

Putting it Together

A Musical Review

We are pleased to announce that The Barnstormers have decided to slot in another production ahead of their planned production of 'The Scarlet Pimpernel' at the Barn and Minack Theatres next year.

They return to the Barn next February with a production of the glittering musical review 'Putting It Together' by Stephen Sondheim. The production runs for three nights only from Thursday 8th to Saturday 10th February and once again The Barnstormers will be donating all money raised to the Barn Theatre Development Fund.

'Putting It Together' is a glitzy compilation show featuring the very best of Stephen Sondheim's music. With a cocktail party serving as a backdrop, the show takes you on a wonderful journey through the composer's work and features some of the best-loved songs from many of Sondheim's biggest hits including Company, Follies, Into the Woods, A Little Night Music, Dick Tracy, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Merrily We Roll Along and Sweeney Todd. Its combination of witty musical theatre numbers, love songs and sumptuous melodies certainly makes for a great night out. This version of the show has been lifted from the very successful 2000 Broadway revival production.

Richard Allen will be producing and directing and Ian Skipper will be joining The Barnstormers for a second time as Musical Director following the success of 'Nunsense' back in June this year.

Tickets for 'Putting It Together' are available from the Barn Theatre Box Office on 01959 561811. For more information on this production visit The Barnstormers website at www.thebarnstormers.org. The Barnstormers promise you a sophisticated, sumptuous and glitzy evening's entertainment, so book early to avoid disappointment!

'The Scarlet Pimpernel' ***Barn & Minack 2007***

The Barnstormers will be holding a 'Get Together' evening at the Barn on Sunday 12th November starting at 7.00pm so you can find out more about this exciting production and meet the production team.

Auditions will be held on Sunday 3rd December at the Barn from 10.30am (Chorus) and 2.00pm (Principals). More details from www.thebarnstormers.org or by contacting Richard Allen on richard@thebarnstormers.org or 01883 346093.

The New Foxtrot Serenaders

Returning, by popular demand, to the Barn Theatre on Friday 23rd March 2007 at 7.45pm with a "Lullaby of Broadway" The New Foxtrot Serenaders present their Great American Songbook, featuring the music of Jerome Kern, Hoagy Carmichael, Cole Porter and George Gershwin, to name just a few! So "C'mon and listen to...." the New Foxtrot Serenaders! Book your tickets now! Still only £10.00. Available from 01959 561811 until 17th February 2007 and thereafter from Ibbett Mosely 01883 712241.



The Best Little Whorehouse In Texas - 21-25 November

The musical is based on the true story of The Chicken Ranch, a classy house of 'not quite so' ill repute which flourished in Texas until 1973 when it was closed down by a crusading television reporter.

The story features Miss Mona, a shrewd business woman & ex-working girl, who runs the whorehouse under her own strict set of rules, & her relationship with the local Sheriff Ed Earl Dodds. Despite being known of, & frequented by, the great & good of Texas, when Melvin P. Thorpe, presenter of the TV program, Watchdog, begins a campaign against the whorehouse, the politicians change their tune calling for its closure, leaving Miss Mona & her girls with no option but to leave.

Despite the title of the show this is no bawdy spectacle, rather a romp through the lives of the characters featured, highlighting the hypocrisy of politics & the media, & showing the impact on people's lives once the cameras are turned off.

Whilst I realise the danger of preconceived ideas you may get from the title of this show, I urge you to take note of the above. You will experience a roller coaster of emotions. This show will provide you with amusement & laughter as well as causing you to question your own loyalty & support for the lead characters – especially the girls....

I guarantee that not only will you be pleasantly surprised, you will also be glad that you didn't miss out on this fantastic show. Ticket Secretary 01883 714103.

Honk! 17-21 April 2007

Based on Hans Christian Anderson's classic tale, "The Ugly Duckling", Honk! is an enchanting comic musical for the whole family, packed with sparkling wit & a memorable score, appealing on different levels to both adults & children alike.

Sing/talk throughs will take place at St Peter's Hall 8pm on Tues 5 & Thurs 7 December, with the auditions on Tues 12 & Thurs 14 December (same time/venue). As well as a host of fantastic cameo parts available for the adults, there are 6-8 places in the chorus & the four ducklings, which will be cast from children aged 11+. If you are not already a fully paid up member, please be prepared to pay either prior to or at the auditions, otherwise we regret that you will be unable to audition.

If you are unable to make the sing/talk throughs, register your interest with Catherine Wyncoll (01883 712428 secretary@oxtedoperatic.co.uk)

Barn Christmas Cracker

We have been invited to lead the community carol singing at the Barn's Christmas Show which takes place on **Sat 9 December**. This only involves 2 rehearsals beforehand on **Wed 6 December** (evening) and **Sat 9 December**, afternoon. The show has a brilliant atmosphere helped along by mince pies and mulled wine. We do need as many singers as possible so to join our merry group, please call or email Bob Wilson (01959 534076 christmas@oxtedoperatic.co.uk).