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Inspector Calls - Highly Successful!

Submitted by Holly McGimpsey

Congratulations to the Cast, Crew and Production Team of *An Inspector Calls* for a highly successful show, both artistically and financially!

Many patrons attended the production more than once and rave reviews praising the set (including props and decor), costumes, sound, lighting, and **Tony Cain's** direction of a very talented cast were seen on social media. So well deserved!

All the Standing Ouations were another added bonus. So far this season *An Inspector Calls* has had the highest ticket sales with 90% houses!

Well done everyone. Thank you for your hard work and dedication in making Langham Court Theatre one of the most highly regarded community theatre companies in Victoria.



On stage with the cast before final performance.
Photo by: Holly McGimpsey

Langham Court Theatre announces 2025-26 season

Submitted by Heather-Elayne Day and Jim Leard

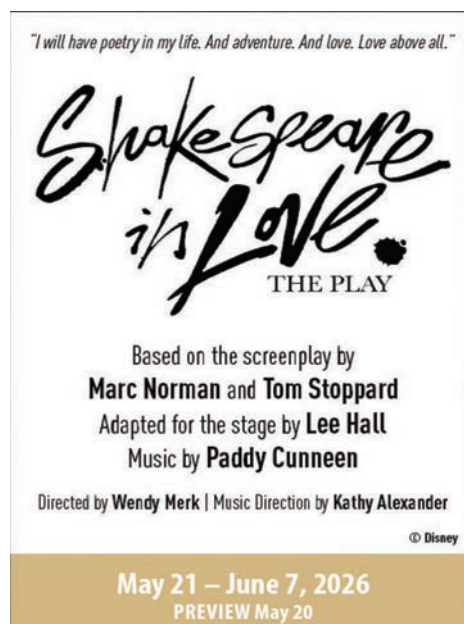
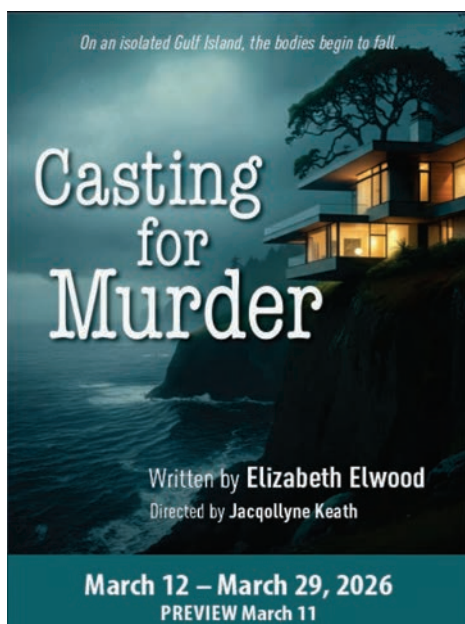
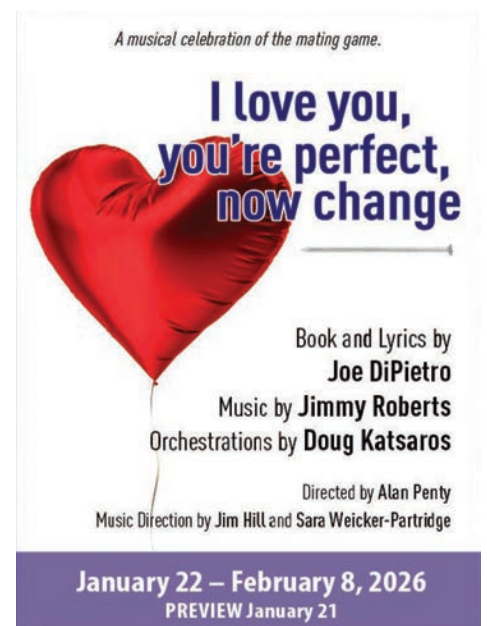
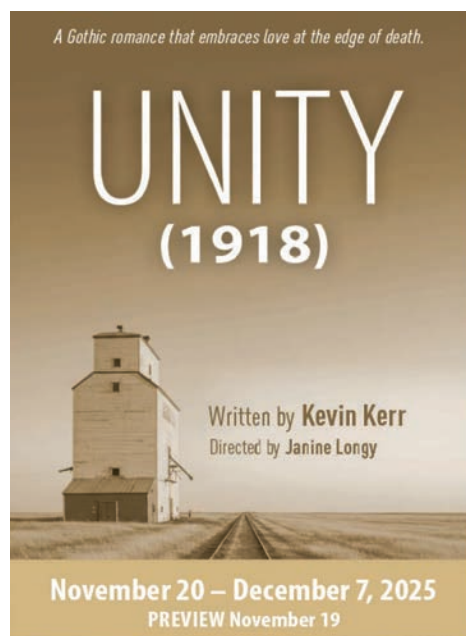
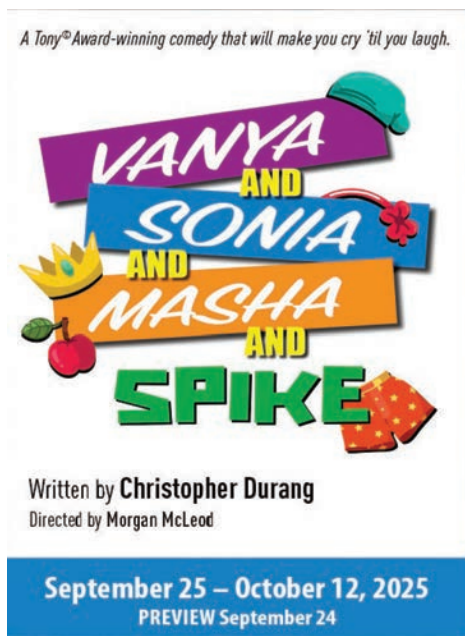
Langham's next season features award-winning plays and musicals, including two by local playwrights.

