



# Light Op News

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## From the President - Goodbye 2020 ..... Hello 2021

**Bravo** - *“From the Italian word for ‘good’ or ‘skilful’, ‘bravo’ is used to express praise upon a performer. The phrase dates back to around 1761 when ‘bravo’ meant ‘brave’. As an exclamation, it meant ‘well done’, much like it does when used today”.*

**Bravo** to all the committee, production teams and performers of ALOTCo .....we made it through 2020!

2020 was a year most community theatres wish to forget. Fortunately, here at ALOTCo we were able to keep doing what we love doing, creating entertainment. As a bonus we made enough money from two productions ‘Urinetown the Musical’ and ‘AGT2020 – ALOTCo Got Talent’, plus memberships, to have the bank balance above same time as last year. We should applaud this achievement. How resilient is our Company???

Thank you to Sandra Wilson for most entertaining ‘2021 Roasted Oscars’ with the quirky Gold Logies. Special thanks to the kilted Mick Vertigan, who stepped in for our usual MC, Gavin Crane, who was stuck in Perth .

Thank you to Vanessa Paterson who organised our Christmas Party at the theatre. Vanessa organised great games which helped us all to mingle with members with whom we are not so familiar.

‘The Musical of Musicals (The Musical)’, Directed by Donna Markovic, had a successful Info night, auditions weekend and just two weeks into rehearsals, is already displaying the amazing singing and dancing talent.

Tickets will be on sale Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February for Show Dates - April 30, May 1,2,7,8,9,14,15- 2021. So, get your tables of six together (some row seats) and come watch this hilarious show. Book here <https://paperbark.sales.ticketsearch.com/sales/sales/sales>

‘Seussical the Musical’, to be directed by Emma Davis, will be performed in September. It is going to be hilarious, colourful, full of young people and masses of rhyming.

*“Seussical”* takes us into the world of Dr. Seuss, where we revisit beloved characters including The Cat in the Hat, Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Mayzie and JoJo. A musical perfect for the whole family”.

Ok 2021, we are ready! ALOTCo will take on whatever you bring!

Cheers

El Presidenté

Janet McArtney

## Membership – have you paid yours?

Thank you if you have paid your membership in the past month. It is always due by February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

If you are not a member, but would like to be, please reply to Jill on this email [info@alotco.com.au](mailto:info@alotco.com.au) and I will send you a form. Forms are also available on our website - [alotco.com.au](http://alotco.com.au) – on the auditions and forms page.

By joining ALOTCo you help to keep us alive. The membership fees were our only income in 2020 until we were able to reprise 'Urinetown'.

## The Roasted Oscars

The Roasted Oscars were held on February 6<sup>th</sup> and despite COVID restrictions was very well attended and great fun ensued. Thank you, once again, to Sandra Wilson, for your hard work in creating this celebration of our dramatic highs, lows and disasters each year. We missed you Gavin! Mick rocked the frock!

### And the winners were...

Best Jnr Actress - Madelyn Marsh

Best Jnr Actor - Hunter Ewen

Best Jnr Female Singer - Josie Staude

Best Jnr Male Singer - Hamish McGregor

Best Female Dancer - Kelly Seaton

Best Male Dancer - Lachlan McLean

Best Choreographer - Maxine Jones

Best Stage Manager - Peter Cook

Best Stage Hand - Richard Habal

Best Sound Technician - Charles Danger

Best Rehearsal Pianist - Maureen Kennedy

Best Musician - Jennifer Graham-Taylor (Findlay MacNish Award)

Best Song - Snuff That Girl - Urinetown

Best Set Artist- Sandy O'Doherty

Best Props - Vanessa Paterson

Best Theatre Construction - Robin Hughes and Paul Favas

Best Publicity - Janet McArtney

Best Front of House - Linda Leighton and Lisa Harrison

Hall of Fame - Jill Larsen

Best Mishap - Darian Le-Page

Best Make up - Alison Sharpe

Best Costumes- Linda Leighton, Coral Hughes, Susie McIntosh, Jodi James, Jan Nekele Melita Pollett

Best Actress - Jenny Tetlow

Best Actor - Darian Le-Page

Best Male Singer - Andrew Wenzel

Best Female Singer - Bonnie Staude

Best Musical Director- James Turner

Best Director - Airell Hodgkinson

Best Production - Urinetown



## Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March

6.30pm – wine and nibbles

7.00pm – meeting begins.

