

Have you been yet?

There are three performances left;

Thursday -16 March 2017 Friday - 17 March 2017 Saturday - 18 March 2017

and you don't want to miss this production which is receiving awesome accolades from the audiences so far.

Tickets can be purchased on line at;

www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz or at the door on the night.

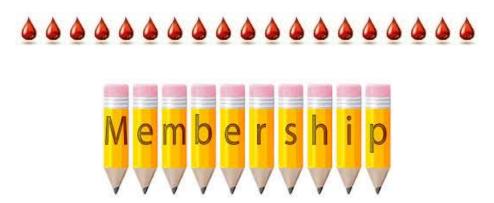
Review Snippets

- Against an inventive set, director Barry Jones' musical direction ... the performances themselves lift and inspire the stage action this production and its personnel never miss a beat, in all senses of the word. (Tina White)
- Barry Jones' direction of *BLOOD Brothers* certainly brought with it some high notes The set was clever and dynamic, with shifts from scene to scene managed fluidly This rendition of *BLOOD Brothers* was enjoyable to watch and nicely delivered. (You Have My Word)





So, we were looking to stage "Annie" in August this year at the Regent on Broadway. Unfortunately, when we applied for the rights we found out they are not available and so we are not going to be able to produce this fabulous show this year. So what are we doing instead? Watch this space! In the meantime, don't forget to book your tickets for the other fabulous shows on this year, starting with "Blood Brothers" (on stage until 18 March 2017) and "Forbidden Broadway" (on stage from 19 May 2017), both at The Auditorium.



It's that time again –membership expired on 31 January 2017. We have kept the fees at a very low \$30.00 per annum for adults – where else can you get the fun and enjoyment of participating in live theatre at this price? If you have not already done so, please forward your payment to the Abbey Office, noting it is for 'Membership'. If you wish to make payment direct to the Abbey's bank account, the account number is **06-0729-0024947-00**. Don't forget to put your name in the 'Reference' field.

It would also be appreciated if you could please complete a membership form (attached) to update your details in our database.

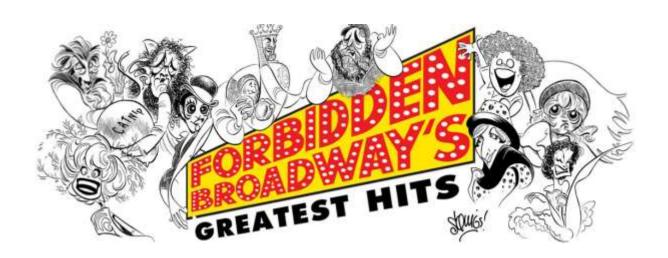
Please note that unless you renew your membership for the 2017/18 year, this will be the last "Stage Rage" you receive.





The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Abbey Musical Theatre will be held on Tuesday, **25 April 2017**, at 8.00 p.m. at The Auditorium. Information regarding the AGM and positions available on the Board will be sent to members prior to this date.





A long running hit cabaret revue, bonding together Broadway's greatest musical talents and satirists. The show will take you on a journey of hilarity and endless entertainment of some of theatre's greatest stars and songwriters. *Forbidden Broadway's Greatest Hits* will be poking a little bit of fun at shows such as *Annie, CATS, A Chorus Line* and *Les Misérables* ... to name just a few.

Auditions for *Forbidden Broadway's Greatest Hits* were held last weekend and the audition panel had a very tough time choosing a cast from the high calibre of auditionees.

The cast who will be poking fun at a multitude of Broadway classics are;

Tyrell Beck
Gary Clark
Andrew Hodgson
Ben Pryor
Liam Taylor
Chris Thompson

Julie Cullen Jody Marshall Sophia Parker Jo Sale Erica Ward

Forbidden Broadway's Greatest Hits will be on stage from

19 May – 3 June 2017 @ The Auditorium, Centennial Drive



Globe Awards

Friday - 24 February 2017

The following awards were received by Abbey Musical Theatre or its members at the Globe Awards held recently.

