



# THEATRE ARTS GUILD

Canada's Oldest Continuously Operating Community Theatre



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2018**

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### CONTACT - THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE THEATRE ARTS GUILD

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***Stepping Out***  
**September 20 to October 6, 2018**  
by Richard Harris  
Director - Jocelyn LeBlanc  
Producer - Geraldine McDonald  
Stage Manager - Chantelle Dooley

**CAST:**  
Jessa Miklos as Mavis  
Cathy Cameron as Mrs. Fraser  
Erin Chapman as Lynne  
Marie Raynard as Andy  
Valerie MacKenzie as Dorothy  
Shannon Kelly as Sylvia  
Alicia Brown as Rose  
Michele Gaudet as Maxine  
Rayna Smith-Camp as Vera  
Les T. Johnson as Geoffrey

Big hair; bigger personalities!  
This 1980's slice-of-life comedy  
combines wit with tap dance to  
create a totally kickin' show.

Mavis, a former chorus girl, tries her  
darnedest to teach a group of bumbling  
amateurs some tap dancing skills for an  
upcoming showcase, but must mediate  
the minor drama that erupt among this  
motley but loveable crew.

Tickets available Friday August 24th,  
at all Ticket Atlantic Outlets, Superstores  
and Box Office - www.ticketatlantic.ca

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## FOR MEMBERS



We wish to recognize our patrons who have supported TAG for so long.

Please join us for

### **Members Night**

**Friday September 21st, 2018.**

Teased hair, acid washed jeans, spandex and shoulder pads!

Dress in your best 1980's attire and join us in the lobby following the performance for a meet and greet with the cast and crew.

The cash bar will be open and there will be some complimentary light refreshments.

Dancing is optional!

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

It's incredible to think that TAG will be entering its 87th season... but here we go!

Congratulations to the cast and crew of *Death and the Maiden*, which was our final production for the 2017-2018 season. It was a dark and somewhat disturbing play, but it was beautifully presented. The acting, the lights and sound, the stunning set...you did not want to take your eyes off the stage.

Thanks to all those who joined us for the Community Yard Sale on June 30th. The TAG parking lot was bustling with activity all day and we raised over \$1,000 for the TAG building fund.

I hope you all enjoy the last few weeks of this beautiful summer weather. We look forward to seeing you at the theatre throughout the new season.

- Rayna Smith-Camp

## **AUDITION NOTICE**

### ***Sleeping Beauty - A Pantomime***

by TLC Creative

Princess Rose is about to celebrate her special birthday. Can she finally see the end of a long-standing curse? Will she find true love?

Join a fun-filled cast of zany characters including the palace nurse and cook Dame Nelly, the court's newest stand-up jester Jerry, and a team of real live fairies!

A traditional family pantomime packed with the usual silliness, original music and oodles and oodles of audience participation!

Director: Angela Butler  
Original Score and Musical Director: Ralph Urquhart  
Producer: Kate Hendry  
Stage Manager: Esther VanGorder

#### **Audition Dates:**

Sunday, August 19, 2018, 6 pm – 8 pm  
Monday, August 20 2018, 7 pm – 9 pm

#### **Performance Dates:**

November 22 - December 8, 2018  
14 performances with 5 matinees

#### **Characters:**

11 various characters for either males and/or females, Ages 16 to 99

#### **Audition Requirements:**

Please prepare a song. Prior musical experience an asset but not a requirement.

A cold read from the script. No appointment necessary.

For further information, please email the director, Angela Butler: [executive-producer@tagtheatre.com](mailto:executive-producer@tagtheatre.com)

## **BECOMING A MEMBER**

The 2017-2018 season is over, but don't be sad – we are already in rehearsal for our [2018-2019 season!](#)

We hope you will renew your membership for the 2018-2019 Season.

**All Memberships are \$15.00**

#### **Membership Benefits:**

- + discounted admission to all shows
- + eligible to participate in our productions
- + emailed updates on theatre events and activities
- + regular newsletters
- + invitations to members only events
- + voting privileges at TAG general meetings
- + opportunity to nominate or be nominated for the TAG Board of Directors

We now offer the convenience of [joining online!](#)

Or if you prefer, complete a [membership form](#) and mail it with your cheque.

**Not a TAG member?**

**Join today!**

Please visit our [website \(tagtheatre.com/membership.html\)](http://tagtheatre.com/membership.html) for more membership information.

We hope you will consider renewing and we welcome your feedback on how TAG can enhance your membership experience.

## **Ticket Prices**

Non Members: \$18.00  
Members/Seniors/Students: \$15.00

Effective January 1, 2017, Ticket Atlantic implemented a \$2 transaction fee for online and phone orders.

Note: this fee is per transaction, not per ticket.

All tickets are assigned seating.

All tickets are final sale - no cancellations, exchanges or refunds.

# TAG'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2018  
7:30PM

ALL MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE THEATRE ARTS GUILD. THE CURRENT BOARD WILL PRESENT ANNUAL REPORTS INCLUDING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. ELECTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE FOR THE 2018-2019 BOARD. A NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL PRESENT A SLATE OF OFFICERS. NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR. AMMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS WILL ALSO BE PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL

## Community Notes:

**Dartmouth Players:** presents *Play On* by Rick Abbot (Nov. 8-24, 2018).

The hilarious story of a theatre group trying desperately to put on a play in spite of maddening interference from a haughty author who keeps revising the script. Act I is a rehearsal of the dreadful show; Act II is the near disastrous dress rehearsal; and the final act is the actual performance, in which anything that can go wrong, does. When the author decides to give a speech on the state of the modern theatre during the curtain calls, the audience is treated to a madcap climax and a thoroughly hilarious romp. Even the sound effects reap their share of laughter! Visit [dartmouthplayers.ns.ca](http://dartmouthplayers.ns.ca) for more information.

**Bedford Players:** presents *Rumors* by Neil Simon (Nov. 1-17, 2018); directed by Robin Saywood.

The Deputy Mayor of New York has just shot himself. Though only a flesh wound, four couples are about to experience a severe attack of Farce. Gathering for their tenth wedding anniversary, the host lies bleeding in the other room, and his wife is nowhere in sight. His lawyer, Ken, and wife, Chris, must get "the story" straight before the other guests arrive. As the confusions and mis-communications mount, the evening spins off into classic farcical hilarity. Visit [bedfordplayers.ca](http://bedfordplayers.ca) for more information.



Angela Butler, Stage Manager, and Nick Jupp, Director

## Death and the Maiden

Photos by Bruce Goodick



Sherri Bezanson and Rob McIntyre



Sherwin Buydens, Jessa Miklos and Sherri Bezanson



Sherri Bezanson, Rob McIntyre and Sherwin Buydens

## TAG's Community Yard Sale June 30th, 2018

