



Seaborn Broughton & Walford Foundation Newsletter

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Nan's Letter Space

Dear Friend

As expected the news of Nan's death in our last Newsletter resulted in a deluge of letters of sympathy and phone calls and they are still coming in.

Nan really did mean so much to so many people and was someone very special not only to her son and daughter in law and her daughter an son in law, to her adoring grandchildren and great grandchildren but also to her huge number of friends whom she loved as they loved her, including so many of the 'Friends' and staff at our Foundation.

Nan was also responsible for many of her friends at her bridge club 'Trumps' becoming 'Friends' of our Foundation and they and other 'Friends' of the Foundation have mentioned that it would be nice to have some special way of perpetuating the memory of Nan at the Foundation.. We would like this also and welcome any suggestions as to how it might be done.

Christmas is now not far off and at the Foundation we are working on ideas as to how best we can make our Christmas Party a happy and successful one.

Full details are not yet available but please put in your diaries that our **Christmas Party** will be on the evening of Thursday 1st December at NIDA (215 Anzac Parade) in the beautiful and interesting Nancy Fairfax Foyer which is being donated to us free of charge by NIDA.

There will be food and drinks and entertainment but full details will be sent out in our next Newsletter which will be sent out earlier than usual. Please do come and help us make this event a special one.

Another very important event which if possible should be a must for your diaries is our special fundraising event at our SBW Stables Theatre on Tuesday 11th October at 7.15pm. As you know the Seaborn Broughton and Walford Foundation since 1986 has allowed the Griffin Theatre Company to have the 'SBW Stables Theatre' rent free less outgoings and we are proud at the way in which in all these years that the 'Griffin' has managed the Stables Theatre and made it the cradle for the performances of Australian plays.

The play you will see is '**The Marvellous Boy**' which is a sequel but a play in itself, to the most successful ever 'Griffin' play 'A Woman with Dog's Eyes' by Louis Nowra.

Someone from the Griffin will also discuss the play before the performance and the Griffin is giving the whole of the evenings takings to the SBW Foundation. Do come to this evening I am sure you will enjoy the evening and you will help us.

Another way of helping us now that Christmas is approaching is by purchasing from our Foundation (contact Carol Martin 9697 7654) a Christmas present namely - a Christmas present of a one years (or more) subscription as a 'Friend' of the SBW Foundation. Such a present is only \$11 for a year , \$22 for 2 years, and so on or \$77 for Life.

You only have to make the necessary arrangements with Carol and your friend to whom you are giving the present will receive a most handsome presentation of a gift card for the subscription present. The feed back from previous recipients of such gifts acknowledge the happiness at receiving such a gift. Some have even advised us that it has been the most satisfying gift they have ever received. Please do contact Carol about this. We want to satisfy more 'Friends' and this is a wonderful way for you to bring satisfaction to yourself, your friend, and your Foundation.

There are some other very interesting functions coming up before Christmas so please read your Newsletter very carefully and note them in your diaries.

Yours sincerely

Dr Rodney Seaborn

Dates for your diary -

MUSICA VIVA

Coffee Concert with

Riley Lee & Marshall McGuire

Independent Theatre 269 Miller St North Sydney

East meets West in a unique and fascinating juxtaposition. The shakuhachi is a Japanese bamboo flute, with a haunting tone and a repertoire that draws on sounds of the natural world. Riley Lee is Australia's only Grand Master. Marshall McGuire (harp) studied at the Victorian College of the Arts, and is a renowned specialist in baroque and contemporary repertoire.

Tuesday - 4th October 2005 - 11am - \$27.00
Includes tea, coffee and cakes from 10am

Bookings - Carol Martin - 9697 7654



VERY SPECIAL FUNDRAISING NIGHT FOR THE SEABORN BROUGHTON AND WALFORD FOUNDATION

presents the world premiere of
THE MARVELLOUS BOY

by **Louis Nowra**

**SBW Stables Theatre 10 Nimrod St
Kings Cross**

Louis Nowra's '**The Woman with Dogs Eyes**'
was part one of a trilogy.

Part two, a new and self-contained play, takes
up some of the characters from 'Dog's Eyes' and
continues the story of the Boyce family.

Malcolm Boyce is dying at a time when his
biggest building project - and so his whole
empire is threatened by protesters.

He hires an important criminal, the charismatic
Ray Pollard to threaten his enemies.

Malcolm gets his son, Luke to liase with Ray.
Luke not only falls under Ray's spell but also
gets involved with his father's mistress.

The results are tragic.

**All proceeds from this function go to the
Seaborn Broughton and Walford Foundation**
Tuesday - 11th October 2005 - 8pm
Tickets - \$35.00

Includes drinks and nibbles from 7.15pm.

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Actors' Forum play reading **THE GOOD DOCTOR**

by *Neil Simon*

Directed by *Judi Farr*

Independent Theatre 269 Miller St North Sydney

Actors' Forum last play of 2005 is Neil Simon's
hilarious interpretation of Chekov's short stories,
each introduced by the good doctor himself
Anton Chekov. These beautifully observed
vignettes of the human condition are full of
warmth and vaudevillian humour. A delightful
romp!

Sunday - 23rd October 2005 - 2pm

Tickets - \$15.00

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Spring Cocktail Party

National Trust - S.H. Irvine Gallery
Watson Road, Observatory Hill, The Rocks.

You are invited to join the Friends of the SBW
Foundation for this special Spring Cocktail Party.

Our special guest at this function will be -

The Hon Barry O'Keefe AM QC

Who is the President of the National Trust of
Australia (NSW)

Peter Lowry OAM

Who is both a Board Member of the SBW
Foundation and a Board Member of the National

Trust will be hosting this event which will
co-incide with the *Portia Geach* Memorial Art
Award an important occasion in Sydney's art
calendar.

