

05 to 13 February 2010

Bookings open 19.01.

MADS presents
ALAN AYCKBOURN'S

Improbable Fiction

directed by COLEEN VAN STADEN

Six aspiring authors meet on a winter's evening for their monthly "Writers Circle" in the home of Arnold, the circle's chairperson. The gathering consists of an ill-matched bunch of unpublished authors - writers of historical romances, children's books, crime novels, literary musicals, instruction manuals and science fiction, or rather "science fact", the author's preferred description! In an attempt to revitalise the flagging spirits of the group, Arnold suggests they find a theme and collaborate on a novel. "We all write such different things ... Different styles!" says Vivvi, unpublished, but knee-deep in 1930s detective-story manuscripts! The other writers agree, and the idea is met with little enthusiasm. The meeting breaks up, the storm clouds gather, there is a clap of thunder and the fun begins as Arnold is plunged headlong into a literary world of detectives, goblins, aliens and Victorian manners. This delightful play with Ayckbourn's telltale sharp comedy and affectionate satire, is brought to the stage by an experienced and talented cast of seven.

Fri. 05, Sat. 06, Thu. 11, Fri. 12, Sat. 13 February
Weeknights 20:00, Sat. 14:30 and 18:30

TICKETS: Matinées and Thu.: R50 (R40 Theatre Club members), other evenings: R60 (R50 Theatre Club members)

18 to 20 February 2010

Bookings open 02.02.

CAPE TOWN CITY BALLET presents

The Firebird and Les Sylphides

Once again we welcome the Cape Town City Ballet this time with their presentation of *The Firebird* and *Les Sylphides* (not to be confused with last year's *La Sylphide*). – *The Firebird* tells the story of the exotic Firebird who is captured by Prince Ivan but wins her freedom by giving him one of her magic feathers. The ballet includes the evil Kostchei and ends with the spectacular crowning and wedding scene of Prince Ivan and the Tsarevna. The ballet is choreographed by DAVID POOLE with music by IGOR STRAVINSKY. – The romantic ballet *Les Sylphides* takes place in a moonlit glade. This is one of the most poetical ballets, performed purely as a romantic evocation of the music of CHOPIN. – The programme is directed by ELIZABETH TRIEGAARDT and the season features all the stars of the Cape Town City Ballet: Megan Swart, Laura Bosenberg, Janine Laidlow, Angela Hansford, Lauren Rogers, Celeste George, Johnny Bovang, Robin van Wyk, Mervyn Williams, Xola Putye and Thomas Thorne.

Thu. 18, Fri. 19, Sat. 20 February
Weeknights 20:00, Sat. 14:30 and 18:30

TICKETS: Matinées: R50 (R40 Theatre Club members), all evenings: R60 (R50 Theatre Club members)

MASQUE THEATRE

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We are a community theatre run entirely by volunteers.

Masque Theatre BOOKINGS: 021-788 1898
Mon. to Fri. 09:00 to 16:00, Sat. 08:30 to 11:30

Regret, no credit-card facilities

If you need a **wheelchair SEAT**, please advise when booking.
Also mention if you are a **Youth Club** member. Thank you.

PROGRAMME SUMMER SEASON DECEMBER 2009 to FEBRUARY 2010

We thank all our patrons
who participated in our recent
survey regarding opening times.
You voted overwhelmingly in
favour of our "new" times
(for in-house productions).

Parking

Parking lot with our car-watch attendant close to theatre.
If full, you may use the side streets, without blocking our
neighbours' driveways. Thank you.

Refreshments

Coffee, tea, sweets, juice, cooldrinks for sale
Saturday shows: Additional snacks available

Foyer bar

Open before performances and
during intervals at evening shows

Masque Theatre Youth Club

If you are under the age of 25 or a student, you may join the
Masque Theatre Youth Club.

No joining fees or subs. You receive notification of forth-
coming attractions by **e-mail** only. Masque Theatre Youth
Club members attend performances of most shows at the
special price of R15 per ticket! – Membership application
forms are available at the box office or from the secretary at
birgatom@iafrica.com. Your valid student card or I.D. must
be presented when joining.

MASQUE THEATRE GIFT VOUCHERS

are the ideal gift!

Gift vouchers may be used for any performance at the
Masque Theatre and can be made out to any amount.
Kindly contact the marketing department: 021-788 7911

MASQUE THEATRE CLUB

Terms and conditions of the club have
changed. Membership now runs concurrent
with a **calendar year**, i.e. from 01 January
(or from joining date) to 31 December.

Membership fees for the year are R50/person.

Members **receive quarterly programmes,**
notice of shows by post or e-mail and also
discounted tickets.

Application forms available in the foyer, from
the Theatre Club secretary birga Thomas
(birgatom@iafrica.com) or from the
Masque Theatre marketing office,
tel. 021-788 7911.

REMINDER

Bookings are open

20 to 28 November

Claremont Dramatic Society presents
Yvonne Copley's musical adventure

Return from Oz

directed by YVONNE COPLEY

Fri. 20, Sat. 21, Sun. 22, Thu. 26, Fri. 27, Sat. 28 Nov.
Weeknights 20:00, Sat. 14:30 and 18:30, Sun. 15:00

Please note that prices for musicals apply for this production

TICKETS: Matinées R60 (R50 Theatre Club members),
all evenings R70 (R60 Theatre Club members)

~~Children under 12: R40 (matinées only)~~

02 to 19 December

Bookings open 10.11.