Producers **Peta MacKenzie** (*Vanya*), **Gord More**, **Holly McGimpsey** (*I Love You and Shakespeare*), and **Carol-Anne Moore** (*Murder*) are pulling together their production teams. We are looking for a Producer for our second show of the season (*Unity*). Email gm@langhamtheatre.ca to get involved.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - Auditions for *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike* will be held June 20 and 21, 2025

Rehearsals begin mid-August for the first show of the season, *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike* by **Christopher Durang**, directed by **Morgan McLeod**. Watch our social media posts for full audition details, which will also be published in the June newsletter.

Special thanks to **Kathy Macovichuk** for designing a beautiful season brochure, available now at the Box Office



Message from the President

This April, Langham was delighted to have the cast and crew of Lifetime Networks in our theatre as a part of the Community Stage. This is a group of people with diverse abilities who have performed on the Langham stage for several years.



We were thrilled to have them back again. They write their own scripts, act in their own skits, sing their favourite songs and play their instruments with talent, energy and enthusiasm. Like all performers, some stepped out of their comfort zone to be on stage and others stepped right into their comfort zone and were definitely excited by being in front of a live audience.



My good friend whose son is part of the cast said to me it's hard to describe what happens at a Lifetime Networks show, but it's all fun. She's not wrong. How do you describe a show with a circus theme, hosted by Indiana Jones with a Donald T impersonation, a large rabbit and talented musicians all wrapped up with a positive message? I will say this, it was pure joy. It is a true example of what live theatre is all about.

The Lifetime Networks show is simply about people sharing their stories, their talent, their humour and their personality in front of their families, friends and supporters in a fun and welcoming environment. Congratulations to everyone involved, thank you for spreading such joy, the standing ovation was well deserved.

We look forward to seeing you again next year.

Cheers

Caroline

Laughter at auditions for Send Me No Flowers

Submitted by Holly McGimpsey

Loud laughter abounded as 20 eager comedians auditioned for *Send Me No Flowers* on April 25th and 26th. Director, **Toshik Bukowiecki**, had a difficult job at the callbacks and chose a good mix of newcomers along with a couple of veteran Langham actors.

We are thrilled to announce the super talented cast, who are guaranteed to tickle your funny bones!

Amanda Colville as Judy Kimball, **Andrew Shum** as George Kimball, **Noah Gallant** as Vito, **Jim Coutu** as Bert Power, **Bill Taylor** as Doctor Morrissey, **Charlie Quirt** as Arnold Nash and **Jim Forsythe** as Mr. Akins. Actors taking part in filming the Fantasy Sequences are **Danielle Greschner**, **Emily Linzey**, **Cat Black**, and **Kyla Mellish**

Mark your calendars and don't miss this crazy comedy that runs June 25th to July 13th. You won't be disappointed.



Seated L to R: Jim Coutu, Amanda Colville, Andrew Shum, Bill Taylor
Standing L to R: Kyla Mellish, Emily Linzey, Cat Black, Danielle Greschner, Charlie Quirt, Jim Forsythe, Noah Gallant
Photo Credits: Holly McGimpsey



First Table Read on May 4th

Letter to Langham from Target Theatre

Submitted by: Madeleine Mills

After 35 years of sharing our performances with seniors, their families, health professionals and students, Target Theatre performed for the last time in January 2025.



Our plays were meant to inform, educate, and entertain. Always on senior issues, our plays covered diverse subjects like Alzheimer's, scams, driving, hearing loss, and just plain keeping active and involved for a good life.

