

Membership

Please note that your current AMT membership expires on 31 January 2008. Membership invoices have been sent out and you should already have received these. If you haven't received your renewal notice, or want to re-join as a financial member, please contact the Administrator on (06) 355 4165.

Changes of Address/Updated Details

Do you know of any AMT member who has recently changed address? If so, could you please ask them to notify the Administrator of their new address as they may be missing out on receiving important notices/newsletters etc. Please also make sure that the Administrator is aware of your interests, i.e. make-up, wardrobe, crew, lighting, sound, front of house, bar work, etc. Without assistance in all these areas, shows cannot go ahead.

Wanted

We are constantly on the lookout for production personnel, being **Production Managers, Production Secretaries, Directors, Musical Directors, Choreographers, Stage Managers, Lighting Designers** etc. If you are, or you know of anyone who may be, interested in any of these positions, please contact the AMT Administrator on telephone (06) 355 4165 to leave your details.

Globe Theatre Awards 2008

The Globe Theatre Awards will **now** be held on Friday, 29 February 2008, at the Globe Theatre. Tickets are \$20 each and can be obtained from MTS Costume Hire, 23 Princess Street, Palmerston North. The adjudicator this year is Pat Snoxell.

AMT Annual General Meeting 2008

Please note that this year's AGM will be held on Tuesday, 8 April 2008, in the Green Room at the Abbey Theatre.

Thoughts for the Month ...

- Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.
- A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.
- I've reached the age where the happy hour is a nap.



Editorial

Well, 2008 has started with a hiss and a roar. Already we are into rehearsals for our May show – “Rent”. Auditions are soon to be held for “Beauty and the Beast”, arrangements are under way for the AMT 2008 AGM, and the new CATS year is about to start. Further information on all these events are contained within ... **so please read on.**

Our Christmas show in 2007, being “Footloose”, was a resounding success and thoroughly enjoyed by its many audience members. A big thank you is extended to everyone who was involved with this fantastic production – if it wasn't for the assistance of our many wonderful and talented volunteers, we wouldn't be able to produce the high calibre and entertaining productions we are renown for.

From us to you – Happy New Year, and we hope that 2008 brings you all you desire.



The 2008 school year for CATS is commencing the week of 11 February 2008. Tutors for this year will be Tara Buckley (Head Tutor) and Alan Dingle, who were both Tutors in 2007. There are a limited number of placements available. Please contact the Administrator on 355 4165 for further information.

Abbey Costume Hire

Abbey Costume Hire has relocated to 99 King Street, Palmerston North. The hours of operation are;

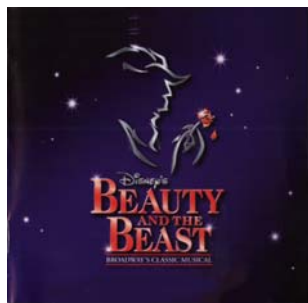
Monday – Thursday	11.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.
Friday	11.00 a.m. – 7.30 p.m.
Saturday	11.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.

Did you know that;

- AMT financial members receive a 10% discount on any hireages from Abbey Costume Hire, and
- Abbey Costume Hire has lots of new accessories for sale – which could be handy for the Sevens' competitions in Wellington and for St Patrick's Day which are coming up soon.

Also, before you throw out those dated clothes and fabrics, give Debbie a call on (06) 357 7977 – she may be able to take these off your hands.

Auditions – Auditions – Auditions



Auditions for "Beauty and the Beast", which is being staged in the Regent on Broadway in August 2008, are being held the weekend of 1 & 2 March 2008.

If you are interested in auditioning and would like more information send to you, once it is finalised, please contact Kay Nagy on 357 0848, or e-mail aknagy@xtra.co.nz.

There will be a pre-audition night towards the end of February 2008, which will be held at the Abbey Theatre.

Financial members will be sent an audition notice once details are finalised.



The production team of "RENT" are really pleased to announce the arrival of a dynamic and enthusiastic cast that has been chosen from seasoned AMT performers and fresh talent from around our region. We are so excited to see the talent that will be in the show and are looking forward to the amazing journey ahead. We encourage anyone interested in getting involved in this production in any way to telephone the Administrator on 355 4165. Our amazing cast is;

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| Mark | Phillip Gurney |
| Roger | Richard Scott |
| Collins | Richard Rewa |
| Angel | Liam Taylor |
| Benny | Andrew Jamieson |
| Mimi | Edan Hunt |
| Maureen | Renee Pink |
| Joanne | Amy Hunt |
| Ensemble | Amy Burlace, Anushree Sen Gupta, Erica Ward, Gail Lucinsky, Jacqui May Allison, Janine Bonny, Kirsty Proctor, Rhain McGrath, Daniel Goodman, Daniel McGregor, Hayden Giles, Hoani Meha, Michael Jones, Zachary Davis |



**On stage at the
Abbey Theatre,
Palmerston North
8-24 May 2008**

Bookings can be made at the Abbey Theatre,
Telephone: (06) 355 0499