



NANDA Newsletter

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A new season is upon us and whilst some groups have already announced their full programmes, others have yet to let me know about their first productions. Hopefully the November Newsletter will have more information about plays being performed across the county. Early details about NANDA's festivals can also be found here.

News from our Theatres

The theatre consultant appointed to review and advise Gedling Borough Council about the management, programming and promotion of the Bonington Theatre is now well into the project. It is hoped that there will be a part time theatre manager in place at the beginning of the next financial year and that the theatre can progress to becoming a thriving community theatre within the borough.

Consultation has now been commenced with the local community by the project team working with the Duke of Westminster's Estates to bring Stanford Hall back into use as a rehabilitation centre for troops injured in armed conflicts. It is hoped that the theatre can be brought back into use and NANDA has made initial representations.

Play of the Year Competition 2011-2012 and Annual Awards Dinner

The competition runs from September to May and the Council is keen to see more groups participating next season. If you would like to know a little more about it, and what you need to do to enter, then please contact the competition organiser Joan Wildgust on 0115 9291077. Rules of the competition can be found on our website.

The adjudicator will be Stephen Godward, a character actor, semi professional singer and former Head of Drama at a Derbyshire school. He is very much looking forward to the season ahead.

NANDA One Act Play Festival

Next year's festival will be held on Friday and Saturday 1st and 2nd March 2013 at the Bonington Theatre, Arnold. Bob Wildgust, the organiser, is hopeful that more groups will enter, five or six entries would be ideal. This season's winner would go through to the quarter final, to be held in Leicestershire in May 2013.

NANDA Youth Festival

The 2013 dates have yet to be confirmed but Sonya Oates and Jean Lebeter will again be organising the festival. It is likely that the Chilwell Olympia will again be the venue.

Facebook

Our new Facebook page is up and running. We hope that this will become a major medium for groups to post news, photographs, and notices and posters about forthcoming productions. I am pleased to inform you that FB has now accepted that NANDA is an official acronym so all you need to do to sign up, as a group or individual, is to enter **NANDA** in the search box and up we will come. We already have a number of groups and individuals who have joined so please make sure that you are not missing out.

In order for groups and their individual members to receive our newsfeed they simply need to click the "Like" button. Please feel free to post photos of your productions from time to time.

Course for Directors

The NANDA Play Direction Course, which is an introductory course designed to assist persons with little or no experience in directing plays, will be run on Fridays 21, 28 September and 5 October 2012 at the Aspley Community Training Centre. It has been heavily subscribed and a number of individuals have enquired about attending a later course. Council has decided that this second course will be run early in 2013 and more details can be obtained from the leader Bob Wildgust. Full details about course content can be found on the NANDA Facebook page and on the NANDA website.

Dates for Your Diary

For details of venues, times and ticket purchase please visit each individual group's website.

September	17-22	"The 39 Steps"	Lace Market Theatre Studio
	25-29	"Calendar Girls"	People's Theatre Nottingham
	26-29	"The Night in Question"	Robin Hood Theatre at the Grove School, Newark
October	8-13	"Bent"	Lace Market Theatre Auditorium
	17-20	"Taking Steps"	Bonington Players, Arnold
	25-27	"Take Away the Lady"	Burton Joyce Players
November	6-10	"It Runs in the Family"	Radcliffe-on-Trent Drama Group
November	7-10	"Speaking in Tongues"	Prospect Players, Arnold
November	20-24	"All Washed Up"	East Bridgford Drama Group
November	21-24	"The 39 Steps"	Robin Hood Theatre at Lilley and Stone
November	29 – Dec 1	"Dead Man's Hand"	Orchard Theatre Company
December	5-8	"Beastily – Beauty and the Beast"	ELAPS at East Leake Village Hall
January	23-26	"Brassed Off"	Bonington Players, Arnold

January	22-25	“Season’s Greetings”	Robin Hood Theatre at Farndon Memorial Hall
February	13-16	“The Vicar of Dibley”	Prospect Players, Arnold
April	24-27	“Hi De Hi”	Bonington Players, Arnold
	17-20	“Habeas Corpus”	Robin Hood Theatre at the Grove School, Newark
May	15-18	“Neville's Island”	Prospect Players, Arnold
July		“Toad of Toad Hall”	Dates and venue tba

Next Newsletter *Contributions and diary dates by end of October for the November Newsletter please.*



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