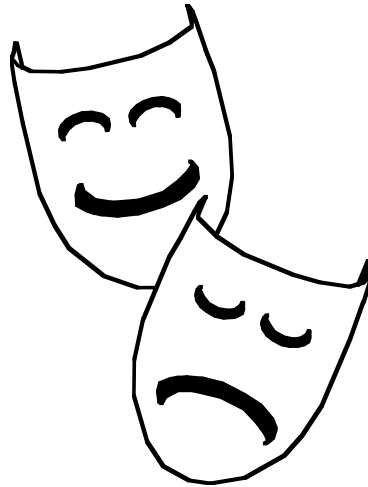


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CHAIRMANS REMARKS

Once again we approach the Societies A.G.M. and as always I urge members to make the effort to attend. Since our last A.G.M. significant events have taken place and there will be more in the near future. This will mean great changes to both the Society and the Theatre.

We now have an ambitious design, and planning permission has been granted, for the proposed alterations and improvements to the Theatre Foyer, Bar & Toilet areas. Soon we hope to have detailed builder's estimates for this work although as yet we do not have the funding we will need to proceed.

For the purpose of improving the chances of raising the necessary capital, we now have a registered company: - "New Mills Art Theatre Ltd" which has been granted charitable status. To take advantage of these changes, at present on hold, will require significant re-organisation of the way the Society and Theatre operate. Members should fully understand the difference these changes will make. They are probably the most significant events to face the Society since the purchase of the Theatre in 1963 and the membership should be part of whatever decisions are made. It is important that every member is fully informed and better still is fully involved.

Please do not miss the opportunity to be there on June 20th, to see the plans which will make the Theatre an outstanding community asset even more unique than it already is. Your opinion and involvement are essential if we are to succeed.

I hope to see you there.

Colin Brown

www.arttheatre.co.uk

Nick Howe has started to develop a Web Site for the Society

If you have any information or old photos that could be considered for adding to the site please contact Nick via the link on the site

Or just visit for a browse and let Nick have your comments

THE HOT MIKADO

The auditions for the Autumn Show were held in late April/early May, and the Committee were delighted with the response.

It is always encouraging to us when we have so many interested players, but sadly, this means we have to disappoint some too.

The standard was high, and we feel we have a very good cast.

The successful players are:-

The Mikado	Roger Haslam
Nanki Poo	Simon Green
Peep Bo	Emma Tovey
Pitti Sing	Kim Riley
Yum Yum	Charlotte Taylor
Katisha	Mandy Mallinson
Pooh Bah	Barry Aspinall
Ko Ko	Gary Ward
Pish Tush	Anthony Lamb

Production Team	Director/Choreographer	Dianne Aspinall
	Musical Director	Dave Chapman
	Chorus Mistress	Sheena Mc Innes.

The show will run from Monday November 21st to Saturday November 26th

NEWS FROM FRIENDS OF THE ART THEATRE

Friends are delighted to announce that their Pantomime for 2006 is “ALADDIN” which should prove to be a popular choice for families.

This year the get-together and principal auditions are being held earlier than previously – the **get-together will be at the Theatre on Monday 4th July at 8.00 p.m.** with registration for dancers at 7.30 p.m.

Auditions

Principal parts will be held on Saturday 23rd July.

Dancing and chorus auditions will be held at a later date – probably late September/early October.

If anyone is interested in either a principal part or being a member of the chorus or dancing teams and is unable to attend the meeting please telephone me before 27th June on 0161 427 5317.

Moira Whiteford

S.S.U.

We have only one event to offer you at the moment and that is the dinner at Disley Golf Club on Friday, 7th October. Again we plan to have a disco and look forward to another enjoyable evening. You will find the menus included and we ask you to complete them and send them to Judy as usual.

We have no shows in mind at the present and as always ask you to keep your eyes open and let me know if you come across anything that appeals. I did make enquires about “Beauty & The Beast” at the Opera House but prices were prohibitive so I’ve taken that no further.

And again – will anyone interested in theatre trips that has an e-mail address not already given to me please let me know. It does help in contacting people quickly if we find a possible show but again I want to reassure those without such an address – I promise you won’t miss out.

My e-mail address is JPMays@LSW.net

Joan P Mays

Forthcoming Events

Check the web site for booking details

July 2005

Thursday 7th to Sunday 10

High Peak Summer Workshop for Adults

Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th

New Mills Dance Centre

September 2005

Saturday 10th

‘Elvis on Tour’

Saturday 17th

New Mills Festival

October 2005

Friday 7th

Annual Dinner at Disley Golf Club

November 2005

Monday 21st to Saturday 26th

New Mills Amateur Operatic & Dramatic Society presents

‘Hot Mikado’

January 2006

Friends of the Art Theatre present

‘Aladdin’

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