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"Theatre in Paradise"

The 27th Norfolk Island Theatre Festival

6 to 12 July 2025

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WHY NOT JOIN N.A.T.S.?

We welcome new actors, authors, stage crew,
scenery painters, costume creators.....



PRESENTS

"Theatre in Paradise"

The 26th NORFOLK ISLAND THEATRE FESTIVAL

**The Ferny Lane Theatre
24, 25, 26 September 2024**

Programme **\$2**

26th Norfolk Island Theatre Festival 2024

A WELCOME FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Welcome to beautiful Norfolk Island and to this our 26th annual Festival of Theatre in Paradise

We are delighted to see a number new faces. We hope that you will enjoy your first visit to our beautiful island and that you will take home some wonderful memories. We also welcome local actors, some of whom are competing in their first Festival.

To our old friends, welcome back. It's great to see you again.

Our Festival would not be possible without the assistance of our generous sponsors to whom we express our gratitude. Thank you to the hardworking NATS Committee and to the many volunteers who have donated time and expertise to make this week possible.

We hope that you will enjoy the Festival and we wish everyone a fabulous week of theatre, fun and new friendships in our lovely island home.

Monica Anderson
President

26th Norfolk Island Theatre Festival 2024

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Thank you to The Norfolk Islander, Norfolk on Line and Norfolk Radio for their assistance with publicity.

Our thanks also to those whose donations were received after the programme was printed and whose names do not appear here.

NATS is very grateful to all those who have lent props and costumes, helped with publicity, back stage, front of house and done the many jobs that make the Festival a success.

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Yvonne Robinson



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Conditions of Entry

The Festival is open to groups of amateur players
Each group is to perform a one-act play or an excerpt from
a full-length play
Duration to be between 20 and 45 minutes
There must be a minimum of two speaking parts

Adjudicator

Mr Lucas Stibbard

Experienced adjudicator, teacher, director and actor
from Brisbane

Competitors

The Frantastics from NSW

Front Row Theatre from Brisbane

Norfolk Amateur Theatrical Society NATS (2 entries)

Wyong Drama Group from NSW (2 entries)

XYZ Theatre from NSW

*There will be an adjudication from the stage following each performance
and a private adjudication for each entry in the Green Room
following each performance*

The Adjudicator's decision is final

Awards

Announcement of Winners and Presentation Dinner
Friday, 27 September at Governor's Lodge Resort

Our Adjudicator Mr Lucas Stibbard is sponsored by N.I. Gas

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**The
BEST PRODUCTION**



will win

**The Trans-Tasman Trophy
and the \$2,000 prize**

**generously donated by
Ms Agnes Hain and
The Bounty Centre
Norfolk Island**

The winner of the award for Best Production 2024
will also be offered free entry in the
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Organiser/NATS President	Monica Anderson
Stage Manager	Dinty Wilson
Stage Crew	Sophia Harris, Michelle Green
Lighting/Sound	Aerlyn O'Brien
Adjudicator's Assistant	Trish Natoli
Master of Ceremonies	Paul Garnsey
Wardrobe	Beverley Buffett
Makeup	Derek Macrae
Traffic Co-ordinator	Ryan Buffett Cooper
Front of House	Rose Evans, Lucy Powis Monica Anderson and helpers
Workshops Co-ordinator	Trish Natoli
Publicity	Rose Evans, Monica Anderson
Official photographers	Peter Hughson, Jen Smoother
Presentation Dinner Co-ordinator	Rose Evans
Gift Pack Co-ordinators	Lucy Powis, Beverley Buffett
Box Office	TryBooking

Wyong Drama Group Inc.

New South Wales

presents

The MONOLOGUE

A comedy by Sal Bartley

Selena

Cathy DeVries

Barry

John Czieniecki

Marcia

Sal Bartley

Director

Ron Baker

If all plays are precast, why do we have auditions?
Should I always prepare a monologue for auditions?
Is it easier to speak with a French or German accent?
Can a theatre group have too many "Females of a
certain age"? Can Marcia and Selena work it out as
they wait for their time to shine?

