

**Auditioning for Actors Workshop**  
**Monday 28 – Wednesday 30 April**  
**(10am – 4pm daily)**



Venue: Toi Whakaari: NZ Drama School  
 Te Whaea: National Dance and Drama Centre, 11 Hutchison Road, Newtown, Wellington

Tutors: Jon Hunter, Chris Jamides, Perry Percy and Vaughan Sinn

Topic: A workshop to give young actors practical voice, movement and auditioning skills for film, television, theatre and drama schools. Working with tutors from the Toi Whakaari acting department, this is a great opportunity for prospective students to experience the unique learning model at Toi Whakaari and gain practical skills at the same time. Students will be supplied with scripts to learn prior to the workshop.

Students: Maximum of 15 participants aged 16+  
 As places are limited, selection for the course will be considered upon receipt of a reference from a Drama Teacher or equivalent. Please attach this reference.

Cost: \$150 per student (in exceptional circumstances applications can be made for a part scholarship). Lunch not included. Payment to be received 2 weeks prior to the workshop at the latest. Please note that cancellation less than 2 weeks before the start date will incur a \$20 administration fee.

Please consider the following student for the Auditioning for Actors Workshop:

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Place of current study (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enrolling teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of parent or guardian if under 18 years: \_\_\_\_\_

- I wish to pay by direct credit to account name: NEW ZEALAND DRAMA SCHOOL  
 BNZ - Wellington - account number: 020568 0138865 027  
 (Please ensure you include a reference - preferably your name)
- I wish to pay by cheque (enclosed and made payable to Toi Whakaari)
- Compulsory for this course**  
 I enclose a reference from a Drama Teacher (or equivalent) see form below

[www.toiwhakaari.ac.nz](http://www.toiwhakaari.ac.nz) | 04 381 9251

**Practical Introduction to Lighting & Sound Design**  
**Thu 1 & Fri 2 May 2014 (10am-4pm daily)**



Venue: Toi Whakaari: NZ Drama School  
 Te Whaea: National Dance and Drama Centre, 11 Hutchison Road, Newtown, Wellington

Tutors: Lisa Maule & Glenn Ashworth.

Topic: This two day workshop will introduce students to the technical and design elements of lighting and sound for live performance. You'll get the chance to learn new skills and practice them in the unique learning environment at Toi Whakaari: NZ Drama School. This workshop is ideal for anyone interested in applying to study design for Stage & Screen, Entertainment Technology or Performing Arts Management at Toi Whakaari: NZ Drama School in the near future.

Students: Maximum of 8 students aged 16+

Charge: \$100 per student (in exceptional circumstances applications can be made for a part scholarship). Lunch included. Payment to be received 2 weeks prior to the workshop at the latest. Please note that cancellation less than 2 weeks before the start date will incur a \$20 administration fee.

Please book the following student on the Practical Introduction to Lighting & Sound Design Workshop:

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student's School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enrolling teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

- I wish to pay by direct credit to account name: NEW ZEALAND DRAMA SCHOOL  
 BNZ - Wellington - account number: 020568 0138865 027  
 (Please ensure you include a reference - preferably your name)
- Cheque will follow (Made payable to Toi Whakaari)

Please post form to Workshops at Toi Whakaari, PO Box 7146, Newtown, Wellington, 6242  
 or fax to (04) 389 4896 or scan & email to [workshops@toiwhakaari.ac.nz](mailto:workshops@toiwhakaari.ac.nz)

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## Editorial

Our 2014 theatrical year has started with a bang! “Song & Dance” has just finished at The Auditorium and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who saw it. Next on our show calendar is “RENT” which opens on 9 May 2014 (at The Auditorium, Centennial Drive). Bookings will open this week and will be essential (these can be made through SABO on the AMT website – [www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz](http://www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz) or at the Abbey Office in Church Street.) Following on from “RENT” we will be staging “The Phantom of the Opera” in the Regent on Broadway. Bookings for this production are already open (TicketDirect or the Ticket Eventing Centre at the Regent on Broadway). Our end of year production will be “Radio Live” which will round off a year of stunning theatre in the Manawatu.



