation/FACES, Blindbay
June 18	Board Meeting 7:00 pm at Piccadilly Mall Board Room
June 20	Elk Tribe CD Launch 3:00 pm at the Theatre
June 14	Laughing Gas Improv 7:30 at the Theatre



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