You will be able to meet your friends, enjoy
good food and wine, enjoy fine art and vote for
your favourite picture. Famous artist and
Principal of the Julian Ashton Art School,
Paul Delprat, has accepted Peter's invitation to
join us on this occasion. Paul Delprat also known
as His Serene Highness Prince Paul of Wy,
painted Dr. Seaborn's portrait which is on display
at NIDA.

Peter, Barry and Prince Paul will speak to us at
6pm during a delightful function which promises
to be fun and informative.

Friday - 4th November 2005 - 5.30pm-7.30pm

Tickets - \$38.00

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Sense and Sensibility

by Jane Austen

Genesian Theatre 420 Kent St Sydney

When Mr. Dashwood dies, he must leave the bulk of his estate to the son by his first marriage, which leaves his second wife and three daughters in straitened circumstances. They are taken in by a kindly cousin, but their lack of fortune affects the marriageability of both. Practical Elinor and romantic Marianne.

But this is a romance, and through hardships and heartbreak, true love and a happy ending will find their way for the sister who is all sense and the one who is all sensibility.

Join us for another night at the Genesian Theatre that our 'SBW Friends' are always eager to attend.

Friday - 18th November 2005- 8pm

Tickets - \$20.00

Bookings - Carol Martin - 9697 7654



Discounts are available to SBW Friends for
Costume Hire at-
THE COSTUME SHOP
1st Floor, 401-407 Cleveland St
Surry Hills
Phone - 9318 2511
Website - www.thecostumeshop.com.au



Don't forget to look at the SBW Foundation website, it has new SBW Friends forms, our Newsletters, information on the Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Award, our Programme archives and more.

www.sbwfoundation.com



LOVE LETTERS

by A.J.Gurney

Parade Theatre NIDA 215 Anzac Pde
Kensington

NIDA will be hosting a season of the play '*Love Letters*' which will be directed by the former director of NIDA, John Clark.

A truly unique and imaginative theatre piece, *Love Letters* traces the lifelong correspondence of the staid, dutiful lawyer Andrew Makepeace Ladd 111 and the lively, unstable artist Melissa Gardner.

A stellar line-up of actors read the letters aloud allowing the audience to eavesdrop on this bittersweet life-long love affair that gradually unfolds from what is written-and what is left unsaid -in their letters.

Actors will change each night, allowing the audience to pick the 'stars' they wish to see.

Dates & Artists are as follows-

Saturday - November 5th 2005-8pm

John Wood/Sonia Todd

Sunday- November 6th 2005 - 5pm

Myles Pollard/Lisa Chappell

Friday - November 11th 2005 - 8pm

TBA/Georgie Parker

Saturday - November 12th 2005 -2pm

Marcus Graham/Sophie Lee

Saturday November 12th2005 - 8pm

Steve Bisley/Kerrie Armstrong

Sunday - November 13th 2005-5pm

Aaron Pederson/TBA

Saturday November 19th 2005 2pm-TBA

Saturday - November 19th 2005 -8pm

Daniel McPherson/Ella Scott-Lynch

Sunday 20th November 2005 - 2pm

Geoff Morrell/Tara Morice

Tickets -\$50.00

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**Seaborn Broughton and Walford
Foundation**

CHRISTMAS PARTY

and the presentation of

**The Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Award
to be held in the Nancy Fairfax Foyer
NIDA 215 Anzac Parade Kensington.**

Please put this date in your diaries for our Christmas Party in the lovely Nancy Fairfax Foyer, which NIDA have kindly donated to us free of any hire charge.

There will be drinks and substantial finger food we will have a pianist and Carol singers, and we are negotiating with other artists to perform to make it one of our best Christmas Parties ever.

Further details will be in our next Newsletter which will be mailed earlier than usual.

Thursday - 1st December 2005

6pm - 8.30pm

Ticket price to be confirmed



Some 'Friends' in the past have questioned the discrepancy of the price shown on the tickets for some functions to the price we actually charge.

The reason for this is that our Foundation must make a profit on functions to build up our assets to continue benefiting the Performing Arts, but the price we charge 'Friends' is always cheaper than the normal price to the General Public. As well as paying for tickets months ahead the Foundation has to pay handling fees and in most cases 4% credit card fees. We aim to make 10% for the Foundation on each function but we seldom do, and at the same time 'SBW Friends' get the best seats at a reduced price.



A COUPLE OF BLAGUARDS

**Seymour Centre Corner City Rd &
Cleveland St Sydney**

Starring *Max Cullen & Max Gillies*

A Couple of Blaguards recounts the hilarious (mis) adventures of two brothers on two continents, and the amazing characters they meet along the way!

These greatly loved actors are a sight to behold as they perform not only the famous McCourt brothers but also a raft of characters including gossiping old biddies, a scolding grandmother, a kindly priest, a theatre manager and even a nymphomaniac!

It is the perfect show for the time of year when you feel like celebrating with your friends, and family

Sunday - 4th December 2005 - 5pm

Tickets - \$49.50

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SHOWSTOPPERS

**with the Sydney Symphony
Orchestra**

Concert Hall Sydney Opera House

Starring

Rachael Beck, Rhonda Burchmore,

Judi Connelli, Peter Cousens and

Todd McKenney

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to experience Australia's top musical theatre stars at their all-singing and all-dancing best, performing with the full might of the 75- piece Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

Between all the artists, they have starred in almost every major musical in Australia over the past 20 years, incredibly, this is the first time they will appear together on stage.

Join conductor *Guy Noble* and the Sydney Symphony Orchestra for the ultimate in musical experiences. This is Broadway at it's best.

A- Res stalls seats have been put aside for
Wednesday - 7th December 2005 - 8pm

Tickets - \$69.00

Bookings - Carol Martin

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