



Editorial

Have you noticed how the weather has become a little chillier and the evenings are now a little longer ... ??? Winter is upon us – not that we have had time to dwell on this as rehearsals for our next production, the smash hit musical based on the songs of ABBA, “MAMMA MIA!” are under way and already things are sounding fABBAulous!!! Bookings for this production are now on sale at the Event Ticketing Centre (at the Regent on Broadway) or on line at ticketdirect.co.nz. We recommend that if you have not already purchased your tickets, that you do so promptly. Sales have been going exceptionally well and you don’t want to miss out getting seats for the performance you want to attend.

Abbey Musical Theatre’s Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on Tuesday, 28 April 2015, on yet another wild, windy and wet night. The AMT Board for the 2015/16 year is now;

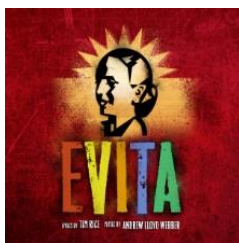
Allan Nagy (President), John Spelman, Merryn Osborne, Al Warren, Shane Brown, Michelle Luke, Jeremy Matthews & Joanne Sale

Did you know? ... Abbey Musical Theatre will be launching a new website within the next week. The new website will have the same website address – www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz so check it out.

There will be lots happening with Abbey Musical Theatre over the next year and a half and details of some of our activities can be found throughout this newsletter. If you are interested in helping out with any of these activities, please do not hesitate to contact the Administrator on admin@abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz

Remember: There is no “I” in ‘Team’, but there is a “U” in ‘Volunteer’.





Wow!!! Huge congratulations to everyone who was involved with our recent production of “EVITA”. This show received amazing accolades from both audiences and critics alike. The company of this production gave 1,000% to making this production the very best it could be – and it was. Indications show that not only was this show creatively successful, it was also successful financially.



Romance is in the air ...

Congratulations to Renee Pink and Justin Evans who got engaged on air (More FM) recently. Renee & Justin have moved to Rotorua and we wish them the very best for their new adventures in the land of the luge.



You can dance!!!!
You can jive!!!
Having the time of your life ...

Director – Grant Meese
Musical Director – Barry Jones
Choreographer – Teesh Szabo

Cast List

DONNA	Val Andrew
TANYA	Amy Hunt
ROSIE	Katte Johnston
SAM	Gary Clark
HARRY	Steve Jenkins
BILL	Ben Jones
SOPHIE	Alexia Clark
SKY	Michael Doody
LISA	Madison Horman
ALI	Rebecca Palmer
PEPPER	Nikora Lewis
EDDIE	TBC
FATHER ALEX	Nick Ross

Ensemble

Nick Ross, Dylan Irvin, Geordie Rogers, Jason Ngarimu, Lewis Halewood, Solomon Gray, Tyrell Beck, Anthony Marsh, Stephen Gregory, Harley Callaghan, Jason Harkett, Kiata O'Sullivan, Alex Dinniss, Ashleigh Blummont, Cara Hesselin, Georgia Randle, Jess Linsley, Kate Duggan, Kate Petherick, Lorna Stanley, Paula Fredericks, Ruby Jamieson, Tayla Clark

Backing Vocalists

Andrea Cawood, Barb Pritchard, Belinda Burgiss, Bob Lissington, Danny Goodman, Danielle MacDonald, Deb McDonald, Erica Ward, Gail Lucinsky, Hayden Giles, Jeff Paewai, John Gregory, Larry Walker, Leith Marshall, Maryanne Kensington, Pat West, Sarah Donnelly, Shane Brown, Terry Stewart, Trixie Gardner, Victoria Owen, Vishi Veerappan

As already stated, tickets for this production are on sale and if you want the best seats in the house for the night of your choice, book now!!! **Tickets are selling fast!!!**





MUSICAL THEATRE NEW ZEALAND – ZONE THREE MEETING

Saturday 22 August 2015, 1pm

The Drama Suite/Rehearsal Room
The Auditorium, Centennial Drive, Palmerston North

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes
4. Agenda Items:
 - a) Society reports
 - b) CAF Fund
 - c) Important changes to the Incorporated Societies Act
 - d) Conference 2015 feedback and Conference 2016
 - e) Social marketing and the Next Gen/ Ant Collier
- Break for afternoon tea
- f) Your club health check - Health and Safety update
- g) Getting it right – how to make a great Show Programme
- h) MTNZ Strategic Plan
- i) MTNZ Survey Results
- j) Wellington Workshop Weekend 5- 6 September, Toi Whakaari NZ Drama School
5. General Business
6. Dinner and show



All AMT members are invited to attend the MTNZ Zone 3 meeting on 22 August 2015. If you would like to attend, please e-mail admin@abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz



Coming to The Auditorium



This production will celebrate “Hits from the Brits”, including songs from;

Rod Stewart ... Adele ... The Spice Girls ... Lulu
The Clash ... The Rolling Stones ... Sting ... Queen
Jessie J ... Amy Winehouse ... The Beatles

Auditions for this production will be held later in the year. Keep an eye out on the website and in future newsletters.

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SOUND 101 WORKSHOP

in conjunction with the Zone Three Meeting
9am – 4pm

Saturday 22 August 2015
At the Auditorium, Centennial Drive,
Palmerston North

An interactive and hands-on workshop presented by Glen Ruske from the BOUNCE NZ Team for those interested in sound for theatre. The workshop will cover everything from what is a mic to how to tune your show sound system. Attend Abbey Musical Theatre's Mamma Mia performance that night at the Regent Theatre and “hear” for yourself

\$30 for MTNZ Members/\$40 for non members/
\$10 MTNZ member youth rate (18 and under)

You can register now by contacting Karen at BOUNCE karen.ruske@gmail.com
If you have questions or require clarification on anything – contact Kate at the MTNZ office kate@mtnz.co.nz



2016 at The Auditorium





OPEN AUDITIONS

PALMERSTON NORTH - JUNE 6,
AUCKLAND - JUNE 7
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