



ROO NOOS!

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CLASSES

Roo Theatre is proud to announce the classes for 2007. This year, Roo Theatre will provide our drama classes as well as a few new ones under the guidance of our new Drama Tutor Bee Perusco.

SCHEDULED CLASSES

DRAMA CLASSES

JUNIOR DRAMA
INTERMEDIATE DRAMA
SENIORS DRAMA

DANCE CLASSES

DANCE FOR ACTORS
TAP DANCE

NEW CLASSES FOR 2007*

CREATIVE CHILD
MEDITATION/STRETCH
FITNESS

**These classes will be held during the day on Tuesdays.*

BEE PERUSCO 2007 TUTOR

Roo Theatre welcomes BEE PERUSCO Tutor for 2007.

After graduating from Newcastle Uni Bee worked with the "2 Til 5" Youth Theatre, Free-wheels Theatre in Education Company, and spent four years as a Drama/Dance Tutor in a State High School. She has choreographed and directed Rock Eisteddfods as well as teaching tap, jazz and contemporary dance, acting for stage and screen, clowning, street performance and even found time for yoga.

Bee will be directed planned productions for all drama classes in 2007 as performance experience is an important part of their training.

COME AND PERFORM WITH ROO!

Roo Theatre celebrates 20 years of entertainment in February 2007. Over the past 20 years the Roo Theatre Company has proved to be a dominating force in Illawarra Theatre. Our 220 seat Harbour Theatre in Addison St, Shellharbour, is a fully equipped performance space with a homely atmosphere. At Roo we also encourage you to put your skills into practice on our stage or backstage. Our highly acclaimed productions include everything from huge blockbuster musicals to original works; comedy to classics.

For More Information, Call Roo on (02) 4297 2891

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE ROO THEATRE COMPANY!

FROM THE GOPHER'S DESK:

I wish to thank the many people who have assisted in Front of House, Backstage, Lighting, Sound, Set Building, Costume sorting, Set painting - all those who have helped in one way or the other in assuring a successful year in 2006. Without your many volunteer hours this theatre would be hard pushed to do what we do.

2007 has already begun well with *Toy Crazy* and I thank the many people who helped to keep me sane during January. With *Funny Money* and *Crazy for You* about to begin rehearsals I hope you won't mind when I begin ringing you all again.

On a "brighter" note some of our older (meaning long-time theatre, not long-time age) members will join in congratulating Michael Cassel in his new role as International Production Manager for Disney Theatrical, based in New York.

We have received a request from the Graduate School of Medicine at UOW who are setting up a Patient Volunteer list of people to assist in providing medical students in furthering their clinical and communication skills. They hope to attract skilled performers, drama students and amateur actors to ensure that the experience created for students is as realistic as possible. 'Patients' will be required at both Wollongong and Shoalhaven Campus. I have some information packages at Roo, or you can call Alissa Tran on 4221 5118.

We now have a really good sewing machine at Roo (Volunteer Small Equipment Grant), so if you have some time and skill to spare we have some curtains which are in need of repair. Come and see me some time and I'll make coffee while you work!

You will also be pleased to learn that our successful Volunteer Grant will also pay for some heaters!

Students and performers will be pleased to learn (again) that the Studio is in the midst of acquiring new flooring, so workshops and rehearsal will be held in a more congenial atmosphere!! (Well, if you pick up your mess after you've finished it will be).

That's all folks. Thanks for your time and energy, and don't forget the upcoming auditions and new classes for all.

Jean

TOY CRAZY!

The Summer Panto has earned its place as our youth theatre's (and young at heart) opportunity to strut their stuff and show the adults how to really have fun ... nothing changed this year with ***Toy Crazy!***

Full of magic, colour, slapstick, comedy, reworked songs (everything from dance music to Gilbert & Sullivan), dancing, mayhem and as much fun we could cram into one show (mind you ... one very loooooong show). The talented cast of 50 braved the heat and put on an outstanding performance each day. The show was a huge success and we would like to thank the Cast, Crew, Gabi, Janelee, Bonnie, Jean, Alison, Emma, Jess, Verne, Melinda and Michael and of course Meryl and her 'Blues Brothers' band for giving 200% to the show and making it the success that it was.

Nathan & Juran
Directors

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THE ROO THEATRE WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING!

For all your up-to-date information on Roo,
from news, productions and auditions
please visit the new website at

www.therootheatrecompany.150m.com



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our Roo members who made the HSC Distinguished Achievers list:

JORDON BRELL

MICHELLE CLEGG

BONI CAIRNCROSS

2006 - WHAT A YEAR!

The 20th Anniversary Year of Roo Theatre was jammed packed with a very successful and entertaining season.

The year begun with the very successful and unforgettable panto *Babes in the Wood!* Our next production *Cosi* gave the senior youth a chance to tackle something a bit more challenging. Next up was our one night only performance of *Quarry* in Kiama, and the cold weather could not keep the audiences away. Soon after Roo staged the N.S.W Premier of *Zombie Prom: the musical* and was quickly followed by the highly successful production of *'Allo 'Allo* which received rave reviews from all audiences.. Shellharbour was alive with *The Sound of Music* which played to packed houses at every performance. In September Roo kicked up its feet and celebrated its 20th Anniversary with a very special Dinner at Shellharbour Workers Club and the weekend after *Stepping Out* opened and tapped its way to glory. It has been a year of great achievement for the company. We have welcomed many new members into the family, and gained a strong audience and nurtured some terrific talent. We have proven that Roo is a dominating force in Illawarra Theatre.

BUT ... now it's time to do it all again!

SEE YOU AT THE ROO!

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