



Upcoming Events:

November 25th, 26th, 28th
Auditions - The Pirates of Penzance

January 11th - 26th
Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?

February 10th & 11th
Casino Fundraiser

March 28th - April 5th
The Pirates of Penzance

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Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?

George, a professor at a small college, and his wife, Martha, have just returned home, drunk, from a Saturday night party. Martha announces, amidst general profanity, that she has invited a young couple – an opportunistic new professor at the college and his shatteringly naïve new bride – to stop by for a nightcap. When they arrive, the charade begins.

The drinks flow and suddenly inhibitions melt. It becomes clear that Martha is determined to seduce the young professor, and George couldn't care less.

But underneath the edgy banter, which is volleyed between both couples, lurks an undercurrent of tragedy and despair.

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? plays at the Pumphouse Theatre January 11th to 26th.

Show Times are:

Wednesday to Saturday at 7:30pm

Saturday & Sunday at 2:00pm

Tickets are only \$15 for Adults and \$12 for Students and Seniors, plus \$2 Capital Fee.

Call 216-0808 to purchase your tickets. Or visit morpheustheatre.ca to purchase tickets online.

Flex pass holders may call 246-2999 to redeem your flex pass for this production or our next one.

Featuring:

Donna Barnfield (Martha), Greg Spielman (George), Alison Wandzura (Honey), and Aaron Conrad (Nick).

Due to mature themes and language, we do not recommend this show for those 14 and under.

Calling All Actors!

Morpheus Theatre will be holding open auditions for our spring production of Gilbert & Sullivan's **The Pirates of Penzance**, directed by Sean Anderson.

In *The Pirates of Penzance*, Frederic was, as a child, apprenticed to a band of tenderhearted, orphaned pirates by his nurse who, being hard of hearing, had mistaken her master's instructions to apprentice the boy to a pilot.

Frederic, upon completing his 21st year, rejoices that he has fulfilled his indentures and is now free to return to respectable society.

But it turns out that he was born on February 29 in a leap year, and he remains apprenticed to the pirates until his 21st birthday.

By the end of the opera, the pirates, a Major General who knows nothing of military strategy, his large family of beautiful but unwed daughters, and the timid constabulary all contribute to a cacophony that can be silenced only by Queen Victoria's name.

Auditions will be held at the Community Arts Centre on Sunday November 25th - 12 to 4pm, Monday November 26th and Wednesday November 28th

from 7 to 9:30 pm. Callbacks will be held December 1st 11am to 1pm.

For auditions, we will be requesting a song in the style of Gilbert & Sullivan, although preferably not from *The Pirates of Penzance*. Dialogue pieces will be available for those interested in a speaking role.

This show runs at the Pumphouse Theatre March 28th to April 5th.

For more information, or to book an audition, go to www.morpheustheatre.ca or call 246-2999.



Interested in Directing a show for Morpheus Theatre?

We are currently accepting proposals for the 2008/2009 season until December 15th. Please include information on the show, why you think Morpheus should produce it, and your directing experience."

Casino Fundraiser

The Morpheus Theatre Society has been awarded a casino to be held at the **Cash Casino** on Blackfoot Trail on **Sunday and Monday February 10 and 11, 2008.**

The casinos are an excellent way for a charitable organization to earn funds for its projects. Of late, the pay out to the sponsoring organizations has been running at nearly \$100,000.00.

Running a casino requires filling some 35 or 36 jobs with 18 to 36 volunteers, depending on how many are willing to work double shifts. We have been very fortunate so far in recruiting volunteers for our next casino in that all of the day shifts have been covered.

We are still looking for a number of people that can help out with the **night shifts.**

If you are available and would like help out with a night shift, call Tim Elliott at 274-8293 or e-mail at tim.elliott@shaw.ca and let him know.

There is no easier way to donate some \$3,000 to your favourite theatre company without opening your wallet.

Gilbert & Sullivan Singers

The Morpheus Gilbert & Sullivan Singers have been going for some 6 weeks now and are starting to build a nice repertoire of Gilbert and Sullivan choruses, and there are some very strong soloists coming out of the group as well, helping to enhance these choruses.

If you would like to join us, we meet from **7-9 on Sunday**

evenings in the Morpheus Studio, and we'd love to have you!

If you are just looking forward to hearing the fruits of our labour, we have a couple of exciting things planned for the coming months!

The Morpheus G&S Singers are planning to

record a CD in early spring, which will be offered for sale to any and all interested parties.

Finally, to finish our year, we are working on putting on a concert in June!

Watch for further information on tickets and CD sales in the coming months.

A New Arts Centre on the Horizon

As many of you know, Morpheus Theatre has called the Community Arts Centre on Currie Barracks home since 2002. In the near future this building will be demolished to make way for housing.

Morpheus will be teaming up once again with StoryBook Theatre and Front Row Centre Players to build a new community arts centre with rehearsal, performance, storage and

administration space. We will be communicating more about this exciting project in the near future.

In the meantime, to help us finance this large undertaking, all three groups have added a \$2 Capital Fee to every ticket. This will not impact Season Ticket holders this year.

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, please call our office.

Introducing the New Theatre Administrator

Morpheus Theatre is pleased to introduce Ginette Simonot, who will be the new Theatre Administrator. Ginette brings with her years of experience on the stage and off, with community theatres both in Saskatoon and Calgary. She is excited to join the team at Morpheus Theatre and have the opportunity to become involved with the business side of theatre.

Ginette will be assisting with

the administrative tasks at Morpheus – selling tickets, correspondence with patrons and volunteers, general office organizing and purging. She will also be attacking the costumes/props shed to make inventory more accessible and ordered. As such, Morpheus Theatre will be keeping regular office hours: Monday and Wednesday from 10-3, and Friday from 11-4, so feel free to give Ginette a call!