

February 2022

Shinfield Players' Theatre's mission is to provide a venue for creating and experiencing theatre in all its forms. We aim to continue to train and develop our membership so that everyone enjoys socialising, working together and participating in theatre.

From the Chairman

Our recent production, Snow White and the Four Swedish Popstars, was exceptionally well received by audiences. The cast clearly enjoyed themselves and I personally received some very favourable reviews - "one of the best pantomimes", "professional standard". It is so rewarding that we are doing things right and I would like to thank everyone involved in the production.

No sooner than the curtains close on one show and we are all starting on the next one - well, three actually! Last Tango in Whitby is now cast and in full rehearsal. If the laughter we have at rehearsals is anything to go by, it is going to be a very enjoyable production. Our House is currently in auditions whilst The Beauty Queen of Leenane has also been cast with rehearsals due to start this week.

If that was not enough, both youth groups are preparing their summer shows with auditions later this month.

Please note that we can all have a night off from rehearsals on Saturday 12th March when Jon and Annette are hosting one of their fabulous quizzes. The evening also includes a cold buffet - excellent value at only £6 per person.

Hope you are all keeping well and look forward to seeing you soon.

Gordon

Gordon Bird



Don't Forget to Book your Seat for Quiz Night, 12th March – at 7.30 pm

It's a great night out! £6.00 per head and that includes a buffet supper. Teams of around six.

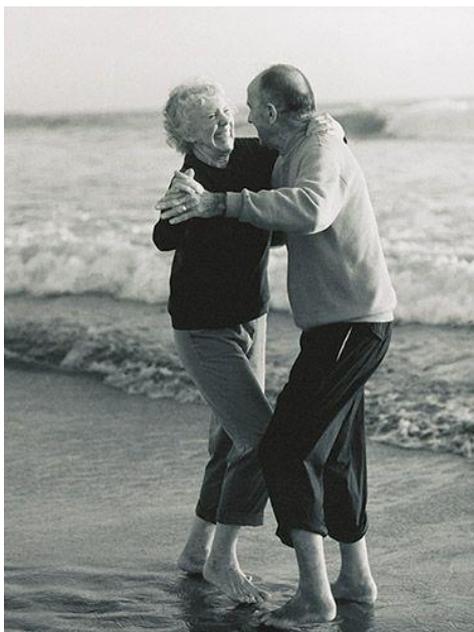
Get to the theatre early for a prompt start at 7.30 pm.

Tickets are available from: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/shinfieldplayerstheatre>

Don't miss this lively comedy and book your tickets for

Last Tango in Whitby

Wed 2nd – Sat 5th March 2022



There are a few small speaking and non-speaking parts available and if you wish to join us in this lovely comedy, please come along to our rehearsals that are held on Tuesday and Thursday nights. In addition, we have three rehearsals on Sunday evenings in February.

Carol Vockins

Our House

29-30th April & 5-7th May 2022



A massive thank you from Heidi Ashton, Lindsay Belt, Rachel Lockwood and me to everyone who came up to audition for Our House this week. It was great to see the effort that had been put in and to watch the characters unfold.

We will call everyone as soon as possible but as explained it may not be for a few days, and we appreciate your understanding around this.

In the meantime, everyone is needed for a music rehearsal this Sunday at 2 pm (till 5), including anyone who would like to come along and be in the ensemble - we have plenty for everyone to do!

See you then!

We look forward to seeing you and if you'd like to contact us please email us at ourhouse@shinfieldplayers.co.uk

Best wishes

Director

Heidi Ashton

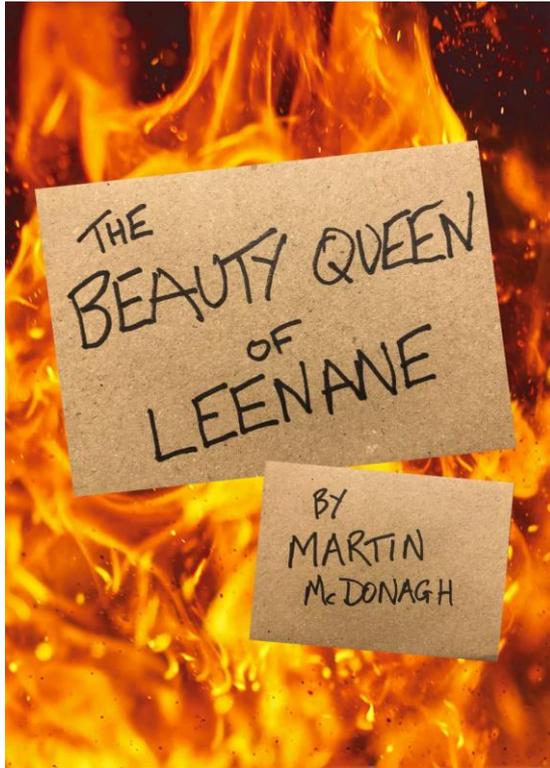
Musical Director

Lara Savory

Producer

Rachel Lockwood

The Beauty Queen of Leenane



Thanks so much to everyone who auditioned for our June play: 'The Beauty Queen of Leenane'

Auditions were of a phenomenal standard right across the board and we're absolutely delighted to announce the following cast:

- 🔥 Maureen - Rebecca Douglas
- 🔥 Mag - Liz Carroll
- 🔥 Ray - Matthew Chishick
- 🔥 Pato - Neil Padgen

Thanks so much again to all auditionees and to those who weren't cast this time.

DEAN FRIEDMAN IN CONCERT Sat 14th May 2022 @ 8.00pm

Hailed by critics and fans, alike, as a one of the finest songwriters of his generation, Dean Friedman has achieved legendary status for chart-topping hits, Ariel, Lucky Stars, Lydia and more.

"Soundtrack of our lives!" – NYTimes; "Entirely unique and utterly brilliant" – ThreeWeeks. Join Friedman for an evening of powerful, poignant, hilarious songs about the ordinary and extraordinary lives we share.

Next Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is on Thursday the 17th March. We'd love to hear from our members, so if you have a question you would like to submit to the committee, please send it to secretary@shinfieldplayers.org.uk by **Friday March 11th 2022**.

Please email items for the March Board Treader by February 21st to:

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