



VICTORIA OPERATIC SOCIETY
MUSICAL.THEATRE.SINCE 1945.

SPRING 2012

MUSICAL UPDATE

~ SUBMISSIONS ~

VOS will be accepting submissions for the *Miss Saigon* Production Team beginning **May 5th**. We are looking for a Director, Music Director, Choreographer, Stage Manager, Costume Designer, Set Designer and Lighting Designer.

Visit our website for a complete application form. Submissions will be accepted electronically via our website, or you may submit a hardcopy in person to the VOS office. You may also send it by mail, postmarked on or before the closing date.

Submissions will be accepted beginning **May 5th**. Deadline for all applications is midnight, **June 2, 2012**.

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YOU'RE INVITED... ~

~ ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ~ SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2012, 4:30PM

All VOS members are invited to join us at the hall for our Annual General Meeting, followed by pizza and refreshments!

The board will be providing an update on: *financial statements, buildings & grounds, human resources, current show, administration, fundraising, costumes, social events & media, future shows, & carolling.*

Please RSVP so we know how much pizza to order.
250.381.1021, or musicaltheatre@vos.bc.ca

FALL PRODUCTION ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Director: Jaymes D. Goodman **Choreographer:** Stephanie Geehan
Music Director: Robert Cooper

December 7 - 16, 2012



Auditions will be held **June 15th, 16th & 17th**.
Further information will be posted on our website as of May 4th.



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Book and Lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner
Music by Frederick Loewe
Original dances created by Agnes de Mille

BRIGADOON

May 4 - 13, 2012

VOUCHERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE BY CALLING THE OFFICE 250.381.1021

UPCOMING EVENTS ~



TONY'S NIGHT!, Presented by VOS

Join your VOS friends to watch the Tony's on the big screen!

There will be food, drinks, games & prizes, followed by karaoke!

Location TBA

Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 4:00pm

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to kelleyo@shaw.ca

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL, Presented by Mt. Doug Secondary School Spectrum Community Theatre

April 26th, 27th & May 3rd, 4th at 8:00pm, April 28th & May 5th at 2:00pm

Tickets: \$10 for students & seniors, \$12 for adults, kids under 5 are free

www.mountdouglas.ca

LES MISERABLES, School Edition, Presented by Victoria Youth Musical Theatre

This is a chance for kids ages 13 - 18 to prepare and present a full Broadway show in only two weeks!

The Ridge Playhouse (Claremont School)

June 30th to July 15th

Registration is on now. Visit www.vymtc.com

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~ GIFT GIVING ~

In order to bring you the professional quality productions to which you have become accustomed, and in order to continue to train aspiring artists on and off stage, we welcome your generous donations. Your contribution is extremely important to us and greatly valued. We thank you in advance for your ongoing support.

Donations can be made by phone, fax, or stock transfer. Please call the office for complete details. We are a registered charity and are able to provide a tax receipt for donations.

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~ NOMINATE OUR NEXT HONOURARY MEMBER! ~

The purpose of this designation is to recognize long term service to the Society.

Nominees must exhibit outstanding contributions to the Society on and/or off stage, must have at least 10 consecutive years as a member and must have served at least one term as an Executive Member.

Any member may recommend and put forward another member's name with written justification for the Executive's consideration. Deadline is **June 15th, 2012.**

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NOMINATIONS ~

~ THE DAVE MILLIGAN RECOGNITION AWARD ~

Dave Milligan was a member of the VOS for many years. He was Stage Manager, Assistant Stage Manager, a Dancer, Performer and worked crew for many shows. Davey died suddenly in 2002 and VOS wanted to do something to recognize this amazing man. His daughter Kim gave us his tap shoes which we had bronzed and established this award.

The purpose of the **Dave Milligan Volunteer Recognition Award** is to recognize outstanding volunteers during the previous season (July to June). The qualities we look for are: Outstanding contribution to the Society on and/or off stage, always willing to help, positive representative of the VOS, always there when needed.

Any VOS member may nominate another member, with written justification, for the board's consideration from now until **June 15, 2012**. The Executive will review all nominations and select a winner to be announced at the AGM in September. Please note, individuals cannot receive the award two years in a row.

Nominees can be submitted via email to vosadmin@vos.bc.ca, or by regular mail to: **10 - 744 Fairview Rd., Victoria BC, V9A 5T9**

~ VOS STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS ~

Every year, VOS awards one or more scholarships of \$500 each to students demonstrating talent in the field of drama, musical theatre or backstage production including lighting, costume and set design, construction, make-up, stage management or other areas of stage craft. The scholarships will be awarded to applicants of the minimum age of 17 years who reside within the Capital Regional District and are entering a post-secondary program in music, dance or theatre.

Applications must be submitted by **June 15, 2012**. The winning applications will be selected by a committee whose decision is final. Please phone **250.381.1021** for more information or an application form.

THANK YOU ~

THANK YOU to everyone who attended, and participated in our fundraising event **'From Burlesque to Broadway'**. The show was a huge success and we were able to raise a significant amount of money to help with future production costs.

And a **BIG THANK YOU** to Jessi-Anne Reeves who has been working as our Office Assistant for the past 4 months. Jessi-Anne has accepted a position with Greater Victoria Police Victim Services and we wish her nothing but the best. VOS member Mark Riishede will be taking over this position until mid-June. He will be in the office **Monday to Friday, 9:30 - 1:30pm.**



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IN MEMORIUM ~

We are saddened to announce the recent passing of long time VOS member, Jim Buckley on April 6th, 2012. Jim's first show with us was the 1979 production of **Jesus Christ Superstar**. He then went on to appear in many productions including: **Brigadoon** (1979), **Showboat**, **South Pacific** (1982), **Dick Whittington and his Cat**, and **The Sound of Music** (1984). Jim's favourite role was that of the 'Rabbi' in **Fiddler on The Roof** in 1980.

Jim was also very active with Langham Court Theatre and appeared in several productions. He was also often found set building and working 'front of house' greeting patrons. Our deepest condolences to his wife, Sylvia and close friends, Sandy and Peter Taylor.

There will be a 'Celebration of Life' for Jim at Langham Court Theatre on **Sunday, May 6th from 1:00 - 4:00pm.**

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For the latest news, updates, audition, ticket & show info., please 'like us' on Facebook. Your support is greatly appreciated!



WAYS TO SUPPORT VOS ~

Prosperity Thru Pizza is a program offered by Villages Pizza to groups in the community. Mention that you're a VOS member when you order a pizza on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, (for pickup only) and Villages will then, for every quarter, reconcile how much each group purchased and send VOS a cheque for 10% of their purchases. The more the groups buy, the bigger the rebate!



TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

The Thrifty Foods Smile Card Fundraising Program is a wonderful way to support VOS.

Our deadline for these benefits is quickly approaching so make sure to load up your card before April 30, 2012!

Just take your Smile Card to Thrifty's when you grocery shop. Ask the cashier to load any amount you wish onto the card before paying. Pay for your grocery order with the Smile Card and Thrifty's will donate 5% of the amount loaded on the card to VOS; it's that easy!



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