



HIADS Newsletter

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Dates For Your Diary

A Musical Journey (Neil Ogley)	10th-11th February
Yes Minister (Interalia)	18th February
AGM	20th February
Film	24th February
Dial M for murder	6th March
Reading	
Dial M for murder	13th March
Casting	
Film	17th March
Our Man in Havana	25th March/1st April
Hi-De-Hi Reading	Monday 3rd April
Hi-De-Hi Casting	Friday 7th April
Ace Tones (James Golden music of Cliff and friends)	8th April
The Last Five Years (CCADS)	18th -21st April
Farm Boy (CCADS)	22nd April
Film	28th April
Hi-De-Hi	19-26 August



Please ensure you come. A notice of the meeting has been issued to all members. Propositions will be posted on the website and nominations to the secretary by 13th February.

Our Man in Havana

The play, a comedy drama, is set in Cuba in the 1950s. When Jim Wormold, an under employed vacuum cleaner salesman, struggling to support his teenage daughter's extravagant lifestyle, is approached by MI6 to become their 'Man in Havana', he can't afford to say no. The problem is, he knows nothing so is forced to invent a series of intricate plots, which can only lead to trouble! This play will be set very much like our recent '39 Steps', with a minimal set and small cast playing multiple roles. Director Laurie Noble.

Thank You

A big thank you to Judy for her bar management and social committee organisation. We had no offers to do the Bar Manager role. **Laurie and June will take over as the new Bar Manager. If you are interested in doing this role, please talk to Adrian Trew or one of the Executive Committee.**

HIADS Xmas Collections using the Lions sleigh made £571 in total, of that 25% minimum is going to Shelter. The rest will be split between several charities. Details will be given in the next newsletter. The members also collected £103.55 at the Xmas Party for Shelter. Thanks to all the volunteers, Judy for organising people and especially our own Santa Craig. **Well done.**

Films

Our Kind of Traitor -Starring Ewan McGregor, Naomie Harris, Damian Lewis, Stellan Skarsgård, Alicia von Rittberg-
A civilian couple find themselves lured into a Russian mobsters plans to defect, and soon find themselves thrust between the Russian Mafia and the British Secret Service, neither of whom they can trust.
"Even better than **The Night Manager**" (The Spectator)

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HIADS WELCOMES! :

Sue Gross, Mia Cousins-Gordon,
Danielle Gates, Alice Tilbury, Debbie

Reviews - HIADS
Visiting Events

HIADS Red Riding Hood - Welcome back Rob & Lou Finn Red riding hood production certainly had some character, Linda as the witch was all cackles, and the kids were frightened. The wolf, Craig, her henchman, looked scary, but in the end was a big softy, with a slithery walk., The romance of Izzy and Naomi (Red Riding Hood) came good, with some lovely singing by Izzy. Peter really gave reality to Fernando the naff annoying salesman. Toby as the French Detective inspector, with "Iz" accent caught the witch, and Alfie and Lily, as the two piggies duo certainly hammed it up!. Of course Jordan, projected with an ample bosom, the role of Dame. The pig and whistle pub certainly had a barmaid who could hold a tune, well done Cathy. Well directed by Rob Finn (also as the Doorman!) with a brilliant script by Sue Finn.

CCADS: Lets Face the Musicals As usual a wonderful show, tickets all sold out more than a week in advance. The show featured song and dance classics from musicals old and new - from The Phantom of the Opera and Les Miserables to Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Matilda and School of Rock ... and from Showboat and Oklahoma! to West Side Story and Chicago. It followed the other sell-out CCADS success of Love at the Musicals and Thank You for the Musicals.

Don't forget Social Events

Thanks to all who organised and ran the Xmas party. This editor couldn't go, but I am sure the HIADS show and food were all good.

If you have any ideas for future events or in fact if you would like to join our "merry band" help behind the bar, front of house or box office? give Fiona a ring !!! fiona.vinson@btinternet.com 023 92467499

Station Theatre Personnel Department

New Volunteers for FoH and on the ticket desk in the mornings, thanks to all the FOH team for their work in 2016. Looking forward to 2017.

They are very friendly and always need help - we're not just 'actors' at HIADS! give Fiona a ring Fiona.vinson@btinternet.com 023 92467499.

Remembering Brenda Greenland - Brenda reorganised our property storage and sorted and catalogued our small props. If she wanted additional storage, a bracket added or something awkward relocated, she would come into the theatre workshop on Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday morning and recruit one of 'her boys' for assistance. Assistance they were always willing to give to such a lovely lady. From 2005 to 2014 Brenda Greenland was a major supporter of HIADS, not usually seen on stage, but a person who we all need, as characters, stage managers and directors need the props, that bring a play into reality. The list on the HIADS web page shows how much HIADS productions relied on her support. See short URL at goo.gl/2qRZ61.

Derek Oakley - Last year HIADS hosted a birthday thank you to our President Derek Oakley, a celebration of reaching 90 and all the work he has done for HIADS.

HIADS Maintenance

friends

If you know of news of HIADS or ex members please drop us a line.

As usual the theatre needs to be maintained. Thanks to Bob, Dave Paul Laurie and other members that helped keep the theatre operating. And all others who do the back-room operations.

Help Distribute our Theatre Flyers

A number of members deliver Station Theatre flyers and HIADS show posters to local shops, pubs and hotels etc. **If you know of any such establishments that have not been covered**, please ask them if they will take our flyers and posters, and if they say yes please put your name down to deliver them when Wendy Tobin organizes the distributions.

Anything information or you want to say? Then please let us know at newsletter@hiads.org.uk

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