



**MORPHEUS  
THEATRE**

# SPOTLIGHT

*Winter Edition*



December 2011  
Morpheus Theatre News

Presenting **Shows Worth Seeing** for seventeen years!

## Upcoming Events:

December 22 - January 2  
**Morpheus Office Closed**

January 7  
**G&S Junior Returns**

January 8  
**G&S Singers Returns**

January 13 - 28  
**PICASSO AT THE  
LAPIN AGILE**

February 19, 10:00 - 4:30  
**Grand Emotions Workshop**

March 10, 10:00 - 4:30  
**Technical Theatre for  
Dummies Workshop**

March 30 - April 14  
**HMS PINAFORE**

**Morpheus Theatre**  
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Community Centre)  
3512 - 5 Avenue NW  
Calgary, AB T2N 0V7

**Info & Tickets:**  
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## Picasso and Einstein meet in a bar...

No, really - Each on the verge of the accomplishments that shaped their notoriety and introduced their genius to the world, these two phenomenal minds meet at the Lapin Agile in Paris, 1904, to discuss physics and art while attempting to impress a beautiful woman.

With a cast of unique and colourful characters in the bar with them, including a visitor from the future - this play has been introduced with the question: "Ever wonder what it would have been like if wild and crazy Steve Martin had written an episode of *The Twilight Zone*?"

\*This Production is recommended for ages 16 and up.

### **Picasso at the Lapin Agile**

presented in the  
**Joyce Doolittle Theatre  
at the Pumphouse Theatre  
(2140 Pumphouse Avenue SW)**

**January 13 - 28, 2012**



Watch our website for preview videos arriving soon!

#### **Show Times:**

**Wednesday to Saturday at 7:30pm  
Saturday & Sunday at 2:00pm**

**Adults - \$18  
Students & Seniors - \$15**

To purchase tickets/Flex Passes  
Visit [www.morpheustheatre.ca](http://www.morpheustheatre.ca) or  
call (403) 246-2999

### **Would you like to see our shows for Free?**

We are always looking for volunteers to help with Front of House duties at our shows. *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* already has a full roster of volunteers, but if you'd like to be added to our list, please email [tickets@morpheustheatre.ca](mailto:tickets@morpheustheatre.ca) or call the office.

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## Morpheus G&S Junior Theatre School!

The new semester of Morpheus Theatre's G&S Junior Theatre School program will be launching on January 7th, 2012. Morpheus G&S Junior program is for kids aged 9 to 14 and runs Saturday mornings from 10:00-11:30.

Classes include professional instruction in Acting, Voice and Dance. The program will culminate in a youth performance of HMS Pinafore, on the set of our main stage production in the Victor Mitchell Theatre at the Pumphouse Theatre on April 3, 2012.

Enroll your child for only \$250 and secure their place in the crew of the HMS Pinafore.

To register call (403) 246-2999 or visit [www.morpheustheatre.ca](http://www.morpheustheatre.ca)



### Welcome Theatre a go-go

As a complement to our own educational offerings, Morpheus Theatre welcomes Theatre a go-go to the Morpheus Rehearsal Centre for some of their winter school classes starting Jan 2012. Classes offered at the Morpheus Rehearsal Centre: Greek Drama & Aesop (Ages 7-12) Sun 1-3 & Tues 10am – 12pm (Homeschoolers) Physical Theatre boys (Ages 12-19) Wed 6-8pm

\*Adult acting classes also available email [theatreagogo@telus.net](mailto:theatreagogo@telus.net) or 403-283-4622

## 2011/2012 WORKSHOP SERIES

Morpheus Theatre has been pleased to offer high quality, affordable workshops since September 2008. Normally we offer between six and nine workshops a year.

Workshops are geared to community theatre volunteers both from on-stage and off-stage aspects of production. All workshops are open to the public.

**\*Marked workshops are sponsored by Theatre Alberta with funding from the Alberta Foundation for the Arts.**

For more information, or to register, please visit our website or call the office.

These valuable workshops are presented at this low price in the spirit of community theatre.

