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Newsletter Jan 2017

Clubrooms: 6 - 8 Castle Hill Richmond North Yorkshire DL10 4QP www.richmond-ads.org.uk

Thu 23rd - Sat 25th March 2017

The Herbal Bed

by Peter Whelan

Directed by Gregan Davis

Herbal Bed Cast & Crew

Gregan is delighted to report that we now have a full cast for The Herbal Bed, as detailed below. We are pleased to welcome new members Ed Batchelor and Charlie Grumbley.

Rafe Smith Bruce Cunningham

Warnock Kerr

Alice Johnson

Hester Fletcher Helena Langford

Jack Lane Ed Batchelor

Bishop Parry of Worcester Martin Ash

John Hall

Susanna Hall

Barnabus Goche Charlie Grumbley

Elizabeth Hall Jaimé-Anais Gilpin

Gregan Davis Suzy Brown Director

Stage Manager Tony Wilcock Lighting & Sound Design Prompt Norma Rogers Props

Costume Brian Rogers Flyman

Herbs supplied by Bolton Castle Medieval Herb Garden.

As you can see, we are still looking for people to help out with Costume and Props. If you are able to help, or can suggest someone else who might, please get in touch urgently with Gregan on 07943 454844 or e-mail secretary@richmond-ads.org.uk

National Theatre Live **Broadcasts**

Anyone interested in the live performances of the National Theatre's productions, streamed live to The Station Cinema Richmond, may be interested in the following dates. For further information or alternative cinemas, go to: http://ntlive.nationaltheatre.org.uk/

Amadeus - Broadcast from the National Theatre, with live orchestral accompaniment by Southbank Sinfonia. Live Thursday 02 February

Saint Joan - Gemma Arterton is Joan of Arc in Josie Rourke's production of Bernard Shaw's classic play. Live Thursday 16 February

Hedda Gabler - Ruth Wilson plays the title role in Ivo van Hove's production. Live Thursday 09 March

Twelfth Night - Tamsin Greig plays Malvolia in Simon Godwin's joyous new production. Live Thursday 06 April





Chair's Corner

Well RADS members, it is time to wish you all a Happy New Year! Let us look forward to the challenges ahead.

Gregan is pleased as punch, as we have been able to cast our final piece of the jigsaw for 'The Herbal Bed'. Welcome to Ed. We will need someone (or two), to take on Props. All offers of help are very welcome.

Our entry for the Georgian One Act Play Festival (2-4 February) is 'The Real Inspector Hound' which will be performed on Thursday 2nd February. It was an interesting experience to re-assemble the old cast. I note that resurrecting a play does indeed have its challenges. We are hoping to get permission for the cuts we would like to make in the play. The fact that the agent states they will have to be signed off by the author himself does not bode well... Watch

Gary Winn is directing our summer production of The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society Murder Mystery. It seems a long way off but watch out for the dates for the read through and the auditions. It is a play weighted towards female participation in the acting department. However, this does give opportunities for the men to have a go at some of the back-stage roles they have secretly hankered to master.

My final message is to encourage you to come to the Club Nights (for both Members and Friends) that we hold each month. It is a good way of keeping abreast of new developments and for making suggestions for future developments. May the needles on your Christmas tree have been consumed by the vacuum of peace and goodwill as we hoover our way into the New

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Thu 27th - Sat 29th July and 3rd - 5th August 2017

The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild **Dramatic Society**

MURDER MYSTERY

by David McGillivray & Walter Zerlin Jnr.

Directed by Gary Winn

Social Secretary's Snippets

Happy New Year everyone! I hope that you all had a very enjoyable Christmas.

24 people attended the Christmas Dinner at Penleys. Again the food, service and ambience were excellent and I have had very positive feedback from a lot of people hence confirming that the evening was a success.

Club nights:

Monday 9th January 2017: The Quiz has been cancelled and in its place Gregan Davis has kindly agreed for his rehearsal of 'The Herbal Bed' to be an Open Rehearsal for members and potential members to come along and watch the rehearsal and then perhaps get together in the pub afterwards.

Monday 13th February 2017: Workshop - Beki Stevenson has volunteered to conduct a workshop on 'Silent Comedy - Creating Comic Characters'.

Monday 13th March 2017: Drama/Film based Quiz compiled and hosted by Gary and Julie Winn.

Please try to come along and support these events and please let me know if you have any ideas for future club nights and/or any other social events.

Contact me by email socialsec@richmond-ads.org.uk or by phone 01748 818402.

Kind Regards, Julie Winn

Thu 2nd Feb 2017 RADS entry for The Georgian Theatre One-Act Play Festival

The Real Inspector Hound

by Tom Stoppard.

Directed by Alex Caffery

RADS will be repeating half of Autumn 2016's comedy double-bill as our entry for the Georgian Theatre One-Act Play Festival. Alex Caffery is taking the director's reins for The Real Inspector Hound from Jim Brown, with all the original cast repeating their roles.

Please come and support the team as they reprise this very funny play. The Festival runs from 2 - 4 February 2017, with RADS performing second on Thu 2nd Feb.