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EASTER FESTIVAL OF PLAYS

SAT 26TH – WED 30TH MARCH 2016
GAIETY THEATRE

SATURDAY 26TH MARCH

BEJOU PRODUCTIONS
BETRAYAL BY HAROLD PINTER

SUNDAY 27TH MARCH

WHITE COBRA PRODUCTIONS
SCARAMOUCHE JONES BY JUSTIN BUTCHER

MONDAY 28TH MARCH

RUSHEN PLAYERS
ONE MAN, TWO GUVNORS BY RICHARD BEAN

TUESDAY 29TH MARCH

LEGION PLAYERS
NIGHT MOTHER BY MARSHA NORMAN

WEDNESDAY 30TH MARCH

WELLINGTON THEATRE COMPANY
THE FLINT STREET NATIVITY BY TIM FIRTH

PLUS - FRIENDS OF THE EASTER FESTIVAL
EASTER MONDAY LUNCH AT THE EMPRESS HOTEL
GUEST SPEAKER: MR MIKE TILBURY, GODA, OUR 2016 ADJUDICATOR



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Manx Amateur Drama Festival 2016

Affiliated to NDFA

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The Manx Operatic society
Rushen Players
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Winners of the MADF Festival will be eligible to compete in the All England Theatre Festival Semi-Final at The Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight, 30th April to 1st May 2016 and to be invited to the National Drama Festivals Association All Winners in July 2016 at Hertford.

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AWARDS

TROPHY	NOMINATIONS	WINNER
Northern Arts Rose Bowl Best Adult Festival Play		
Caine Family Trophy Best Director in Adult Festival		
MADF President's Cup Adjudicators Award - Discretionary		
Jean Webb Trophy Best Actress in Adult Festival		
Mark Clift Trophy Best Actor in Adult Festival		
Rushen Players President's Trophy Best Actor in Supporting Role		
Personal Choice Ltd Best Actress in Supporting Role		
Nadine Talbot Award Best Dramatic Moment in Festival		
Daphne Clark Memorial Trophy Best Comedic Moment in Festival		
Sure Mobile Trophy Best use of Sound & Lighting in Festival		
John Hayes Trophy Best Stage Design in Festival		
Cyril Spencer Award - Best Play in Youth Festival		
John Bowring Trophy Best Director in Youth Festival		
Olga Gray Award Best Actress in Youth Festival		
Stan Woolock Award Best Actor in Youth Festival		

OUR ADJUDICATOR

Robert Meadows

Robert Meadows, who apparently has a voracious appetite for Queenies, lives in Cheshire and has adjudicated many quarter and semi-final rounds of the All England Theatre Festival.

Robert visited the Isle of Man about ten years ago which was also his first assignment as a festival adjudicator. Since that time he has worked extensively across the UK, Channel Islands and Ireland, so MADF must have given him a start in what proved to be an excellent direction.

His professional work in the theatre has included writing for the stage with work performed in the Sherman Theatre, Cardiff and Calgary Theatre in Canada. He has written & directed many community theatre productions across the North West: in country mansions, disused salt mines and canal-side boat lifts!

Robert has always valued the benefit of the arts for young people and many years ago he worked in schools and for a drama advisory service supporting theatre projects in primary and secondary schools.. His adjudications of Youth Drama Festivals include the Independent School Association Drama Festival and he has also acted as the Literature Judge for the Minsterley & District Eisteddfod in Shropshire.



COVER ART BY:
ELOISE WHITE
<http://ekjwhite.blogspot.com>

MY MIDDLE NAME IS ANGRY

by Ashley Nader

RUSHEN
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

Janet.....Nicky Merritt
Alice.....Catriona Foxon
Voice over.....John Snelling

Backstage:

Set & Properties TeamSusie Beswick, Louise Park
Nick Emery, Ron Beswick
Costumes.....The Cast
Lights & SoundMike Lean, Ron Beswick
Director.....Susie Beswick

Circumstance sees two sisters, Alice & Janet, temporarily sharing an apartment. Despite growing up together they have very different personalities and face life's hurdles in an equally opposing manner. Can they resolve their differences?

Presented by Rushen Players
www.rushenplayers.org

Your Notes:

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WAITING (FROM VISITING HOURS)

by **Richard Harris**

RUSHEN
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

The Old ManBrian Matthews
NurseLouise Park

Backstage:

Set & Properties TeamNick Emery
Costumes.....The Cast
Lights & SoundMike Lean
Director.....Louise Park

An old man is wheeled into the waiting room of a nursing home. While he waits for his visitor to arrive he reminisces and talks about the times and people who have shaped his life.

