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Faillt Welcome

Welcome to the Manx Amateur Drama Federation's Annual Festival of One Act Plays.

We have four plays for your enjoyment this year; ranging from the comedic side of life to the darker.

Our Adjudicator this year is no stranger to our shores. Jan Palmer-Sayer B-Ed. MA GoDA has adjudicated both our One Act Festival of Plays and our Easter Festival of Full Length Plays. Welcome back, Jan.

As you will see from Jan's CV on page five, she comes to us with a wealth of experience; not just of adjudicating, but of directing and acting. We are looking forward to her adjudications of this year's plays.

So! Sit back and enjoy the shows we have on offer for you over the next two evenings.

Gura mie ayd Many thanks

A Festival is never about one person; many factors go to making it a success - or failure! With this in mind, I would like to give my thanks to: You, the audience, for your continued support of this Festival; John Wright for his Sponsorship and Advertising; The IOM Arts Council and the Manx Operatic Society for their Advertising; Cowley Groves Estate Agents and Travel Services, Onchan for their Sponsorship of both rounds of the Young Actor of Mann Competition and Jacqui Hawkes for Organising the event; Mike Lean for his hard work as technician throughout rehearsals and performances; John Bethal, Chris Chambers and all the Staff of the Erin Arts Centre for their support and hard work; Jenny Green for her help with Front of House and special thanks to my partner, Aalin Cunningham, who has supported me and had to put up with my stresses in the build up to this Festival.

Mark Clift
Festival Organiser and Vice Chair MADF

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The Awards

Northern Arts Rose Bowl - *Best Play*

The John Bowring Trophy - *Runner Up*

The Caine Family Trophy - *Best Director*

The Mark Clift Trophy - *Best Male Performance*

The Jean Webb Trophy - *Best Female Performance*

Rushen Players Presidents Trophy - *Best Supporting Male Performance*

The Personal Choice Ltd Award - *Best Supporting Female Performance*

The President's Cup - *The Adjudicator's Award*

The Nadine Talbot Award - *Best Dramatic Moment*

Daphne Clark Memorial Trophy - *Best Comedic Moment*

The Sure Mobile Trophy - *Best Use of Sound & Lighting*

The Cyril Spencer Award - *Best Performance Under 21*

The Marking System is as follows:
Acting 40 points; Production 35 points;
Presentation 15 points; Effort & Attainment 10points.

Y Bríw Aín

Our Adjudicator



Jan Palmer Sayer B.Ed. MA GoDA

Jan trained at Middlesex University where she graduated with a degree in Drama and Education. She has worked in provincial theatre as an award-winning actor and director, and is currently Headteacher of Hertswood, a Specialist Arts College. She successfully combines a busy academic life with a stimulating theatrical one. In 1998, she was awarded an MA in Theatre and Performance Studies at the same time as running her own highly inventive theatre company, 'Shattered Windscreen'.

Her theatrical exploits have taken her as far afield as the Edinburgh Fringe Festival as well as regular appearances at the famous cliffside Minack Theatre in Cornwall.

Jan was appointed as a GoDA adjudicator in 2001: her recent festival experiences have included Wakefield, Waltham Forest, Thurrock, Cambridge, Havering, Barnet, Sawston, Felixstowe and Woking Drama Festivals and she is looking forward very much to her return to the Isle of Man.

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Thursday 26th

'The Golden Shovel'

by Allan Williams

Presented by Rushen Players

Cast

Mr Theodore Blackwaite	John Hayes
Miss Prudence Postlethwaite	Judy Davies
Lord Wetherby Minge	Michael Tipper
Miss Fifi Lafitte	Joan Hayes
Mrs Elsie Harrison	Sandra Lowry

Crew

Director	Mrs Vera Moon
Set	John Hayes/Peter Allibone
Props	Jane Clark
Costumes	Joan Hayes
Backstage	Thelma Floate/Jackie Allibone

The Play

Everything goes wrong for the local undertaker. Even when the local Lord gives him business it causes trouble. An exotic dancer and an old girlfriend keep him on his toes!

The Players

Rushen Players are a vibrant group in the South of the Island who perform 2 full length plays each year as well as performing at One Act Festivals on the Island, Anglesey and Port Sunlight.

