
The Theatrical Guild

Helping all in need in the theatre

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Hot off the Press

We have moved
Please note new address
above

We welcome
15 new members as
friends of TTG

Pass Door Club

**2nd Thursday
every month
(except August)
@**

**Players Theatre
Villiers St.**

2.00 pm - 5.00 pm

**Get together with
friends &
beneficiaries of
the Guild**

If you would like to join us
please call the office as there
is limited space

**Here we are in 2010 with a splendid new captain of the ship, and an
equally splendid new West End office.**

We're all delighted that Belinda Lang has agreed to take over the chair
from Liz Robertson.

Belinda has been on the Executive Committee for 15 years and has a real understanding of how we operate. Due to Liz's terrific re-structuring and delegation, we now have a very committed and skilful team, including OUR FIRST CHAP EVER! And what a chap. His name is Michael Carling, Senior Personnel Manager at the RNT, and he brings us huge expertise in all sorts of fields, as well as his delightful quiet charm in our sometimes vociferous meetings. Our other new members have got stuck in immediately – Biddy Hayward has revolutionised our accounts, Jan Carey and Fiona Mollison have unearthed some truly wonderful archival stuff (including priceless photos going back to our very beginnings over 117 years ago – oh, the costumes!) You can always drop into our office at the Ambassadors Theatre and have a look.

Tilly Tremayne came up with the lovely new initiative this year of producing a Theatrical Guild calendar, of which we're rather proud. It's partly publicity, and partly to remind theatre folk that we exist to help them. It's been sent to nearly every theatre in the British Isles. If you happen to be on tour this year, check to see if they've got their calendar up! We will feature a different theatre department every year, so fun ahead.

Katherine Parkinson runs Bath half Marathon in aid of The Theatrical Guild



Katherine has offered to run the Bath half marathon on the 7th March in aid of TTG. She is the British Comedy Award winner 2009 (Doc Martin, IT Crowd) and fresh from a huge success at the Royal Court. It's a great gesture from a young leading actress, and we really urge you to support the brave girl. You can sponsor her via our website www.ttg.org.uk or post a cheque to above address. Cheques payable to "The Theatrical Guild"

It's a struggle sometimes to think of new ways of raising money, but when we get letters like these, it strengthens our resolve.

From John, stage door keeper -

"... This has been a very trying time. Your generosity has made an enormous difference...it seems unbelievable to receive such incredible, unconditional help"

From Grace, retired wardrobe mistress -

"... I'm so grateful to The Theatrical Guild. I was going under. You paying for the final instalments on the mobility scooter, together with the quarterly grant, has made all the difference in the world."

PLEASE HELP US HELP THEM

UPCOMING EVENTS



First Night Riders

6th - 12th June 2010

The First Night Riders is a new motorcycle ride in aid of The Theatrical Guild. The riders will undertake a round Britain tour of new, interesting, and historically significant theatres in the UK.

The aim is to raise money and awareness for The Theatrical Guild and is being organised by David and Brenda Edelstein.

If you would like to join the tour, further information & Registration Form is available on our website www.firstnightride.com

7 day Tour: Each Rider must raise a minimum of £1,000.00 in sponsorship prior to start of tour. This includes a £100.00 (*none refundable*) deposit payable on registration.

Day-Tripper: If you cannot ride the full route, raise a minimum of £150.00 in sponsorship prior to start and join anywhere en route as a Day-Tripper. This includes a £15.00 (*none refundable*) deposit payable on registration.

Our Beneficiaries How you help

All proceeds from fundraising and donations received go towards helping Backstage, On Stage, and Front of House staff who are going through a difficult time due to illness or accident and those who have served a lifetime in the profession and are now retired.

Over the last few months we have helped with essential furniture, a Mobility Scooter, given a little sunshine with holiday grants, visited our new beneficiaries and given support to our sometime very ill beneficiaries.

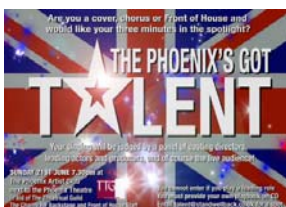
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We often appeal to our Friends to contact us if they have any ideas for a fundraising event. Our dear friend Maurice Huggett did just that last year. Together with Colin Savage, they organised The Phoenix's Got Talent in June 2009.

The event was such a success, that it is now regular event. The Phoenix's Got Talent IV will take place this coming Sunday, 28th February. Door opens at 7.30pm. Free entry but donations to TTG appreciated.

The winner from each evening will compete in a grand finale at a West End Theatre. The Phoenix's Got Talent is open to anyone who works Backstage, Chorus, or Front of House and would like three minutes in the spotlight.

Keep an eye on our website for future dates and entry information. www.ttg.org.uk