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THE JANNA YEARS

by Gillian Plowman

SERVICE
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

Abe Howard Caine
Fleur Emma Allen
Holly Rachael McWhinnie
Chas..... Tom Cain
Ruby Beth Espey

Backstage:

Continuity Bernard Wood
Props Rachael Cain
Technical..... Mike Lean
Continuity Bernard Wood
Director..... Rachel Martin
Thanks to Molly Pack, Norman McGregor Edwards
Graiagh Morgan, Manx Deaf Society

Ruby's boarding house is home to an odd mix of lonely characters: Abe, a middle-aged divorcee, Chas, a Northerner, there seeking work, Fleur, placed by her social worker and Holly, struggling to move out.

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MAKE UP

by Terry Adlam

HOG THE
LIMELIGHT

CAST in order of appearance:

Bob..... Wayne Kelsall
Roy..... Dave Shaw
Announcer..... Norman McGregor Edwards

Backstage:

Prompt..... Jane McGregor Edwards
Technical..... Norman McGregor Edwards
Costumes..... Hannah Godby
Lights & Sound..... Mike Lean
Director..... Sharon Mitchell

Partners in comedy for many years, Bob and Roy have reached a crisis point. Bob has had enough of the club circuit, but Roy isn't ready to give up. Is this the end of the road?

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Presented by Hog the Limelight
www.facebook.com/Hog-the-Limelight Productions
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LIONS AND DONKEYS

by Steve Harper

RUSHEN
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

Corporal Dave Rawlings Nathan Rea
Sergeant Tommy Atkins Ged Power
Lieutenant Harry Hargreaves John Walker
Lieutenant Schmitt Mike Williams

Backstage:

Set & Properties Team David Leiserach, Caroline Turner
Adrienne Sanderson,
Norman McGregor Edwards
Lights, Sound & Special Effects Mike Lean, Nathan Russell-Raby
Special Thanks to Manx Aviation Museum for loan of the pistols.
Director Jack Verity

Set in the trenches on the Western Front in September 1918, Tommy and Dave receive an unexpected visit from Lieutenant Hargreaves with news about the awarding of a Military Medal. Celebrations are interrupted when a strange Icelander enters the dug-out.

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STRICTLY SEX FACTOR ON ICE

by **David Tristram**

SERVICE
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

Margaret..... Una King
Gordan Chris Cain
Bernard..... Robin Higgins
Joyce Maire Stephens

Backstage:

Props Lindsay Quayle
Costumes..... The Players
Lighting & Sound..... Mike Lean
Set/Backstage..... Dave Docherty
Prompt..... Helen McKenna
Director..... Lindsay Quayle

Attendance numbers have dwindled drastically at Little Grimley Theatre Company productions, they need to do something quickly. Chairman Gordon comes up with the plan of a Saturday night spectacular to rival the television shows that threaten the Company's very existence.

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HOSPITAL FOOD

by Eugene O'Hare

STAGE ONE
DRAMA

CAST in order of appearance:

Gus	Matty Simpson
Josh	Roman Trimble
Layna	Megan Rossiter
Sadie.....	Abbie Williams
Cain	Samuel Watson
Sol.....	Mark Fullerton
Reece.....	Victoria Hoover
Jo.....	Ruth Corlett
Elsie	Rosie Hind
Karis.....	Alexandra Slater

Backstage:

Make-up	Alice Quayle
Stage Manager	Tony Hawkes
Lights & Sound	Mike Lean
Director.....	Jacqui Hawkes
Assistant Director	Olivia Black

Thanks to Tracey & Sean Bostrom, Isle of Man Hospice & Rebecca House, UTOPIA Hair Salon, Ramsey Cottage Hospital, Manx Operatic Society.

Ten teenagers undergoing various conventional treatments for cancer. They have a special room in a teenage cancer ward 'the Retreat', where they can have peer meetings without adult intrusion. Is betrayal in a friendship an act of love? **Warning: This play contains strong language**

Presented by Stage One Drama
www.stageonedrama.im

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SPELLING IT OUT

by Chris Maybury

ST. NINIANS
HIGH SCHOOL

CAST in order of appearance:

The Devil	Ellenor Rice
Candidate 1	Lauryn Anderson
Candidate 2.....	Kamila Kawczak
Candidate 3.....	Monique Iball
Candidate 4.....	Lilly Ferns

Backstage:

Set & Properties Team	Sophie MacDonald, Alisha Gayle
Lights & Sound	Mike Lean
Director.....	Chris Maybury

Four exam candidates being supervised by the Devil, our narrator. We see: The Sulker, The Panicker, The Writer and The One 'who has sold her soul to the devil'. Shades of the Scottish Play with a re-imagining of Faust?