Thanks to Allan Williams (author) for his assistance

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Thursday 26th

'Chook Chook'

by Fiona Farrell

Presented by Legion Players

Cast

Valmai	Louisa Jane Bawden
Chrissy	Gemma Varnom
Georgia	Dee Mairs
Bron	Helen Laird

Crew

Director	John Bowring
Stage Manager	Chris Jackson

The Play

A story about four battery hens in a shed. Two hens are happy with their lot, the two younger ones are more rebellious. It shows how humans as well as chickens can be confined in emotional "cages" and trapped in a "system".

The Players

The Legion Players, the Isle of Man's oldest drama group, was formed in 1932 in Douglas and has produced many full-length plays at the Gaiety Theatre over the years. It has also produced many One-Act Plays etc in other venues.

This Production by arrangement with 'Playmarket'



Legion Players are supported by the Isle of Man Arts Council

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Friday 27th

'Ruffian on the Stair'

by Joe Orton

Presented by Rushen Players

Cast

Joyce	Jenny Baker
Mike	Wayne Kelsall
Wilson	Carl Parker

Crew

Director	Adrienne Sanderson
Set	John Hayes/Peter Allibone
Props/Decor	Adrienne Sanderson
Backstage	Vicky Kelsall
Sound	Terry Discombe
Lights	Caroline Coole/Toby Clewis

The Play

Joyce and Mike live together in a shabby bedsit. Money from the National Assistance Board is supplemented by Mike's occasional earnings from a sinister night time job. A troubled young man enters this scenario, allegedly seeking lodgings but with a separate agenda.

The Players

Rushen Players last two productions, since the 2008 One Act Play Festival have been 'Cinders- The True Story' by David Tristram and 'My Giddy Aunt' by Ray Cooney and John Chapman.

We enjoy the cut and thrust of competition and now we have three plays in this Festival, the sibling rivalry will be more cut and thrust than ever!

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Friday 27th

'The Allotment'

by Gillian Plowman

Presented by Rushen Players

Cast

Marcie	Norma Ruocco
Nora	Pat Clewis
Belle	Catie Angus
Lorna	Susie Beswick
Daisy Barnes	Becki Dixon

Crew

Director	Phil Baird
Backstage	Jane Mcgregor-Edwards John Hayes/John Moon Peter Allibone/Jackie Allibone Thelma Floate/Ron Beswick
Production Advisor	Colin Dolley GoDA

The Play

The Allotment is where four women come to serve their Community Punishment Orders. They are growing vegetables for soup kitchens. Marcie is convicted of dangerous driving - she ran over her husband. Nora hasn't recovered from the death of her daughter thirty years ago and is a serial shoplifter. Lorna is an actress and singer, convicted of criminal damage to the Theatre where she no longer performs. Belle is a P.A. convicted of blackmailing her boss, who has spurned her for a younger secretary. Daisy is their new Probation Officer.

The Players

There is nothing left to say!

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Saturday 28th

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First Round

**Saturday 28th February, 2009 at 12 noon
in the Studio Theatre, Ballakermeen High School, Douglas**

Adjudicator

Jan Palmer-Sayer B.Ed. MA GoDA

Final Round

**Wednesday 15th April, 2009 (Easter Festival Week) at 12 noon
in the Studio Theatre, Ballakermeen High School, Douglas**

Adjudicator

Mike Tilbury GoDA

The Winner will be announced on the Wednesday night at the Gaiety Theatre, after that evening's Play and Adjudication.



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Saturday 6th June 2009

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3rd & 4th July 2009

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2009 EASTER FESTIVAL OF FULL LENGTH PLAYS

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Saturday 11th April to Friday 17th April 2009

Adjudicator: Mike Tilbury GoDA

Saturday 11th April

Bejou Productions

'Someone Who'll Watch Over Me'

by Frank McGuinness

Sunday 12th April

Garden Suburb Theatre

'Breaking The Code'

by Hugh Whitemore

Monday 13th April

In Yer Space

'Teachers'

by John Godber

Tuesday 14th April

Wakefield Little Theatre

'Lark Rise'

by Keith Dewhurst

Wednesday 15th April

Romiley Little Theatre

'Girls' Night'

by Louise Roche

Thursday 16th April

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by Patrick Marber

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Friday 17th April

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