

Sodbury Players' Newsletter

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One Act Successes

Congratulations to everybody involved in this year's One Act plays especially to Maggie & the SPYS who won the Avon festival and go through to the divisional final on 29th April at the Cotswold Playhouse in Stroud. For reference, the Central Divisional Final is at Princes Hall, Clevedon on 22nd April. For tickets contact 0117 9622947.

"All the World's a Stage" by Maggie Allsopp

Wiltshire:

Ross Brown nominated for Best Performance by a Junior Actor and Maggie Allsopp nominated for Best Dramatic Endeavour.

Avon:

We won best overall Youth Performance and Amy Smith won Denning Award for Youth Encouragement.



Ross Brown won the West Town Theatre Youth Award, and Ross Brown, Brent Morgan, Grant McCotter & Hannah Simmonds were nominated for Denning Award for Youth Encouragement. Brent Morgan was nominated for West Town Theatre Youth Award. We were also nominated for Best Technical.

"Wilfred & Len" by Stephen Mercer

Wiltshire:

Steve Mercer won Best Original Production and Mel Fox won Best Adult Performance by an Actress. We were Runner Up Overall. Mark Graves was nominated for Best Adult Actor in a Supporting Role and George Elphick was nominated for Best Adult



Performance by an Actor.

Avon:

We won Best Technical and were Runner Up. Duncan Collins & George Elphick were both nominated for Best Actor.

One Act Hosting

Many thanks to everybody who helped out with the hosting this year especially to Mark & Norma for FOH, Stan & Margaret for stage manager and Steve & Annette for looking after the other groups. Thanks to Tony Hodges & Ray Bulmer for lighting. We received many thanks from AAD and praise from the competing groups.

The Curious Savage

Diane has now cast our Spring production. There are still a few backstage roles to be filled so if you can help out then please contact Diane.

Cast

Florence : Lin Bowden
Fairy May : Charley Green
Jeffrey : Grant McCotter
Hannibal : Ross Brown
Miss Paddy : Mavis Davison
Titus Savage : Steve Mercer
Samuel Savage : Andrew Stubbs
Lily Belle Savage : Sian Butler
Ethel Savage : Norma Graves
Miss Wilhelmina : Chrissie Bassett
Dr Emmett : Roy Whitlow

Backstage crew

Stage Manager : Robert Owen
Set Design : Robert Owen
Set Construction : Robert Owen, Will Wrighton, Phil Lovell & members
Lights : Tim Hunter/Rob Creer
Sound : Stephen Bashford
Costumes : Brenda Allen
Props : Marion Whitlow & Kathy Lowe
Prompt : Julian Hinton
Box Office : Stephen Bashford
Front of House : Pauline Pincott & Members

Set Building

Rob is stage managing our Spring production and will be at the huts in Horse Street every Tuesday evening from 7.45pm to work on the set. If you are able to help out Rob can be contacted on 01454 238623.

Box Office

Just a reminder that Sodbury Players have their own 0845 number for the box office, which does not change. It is 0845 1260859.

Play Reading Evenings

The play reading evenings are about to restart,. Rob Creer will be reading "Guards, Guards" by Terry Pratchett. Please contact Rob for details on 07929 963066.

Voice Workshop

Many thanks to all who attended the voice workshop

with Janet Tuckett which was a very successful evening. If anybody has any suggestions for other workshops then please bring it to the attention of the committee.

Submitting Bills

Steve Crump (Treasurer) has asked that all members submit receipts & bills as soon as they receive them so that the production accounts can be drawn up as soon as possible after each show finishes.

Mobile Phones

Just a short note to clarify the use of mobile phones in the Town Hall during productions. All phones should be placed on silent operation whilst a show is in progress. However, no phones should be used on the stage or within the vicinity of electrical or audio equipment as all phones can interfere with the sound system even when on silent.

Forthcoming Productions

Roy Whitlow is producing "Hound of the Baskervilles" for our Autumn production, more details to follow.

We are now looking for producers for the Pantomime 2007 & Spring production 2007. Please contact a member of Committee if you are interested.

Dates for Diary

10 Mar ~ Cheltenham One Act
17-18 Mar ~ Sodbury Continental Market
29 Mar ~ Committee Meeting
22 Apr ~ One Act Central Division Final @ Clevedon
27-29 Apr ~ Portishead Players "The Canterville Ghost"
29 Apr. ~ Junior One Act Divisional Final @ Stroud
17-20 May ~ The Curious Savage
14-15 Jul ~ Chipping Sodbury Beer Festival
13-16 Sept. ~ Autumn Production
15 Dec. ~ Dinner Dance