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Unless your membership card says your membership expires on 31 January **2020**, your membership has expired!!

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? 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**. Please don't forget to put your name in the 'Reference' field, along with 'Membership'.

If your personal details have changed from last year, could you please complete a membership form (can be found on the AMT website – [www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz](http://www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz) – and forward that to the Abbey Office – [admin@abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz](mailto:admin@abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz)).

Please note that unless you renew your membership for the 2019/20 year, this will be the last "Stage rage" you receive.



# AGM

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) of Abbey Musical Theatre will be held on

**Tuesday – 23 April 2019**

at The Wallace Development Company Theatre

Information regarding the AGM and positions available on the Board has already been sent.



**! FULL PUPPET NUDITY**

**ABBAY MUSICAL THEATRE PRESENTS**

# Avenue Q

See what all the Fuzz is about

**28 MAR - 13 APR** WALLACE DEVELOPMENT  
COMPANY THEATRE  
HOKOWHITU

TICKETS FROM **WWW.ABBEYMUSICALTHEATRE.CO.NZ**



**V.I.P. ACCESS**

**AVENUE**



ABBHEY MUSICAL THEATRE 2019

Wanna be cool as f\*\*k?  
Upgrade to a front row table and be  
treated like the royalty you are at the  
*'Around the Clock Cafe'* on Avenue Q!

*Front row table seats*

*Gourmet cheese platter from Boatshed Catering*

*Bottle of wine (your choice of red, white or bubbles)*

*Meet with the puppets and puppeteers  
post performance for a photo opportunity*

**UPGRADE FOR \$60 per table**  
(max four people per table)

Phone 06-355 0499 to secure your table

Limited V.I.P. tables available

[www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz](http://www.abbeymusicaltheatre.co.nz)

**MTNZ 59<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL CONFERENCE & VOLUNTEER TRAINING WEEKEND**

**22 – 24 March 2019**

**Ellerslie Events Centre, Auckland**

**Registrations for this year's MTNZ Conference are now open.**

**More information/details can be found at**

**<http://www.mtnz.org.nz/conference>**

**Click here to register on line – <http://www.mtnz.org.nz/conference-registration/>**



At the recent **Regional Theatre Awards Ceremony** Abbey Musical Theatre were well represented amongst the winners. Congratulations to everyone who received a nomination and a big YAHOO to all those nominees who won, as follows;

**Emerging Performer**

- Amy Doherty – as Claire in *Ordinary Days*

**Concept & Design (Musical)**

- Jo Sale & Andrea Maxwell – for *Ordinary Days*

**Cameo - Female**

- Jessie Feyen – as Miss Andrew in *MARY POPPINS*

**Cameo – Male**

- Bruce Sinclair – as Dr Dillamond in *WICKED*

**Connection Between Characters**

- Jessie Feyen & Tyrell Beck – as Audrey and Seymour in *Little Shop of Horrors*

**Male Supporting Actor (Musical)**

- Don Macbeth – as Mr Mushnik in *Little Shop of Horrors*

**Male Actor (Musical)**

- Tyrell Beck – as Bert in *MARY POPPINS*

**Female Actor (Musical)**

- Val Andrew – as Mary Poppins in *MARY POPPINS*

**Choreography**

- Marika Harvey – for *MARY POPPINS*

**Musical Direction – Small**

- Nick Ross – for *Ordinary Days*

**Musical Direction – Large**

- Barry Jones – for *WICKED*

**Director (Musical)**

- Phil Anstis – for *MARY POPPINS*

**Best Musical**

- *MARY POPPINS*

**People's Choice**

- *MARY POPPINS*



Auditions were held recently and this production has been fully cast with all local talent. There were in excess of 130 auditionees over the weekend and we are fortunate to now have a cast of an extremely high calibre.

