

The logo for Network Theatre Company is a red, textured square with a white border. The text "Network Theatre Company" is written in a white, serif font, stacked in three lines.

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News

A large, textured red heart is painted on a dark asphalt surface. The heart is made of a thick, granular material, possibly paint or plaster, and has a rough, uneven edge. A person's fingers are visible in the bottom right corner, with red paint on their tips, suggesting they are in the process of painting or touching the heart.

Love and Deceit

A collection of new short plays

3rd to 7th September 2013

News

Editorial

Hello and welcome to the revamped Network Theatre Company newsletter! You are receiving this because either a registered “Friend” or “Member” of Network, or perhaps you have been to see one of our shows in the past and registered your interest in future information when buying tickets. If you do not wish to receive this in the future, that’s fine just let us know.

We plan to put out one of these newsletters a few weeks before each production so that you can get a flavour of our forthcoming show, plus an update on other things going on at NT.

David Murray Award

Our annual event commemorating life of David Murray and his considerable contribution to the Network Theatre (including being chairman for many years) has been re scheduled to **12th October 2013**. This is to avoid a potential clash with what will be our then in production play, Antigone.

As is tradition, the format of the award evening will include entertainment, and this year is no exception. This year it takes the form of “Network’s Got Talent” which has been inspired by the plethora of television talent shows that permeate the schedules. NGT is devised by Rebecca Mason who says: “We have some lovely actors in Network and many are musicians, dancers, singers and comics. This night is designed to celebrate those talents, and for our “familiar looking” judges to pass their views. There are prizes too!

If you are interested in taking part in NGT please contact Rebecca to express your interest and details of your act. She can be contacted via info@networktheatre.org

Importantly, nominations are still open for the David Murray award itself, which is given to a person who has made a significant contribution to Network. For more information or to make a nomination please contact Kay Murray.

New Chairman and President.

Following our AGM we have a new Chairman, Nigel Williams. We also have created the new role of president, and Kay Murray has been elected into this role. There have also been a number of changes to the committee make up which are detailed on our website. We would like to thank all those involved for offering their services and wish them every success for the next year.

Preview

Love and Deceit: A collection of new short plays

For a Button written by Rachel Barnett, directed by Kay Murray and Sue Walker

Dating for Dummies written by Kirsty Eyre, directed by Emma Byrne

For the Love of Facebook by Grace Sobey, directed by Justin Murray

In the Flesh by Nick Eisen, directed by Juliet Heap

Til death do us part written and directed by Mark Johnson

**** *you* by Mark Johnson, directed by Ashley Steed

Honestly written and directed by Shamini Bundell

Network Theatre won the Writers' Guild Theatre Encouragement Award for New Writing in 2011 and continues to be a strong advocate and supporter of new works. Each year we develop and perform new writing and new adaptations of well known classics offering a fresh dynamic look at theatre. Earlier this year we saw a fabulous new adaptation of Dr Faustus. This September brings you seven brand new short plays on the theme of Love & Deceit, all written by members of Network Theatre, and each one a little fire-cracker of a play. This has been a great way for new directors to come on board too and they're doing some pretty exciting stuff. Come along and see for yourself!

Tickets for Love and Deceit are available from

<http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/Networktheatre> priced at £ 12.00

Coming up

Antigone by Sophocles

Translated and directed by Frances Bruce

A new translation of the Greek tragedy

Reading date: 19th August 2013

Audition dates: 28th & 30th August 2013

Performance dates: 23rd-26th October 2013

Network's Got Talent

Featuring the David Murray Award

Network's Got Talent devised and produced

by Rebecca Mason

David Murray Award

presented by Kay Murray

12th October 2013

Christmas show: to be announced

Directed by Emma Byrne

We are negotiating the rights to a particular play at time of writing and hopefully will have more details next time!

Reading date: 17th September 2013

Audition dates: 24th & 26th September 2013

Performance dates: 4-7th December 2013

All our play readings and auditions are open to non-members and are very relaxed and informal. So if you fancy trying out for a play or are just interested in the network theatre why not come along? We welcome new members. If you would like to become a member please contact membership@networktheatre.org