

BRIGHTON & HOVE DRAMA AWARDS 2009

Brighton & Hove Arts Council promotes annual Drama Awards. Each play has an adjudication night when the writer, actor and composer, Nigel Fairs, will assess the performances. Where a drama group opts for a “public adjudication”, the audience is invited to stay to hear the adjudicator’s assessment.

Tues 22-26 September 7.45 pm (597094)
SOUTHWICK PLAYERS
“Jerry & Tom”, by Rick Cleveland
Barn Theatre, Southwick Street, Southwick
Tickets: £8.00 (Tues); £9.00 (Wed-Sat)
Adjudication date: Thurs 24 September (public)

Liked Goodfellas? Loved The Sopranos? Then Southwick Players performance of Rick Cleveland’s murderous satire, Jerry & Tom, may very well appeal. And it’s the UK Premiere by an amateur society from the writer of Six Feet Under and The West Wing. Jerry and Tom are car salesmen. They seem like a couple of regular guys but share a dark secret. Tom moonlights as a contract killer and Jerry is his willing apprentice. Their bosses are a gang of Chicago mobsters.
WARNING: *Contains strong language, gunshots, violence, nudity and smoking. Not suitable for children. “Stylish and darkly comic.”*

Wed 7-10 October 7.45 pm (597094)
WICK THEATRE COMPANY
“Popcorn”, by Ben Elton
Barn Theatre, Southwick Street, Southwick
Tickets: £8.50 & £9.00
Adjudication date: Friday 9 October (public)

Bruce Delamitri shoots violent movies. Wayne and Scout shoot to kill. This notorious pair breaks into the Oscar-winning director’s luxurious Beverley Hills pad, interrupting a passionate episode with Brooke Daniels, a nude model and actress. They want more than an autograph from their cinematic idol – Wayne intends to use Bruce’s “art” as justification for murder. Events are disrupted, first by the arrival of Bruce’s producer, Karl, followed soon after by Farrah and Velvet, Bruce’s estranged wife and spoilt teenage daughter. But Wayne means to succeed – whatever the cost. “Popcorn” is a satirical comedy thriller, tense, exciting and violent. Suitable for adult audiences only, it contains strong language and sexual references.

Sat 10-17 October 7.45 pm (746118)
NEW VENTURE THEATRE
“Art”, by Yasmina Reza
New Venture Theatre, Bedford Place, Brighton
Tickets: £7.00 (£6.00); £8.50 (£7.50) Fri & final Sat
Adjudication date: Thursday 15 October (public)

Art is a play about friendships. Does the passing of time make friendship stronger or more fragile? How much does it take to make people question why they were friends in the first place? Art is a tragedy of how easily people can grow apart and also one of the wittiest comedies in years.

Wed 21-23 October 7.45 pm (309113)
Sat 24 October 2.00 & 7.45 pm
ROTTINGDEAN DRAMA SOCIETY
“Kafka’s Dick”, by Alan Bennett
Village Hall, Park Road, Rottingdean
Tickets: £7.00
Adjudication date: Friday 23 October (public)

The year is 1919. In Prague the writer and insurance man, Franz Kafka is dying. He is 41 years old. He makes his friend, Max Brod promise to destroy all his writings. Fast forward to 1980. Sydney, an insurance man living in England’s comfortable suburbia, is working on an article about Kafka for his company’s magazine. His bored and frustrated wife Linda tries to distract him, while his elderly father plots to outwit the social workers he believes are coming to take him to live in an old peoples’ home. The doorbell rings. On the doorstep is a man holding a tortoise. It is Brod.

Tues 3-7 November 7.45 pm (777748)
BRIGHTON LITTLE THEATRE
“Blood Brothers”, by Willy Russell
Brighton Little Theatre, Clarence Gardens, Brighton
Tickets: £7.50
Adjudication date: Saturday 7 November (private)

Blood Brothers tells the tale of twin brothers born into a large working class family and what happens when their mother has one of them adopted. It considers the degree to which success in life is determined not by innate qualities but by the privileges, or disadvantages, of our upbringings.

