

# Otaki Players Society

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## Newsletter

March 2020

Dear Members and Friends,

As we head into Autumn it seems that nothing ever stops for long at the Civic theatre. Already there are numerous activities beginning to pile up over the next few months starting with the Society's **Annual General Meeting on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March commencing at 4.00 p.m.** This is your opportunity to put forward ideas on the direction the Society should take over the next 12 months. In the past, attendance at the AGM has been disappointing to say the least and the incoming Committee will need your views concerning the future and any feedback on what has happened in the past year. So come on folks, let's have a really good turn out. And if anyone has a mind to become a Committee Member please contact our President, Graham Orchard (027 244 9724) in the first instance. Committee Membership application/voting forms will be available on the day.

The following event is the **Maoriland Film Festival** which will run from **18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March**.

Following closely behind MFF will be the **auditions for Hairspray** which will take place on **Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March and Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> March – from 1.00 p.m. on both days**. If you are considering taking part in the show please **contact the Musical Director, Graham Orchard on 027.244.9724 for an audition appointment**. And bear in mind that the show dates are from **10<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2020**.

Otaki Players Society presents

**hairspray**  
BROADWAY'S BIG FAT MUSICAL COMEDY HIT

# AUDITIONS

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020 from 1.00pm

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020 from 1.00pm

OTAKI CIVIC THEATRE

*For an appointment contact Graham on 027 244 9724*

Director & Choreographer: Tracy Wills-Wright

Musical Directors: Graham Orchard & Andrea King

**Show Dates: 10<sup>th</sup> September to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**hairspray**

**"Broadways big fat musical hit"**

You will be aware that the play *The Pink Hammer* is now well into rehearsal. This is a comedy set in a workshop owned by Woody. His wife has arranged to run a woodwork course for women but she has gone AWOL leaving Woody to deal with 4 would-be female carpenters.

## Five unhappy people in a shed full of tools

### What could possibly go wrong?

Final casting for this play was as follows:

Woody	Reuben Batten
Siobhan	Teresa Sullivan
Helen	Tracey Bentall
Annabel	Erin Lindley
Louise	Sandra Vidulich

Director, Peter Carr, reports he is enjoying working with a talented and supportive cast. The play is very funny and more so because of the cast's efforts. There is still some way to go but this play promises to deliver a thoroughly entertaining evening out. So set a date in your diaries now. *The Pink Hammer* runs from 20<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2020. For further information please contact:

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And finally, don't forget that we have a regular Working Bee most Wednesday evenings. Aside from the major set construction the theatre needs a lot of simple day-to-day maintenance work. Small tasks they may be but they are many, and the old adage "many hands make light work" comes to mind. So ..... If you can spare a couple of hours on a Wednesday evening \*\*\* (7.00 p.m. until 9.00 p.m.) your presence would be most welcome.

\*\*\* Any of the following dates: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.  
April 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.