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AWARDS

Runner up to Best Production
\$500 donated by **Reckitt Benckiser**
plus trophy

Best Male Actor
\$250 donated by **Pinetree Tours**
plus trophy

Best Female Actor
\$250 donated by **Baunti Tours**
plus trophy

Best Director
\$250 donated by **Mainland: Special Reserve Cheeses**
plus trophy

Runner up to Best Male Actor
\$150 donated by NIO Insurance

Runner up to Best Female Actor
\$150 donated by NIO Insurance

Best Original Script
\$150 donated by **Norfolk Island Travel Centre**

Other prizes
will be awarded at the discretion of the Adjudicator
Mr Lucas Stibbard

Front Row Theatre
Brisbane

presents

THE FEMALE OF THE SPECIES
(**excerpts**)

A comedy by Joanna Murray-Smith

Margo	Julie Bray
Molly	Gemma Keliher
Tess	Rebecca McMahon
Director	Marion Jones

The action take place in an elegant study in a charming house in the country.

This is a satire about celebrity feminists, with a plot loosely inspired by a real-life incident in 2000 when Germaine Greer was held at gunpoint in her own home by a disturbed student.

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The Frantastics
New South Wales

present

POSITIVELY VILE

A comedy with music by Fran Kendall

Governor Rodney Cross	Ann Wilden
Maude, Rodney's wife	Helen O'Shea
Betty, a convict maidservant	Bev Jones
Lawrence, a sailor	Pam Brown
Joan, Lawrence's mother	Patricia Nissen
Beryl, a sometimes feral convict	Alicia Nissen
Choir	Catherine Broady
	Lindy Nankivell
	Sarah Nissen
	Barbara Morris
Director	Fran Kendall
Accompanist	Fran Kendall

With no resemblance to hirtorical truth, this melodrama, set in Norfolk Island, is a tale of cruelty, lust, romance and bravery as the villain pursues his wicked way and the virgin tries to avoid being besmirched.

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Norfolk Amateur Theatrical Society

Norfolk Island

presents

WHISPERING PINES

A comedy by Dinty Wilson

Betty	Dinty Wilson
Charlie	Brooke Watson
Captain Cook	Theo Watson
Resolution Crew	Rick Kleiner Ryan Buffett Cooper Zec Pettet
Puppeteer	Vanessa Peterson

In October 1774 Captain Cook was sailing the Resolution from New Caledonia to Charlotte Pass. New Zealand. On the way he came upon a tiny island. He and a small crew of men spent a short time ashore where he took possession of the island and named it after his patroness "The Duchess of Norfolk" But who was there to witness this event?...

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XYZ Theatre

New South Wales

presents

ALLOCATEEISM

A comedy by Paul Bucci

Mary Williams	Angie Bain
Dave Williams	Laszlo Weidlich
Alex Johnson	Cathy de Vries
Sandra	Julie Bailey
Toby	John Czerniecki
Director	Robyn Weidlich

A pensioner couple living comfortably in their own home receive an unexpected visitor with some disturbing news.
Could this be our future?

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Wyong Drama Group Inc.

New South Wales

presents

IT'S COMPLICATED

By Sally Bartley

Margie

Sally Bartley

Joyce

Julie Bailey

Linda

Helen Herridge

Director

Debbi Clarke

Mothers, daughters, sisters—we're bound by history, love and trauma, but maybe what we don't say is more important than what we do say. Margie, Linda and Joyce struggle to navigate a way through their complicated relationships

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UDDERLY MOOOOVING TALES

An comedy by Maureen King

Lady Loin

Maureen King

T Bone

Malcolm Dowling

Director

Louci Reynolds

Set Design

Lee Irvine

Set in the year of our Lord 2024—Lady Loin and T Bone take in the scenes at the Kingston grazing pastures, the longest paddock on Norfolk Island

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