Acceptance of minutes from 2020

President's Report

Annual Financial Statement

General Business

More wine and nibbles

# A.G.M.

## New Secretary needed.....

As I mentioned several times in newsletters last year, I am stepping down as Secretary at the AGM.

So far I have been inundated with NO offers to find out what is involved.

Remember you can nominate for the following:-

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, committee member (three positions available with a two year term)

Any person nominated to fill the position of President shall have been a financial member of the Company for a continual period of not less than twelve (12) months and have served as a committee member. Any person nominated to any other position on the Management Committee shall have been a financial adult member of the Company for a continual period of not less than six (6) months prior to the date of said nomination.

More AGM info to follow soon.

## Containers for Change

Thank you to the members who have donated their container refunds to ALOTCo.

I have learned this can be done in two ways...

1. Take your empty containers (eligible containers – WITH NO LIDS - that have the 10c refund label on container) to the back of IGA in Spencer Park, along with your laminated ALOTCo donor card (available in kitchen) and someone will process your refund for you.
2. Using a plastic bag (before you add your containers) clearly write ....  
ALOTCo  
C10316210  
Date .....on the bag, then add the containers.  
Seal the bag and pop into the Containers for Change chutes at IGA York Street.

Your Secretary recently wasted ten minutes of her life walking around (and around) the above receptacle at York St IGA, clutching a basket of containers, wondering what the heck to do next. Mrs Lionetti came and saved me!

## ALOTCo's Got Talent DVD and BluRay

AGT2020

Jill has one DVD and one BluRay of ALOTCo's Got Talent 2020.

If you would like to purchase a copy please get back to Jill asap. \$10 each.



# Musical of Musicals – the Musical

The Musical of Musicals – the Musical has captured the attention of new and not so new members to our theatre.

Donna and her production team were spellbound by the standard of talent on offer during the auditions. They are thoroughly enjoying the group dynamics and enthusiasm from this cast.

Congratulations and welcome to you all.

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| <p><b><u>Corn</u></b></p> <p><b>In the Style of Rogers and Hammerstein</b></p> <p>Jidder - Laurence Mitchell<br/>         June- Emma Davis<br/>         Mother Abby- Carmen Fasolo<br/>         Willy- Kevin McCreton</p>          | <p><b><u>A Little Complex</u></b></p> <p><b>In the Style of Stephen Sondheim</b></p> <p>Jitter – Darian LePage<br/>         Jeune- Renae Grafton<br/>         Abby- Susie Chapman<br/>         Billy- Hunter Ewen</p>                                 |
| <p><b><u>Dear Abby</u></b></p> <p><b>In the Style of Jerry Herman</b></p> <p>Mr Jitters- Kevin McGreton<br/>         Junie Faye- Kelly Seaton<br/>         Auntie Abby- Fiona Morrison-Smith<br/>         William- Hunter Ewen</p> | <p><b><u>Aspects of Junita</u></b></p> <p><b>In the Style of Andrew Lloyd Webber</b></p> <p>Phantom Jitter- Laurence Mitchell<br/>         Junita – Renae Grafton<br/>         Abigail Von Shtarr- Carmen Fasolo<br/>         Bill- Darian LePage</p> |
| <p><b><u>Speakeasy</u></b></p> <p><b>In the Style of Kander &amp; Ebb</b></p> <p>Jutter – Kevin McGreton<br/>         Juny- Susie Chapman<br/>         Villy- Darian LePage<br/>         Fraulein Abby – Hiedi Rowe</p>            | <p><b>Narrator and Chorus – Sarah Hutton</b></p> <p><b>Chorus –</b> Richard Habal<br/>         Tahlia Robinson-Solozaniuk<br/>         Lauren Podobnik<br/>         Ruby Mitchell<br/>         Zeke Medling</p>                                       |