Not surprisingly, financial woes are the cause of our demise. In years past, Langham Theatre has supported us in several fund raisers and even forgave rent the last time we were severely underfunded. And we thank you and have not forgotten.

Target Theatre has provided valued entertainment and messaging to its many audiences over the years, filling an important theatrical niche here on the Island. Several of the players have been with Target between 10 and 20 years. It'll be a personal loss for us all. As a non-profit, we have three years to resume operations, so there's a possibility that sometime in the future, Target could be back.

Mark Your Calendars

April 30 - May 17

Theatre Inconnu presents: *Bacon*

May 23 - May 24

St Luke's Players auditions for their Christmas panto: *Jack and the Beanstalk*

May 14, 10-11:30 am

Langham Coffee Morning

June 11 - 22

St. Luke's Players presents: *Drinking Habits*

June 20 - June 21

Langham Auditions: *Vanya and Sonya and Masha and Spike*

June 25 & 27

St. Luke's Players auditions for: *The Hollow*

June 25 - July 13

Langham Court Presents: *Send Me No Flowers*

News from the Costume Loft

Submitted by Misty Buxton

Recent donations to the costume loft:

January 2025: Eileen De Foe, Cinter Plumb, Bisia Belina, Claudette Walker, Meriel Galloway

February 2025: Sylvia Hosie & Elizabeth Witmash, Gale Tamburri & Susan Tate, Toni Miller, Kathryn Turnbull, Sherryll Harris, Michelle Tremblay, Jim Steele, Ginny Langham, Peggy Little, Ken Martin on behalf of Richard Kenton, Ann Eve on behalf of Lillian Prevot, Jennifer Beadle, Lindy Lovett, Ness Dyson

March 2025: Greg McGann in memory of Hugh & Betty McGann, Sandy Lessingham on behalf of Mary Martins, Norma Shaw in memory of Ginny & Bill Rossell, Drew Kemp

Photography student **Bronte** submitted this hauntingly beautiful photo as part of our ongoing collaborative project with Camosun College photography students.



The image captures a striking composition, with the pointed perspective of the walkway, the narrowing trees and the linear arrangement of the grave makers all guiding the eye towards the model at the center. The dark contrast of the model against the cemetery's grey tones further intensifies the scene. It's a powerful way to showcase the Loft's costume pieces.

Thank you , **Bronte**, for providing such an evocative and memorable piece.

Theatre Inconnu presents Bacon

By **Sophie Swithinbank** Apr 30 – May 17

This is the Canadian premiere of this recent multi-award-winning British play that took London by storm in 2023.

Swithinbank's play *Bacon* is an unflinching and unexpectedly humorous look at masculinity, sexuality and power, through the dizzying lens of youth.

"utterly compelling... beautiful to watch" - The Stage London

Directed by **Don Keith**. Starring: **James Johnson & Dawson Rutledge**

Reservations and Ticket Sales For specific dates & times, go to: www.theatreinconnu.com

Ticket Prices: \$16 regular (adults), \$12 seniors (60+)/students

The show is about two hours long, including one intermission.

Theatre Inconnu is located at Little Fernwood, in the Paul Phillips Hall at 1923 Fernwood Road (across the street from the Belfry Theatre).

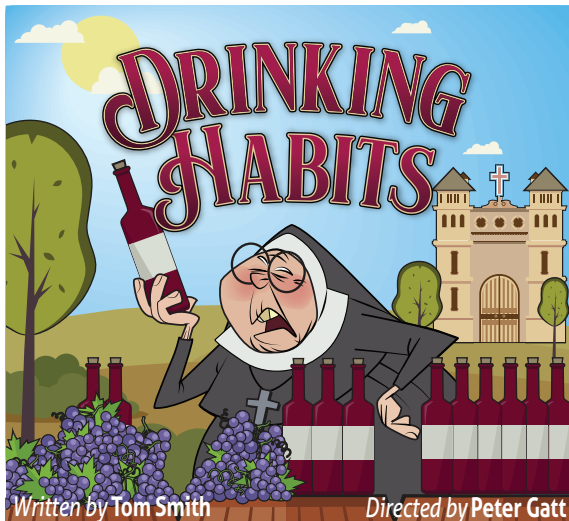
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Poster Help Needed

Submitted by Kathy Macovichuk

Langham is looking for volunteers in distributing the poster for our upcoming production of *Send Me No Flowers*. The following areas are our ideal target locations: Oak Bay, Fairfield, Rockland, James Bay, Cook Street Village, North Park, downtown Victoria.



If you post in a business, be sure to ask permission before doing so. It's a great way to grab some sunshine, learn about your community and get some exercise.

If you would like to help and put up some posters, please contact Kathy Macovichuk at kmacovichuk@hotmail.com.