THEATRE

Fri 4 & 5 September *from* 7.00 pm (746118)
Sun 6 September *from* 2.00 pm
NEW VENTURE THEATRE
“Intimate Encounters”
An interactive performance exploring the concept of intimacy. The performance involves extreme darkness and physical contact with the performers. Staggered entrance; each performance lasts about 45 minutes; last performances at 9.30 pm.
New Venture Theatre, Bedford Place, Brighton
Tickets: £8.00

Sun 20 September 7.00 pm (730106)
SUSSEX PLAYWRIGHTS’ CLUB
Play reading: “Spotted Flycatcher”, by Lee Torrance
New Venture Theatre, Bedford Place, Brighton

Sun 25 October 7.00 pm (730106)
SUSSEX PLAYWRIGHTS’ CLUB
Play readings: “I’m on the Bus”, and “Somewhere with a Pier”, by Olive Holman
New Venture Theatre, Bedford Place, Brighton

Mon 9-14 November 7.30 pm (597094)
SOUTHWICK OPERA
“Merry Widow”, by Franz Lehár
Barn Theatre, Southwick Street, Southwick
Tickets: 9 & 10 Nov £10.50 (concessions £9.00), 11 & 12 Nov £10.50, 13 & 14 Nov £12.50

Sun 22 November 7.00 pm (730106)
SUSSEX PLAYWRIGHTS’ CLUB
Play reading: “Sunbathing Topless”, by Vic Leeds
New Venture Theatre, Bedford Place, Brighton

<i>Advertisement</i>
Wednesday, 14 October at 7.30 pm
Saturday, 17 October at 3.00 pm
“SEA SISTERS”
Eight stories of remarkable ladies from Brighton’s history as far as possible based on actuality <i>including</i> Martha Gunn, Phoebe Hassell, Madame Michau, and Selina Countess of Huntingdon
portrayed by the talented Tamsin Holland written and produced by Martin Ward
Ropetackle Arts Centre, Shoreham-by-Sea
<i>Tickets: £8.00 from Ropetackle (01273 464440)</i>

POETRY FOR PLEASURE

Mondays at 12.00 noon

7 September	Ted Hughes – Lupercol 1960
14 September	Ghosts of Highgate
21 September	Hearth and Home
28 September	Five Favourite Poets
5 October	La Dolce Vita
12 October	To be announced
19 October	Canto 1 – Don Juan
26 October	Performance Poets
2 November	Five Centuries of Verse
9 November	How Can I Put This?
16 November	Remembrance
23 November	Translations from Abroad
30 November	Darwin by Ruth Padel

St John’s Cornerstone Community Centre
Palmeira Square, Hove
Admission: £1.00

BRIGHTON & HOVE ARTS COUNCIL - MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

Profiles of our member organisations listed below are available on Brighton & Hove Arts Council’s website

www.bh-arts.org.uk

ADUR ARTS FORUM
Contact: Chris Gander on 01273 411228

ALL SAINTS HOVE LUNCHTIME RECITALS
Contact: Mrs Hilda Brown, 42 Stevens Court, Ingram Crescent West, Hove BN3 5LZ

ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS OF HOVE MUSEUM & ART GALLERY
Contact: Mrs Margaret Adams, c/o Hove Museum, 19 New Church Road, Hove BN3 4AB

BRIGHTON & HOVE (ACTUALLY) GAY MEN'S CHORUS
Contact: gerrymccrudden@hotmail.com

BRIGHTON & HOVE CAMERA CLUB
Contact: Leo on 01273 492848

BRIGHTON & HOVE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY
Information: BHPS, 41 George Street, Brighton BN2 1RJ

BRIGHTON CHAMBER CHOIR
Secretary: Tim Cullen, 15 Pyecombe Street, Pyecombe BN45 7EE

BRIGHTON COLLEGE ARTS
Concert/Gallery Administrator: c/o Brighton College, Eastern Road, Brighton BN2 2AL

BRIGHTON EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL
Information: www.bremf.org.uk

BRIGHTON FESTIVAL CHORUS and YOUTH CHOIR
Enquiries: 070 1070 6235 or info@bfc.org.uk

BRIGHTON FESTIVAL OF WORLD SACRED MUSIC
Director: Kate Whyman, 21-22 Old Steyne, Brighton BN1 1EL

BRIGHTON LITTLE THEATRE
Box office: 01273 777748

BRIGHTON MUSICAL FRATERNITY
Contact: heather@waterman.fsworld

BRIGHTON ORPHEUS CHOIR
Contact: Annette Bell 01273 699107 or info@brightonorpheus.org

Individual Membership
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Send a cheque, payable to Brighton & Hove Arts Council, to Bea Waters, 69 Braeside Avenue, Brighton BN1 8RN, and we’ll mail you Arts Diary for a year. Please also give state your full name, address, and email address.

