



Community Awards

Volunteers are at the heart of every community – dedicating hours of time and energy every year to making their community a better place to live!

TrustPower understands that, which is why they celebrate and reward volunteers through their Community Awards programme. The TrustPower Community Awards are open to all voluntary groups and not-for-profit organisations and are about celebrating the tremendous amount of work volunteers do in our community. Through the TrustPower Community Awards, volunteers are given the recognition they really deserve. Over the last 15 years the TrustPower Community Awards have grown into one of the country's largest volunteer-based Awards programmes.

The Awards cover five categories: * Heritage and Environment, * Health and Wellbeing
* Arts and Culture, * Sport and Leisure
* Education and Child/Youth Development

We are pleased to advise that at the TrustPower Community Awards held on 2 September 2009 in Palmerston North, Abbey Musical Theatre was awarded **Runner-Up** in the Arts & Cultural category. Congratulations!

2010 Globe Theatre Awards

Globe Theatre, Palmerston North
Friday – 19 February 2010
7.30 p.m.

Adjudicator: Ms Sheridan Hickey

Tickets - \$20.00 (inclusive of first drink & nibbles)
Available from 2 November 2009 at Manawatu Theatre Society's Costume Hire

So You Think You Know Everything ... ???

- “Stewardesses” is the longest word typed with only the left hand, and “lollipop” with your right. (*Bet you tried this out mentally, didn't you?*)
- No word in the English language rhymes with *month, orange, silver* or *purple*.
- **Dreamt** is the only English word that ends in the letters ‘mt’.
- Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our ears and nose never stop growing.
- A snail can sleep for three years (*I know some people that could do this, too*).
- If the population of China walked past you eight abreast, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.

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Editorial

Have you warmed up from that cold snap yet? What's with that weather ... ??? Isn't Spring supposed to be fluffy lambs, yellow daffodils, apple blossom and sunshine?????? – not snow and sleet!!!!

“Miss Saigon” is done and dusted and we're already into rehearsals for our Christmas production of “Disco Inferno”. If you would like to be involved in this production in any way, please contact either the Administrator on (06) 355 4165 or Merryn Osborne (on 027 220 3144).

The silly season is almost upon us – Christmas decorations are already in the shops and people are starting to sing Christmas carols. Time sure does fly! Talking of time, we hope you all managed to cope with daylight saving – although it's not easy losing an hour.

“Miss Saigon”

What can we say about this production, other than “WOW!!!” We extend a great big thank you to anyone and everyone who was involved in this production in any way. This show was amazing and touched a lot of people in very many ways.

Green Room Refurbishment

Have you been into the newly refurbished Green Room at the Abbey? It looks fantabulous. We extend a HUGE thank you to everyone who was involved with this renovation in any way – and special thanks to Al Warren for leading the team involved.

MTNZ – 50th Anniversary Conference

Musical Theatre New Zealand (MTNZ) will next year be holding its 50th Anniversary Conference on 19-21 March 2010 at Rydges Hotel in Auckland. Registrations for Conference next year will be limited. Therefore, conference packs will be sent out in September this year and it will be on a “**first in, first served**” basis. If you are interested in attending this conference, please contact the Administrator to register your interest. Registration fees will be due at time of registration and will be \$250.00 (if paid for by 31 December 2009).

Children’s Abbey Theatre School Presents ...



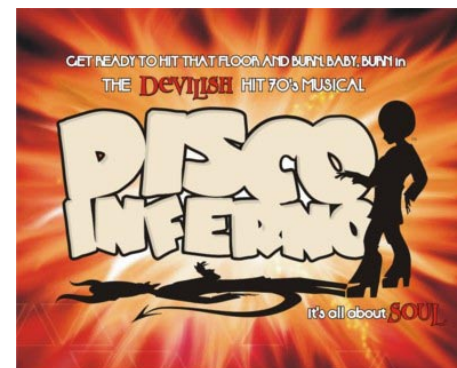
Rockin' Robin

Written by **Judith Prior**
A New Zealand Premiere

Director: **Alan Dingley**
Musical Director: **Carrie Green**
Choreographer: **Val Bolter**

29 September – 2 October @ 6.30pm
3 October @ 4.00pm

Adults: **\$15.00** / Children: **\$7.00** / Family: **\$37.00**
Book at Abbey Theatre – Telephone (06) 355 0499



26 November – 19 December 2009

Set in the 1970's, this show is about a young man, his dream to become a famous singer and a pact with the Devil. An entertaining and funny musical, featuring songs like *Crocodile Rock*, *Hot Stuff*, *Some Girls*, *Pop Muzik*, *I Will Survive* and, of course, *Disco Inferno*.

Director – **Steven Sayer**
Vocal Coaches – **Amy Hunt & Al Warren**
Choreographer – **Raine Trinidad**

Cast List

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| Jack | Marque Duckmanton |
| Jane | Georgia Bergerson |
| Tom | Grant Miller |
| Maggie | Annika Feyen |
| Heathcliff | Phil Antis |
| Kathy | Renee Pink |
| Lady Marmalade | Mac Bringay |
| Duke | Carrie Green |
| Nick Diablo | Christine Lockett |
| Terry | Greg Southey |

Ensemble

Ben Michael, Candace McGrath, Cara O'Neill, Erin Simmons,
Lorna Beauchamp, Melissa Priest, Paula Fredericks, Scott McLiesh

Dinner & Show – \$59.00
Coffee & Show – \$29.00

Bookings can be made at Abbey Theatre
Telephone: (06) 455 0499