

A wrap up of news and events from around the **Leduc Drama Society**

Important Dates

Submission for choreographer:

- Musical – “The Addams Family: A New Musical”
 - December 5th

ADFA Festival Information

Session:

Wednesday, December 3rd @ 7:00pm

Volunteers Needed

Front of House – 50/50 Chair – contact Caitlin Schulz at cejschulz@gmail.com for more information

From the Board

At the Annual General Meeting on September 20th, a new Board of Directors was elected:

President: Caitlin Schulz

Vice President: Peter Dickhout

Treasurer: Jennifer Barton

Secretary: Amanda Schulz

Production: Mary Ellen Shimell

Artistic: Lyndon Anderson

Publicity: Megan Wagner

Marketing: Susanne Ritchie

The Board meets once a month to discuss Society business. Our meetings are open to paid members and the minutes of our meetings will be posted on the Leduc Drama Society website once they have been approved.

If you have any questions, concerns, would like to attend a meeting, or would like to present something to the Board, please email leducdramasociety@gmail.com and cejschulz@gmail.com.

Alberta Drama Festival Association: Regional One-Act Festival

The Leduc Drama Society will be hosting the 2015 ADFA (Alberta Drama Festival Association) Regional One-Act Festival on Saturday, March 28, 2015 at the Maclab Theatre here in Leduc.

We held an information meeting for Members on Wednesday, December 3. At this meeting, information was provided on how to be a part of the Festival, what to do if a member had a script they wanted to submit or one they had found that they wanted to perform and how to go about putting together a submission.

For those who missed the information session, all questions can be directed to leducdramasociety@gmail.com or Lyndon Anderson (lyndonanderson@hotmail.com) and Mary Ellen Shimell (shimell@telus.net).

The ADFA's website provides information that may also be useful. Their address is: www.adfa.ca (<http://www.adfa.ca/>)

VOLUNTEER!

Choreographer Needed

The Spring Musical, "The Addams Family: A New Musical" is in need of a choreographer. If you or someone you know is interested in filling this position, please send an email to leducdramasociety@gmail.com.

The deadline for submissions is Friday, December 5 @ 5:00 PM.

Front of House – 50/50 Chair

The Society is in need of one or two volunteers to help out with operating the 50/50 ticket sales at our Winter and Spring Shows. This individual would work closely with the President to ensure there are volunteers to sell tickets each show night and that Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission rules and regulations are followed in distributing the prizes.

If you're interested, please contact Caitlin Schulz at cejschulz@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Dramaturge – Season Selection

The fine folks of the dramaturge committees are buggy eyed from excessive play reading. Okay, perhaps that's a bit of an exaggeration, but they have been working tirelessly to find the perfect shows for the Leduc Drama Society's 2015/2016 season.

There have been online discussions as well as a couple of giggly group readings. Though no selections have been confirmed as of yet, rest assured, next season will consist of plenty of laughs, maybe some tears, a few challenges, and certainly some fantastic music!

If you have play suggestions or submissions, or if you'd like to join in the fun and read a few scripts, please contact Lyndon Anderson at lyndonanderson@hotmail.com.

Social Committee

On November 01, 2014 the Leduc Drama Society hosted its first annual Murder Mystery party! The theme was Lights! Camera! Murder! The evening was filled with costumes and laughter until... Murder most foul! Mary Ellen Shimell's Starlet character was killed in a sinister plot!

After an evening of investigation the killer was revealed to be none other than her own husband! Congratulations to Harold Schoonmaker and Sharayah Piercey for solving the mystery! Congratulations to all of the award winners and thank you to Leonard Marshall for dressing up like a gangster rapper! It was great fun; we cannot wait to do it again!

If you have an idea for a social event you'd like to see the Society host, please email leducdramasociety@gmail.com and we'll help make your vision come true!

Spirit Control – Written by Beau Willimon

February 6, 7, 12, 13, & 14 @ 7:30pm / February 8 @ 2:00pm

Rehearsals are well underway for the winter production of Spirit Control. The Society is excited to have such an amazing team and cast to work with. The script is incredible, and we promise this will be like no show you've ever seen the Leduc Drama Society do before. Make sure to mark the dates on your calendar, because you don't want to miss this one!

The Cast:

Larry Rutherford - *Adam*

Lyndon Anderson - *Maxine*

Cliff Smith - *Karl*

Becki Comly - *Jess*

David Newton - *Bill*

Gus Kochan - *Tommy*

Directed by Cyndi Wagner

Stage Managed by Megan Wagner

Synopsis

A haunting drama, this play is written by Beau Willimon, the writer who developed the Emmy-nominated House of Cards for Netflix. Adam Wyatt has the perfect family and a perfect record as an air traffic controller. When the pilot of a small plane suffers a heart attack, Adam must talk a terrified passenger through an emergency landing. What happens next will link him inextricably to a woman he's never met and set the life he once knew irrevocably adrift. Spirit Control is a chilling and mesmerizing look at how we navigate a crisis, and the demons that haunt us long after.

Thank You

Thank you to all our patrons who came out and supported our Fall Show "Gossamer Feast/Pest Control". The shows were very well received and endlessly funny and our cast and crew were superb. If you or your organization would like to book our dinner theatre show next year for a holiday party, fundraising event, or just because you like us, please email leducdramasociety@gmail.com.

Tickets

Ticket sales have entered the 21st Century! Tickets can now be ordered online with Ticketpro, through the Leduc Chamber of Commerce or at the box office one hour before each performance.

Orders by mail using cheques are no longer being accepted.

Please visit www.leducdramasociety.ca or Ticketpro.ca for more information.

You can also order tickets over the phone: 1-888-655-9090

Tickets can be purchased in person at the Leduc Chamber of Commerce, found at 6420 – 50th Street, Leduc, AB.

Housekeeping

A few reminders for those of us using the Playhouse:

- Remember you aren't the only one using the space, so please be respectful of any props, set pieces or costumes left in the common space – they may be a part of a show.
- If you are in a show, please keep the common space clean. If possible, please move sets and props against the wall so the space can be used by other groups.
- Clean up any messes made and if you use any dishes please ensure they are cleaned, dried and put away after use.
- With winter upon us, snow is becoming an issue. Please remember to use indoor shoes when in the Playhouse and leave wet, outdoor footwear on the carpets or shoe racks and mats by the door.



Got a picture from a Society event you want to share?

Send it to

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and you could see it here!

Contact Us

Have an idea for an article to include in the seasonal newsletter?

Have opinions on events you'd like the Society to host?

Interested in auditioning, working backstage, getting involved on committees, or helping out?

Just want to give us your two cents?

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