Group membership
Are you a <i>not-for-profit</i> organisation? Do you want the benefits of membership of your local arts council? Subscription rates vary, depending on the size of your organisation.
Visit our website www.bh-arts.org.uk for more details and request an application form.

Further details of some events are available on the telephone numbers alongside the respective listings – the numbers are Brighton numbers (code 01273) unless an alternative code is shown.
Also visit www.bh-arts.org.uk for links to member organisations’ websites.

Events included in this leaflet are arranged by various independent promoters and may be subject to change or cancellation.

BRIGHTON THEATRE GROUP
Contact: Keith Shepherd, 2 Chatsworth Avenue, Telscombe Cliffs BN10 7EA

CITY THEATRE COMPANY
Information: www.citytheatreco.co.uk or www.cityyouththeatre.co.uk

COASTLINE HARMONY CHORUS
Contact: Pauline on 01273 262015 (for performances) or Jackie on 01444 236809 (to join)

CONCERT SINGERS
Producer: Andrew Cregeen, 182 Bannings Vale, Saltdean BN2 8DJ

DUPONT ART CLUB AT HOVE
Information: www.dupontartclub.org.uk

EAST SUSSEX DECORATIVE & FINE ARTS SOCIETY
Membership Secretary: Mrs Jill Hardie-Bick on 01273 303034

ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION
Contact: Arthur Collins, 60 Dean Court Road, Rottingdean BN2 7DJ

GILBERT & SULLIVAN SOCIETY (Sussex)
Contact: David Edwards, 17 College Street, Brighton BN2 1JG

GREY MATTERS PRODUCTIONS
Contact: Harry Steer on 01273 419723 or www.greymattersproductions.org

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS CHAPEL ROYAL
Secretary: Marjorie Rooney 01273 579824

NEW MUSIC BRIGHTON
Contact: Ric Graebner, 30 Dyke Road Drive, Brighton BN1 6AJ

NEW MUSICAL TEAMAKERS CLUB
Information: 01273 680707

NEW VENTURE THEATRE COMPANY
Contact: NVT answerphone 01273 746118

POETRY FOR PLEASURE
Information: 01273 748402

ROTTINGDEAN DRAMA SOCIETY
Secretary: Peter Canning, 135 Wilson Avenue, Brighton BN2 5PB

ROTTINGDEAN PRESERVATION SOCIETY
Enquiries: c/o The Grange, The Green, Rottingdean BN2 7HA

SOCIETY OF CATHOLIC ARTISTS (Sussex)
Contact: Mrs Audrey Kaufmann, 28 Gleton Avenue, Hove BN3 8LL

Examples of member profiles on the website www.bh-arts.org.uk
DUPONT ART CLUB AT HOVE
The club is a self-supporting group. There are three sessions a week at the Connaught Centre, Hove, on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday mornings and afternoons. Membership includes beginners through to professional artists. Information: www.dupontartclub.org.uk
ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION
Registered Charity No 273136 The Brighton, Hove & District Branch is part of a world-wide organisation promoting international understanding through the English language. Local activities include public speaking competitions for schools, a lecture programme and other events. Contact: Arthur Collins, 60 Dean Court Road, Rottingdean BN2 7DJ
LUNCHTIME CONCERTS CHAPEL ROYAL
Founded in 1990, recitals are given every Tuesday at lunchtime by professional musicians or students. A varied programme of music, classical and modern, is performed. Secretary: Marjorie Rooney 01273 579824
ROTTINGDEAN DRAMA SOCIETY
The Society was founded in 1949 and performs three plays and a pantomime each year. Our venue is Rottingdean Village Hall. The Society was winner of the Challenge Cup in the Arts Council’s Drama Competition in 1994, 1998 and 2000. Both established and aspiring talent are warmly invited to our auditions. Secretary: Peter Canning, 135 Wilson Avenue, Brighton BN2 5PB