Winners

CONCEPT, DESIGN & COSTUME - MUSICAL

Sweeney Todd

TECHNICAL DESIGN & OPERATION

Sweeney Todd

BEST MUSICAL

Sweeney Todd

MALE SUPPORTING ACTOR - MUSICAL

• Read Wheeler as Rodney in DUSTY

MALE ACTOR - MUSICAL

• Glen Nesbit as Sweeney Todd in Sweeney Todd

FEMALE ACTOR - MUSICAL

• Tracey-Lynne Cody as Mrs Lovett in Sweeney Todd

DIRECTION - MUSICAL

Scott Andrew – for Sweeney Todd

DEBUT DIRECTOR

Andrea Maxwell – for QUILT (for Manawatu Theatre Incorporated)

MALE ACTOR - PLAY

• Sam Gordon as Tom in The Glass Menagerie (for Manawatu Theatre Incorporated)

DIRECTION - PLAY

• Ian Harman – for *The Glass Menagerie* (for Manawatu Theatre Incorporated)

Congratulations to all!



"Musical theater can save you, even if only for two or three hours at a time."



- 1. In which musical would you hear the words sung; 'Kiss today goodbye and point me towards tomorrow'?
- 2. 'Tell Me It's Not True', sung by Mrs Johnstone, is a song from which musical?
- 3. In which musical would you hear the words 'there's no business like show business' sung?
- 4. Name either of the two musicals that Benny Andersson (ABBA) has co-composed the music for.
- 5. Which musical has the characters 'Caractacus Potts' and the scary 'Child Catcher'?
- 6. 'Good Morning Starshine', 'Aquarius' and 'Ain't Got No' are songs from which musical?
- 7. Which famous musical celebrated its 25th anniversary in October 2010?
- 8. Which musical is set in the plains of Serengeti?
- 9. In which musical would you hear the words sung; 'Anything can happen if you just let it'?
- 10. What was the name of the girl group in the musical 'Grease'?
- 11. In which musical would you hear the words sung; 'Dammit Janet'?
- 12. Which musical character has been played by Brooke Shields, Denise Van Outen and Renee Zellweger?
- 13. Which London West End production was produced partly by Whoopi Goldberg and on Broadway in 2011?
- 14. What musical tells the story of an American nurse who falls in love with a French Plantation owner during WWII?
- 15. Who, in 1979, composed the Tony award-winning Broadway musical 'Sweeney Todd'?
- 16. 'The Perfect Year', 'Greatest Star Of All' and 'With One Look' are songs from which musical?
- 17. Name the rival gangs in 'West Side Story'.
- 18. The characters 'Captain Walker', 'The Acid Queen' and 'Cousin Kevin' can be found in which musical?
- 19. What is the surname of Dolores from the film and musical 'Sister Act'?
- 20. Which famous musical featured the song 'Popular'?

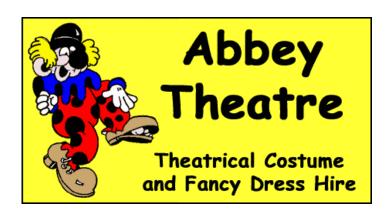






1. "A Chorus Line" / 2. "BLOOD Brothers" / 3. "Annie Get Your Gun" / 4. "CHESS" and "MAMMA MIA!" / 5. "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" / 6. "HAIR" / 7. "Les Misérables" / 8. "The Lion King" / 9. "Mary Poppins" / 10. Pink Ladies / 11. "The Rocky Horror Show" / 12. Roxie Hart ("Chicago") / 13. "Sister Act" / 14. "South Pacific" / 15. Stephen Sondheim / 16. "Sunset Boulevard" / 17. The Jets and the Sharks / 18. "Tommy" / 19. Van Cartier / 20. "WICKED"





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Hours of Operation

Thursday 12.00 p.m. – 7.30 p.m. Friday 12.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. Saturday 11.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.



