



Seaborn Broughton & Walford Foundation Newsletter

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Nan's Letter Space

Dear Friend

There have been and will be a number of significant happenings concerning our Foundation since our last Newsletter.

(1)

Our Artistic Director **Jonathan Mills** who became our Artistic Director in 1988 when about 21, and has remained our Artistic Director ever since, has recently been appointed as director of the world's most prestigious arts event, The Edinburgh Festival.

We are proud of Jonathan who has been a wonderful 'Friend' of our Foundation almost since our SBW was founded as also has his mother Elayne Mills. There was a very fine report on his appointment in the Sun-Herald on March 12th 2006. We congratulate him and wish him every success. Well done Jonathan.

(2)

On October 11th 2005 we announced that there would be a prize of \$1000.00 to one of the first 25 persons who subscribed to or paid for a gift subscription as a 'Friend' of the SBW Foundation, the name of the winner from these 25 persons was drawn out of a bowl by the General Manager of the Griffin Theatre Co, **Julie Mullins**, at the SBW Stables Theatre on Friday 17th March 2006 and the winner was Mrs. Pam Hornibrook of Byron Bay. She was truly elated when she heard the news, and says she will use the money to come from Byron Bay to some of our functions. We congratulate Pam who has been a very good 'Friend' from the time we were founded and we look forward to seeing her. She has made many a young persons a 'Friend' and we would be happy if there were many other 'Friends' who would give every now and again a present of 'a subscription to the SBW Foundation'. Many who have been given such a present have reported to us how grateful they have been to receive such a gift.

(3)

Our joint archive project with NIDA is going ahead wonderfully well and many of our archival collections which have been so carefully and beautifully processed by our expert archivist

Dr. Peter Orlovich, will hopefully soon be housed in the building at Alexandria. We will keep you informed in future 'Nan's Letter Space' as to what is happening and we welcome any donations of theatre memorabilia from persons or organisations. Please spread the news about that fact.

We aim to have one of the most interesting collections in Australia.

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This year is the 20th year since we were founded and to commemorate this will be two very interesting happy events.

(a) The Griffiin Theatre Company will be holding a party in the SBW Stables Theatre and in Nimrod St, which will be closed off for the event, we will keep you advised.

(b) We will be hosting, later in the year a black tie dinner in some prestigious place and we hope many many of our 'Friends' will attend, watch our future Newsletters in this 'Nan's Letter Space'.

(4)

Those who did not attend our Function at the SBW Stables Theatre to see the play '**The Peach Season**' by Debra Oswald which won the **2005 Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Award**, missed a real theatrical treat.

It was a wonderful play with a wonderful cast and beautifully directed by **David Bertholt**. It was a wonderful evening and it got a wonderful review in the Sydney Morning Herald.

I sincerely recommend every 'Friend' go and see it, you will get a discount on presentation of your SBW Friends Card.

Please read and note in your diaries the forthcoming events, each and every one of them will be worth seeing especially at the Theatre Royal - **Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks on Wednesday 12th April -8pm**, after a great sold out season at the Sydney Opera House, this return season is already heavily booked, but Carol has managed to obtain some good stalls seats.

Antiques and Antics - Friday 28th April - 6.30pm for 7pm will be something different and another enjoyable evening with the Opera and Arts Support Group.

Wind in the Willows at the **Genesian Theatre** - Sunday 21st May -4.30pm booked so adults and children can enjoy the play together.

Plus the wonderful **Pirates of Penzance, Porgy & Bess, and The Woman in Black**.

Very sincerely

Rodney Seaborn

