

Westville Theatre Club

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CUE



Editorial—Jill Sysum

Its been quite chilly these last few days, Snow in the Berg, typical late Winter early Spring freeze!! Just Jack Frost letting us know he is not done yet.

Ladies of Spirit is over and done with. Audiences were quite slow in booking, and we cancelled two performances, but the last two nights were full and so we were able to fill the coffers to help WTC carry on through the year. We had terrific feedback, and it was a great play, well done to everyone involved!

Auditions for Puss in Boots are coming up — see details in the Cue. We also have a Piano Night and a Guitar jamming session in the pipeline. Keep reading your Cue!!

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AUDITION NOTICE FOR PUSS IN BOOTS

Puss in Boots (Family Panto)

Once again, Westville Theatre Club is staging its end of year **family** panto and looking for actors/singers and/or dancers of all ages for this fun production.

Producing and directing the panto are new directors, Jonathan Payne and Melanie Visser.



Singers to prepare a song to showcase their **strength**. Dancers to prepare a two minute sequence with music. (Singers and dancers to bring along backing tracks).

THE STORY (as you thought you knew it)

The princess is looking for a hubby, because when Dad, a.k.a. The King, retires and then expires, she will be in charge, and she needs a sidekick to help her. Whoever gets to marry her will be King (well, King Consort to be exact but details, details). At the other end of the social scale lives a poor dude, with his mom (oh yes, you've got to meet Mom) and his cat. He is secretly in love with the princess but has no hope of winning her heart 'cos well, you know, liquidity issues. And then there is the Wicked Wizard, famed throughout the land for bungling his spells but who is determined to wed the princess and take over the kingdom for himself. Who will win the royal approval? The poor guy seems to have no hope. But he has his cat. Did we mention the cat? The story takes us from the Royal Palace to the Humble Cottage and on to the Wizard's Castle. We will meet the King's Chorus Girls, the Wizard's not so Smallanyana Skeletons, and two rugby mad fairies who work themselves to exhaustion to make sure everything turns out right. Along with the cat, of course. Did we mention the cat?

Auditions to be held on Sunday, 11 September @ 2.30 pm and Monday, 12 September at 6.30 pm at Westville Theatre Club (adjacent to Westville Swimming Pool). Please be on time. **There is an age limit of 15yrs.**

Performance dates are **1 to 4 December and 8 to 10 December**. Please do not audition if you cannot make performance dates.

Rehearsals entail two evening rehearsals (one for singing and one for acting) and a Sunday rehearsal (for singing, acting and choreography).

For any queries, please contact:

Melanie 071 461 8515 or Jonathan 083 461 7123

"LADIES OF SPIRIT"

Feedback — Jill Sysum:

This play was an extremely gratifying one to direct. After three months of rehearsal and many changes in the casting of our Mrs Emmett, we were ready to roll! We finally ended up with the very talented Melanie Visser, playing Mrs Emmett, who stepped in literally at the last minute and took on the role. The rest of the cast rallied round and we opened with a well rehearsed play. We had many ups and downs during the three months

rehearsal, like any play does, but in the end we triumphed. The audience's feedback was very gratifying, everyone really enjoyed the play, "which just flew by" was a very common remark. This cast was so full of talented ladies, full of enthusiasm and energy! Amazing. I did so enjoy working with each and every one of the cast. Adding to our cast of ladies, we had the very talented and reliable Brandon Strydom doing backstage and prompt. During rehearsal Brandon took on just about every role of the play, with such flair, standing in for absent cast members. We almost hoped for absentees so that we could see how he would play the next role! Thanks Brandon, you are a delight to work with and such a lot of fun!

Also doing lights and sound was Jonathan Payne, who was absolutely "splendid" and did us proud. Of course



no production is complete without FOH, thanks Hayley! And oiling the wheels and teaching and helping everywhere, was Shawn. Thanks so much Shawn, its always so



comforting to know you have our backs on every occasion!. Gosh we did have fun!

Well done Ladies!
Well done Gents!
A good Show indeed!



FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS :

Piano Evening

Guitar Jam Session

Puss in Boots—The Panto

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE A CURRENT WTC MEMBER
THERE ARE BARGAINS TO BE HAD FOR FULLY PAID UP MEMBERS.

To pay your membership contact:

Caroline 082 879 0771

or EFT:WESTVILLE THEATRE CLUB,

Standard Bank Westville,

Branch Code 045426, Account No. 25254 8345,

Reference: YOUR NAME AND "MEMBERSHIP"

Family: R220— Single R150— Student/Pensioner- R100

We Need New Members!! Should you know of anybody who would enjoy being a WTC member, please give their details to anyone on the committee

Should you wish to stage a play or a show, please send your full proposal and budget to the committee for consideration.



If you have any news for the Cue, please contact Jill : 083 782 1054 or jill@ionline.co.za