Presented by St. Ninians High School
www.snhs.im

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

by **David Campton**

BROADWAY YOUTH
THEATRE

CAST in order of appearance:

Narrator	Sophie Elliott
Joy	Saoirse Coyle Carroll
George Phipps	Jack Rowlands
Ray	Andrew Halstein
Woman in Queue	Kirsty More
First Conductor.....	Faye Pendlebury
Second Conductor	Mathilda Whittle
Sally	Faye Pendlebury
Wally	Joseph Long
Mary.....	Kirsty More
Crowd.....	Ensemble

Backstage:

Prompt.....	Shirley Cooper
Props	Viv Bridson
Lights & Sound	Mike Lean
Thanks to	Amanda Quelling
Director.....	Carrie Hunt

From a large jeering crowd a Narrator appears and tries to analyse how calm, quiet, efficient people, can turn into an ugly mob. A series of scenarios tell how small everyday events upset people, with ramifications. But who started

Presented by Broadway Youth Theatre
www.broadwaytheatreco.com

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MOTHER'S PRIDE

by Chris Maybury

ST. NINIANS
HIGH SCHOOL

CAST in order of appearance:

Rebecca Lauryn Anderson
Mother Kamila Kawczak
Robbie/Doctor Monique Iball
Teacher Ellenor Rice
Psychologist Lilly Ferns

Backstage:

Set & Properties Team Sophie MacDonald, Alisha Gayle
Lights & Sound Mike Lean
Director Chris Maybury

Highly intelligent with a pushy mother. Rebecca has a way of blissfully escaping the pressures of life. When this is wrongly diagnosed as epilepsy, she is denied her escape. It is only a matter of time before things go wrong.

Presented by St. Ninians High School
www.snh.sch.uk

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ECLIPSE

by **Simon Armitage**

YOUTH ARTS
CENTRE

CAST in order of appearance:

Jane	Anna Hardman
Tulip	Beth Colgan
Midnight	Christian Cooper
Polly	Erin Wood
Glueboy	Isaac Murtagh
Lucy Lime	Natalie Nixon
Klondike	Osayamwen Odeh

Backstage:

Technical Assistance	Paul Ellison
Producer	Fiona Helleur
Lights & Sound	Mike Lean
Director	David Dawson
Assistant Director	Quentin Lucas

Six friends are interviewed by the police after the disappearance of Lucy Lime, a strange unnerving girl - 'I am a walking Universe' - whom they met on a Cornish beach, just before the total eclipse of the sun.

Connections Programme sponsored by Doherty Quinn & the Isle of Man Arts Council.

Presented by Youth Arts Centre

www.youth-arts.im

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THE COMING OF THE SAINTS

by James Franklin

ARBORY
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

Patrick.....Steven Brown
Finnegan.....Les Briggs
Graiagh.....Sophie Costain

Backstage:

Stage Manager.....Chris McFee
Prompt.....Chris McFee
Lighting & Sound.....Mike Lean, Diane Brown
Director.....Diane Brown

Finnegan and Patrick are in a boat, without sails or engine, on a mission from St Patrick to convert the Manx to Christianity. Based on a Manx tale and the poem by Cushag. And then they find land

Presented by Arbory Players
www.facebook.com/ArboryPlayers

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I DREAM BEFORE I TAKE THE STAND

by **Arlene Hutton**

RUSHEN
PLAYERS

CAST in order of appearance:

Girl.....Mollie Workman

ManJuan Waterson

Backstage:

Set & Properties Team.....Susie Beswick, Ron Beswick

Costumes.....The Cast

Lights & Sound.....Mike Lean, Ron Beswick

Director.....Susie Beswick

A defence Lawyer cross examines a young woman during her testimony in a sexual assault case – and in doing so turns her innocent walk in the park into a nightmare, real or imagined. Dedicated to women who walk in public.

Warning: This play deals frankly with sexual violence.

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www.rushenplayers.org

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HENNA NIGHT

by Amy Rosenthal

HOG THE
LIMELIGHT

CAST in order of appearance:

Jack (Voice only) Dan Wood
Judith Sharon Mitchell
Ros Jude Dicken

Backstage:

Set & Properties Jane McGregor Edwards
Prompt & Costume Sinead Venus
Lights & Sound Mike Lean
Director Liz Wood

Judith leaves a message on her ex-boyfriend's answerphone saying she's bought henna and razorblades to either slash her wrists or dye her hair. Plus, she might be pregnant. Her new partner, Ros, hears it and rushes to Judith's bedsit...

Presented by Hog the Limelight
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YOUNG ACTOR OF MANN



The first round of Young Actor of Mann will be held on at 11am, Sunday 21st February at Studio Theatre, Ballakermeen High School, Douglas.

Entrants will be performing 2 pieces each and adjudicated by Robert Meadows, GoDA.

The final will be held on Wednesday 30th March at the Studio Theatre at 2pm. Finalists will have to perform two new pieces which will be adjudicated by Mike Tilbury, GoDA, adjudicator for the MADF Easter Festival of Full Length Plays (Saturday 26th – Wednesday 30th March)

The winner will be announced after the final play of the Easter Festival.

All playgoers are invited to attend these events and tickets are available on the door - £3 per person