



# H'ARK! THEATRE NEWSLETTER

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THEATRE INC.

## Season 1 - May 2014

### DIAL 'T' for Theatre

After some casting difficulties, "Farmer" has been moved to our October production.

Instead, ARK Theatre is now presenting a three play program, and yes! As the name suggests the 'telephone' may feature in all three plays to some degree. Rehearsals are madly under way. Please access our Website for up to date info, brochures, ticket information as well as notes on Castings, Directors and Playwrights and play synopsis etc.

Angela McCulloch is directing "Fourteen" a period piece, followed by "Ring-tones" and "Thank-you for Holding" both of which will be directed by Gary Rens.

"Fourteen" is also our entry for the One Act play season later this year, and for locals this is the only chance to see this lovely piece before it goes on tour. Don't miss it!

We are having a short and sharp season of two evenings on FRI 23rd MAY and SAT 24th MAY, commencing at 8pm. Please join our cast, crew, directors etc. post show for a champagne, nibbles and a chat.

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### ARKIVAL PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORIES

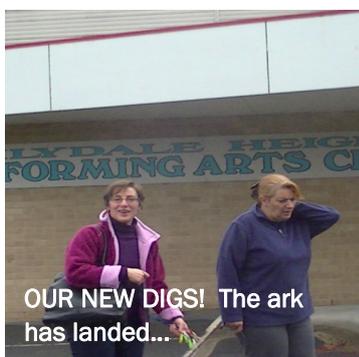


Hmm IS THAT PLAN "A" OR "B"

Tom and Jimmy contemplate!



SKYLARKING AROUND Trivia winning action



OUR NEW DIGS! The ark has landed...



MOST OUTSTANDING DESIGN AWARD—Foster

### WHO WHAT WHERE WHEN WHY

Jimmy Dunne, Karen Bannen, Sarah King, @ The Basin – Diary of Anne Frank. [Opens 16th May.](#)

Julie Cunningham/Alison Alan hosting Trivia night. [26th Apr.](#)

Chris Shaw @ Sherbrooke in "Sylvia" [Opens 2nd May](#)

[Quickies @ ELT Opens 16th May](#)

Jimmy Dunne @ 1812 Bakery, Boardshorts. [Opens 3rd July.](#)

### MEMBERSHIP

Join ARK today as a member. A one off joining fee and only \$5 a year. Contact Rosey via [ark\\_theatre@yahoo.com.au](mailto:ark_theatre@yahoo.com.au) for all the info. Or talk to us at rehearsals or at a show. Or just don't join at all.

### ACTING/CREW/TECH/FOH

ARK is expanding and we will welcome you with a lowered draw-bridge for any of the above. If you are inexperienced we will help to train you. Experienced persons will be modified! Fill in an 'expression of interest form' today and we will butterfly-kiss you from head to toe..

### SPONSORSHIP/GIFTING

We embrace all that is Amateur and there-fore rely on generous support from the wider community. We have a 3 tiered sponsor plan which can be sent to anyone on request. Out-side of this feel free to embrace your kind nature and donate time/energy or you may donate funds to our bank account below. All donors are acknowledged unless you wish to be anonymous. Thank-you.

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### ARK THEATRE VISION STATEMENT

- Dedicated to engaging with performers and audiences, of all ages, interests and capabilities
- Dedicated to providing mentoring in both the performance and technical content of theatre
- Respect and enjoy the contribution of performing art to the social fabric of our community.

### ARK THEATRE VALUES:

- Inclusiveness
- Rewarding
- Encouragement
- Creativity
- Respect
- Equality
- Social engagements
- Fun and enjoyment
- Mentoring
- Achievement

### WOMINJEKA ...Welcome

Ark Theatre acknowledges and respects the traditional owners of this region.

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

4th May COMMITTEE/PRODUCTION MEET

6th May EXTRA REHEARSAL

23/24th May DIAL "T" for THEATRE

TBC Jun Auditions 'Farmer/Jumbuck'

TBC Jun ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday evenings @ 7.30pm Apr/May REHEARSALS

Birthdays... Gary Rens, Kathy Kenyon, Fiona Hough, Kylie Gray-Prudham. Many happy returns :)

## COMMITTEE

President: Tom Blackburn

Vice President: Kym Cooper

Secretary: Rosey Cullinen

Treasurer: Angela McCulloch

Ordinary: Lucy Morris

Ordinary: Evelyn Devitt

Ordinary: Jimmy Dunne (Social Sec./Membership Sec.)

## **FORTHCOMING PRODUCTIONS in 2014**

ARK Theatre is presenting a three play program in our inaugural 'season'. which opens on Fri 23rd May.

Our script reading committee are now feverishly combing through mountains of scripts for another one act play for our October season.

As mentioned earlier we are submitting "14" into the One Act Play festival season, and more info will be posted at a later date. (Gemco and Foster)

Annie Italiano and Alex Carter, two local enthusiastic girls who are modernizing Othello into a modern adaption for the younger audience, are still endeavouring to unlock the translation code.

I feel they may have been caught up in celebrating the bards 450th birthday!

Our planned Pantomine has been back-burnt until next year as Fiona Carter has decided to make the mother country her home for 6 months!

Impervu Cabaret, which is a project being developed by Lucy Morris is also still in the planning stages, and we look forward to the finished product.

## DIRECTORS

We are seeking interested directors for any of our future productions particularly our one act play which will be selected very shortly, which will be added to our October season.

**ARKNOWLEDGEMENTS :** We have been largely assisted over the last year with very generous gifts, donations and support from various individuals, groups or businesses. Our Committee would like to express there heartfelt gratitude to these people.

- *Machination Theatre - Lucy Morris and Megan*
- *Angela McCulloch*
- *SPJ Gifted rehearsal space*
- *First Impressions - mobile pop up horizontal banner*
- *Chris Shaw and Ann O'Connor for our Logo*
- *LHC for gifted rehearsal space at LHCPAC*
- *Harry...Barbers Chair*
- *Lilydale Athenaeum Theatre*
- *Australian Millennium Lifestyles/Jimmy Dunne*

## GOING GREEN

ARK Theatre Company would like to entertain you, but in doing so would like to reduce our impact on the environment in as many ways as possible. Our sets are produced off-site where solar power is installed. We will endeavor as much as possible to electronically advertise our shows. We will be introducing e-ticketing. As much correspondence as possible will be sent electronically. We will re-cycle and re-use as many products as we can. We will continue to find and fund as many low or no carbon footprint features that we can. We are implementing use of carbon neutral copy paper.

**PUBLICITY:** Please publicize our show free willy style to all your friends, family, work associates, pamphlets are available via Angela McCulloch. Ark is feverishly gathering a patron e-mail/mobile phone list two by two, for future notification of productions.

## ARKTIVITIES SOCIAL CALENDAR \*

### **May**

Sylvia (starring Chris Shaw)

### **Ark Theatre Production**

The Quickies -Eltham Little Theatre

### **June**

The Shortest Lunch

### **July**

Boardshorts @ The Bakery

**ARK @ GEMCO ONE ACT PLAY FEST.**

Christmas in July

### **August**

**ARK @FOSTER ONE ACT PLAY FEST.**

\* NOTE: Notification of arktivites will be sent out prior to the event via e-mail/face-book etc. Due to limited spaces at times, unfortunately preference will be given to Ark members. Some events may be cancelled or adjourned with only short notice given.

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