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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Hello, I have two introductions to make. Firstly, myself Jane How as the new Chair of the Executive Committee and secondly, Laura Hannon as our new Office Manager. Laura has taken over from Karen, who after years of wonderful work for The Theatrical Guild decided to take early retirement. We wish her well.



As you know I have been on the committee for a good few years now and I feel very honoured to be taking on the mantle from Belinda Lang . These are challenging but exciting times for The Theatrical Guild. I really think we are on a bit of a roll at the moment with a very active committee. Laura is experienced in Human Resources, savvy, and bursting with sound common sense. We are really thrilled to have found her.

We would like to thank you all for your support over the past year and assure you that we will, as always, be working flat out for our beneficiaries in 2012. Every penny we raise whether by fundraising or from membership subscriptions is spent on people in need, so please spread the word, gather more members or host a tea party to help raise money for the guild.

In the meantime have a very peaceful and Happy Christmas. Jane x

FIRST NIGHT RIDERS

Friday 22—Monday 25 June 2012

PROVISIONAL ROUTE MAP 2012



650 MILES, 4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS, 8 VISITS.

www.firstnightride.com

The planning and preparation for First Night Riders 2012 event is under way.

We raised nearly £10,000 in 2011 and all of our fundraising helps those who work in theatres across the country.

Thank you to those that took part earlier this year. For further information please get in touch or visit

www.firstnightride.com

Eat and Drink for The Theatrical Guild!

Towards the end of August the cast of Love Never Dies at the Adelphi Theatre held a tea party to raise money for the unsung heroes of our profession; those working back stage and front of house, without whom no play or musical would ever happen. The party was between performances with an entry fee of £5.

Many people volunteered to bake sponges, cookies, brownies and cup cakes and the tables were groaning under the weight of all the edible delights. Everyone was so generous some paying £10 for the chance to gorge themselves on endless tea and cake. To make the event extra special, donated bric-a-brac and clothes were on sale in another room. Our very own fashion show took place as friends paraded around in skirts, mini and long, silken dresses, floral blouses, linen shorts and wrap around cloaks. Two of the Executive Committee were on hand to sell The Theatrical Guild postcards, pens, notebooks and calendars. They also answered questions about the running of the charity.

In just over one hour a staggering £470 was raised. There were a few groans when the costumes felt a little snug for the evening performance but the overall feeling was that it was worth it. What better way to raise funds than by drinking and eating with your friends? I recommend it as a wonderful way to spend the break between shows, especially now when it is dark and miserable outside.
Liz Robertson

The party is not over yet – it can go on until Christmas and beyond so no excuses! Are you in a show at the moment? Take up the challenge (and the tea pot) and have a party between shows. The Adelphi, The RSC and The Orange Tree have raised almost £700 between them. The Prince of Wales and TACT are pledging to generously support us too. Wine and nibbles after a show or friends around for a cuppa. It is such an easy way to support us.

Please get in touch by phone (0207 2406062) or email us at the new office. There's a 'starter' pack waiting for you.



Cartoon by Vilma Hollingbery



Limited edition **Phantom of the Opera** brooches for sale for £15 each.

All proceeds go to The Theatrical Guild. These are an excellent souvenir to celebrate 25 years of the wonderful musical and a great Christmas present.

Please contact Laura on 0207 2406062 or admin@ttg.org.uk



Hello! Following Jane How's lovely introduction, I would like to say 'hi' to everyone that is connected in some way to The Theatrical Guild. It's a great charity that helps so many people all across the country and I'm really glad to be given the opportunity to help continue it's legacy for the future.

The door to our new office in Garrick Street is always open so please do not hesitate to get in touch, especially if you have a suggestion as to ways in which we can help reach more people, either by fundraising or by increasing awareness of The Theatrical Guild. I'll put the kettle on! Laura x