The Waterfront Theatre Company presents

A compilation of three hilarious comedies

performed by DEON BISSCHOFF and the company

Laughing Room only

written and directed by KEITH GALLOWAY

This trilogy, in pantomime style, is suitable for the whole family and is ideal seasonal entertainment for the holidays. The plays are performed by "The Carstairs and Pickledroth Canning Amateur Dramatic Society" with hysterical results! *The Root of all Evil* is a melodrama "send up" of the British aristocracy with characters such as "Lord Loot", "Lady Faye" and "Bella Clench". The latter does not survive to take the bow at the end! Deon Bisschoff plays "Trollop", the drunken butler, in a performance which critics have previously likened to the famous *Dinner for One*.

King William, Part VII, with apologies to Shakespeare (and everybody else), is performed by "The Packing and Mailing Department". It is set in London in 1643 at the funeral of King William II and sets England on a path of "bloody conflict for the throne".

A Whale of a Time (with apologies to Moby Dick) completes the trilogy. This is a sea-faring yarn, as Avante and the renegade Captain Blowhard and crew, search the seas for the monster whale that has bitten off his leg in a previous fierce battle.

Wed., 02.12. (preview); Thu. 03, Fri. 04, Sat. 05, Wed. 09, Thu. 10, Fri. 11, Sat. 12, Sun 13, Wed. 16, Thu. 17, Fri. 18 and Sat. 19 December – **N.B.** Evenings at 19:30, matinées on Saturdays and Sunday, 13 November at 15:00

TICKETS: Matinées: R50 (R40 Theatre Club members),
all evenings: R60 (R50 Theatre Club members)



08 to 10 January 2010

Bookings open 15.12.

Fuad Sawyer presents

Tribute to Mario Lanza

Fuad Sawyer is a Cape Town-born tenor who has graced the stage both locally and internationally. This operatically trained performer has sung with the Eoan Group as well as Capab/Artscape. The late and great Mario Lanza has always been a favourite of Fuad's, and his popular and famous songs suit his voice perfectly. Join us in our beautiful foyer and be serenaded by Fuad with wonderful evergreens such as "Golden Days", "The drinking Song", "Be my Love" and much more.

Fri. 08, Sat. 09, Sun. 10 January

N.B. Both evenings 20:00, Sun. matinée 15:00

TICKETS: Matinée: R50 (R40 Theatre Club members),
all evenings: R60 (R50 Theatre Club members)

21 to 23 January 2010

Bookings open 05.01.2010

Wynberg Girls' High School presents

A Night at the Theatre

Direction: **SHELLEY ROBERTSON** and **SARAH THACKWRAY**

Variety shows are always very popular and this one is sure to be no exception for Masque Theatre audiences. The recent high-standard production by the school was sold out during their 125th anniversary celebrations. Included in the talented cast are Verity and Mel Stewart. Verity has established herself as a South African artist with a universal sound. Mel is part of the band Ripcord whose claim to fame is the successful blending of acoustic and rocking rhythm sounds. Some of the items performed by the cast are popular numbers from Broadway shows such as "All that Jazz", "Chicago", "Mama Mia" and "Porgy and Bess". The cast of over 20 will also be showing their skills in a variety of dance mediums. Definitely a show for the whole family.

Thu. 21, Fri. 22, Sat. 23 January

N.B. weeknights 19:30, Sat. 14:30 and 18:30

TICKETS: Matinée: R50 (R40 Theatre Club members),
all evenings: R60 (R50 Theatre Club members)

Art Exhibitions in the foyer
change usually on a monthly basis.
We house solo and group exhibitions.

NOVEMBER 2009

Fri. 20	Return from Oz	20:00
Sat. 21	Return from Oz	14:30 and 18:30
Sun. 22	Return from Oz	15:00*
Thu. 26	Return from Oz	20:00
Fri. 27	Return from Oz	20:00
Sat. 28	Return from Oz	14:30 and 18:30

DECEMBER 2009

Wed. 02	Laughing Room only [PREVIEW]	19:30*
Thu. 03	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Fri. 04	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Sat. 05	Laughing Room only	15:00 and 19:30*
Wed. 09	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Thu. 10	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Fri. 11	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Sat. 12	Laughing Room only	15:00 and 19:30*
Sun. 13	Laughing Room only	15:00*
Wed. 16	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Thu. 17	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Fri. 18	Laughing Room only	19:30*
Sat. 19	Laughing Room only	15:00 and 19:30*

JANUARY 2010

Fri. 08	Tribute to Mario Lanza	20:00
Sat. 09	Tribute to Mario Lanza	20:00*
Sun. 10	Tribute to Mario Lanza	15:00*
Thu. 21	A Night at the Theatre	19:30*
Fri. 22	A Night at the Theatre	19:30*
Sat. 23	A Night at the Theatre	14:30 and 18:30

FEBRUARY 2010

Fri. 05	Improbable Fiction	20:00
Sat. 06	Improbable Fiction	14:30 and 18:30
Thu. 11	Improbable Fiction	20:00
Fri. 12	Improbable Fiction	20:00
Sat. 13	Improbable Fiction	14:30 and 18:30
Thu. 18	Cape Town City Ballet	20:00
Fri. 19	CTC Ballet	20:00
Sat. 20	CTC Ballet	14:30 and 18:30

* **N.B.** Unusual opening times