

NOISES OFF

Seasons Greetings from your committee

APS newsletter December 2012

PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!

members meeting

Monday 3 December

Following recent events which resulted in the need to cancel the Autumn Production of 'The Winter's Tale' the Committee feel that it is important that all members have the opportunity to express their feelings and discuss the way forward.

We would therefore like to invite you to a meeting of the membership to take place at 7.30 pm in the Clubroom on Monday 3 December.

This will replace the playreading and auditions scheduled for that evening which will now take place at a later date.

Andrew Cross, Secretary, on behalf of your Committee.



Friday 14 December

It kicks off at 7.30 pm, at The Cider House, Over Compton, home of our generous hosts, Adrian and Miyoko Thorpe. Cost £5 - pay at the door - includes food and your first drink. Subsequent drinks at generous APS prices.

Feel free to but above all come with festive cheer. **Please bring KFS, bowl and plate.** Glasses provided.

The Cider House is directly opposite Trencherman's at Over Compton. Parking in the courtyard is for those with walking difficulties and essential deliveries - food and drink.

Parking available along the wall outside and in St Michael's Church car park on the other side of the church.



"THE PLAY'S THE THING!" *

Our President, Eve Simmonds, has come up with a new initiative to aid our selection of plays we might produce in future.

So, we're looking for your ideas of plays you think are worth considering (no commitment to direct.) All you have to do is pass them on to Eve who will read the plays you suggest and present her opinion to your committee.

Do contact Eve on 01935 812933.

* *Hamlet Act 2, scene 2*

APS 2012-2013 season Upcoming Events

Monday 3 December
Members' Meeting

Friday 14 December
Christmas Party at The Cider House, Over Compton

Wednesday 30 January
TBC

Friday 22 February
Variety Evening to name Jenny Ward Room

Thursday 7 March
Visit to Dorset Drama League at Shaftesbury Arts Centre

Sat 13 April-Sunday 21 April
Heatstroke Production Week
Performances 18-20 April

Friday 17 May
Annual Dinner at Castle Gardens with Murder Mystery. TBC

Tuesday 11 June
Part rehearsed drama of Hemingway's short story *The Killers*.

Friday 19 July
AGM and Summer Party.

All events take place at 7.30 pm in our Clubroom unless indicated otherwise.

FILM QUIZ A

BLOCKBUSTER!

An immensely enjoyable Film Quiz evening was had in our Clubroom. There were lots of furrowed brows and head-scratching as the rounds progressed and we tried to work the answers to such questions as who directed which film, and who starred in which movie.

And now, rolling the credits. Many thanks to Gilly for a thoroughly entertaining evening, ably assisted by Helen as scorekeeper and Jane who dispensed much needed coffee, tea and biscuits during the interval.

We look forward in eager anticipation to Film Quiz III!

NEWSLETTER REDUCTION

What with one thing and another your APS newsletter is just three pages long this month.



And, kindly note that the January issue will be published a little later than usual - it's all down to the festive season!

Arts SCENE

A selection of what's on around and about

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CIVIC PLAYERS PERFORM 'UNORIGINAL SIN'

CIVIC PLAYERS PRESENT
DAVID TRISTRAM'S
ADULT COMEDY
UNORIGINAL SIN
Directed by June Colledge

SWAN THEATRE YEovil
5 - 8 Dec 2012 at 7.45pm
Box Office: 01935 421772
www.civicplayersyeovil.co.uk
Tickets: £8.00 ; concessions £7.00
Wednesday 5th: 2 tickets for £12
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Eve has never been kissed. Bill is thirty-five, rich, and alcoholic. He is married to Jenny. Jenny is having an affair with Jeremy, but she remains devoted to her husband's cheque book. Father Tomlin has taken a lifelong vow of celibacy. Or so his daughter claims. Original Sin? It seems there's nothing very original about it any more.

'Unoriginal Sin' is the Civic Players next production. It's on at The Swan at 7.45 pm from Wednesday 5 to Saturday 8 December. Box office 01935 421772. Tickets £8 & £7 for concessions with 2 tickets for £12 on opening night Wednesday 5th.

MICHAEL FRAYN IN CONVERSATION

In 2012 four of Michael Frayn's plays were revived in this country to great acclaim *Noises Off*, *Copenhagen*, *Benefactors* and *Democracy*, and his new novel *Skios* was nominated for the Booker Prize.

He will be discussing all of these, and much more, in this afternoon discussion with theatre writer John Miller at the Salisbury Playhouse at 2.15 pm on Saturday 12 January. Tickets £10. Box Office: call 01722 320333
www.salisburyplayhouse.com



SWAN THEATRE MOUNTS 200TH PRODUCTION

23rd - 26th JANUARY 2013
7.45 pm
SWAN THEATRE
The Swan Theatre
12th Place, Yeovil
Somerset BA20 1JF
www.swantheatre.co.uk

THE SWAN THEATRE COMPANY
Presents
Our 200th Production
HEROES
By
Gerald Sibleyras
Translated by
Tom Stoppard

The Swan Theatre Company presents their 200th production, 'Heroes' by French dramatist, Gerald Sibleyras, and adapted by Tom Stoppard.