SUSSEX CHORUS
Registered Charity No 271678
Sussex Chorus (formerly Ditchling Choral Society) with over 120 members, under its Musical Director, Neil Jenkins, performs mainly in Brighton and Mid-Sussex. The Choir was winner of Brighton Festival Fringe 2005 Best Classical Event for its performance of Bach’s St Matthew Passion. Information: secretary@sussexchorus.org.uk

SUSSEX WATERCOLOUR SOCIETY
The members are practising watercolourists who aim to equal the standards of London societies. Membership is generally by application and submission of six works; well known artists are invited to join. Contact: Mrs Sheila Marlborough, 66 Dunstall Avenue, Burgess Hill RH15 8PH

SOCIETY OF SUSSEX PAINTERS
Contact: Peter Grimshaw, 56 Wivelsfield Road, Saltdean BN2 8FQ

SOUNDWAVES FESTIVAL
Contact: Patrick Harrex, 21 Preston Drive, Brighton BN1 6LA

SOUTH DOWNS ART SOCIETY
Secretary: Mrs Audrey Kaufmann, 28 Gleton Avenue, Hove BN3 8LL

SOUTHWICK OPERA
Secretary: Mrs Elaine Bailey, 97 North Road, Portslade BN41 2HD

SOUTHWICK PLAYERS
Membership Secretary: Diane Tidzer on 01273 595637 or 07989 675780

St LUKE’S CONCERT SERIES
Contact: Rachel Fryer on 01273 620723

St NICHOLAS LUNCHTIME CONCERTS
Contact: Jonathan Leigh, 53 Westbrook, Lustrells Avenue, Saltdean

SUSSEX CHORUS
Contact: secretary@sussexchorus.org.uk

SUSSEX GUILD
Secretary: Mrs Judith Cooper, The Gate House, Flowers Green, Hertsmonceux BN27 1RL

SUSSEX HARMONISERS
Musical Director: Tony Pelling 01273 502144

SUSSEX MUSICIANS’ CLUB
Secretary: Muriel Hart, 10 Orchard Gardens, Hove BN3 7BJ

SUSSEX OPERA and BALLET SOCIETY
Contact: Marion Boyle, 50 Pashley Road, Eastbourne BN20 8EA

SUSSEX PLAYWRIGHTS’ CLUB
Secretary: Dennis Evans, 2 Brunswick Mews, Hove BN3 1HD

SUSSEX SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Contact: Andrew Woolmer, 5 Silverdale Avenue, Hove BN3 6FF

SUSSEX VOICEWORKS
Information: 01273 411460

SUSSEX WATERCOLOUR SOCIETY
Contact: Mrs Sheila Marlborough, 66 Dunstall Avenue, Burgess Hill RH15 8PH

WICK THEATRE COMPANY
Contact: John Garland, Grange Cottage, Grange Road, Hove BN3 5HU

BRIGHTON & HOVE ARTS COUNCIL
Arts Diary
Copy dates (for members’ listings)
★ 31 October for events in December, January and February
★ 31 January for events in March, April and May
★ 30 April for events in June, July and August
★ 31 July for events in September, October and November

Advertising (other than members’ events listings)
Advertising space is available at the following rates
★ £45 for 1/3 A4 panel with copy and payment received before copy dates as above (£35 for member organisations)
★ pro-rata charges for smaller advertisements
★ 5% discount if copy and payment received one month before copy date

Contact:
★ *for Arts Diary advertising, for general enquiries and screen hire:* Andrew Granger-Bevan 109 Holmes Avenue, Hove BN3 7LF 01273 779022 bhac.granger-bevan@ntlworld.com


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The Arts Council was founded in 1974, and its objectives are to encourage and foster the “non profit making” arts in and around Brighton and Hove

Principal activities

- ★ publication of Arts Diary quarterly
- ★ an autumn drama competition
- ★ exhibitions for artists
- ★ exhibition/display screens available

Information: www.bh-arts.org.uk

Membership
Membership is available to individuals or arts organisations in a “non profit making” capacity

Subscriptions
Subscriptions are due annually on 1 January
Rates for 2009 are:
★ for individuals: £6.00 individual members receive newsletters and Arts Diary
★ for organisations: £14-£36 (subject to size) details of benefits are available from the Membership Secretary

Contact:
★ *for membership enquiries* Bea Waters 69 Braeside Avenue, Brighton BN1 8RN 01273 555120

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