

MUSICAL THEATRE

The Producers

Saturday 11 September – 7.30pm

Sunday 12 September – 2pm

Friday 17 September – 7.30pm

Saturday 18 September – 7.30pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$28 Child \$16

Ipswich Musical Theatre present this outstanding stage musical. Max Bialystock is a weary, down on his luck Broadway producer. Leo Bloom is a nerdy young accountant who concocts a scheme to raise millions from backers and then deliberately stage a flop of a show, thereby pocketing the cash.

The script they choose is called *Springtime For Hitler* and was written by a neo-Nazi. The pair then convince the man lauded as Broadway's worst director to sign on for the project.

Only one thing goes wrong with their brilliant plan – the show is a gigantic hit.

The Producers, originally a movie made in 1968, was written by comic genius Mel Brooks and won an Oscar for Best Original Screenplay.

In 2001 it was adapted to the stage and has become a Broadway hit in its own right. It has won a record-breaking 12 Tony Awards.



COMEDY/DRAMA PLAY

Halpern and Johnson

Friday 24 September – 7.30pm

Adult \$34 Conc \$28

Garry McDonald and Henri Szeps reunite for this award winning drama about two very different men with one surprising thing in common.

Joseph Halpern seems incapable of expressing his loss and love for recently deceased wife Florence. One day he is joined at her graveside by a stranger, Dennis Johnson, who describes Florence with more affection than just a dear friend.

With warmth and wit, the play explores the complex web of marriage and friendship, secrets and lies, mixing sharp human insight with cracking humour.

The former *Mother and Son* stars play polar opposites in this touching and funny play about love, loyalty and betrayal.

IPSWICH VARIETY CONCERT

Ipswich 150 Gala

Saturday 2 October – 7.30pm

Adults \$34 Conc \$28

Participate in this celebration of Ipswich's proud history as the Ipswich City Orchestra provides a stirring musical backing for massed choirs and local dancers as they tell the story of 150 years of fine arts in Ipswich. The stage will be transformed into a kaleidoscope of colour, dance and sound. Don't miss seeing a cast of 100's as they present a Song for Ipswich as the finale.



CHILDREN'S CONCERT

The Fairies

Sunday 3 October – 11am and 1pm

All tickets \$22.40



Based on the television production, *The Fairy Favourites* bring children's favourite songs to life in this stage show.

Harmony, Rhapsody, Barnaby, Elf and Minuet bring their fairy world to life with an hour of non-stop singing and dancing for fairy fans, including the much-loved tracks *Jump Jump Star*, *Surfing Fairy Beach*, *Dance the Sleep Away*, *Fairy Dancing Girl* and *The Silly Song*.

While Harmony and Rhapsody sing, Barnaby the BizzyBuzzy Bee is sure to get up to mischief, buzzing around with his friends and being as silly as can be.

Fairy Princess Minuet will also teach the finer points of fairy ballet.

Please encourage your fairy fan to dress in their favourite costume, bring their dancing shoes and have their best singing voices.

INTERNATIONAL CONCERT TOUR

Toni Childs

Thursday 7 October – 7.30pm

Adult \$55 Conc \$51

Toni Childs is an honest songwriter. She writes about what she's feeling, whether that is happy or sad. Her singles *I've Got To Go Now* and *House of Hope*, which was used on the *Thelma and Louise* soundtrack, became anthems for thousands of women worldwide.

Growing up in a household where movies and rock'n'roll were forbidden, Toni ran away at the age of 15, hitching up and down America's west coast jamming with local blues bands. By the age of 17 she was belting out songs in Los Angeles bars.

She later moved to London and started experimenting with her sound. It was here and after returning to Los Angeles that she found her 'voice'.

Toni has been nominated for three Grammys during her career.



MUSICAL THEATRE

**Ipswich Orpheus Chorale presents
Guys and Dolls**

15-23 October – 7.30pm

Saturday 16 October – 1.30pm

On sale 16 August

All the hot gamblers are in town, and they're depending on Nathan Detroit to set up this week's game – the Oldest Established Permanent Floating Crap Game in New York.

Problem is he needs \$1000 to get a place. A challenge to Sky Masterson lands him in more hot water. He challenges Sky to take cold missionary Sarah Brown to Havana.

Guys and Dolls is packed with great songs, a romantic tale, terrific choreography and a fabulous cast and orchestra.

It was written by Frank Loesser and first performed on Broadway in 1950. Five years later it was made into a movie starring Marlon Brandon, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra and Vivian Blaine.

It was won numerous Tony's during it's many tours.



PSYCHIC SHOW

Charmaine Wilson's Spirit Whispers

Tuesday 26 October – 7.30pm

All tickets \$48

Australian Psychic of the Year Charmaine Wilson will give audience members a chance to connect with those who have passed over to give messages of peace and love for the living. Charmaine shared her talents with the nation on Channel 7's hit series *The One*, which she was the winner of.

CHILDREN'S SHOW

Dorothy the Dinosaur's Travelling Show

Wednesday 27 October – 10.00am

All tickets \$18

You won't believe your eyes. For the first time ever, Dorothy will have her own plane to travel around the world in search of the perfect rose. Dorothy wants to find the perfect rose to make the best ever rosy-posy cake.

You'll see the fairies castle live on stage and, of course, you'll sing and dance along with Fairy Clare, Fairy Larissa, Captain Feathersword, Wags the Dog and Henry the Octopus to your favourite Wiggly songs and some brand new tunes as well.



CONTEMPORARY MUSIC CONCERT

deepblue – The Dream

Saturday 6 November – 7pm

Tickets \$26 – \$48

If you missed seeing this outstanding orchestra at Fire on the River, here's your chance. It looks like an orchestra, acts like a band and feels like a movie.

With moving images, moving music, and most importantly moving performances, deepblue takes you on an unforgettable journey.

And you have a chance to be part of that journey. Audience members are encouraged to SMS the group during the performance to decide how the show ends.

The innovative orchestra also runs a workshop program for young musicians to coincide with their performances. The youngblue program offers a limited number of spots to aspiring strings and electronic musicians the chance to rehearse and perform with a live orchestra.

These youngblue members are given sheet music, which they learn before the concert, and then on performance day they rehearse with the deepblue orchestra, experiencing all aspects of a touring production, before playing on stage during the show.

For more information on the program go to www.youngblue.net.au



MUSIC CONCERT

David Campbell

Sunday 14 November – 7.30pm

Tickets on sale from August

David Campbell is bringing the *Good Lovin'* to Ipswich. The renowned performer, son of music legend Jimmy Barnes, has carved himself a niche in the Australian music industry with his *Swing Sessions*, recreating the suave and charismatic crooners of bygone eras. With his latest album offering *Good Lovin'*, Campbell has put together an eclectic collection of upbeat songs complimented by big band arrangements. This is one not to be missed.

MUSIC CONCERT

Julie Anthony and Simon Gallaher – Moments To Remember

Tuesday 23 November – 11am

Adult \$29 Conc \$25

This special event is a celebration of the greatest songs of the 20th century and features timeless songs you will know and love delivered by two of Australia's greatest entertainers.

Julie and Simon's special vocal chemistry has never been greater than in this new show.