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## Song & Dance

"Song & Dance" has now finished at The Auditorium but met with great reviews, i.e.;

*"This show is real class with a compelling and commanding performance from Amy Hunt of Lloyd Webber's great score. She is fantastically well supported by Bradford Meurk ... Some fabulous jazz ballet ... Great set, great lighting ... get there tonight or you will miss out on a wonderful experience."*

*"It takes more than talent and a great voice to pull off a full-length sing-through one-woman musical show. Daring, composure, confidence and teamwork are required in equal measure. This production scores on all counts. On a sparse multi-level set, Hunt's unifying, high intensity vocal performance is outstanding. She holds interest and focus while revealing loneliness, vulnerability and hurt as well as the character's essential but often misplaced optimism."*

Congratulations to everyone involved with this ambitious and stunning production.



## AMT Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Abbey Musical Theatre will be held on Tuesday, **22 April 2014**. Information regarding the AGM and positions available on the Board will be sent to members prior to this date.



## Garage/Retro Sale

AMT are having a Garage/Retro Sale on Saturday, 12 April 2014, at the Abbey Theatre. If you would like to donate anything for sale, please drop these items off to the Abbey – all donations gratefully received (please ... no rubbish). Items for sale will include technical equipment, fittings, furniture, clothing (including uniforms and winter coats), materials etc. etc. etc.



## Membership Cards

If you have renewed your membership for the 2014/15 year (and you probably have considering you are reading this newsletter) but have not received your membership card, you may pick your card up from the Abbey Office (between 12 – 4 p.m. Monday to Friday) or, alternatively, at the AGM at The Auditorium on Tuesday, 22 April 2014.



**May 2014**

The Auditorium  
(Centennial Drive, Palmerston North)

**Director – Scott Andrew**  
**Musical Director – Al Warren**  
**Choreographer – Megan Davies**

**BOOKINGS TO OPEN SOON!!!**  
(on line at [www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz](http://www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz) or at Abbey Office)

### CAST LIST

**Mark Cohen – Chris Thompson**  
**Roger Davis – Andrew Hodgson**  
**Mimi Marquez – Alexia Clark**  
**Benjamin Coffin III – Jeremy Matthews**  
**Tom Collins – Terrence Stapleton**  
**Angel Dumont Schunard – Jason Harkett**  
**Maureen Johnson – Renee Pink**  
**Joanne Jefferson – Erica Ward**

### Ensemble

Kayne Bohanna, Harley Callaghan, Sam Daly, Bethani Eustace, Danny Goodman, Kate Petherick, Te Mana Wharehinga, Vanessa Monteiro, Jody Marshall, Candace McGrath, April Xu-Holland, Sarah Leishman



The world's best-loved musical, "THE SOUND OF MUSIC", comes to New Zealand in 2014!

This lavish and critically acclaimed production tells the uplifting true story of the Von Trapp family's flight across the mountains and works its magic once again, for young and old alike.

### **ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY FOR NEW ZEALAND CHILDREN TO STAR IN AN INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION OF "THE SOUND OF MUSIC"!**

"THE SOUND OF MUSIC" features seven children that form the Von Trapp family and the producers are looking to cast six of these children in New Zealand.

Producer of THE SOUND OF MUSIC and Chief Executive of Lunchbox Theatrical Productions James Cundall said, "This is an exciting opportunity for local talent to star in an international and West End blockbuster. We are looking for 18 children in total to play six roles in this family musical and encourage aspiring young actors and actresses of the right height to come along and audition."

For more information about "THE SOUND OF MUSIC" auditions in Auckland and Wellington, go to:

[http://soundofmusic.co.nz/auditions/?camefrom=EMCL\\_250960\\_12054697](http://soundofmusic.co.nz/auditions/?camefrom=EMCL_250960_12054697)