**Where:** Morpheus Rehearsal Centre (Lower Level, Parkdale Community Centre)

**Cost:** \$40

*\*\*discounts available for groups of 5 or more, or for attending 3 workshops, please call for details*

### WORKSHOP SCHEDULE for 2012

\*Jan – Stage Management

Feb 19 – Grand Emotions

Mar 10 – Tech Design for Dummies

\*Mar – Directing

Also coming – Dance for Musicals, Vocal\*, Improv Reprise



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*Morpheus G&S Singers  
at Parkdale's  
Extraordinary Day*

## **Gilbert & Sullivan Singers News – An Exciting Season!**

The Morpheus G&S Singers ended our fall season with a Christmas sing-along and carol fest on Sunday December 11<sup>th</sup>.

We have had a fun fall season, appearing first at the Parkdale Extraordinary Day, and then for a gathering of the Nifty Fifties. We ended our season with a performance at the Beverly Centre in Midnapore, which gave us a chance to show off a couple of Sullivan's Christmas carols.

It's a shame that the season is so short, and we will have to put the carols away for another year.

As always, we invite any and all who are interested in singing to join us on Sunday evenings at 7:00PM. The only prerequisite is a joy in singing and the desire to have some fun. Our first date back is January 8<sup>th</sup>, in the Morpheus Rehearsal Centre.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

# HMS PINAFORE

## MARCH 30 – APRIL 14, 2012

### **Rehearsal Centre UPDATE**

Morpheus Theatre has settled in nicely in our new home in the Parkdale Community Centre – dubbing our space the Morpheus Rehearsal Centre (MRC). We continue working to improve the facility – working on flooring, creating comfortable and clean spaces. Donations of materials, cash or connections still welcome!

There are a variety of great spaces available for rent – contact us today!

We would like to welcome NATS and Canti Forte music studio, who have joined us as permanent renters in our second office. Canti Forte offers private voice lessons in a variety of styles for ages 8 and up. Contact Burton Harker at 403-983-8168 or email [cantiforte@gmail.com](mailto:cantiforte@gmail.com).

### **Are YOU Social?**

MORPHEUS THEATRE IS!

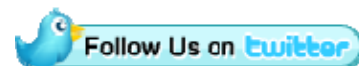
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Follow us at

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And be entered in a draw to win 2 tickets to **Picasso at the Lapin Agile**. The draw will take place on January 6 from all users following us on Facebook or Twitter.

Stay connected - win prizes!

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## Are YOU interested in Directing a Show with Morpheus?

Morpheus Theatre invites directors to make proposals for shows to be produced during our **2012/2013** season. We encourage experienced and passionate directors to submit a letter of interest along with a resume with related theatre experience and background.

Morpheus produces 4 quality shows each year (a farce or comedy, a pantomime, a contemporary drama, and a Gilbert & Sullivan operetta) at the Pumphouse Theatre, in both the Victor Mitchell & Joyce Doolittle Theatres. We are looking for WELL-KNOWN SHOWS with HIGH AUDIENCE POTENTIAL that fall within our four show categories.

Ideally, the shows will appeal to a wide family audience (primarily 12 and up, although under 18 is not the target audience). This season we are also giving consideration to shows that are technically simple to stage (e.g. size & complexity of set, lighting effects, etc).

Proposals should include the following information:

- \* Name of director
- \* Directing and theatre related experience
- \* Name of show
- \* Playwright of show
- \* Cast size of show, with male/female breakdown
- \* Why you think Morpheus should produce it
- \* Director's Vision for the show (including overall thoughts about how it would be staged & any special effects, set ideas, costume ideas, technical considerations)
- \* Which theatre it would work best in
- \* Potential challenges
- \* Any other comments or considerations

At this time, we ask that you don't try to recruit production crew or check on the production rights.

Please email or deliver letters of interest by **January 15, 2012** to:

Sean Anderson, Artistic Director  
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### Happy Holidays & Office Closure

Everyone at Morpheus Theatre would like to wish all of our loyal volunteers, patrons and supporters a happy and healthy 2012. We look forward to seeing everyone at *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* in January.

**Just a reminder that the Morpheus Theatre office will be closed Dec 22 – Jan 1.**

Tickets will still be available for purchase online at [www.morpheustheatre.ca](http://www.morpheustheatre.ca).

For questions, tickets exchanges, and flex pass bookings, please leave a message by phone or email at the office. Messages will be checked periodically, but most requests will be addressed in the New Year.