**CAST LIST**

<b><i>Valjean</i></b>	Bradford Meurk
<b><i>Javert</i></b>	Phil Anstis
<b><i>Fantine</i></b>	Amy McKenna
<b><i>Eponine</i></b>	Peta Lynch
<b><i>Marius</i></b>	Tyrell Beck
<b><i>Cosette</i></b>	Renee Evans
<b><i>Enjolras</i></b>	Michael Doody
<b><i>Thenardier</i></b>	Ben Pryor
<b><i>Madame Thenardier</i></b>	Jo Sale
<b><i>Gavroche</i></b>	Dante Hunt / Cam Andrew
<b><i>Little Cosette/Eponine</i></b>	Mia Warren / Izzy Brown / Olive Look



## Ensemble

Aiden Wilson	Amy Doherty
Andrew Jamieson	Annie Goetzlof
Blake Storrier	Aria Jamieson
Camille Chemasle	Beth Beech
Connor Watson	Candace Higgie
Greg Dow	Cate Redshaw
Hayden Giles	Eilidh Mackay
Jacob McDonald	Emma Carey
Jeremy Matthews	Erica Ward
Jonty Robinson	Hannah McDowall
Josh Harrison	Jessie Feyen
Karl Stewart	Katie Monaghan
Lindsay Yeo	Kaydee Zabelin
Matthew Lyne	Lottie Perry
Mikaera Bassett	Madeleine James
Oliver Inman	Maryanne Kensington
Read Wheeler	Maxene Jeffares
Rob Waayenburg	Paula Fredericks
Shane Brown	Rachel Bowen
Steve Jenkins	Shania Mika-Tamihana
Terry Stewart	Suzi O'Donnell
Tom Brown	Tayla Clark
Tom Varney	Val Andrew
Tyler Purdy	
Will Thompson	



TICKETS NOW ON SALE AT TICKETDIRECT  
DON'T DELAY – BOOK TODAY!!!

**9 – 24 AUGUST 2019**

AT THE REGENT ON BROADWAY

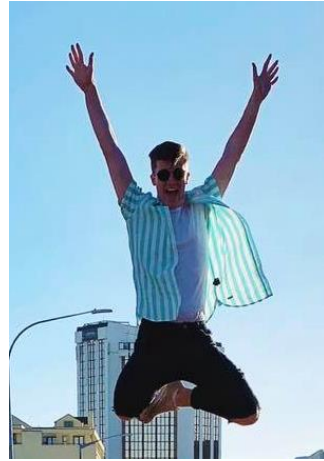
### DIRECTOR/MUSICAL DIRECTOR

BARRY JONES

### ASSISTANT DIRECTOR/MUSICAL DIRECTOR

ANDREA MAXWELL





We are excited to announce that one of our members, Tyrell Beck, has been accepted to study a **Master of Fine Arts (Musical Theatre)** at the Boston Conservatory at Berklee in Boston, Massachusetts!!!



The Boston Conservatory is ranked extremely highly for its Musical Theatre course and currently has the sixth highest number of graduates on Broadway.

Ty says, *"I count myself so blessed and lucky to be accepted here and am so excited to finally chase after my dream and passion (as cliché as that sounds!). There are a lot of hoops to jump through to raise the money required, suss visas and accommodation and prepare myself for the biggest move in my life, but it's 5½ months of very hard slog for two years to immerse and develop myself to achieve what I've wanted for so long!!!"*

*The course starts in September so Les Misérables will be my last show in New Zealand for a while, but what a way to go out! Tickets are available now – FYI.*

*Thanks for all the support team; I couldn't do it without you amazing people."*  
 #dowhatyoulove #moreto come #watchthisspace



## WHAT IS APHORISM?

*An Aphorism is a statement of truth or opinion expressed in a concise and witty manner.*

- ◆ I read that 4,153,237 people got married last year. Not to cause any trouble, but shouldn't that be an even number?
- ◆ I find it ironic that the colours red, white and blue stand for freedom, until they are flashing behind you.
- ◆ When wearing a bikini, women reveal 90% of their body. Men are so polite they only look at the covered parts.
- ◆ Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?
- ◆ Most Countries produces citizens who will cross the ocean to fight for democracy, but won't cross the street to vote.
- ◆ You know that tingly little feeling you get when you love someone? That's common sense leaving your body.
- ◆ My therapist says I have a preoccupation with vengeance. We'll see about that!
- ◆ I think my neighbour is stalking me, she's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.
- ◆ Money talks, but all mine ever says is goodbye.
- ◆ You're not fat, you're just easier to see.
- ◆ If you think nobody cares whether you're alive, try missing a couple of payments.
- ◆ The location of your mailbox shows you how far away from your house you can go in a robe, before you start looking like a mental patient.

***Now, don't you feel better knowing what an aphorism is?***