Set in a French retirement home for three First World War veterans, "Heroes" is a heartwarming, witty comedy.

Henri, Philippe and Gustav, while away the hours complaining about the staff, dreaming about young women and arguing over whether a statue of a dog is alive. They also devise an escape plan - taking the dog with them.

Check page 3 for dates and booking details.

NT Live at cineworld Yeovil

National Theatre Live
Best of British theatre broadcast live to a cinema near you

The Magistrate
by Arthur Wing Pinero
John Lithgow takes the title role in this classic Victorian farce.

17 January 2013
www.ntlive.com
AVIVA

Pinero's 'The Magistrate' a fast, furious and brilliantly plotted farce set in Victorian London kicks off NT Live 2013 productions.



Gently exposing the hypocrisy behind the well-upholstered manners and morals of the upper middle-class, The Magistrate follows the misfortunes of the Posket family in a tale of much dissembling. Having deceived her second husband - Aeneas, the magistrate - about her age, Agatha Posket has had to corroborate her story by telling him that her son, Cis, from her previous marriage, is 14 when he is actually 19. And when this secret is threatened by the appearance of the boy's godfather, Colonel Lukyn, Agatha is drawn further into mischievous plotting.

Thursday 17 January at 7 pm. Call 0871 200 2000 or Google Cineworld Yeovil. Save 10% booking online, plus no booking fees.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER 2012

	Mon 3	Members Meeting	The ClubHouse 7.30 pm
	Wed 5 to Sat 8	Unoriginal Sin Civic Players	The Swan Theatre, Yeovil 7.45 pm
	Thurs 6 to Sat 15	Pinocchio Merlin Theatre Company	Merlin Theatre, Frome 7.30 pm
	Fri 7 to Sat 15	A Venetian Love Story Cygnet Company	New Theatre, Exeter 7.30 Mats Dec 8&15 2 pm
	Mon 10 to Tues 11	A Christmas Carol Rain or Shine Company	Mission Theatre, Bath 7.30 pm
	Tues 11 to Sat 15	Absent Friends Exeter Drama Company	The Shed, Exeter 7.30 pm
	Wed 12 to Thurs 13	Underground Space Company	Tacchi-Morris Arts Centre, Taunton 7.30 pm
	Thurs 13 to Sun 13 Jan	Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs Pantomime	Theatre Royal, Bath Times vary
JANUARY 2013			
	Sat 12	Michael Frayn In conversation with John Miller	Salisbury Playhouse 2.15 pm
	Thurs 14 to Sat 19	Quartermaine's Terms Pre West End tour	Theatre Royal, Bath Times vary
	Thurs 17	NT Live: The Magistrate Pinero farce	Cineworld, Yeovil 7 pm
	Mon 21 to Sat 26	Heroes Comedy adapted by Tom Stoppard	The Swan, Yeovil 7.45 pm
	Mon 21 to Sat 26	The Mousetrap First UK tour	Theatre Royal, Bath Times vary
	Tues 22 to Thurs 24	Caucasian Chalk Circle Heathfield Community School	Tacchi-Morris, Taunton 7.30
	Wed 23 to Sat 9 Feb	Steptoe and Son From Galton & Simpson scripts	Bristol Old Vic 7.30 pm Mat Sat 2.30 pm
	Fri 25	Frankenstein - the musical Miracle Theatre	Merlin Theatre, Frome 7.45 pm

Bristol Old Vic: Box Office 0117 987 7877 www.bristololdvic.org.uk

Cineworld, Yeovil: Call 0871 200200 or save 10% by booking online

Civic Players - Unoriginal Sin: Call 01935 421772

The Swan Theatre: from 30 October South Somerset Information Centre 01935 462781/462782

Exeter Drama Company: From the Publicity Officer 01392 221481

Tacchi-Morris Arts Centre: Box Office 01823 414141 www.tacchi-morris.com

New Theatre Exeter: Box Office 01392 277189 www.cygnetnewtheatre.com

Theatre Royal, Bath: Box Office 01225 448844 www.theatreroyal.org.uk

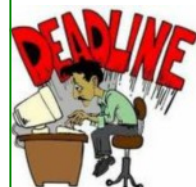
Salisbury Playhouse: Box Office call 01722 320333 www.salisburyplayhouse.com

Merlin Theatre: Box Office 01373 465949 www.merlintheatre.co.uk

Mission Theatre: Call 01225 428600 www.missiontheatre.co.uk

If you would like any local performances mentioned in the newsletter please email details to: jim.reville@btinternet.com or call me on 01935 814626. Please leave a message if I'm not available and I'll ring you back.

January Copy Deadline: Sun 6 Jan



Last Word...

“The structure of a play is always the story of how the birds come home to roost.”

Arthur Miller