



CRANBROOK COMMUNITY THEATRE

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CHANGES DUE TO COVID 19

- In-person CCT Board Meetings have been cancelled. Alternative communications methods are now in place to keep discussions going and everyone safe.
- Regular community programs such as dance, exercise, arts classes and fellowship held at the Studio/Stage Door venue have been paused.
- The 2019-2020 core season has been cancelled. 2020-2021 core season announcements are coming soon.
- Events such as the 3rd Annual Abbott Awards and other special presentations by other community groups have all been cancelled.

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*"Once you choose HOPE,
anything's possible"*

Christopher Reeve

2019-20 Season Cancelled

It is with great disappointment that we must announce the cancellation of our 2019/20 theatre season. Due to the global health crisis and our social responsibility, we simply could not, in good conscience, continue with our final production, **'The 39 STEPS'**. Unfortunately, this will also include our annual **Abbott Awards** celebration.

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all of our members, sponsors, and community partners who have supported us throughout the 2 productions we were able to present for you and assure you that CCT will be back, better than ever as soon as we possibly can.

However, as the old saying goes, "The Show Must Go On"...

We have already started a plan on how we can still present to you our 3rd and final production, 'The 39 STEPS' and we cannot wait to share that plan with you. This show is ridiculously funny and, I am sure you all can agree, a little laughter will be just what we need.

We will be announcing our 2020/21 season soon and feel we have put together another great season of theatre for you, our members, that will live up to what you have come to expect from a CCT production.

Thank you all once again for your support and understanding at this time.

Trevor Lundy, Production Manager

Kind People are My Kind of People

We would like to recognize the kindness and generosity that has been shown to us in the past few weeks by people who regularly use the Studio/Stage Door community venue for their public activities.

The LOCALS committee members, who had to cancel their March 28th "LOCALS Coffee House" music show due to the public health crisis, donated the Stage Door rental fee instead of asking for a refund. Thank you!

Fresh Life Church members, who typically meet weekly at the Stage Door, have offered to continue paying their rent while they abstain from gathering to help with heating and maintenance costs. Thank you!

*"Be the change you want to see
in the world" Mahatma Gandhi*





PRODUCTION GALLERY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Find entertainment by browsing through Cranbrook Community Theatre's digital Production Gallery. In this incredible website archive you'll see many recognizable faces (characters) and names of the

people involved in special events, drama festivals and live theatre presentations. They're sure to bring back great memories and plenty of smiles. The website Gallery is a valuable extension of the production poster gallery on display in the Stage Door lobby. Although it has existed since the website was first published, it has recently been lovingly and painstakingly augmented by Melodie Hull, CCT Board Secretary, who volunteered to invest her research skills and time.

You'll notice that many of the earlier productions and events are needing better quality photos or more photos, or even posters to complete them. WILL YOU HELP ?

With social distancing practices inspiring us to find home-based projects, why not go through your photo albums/boxes to see if you have any pictures of on or off-stage CCT production activities. Contact us by email to determine what safe sharing options work best for you. You can scan & send or mail them to us and we will scan and return them.



New Generations Experience the Magic of Stage Door

About a year ago Cranbrook Community Theatre was approached by College of the

Rockies to consider an educational collaboration involving the 2020 COTR / University of Victoria Drama Teacher's Education Program. We couldn't say no to this astounding opportunity. As a result, the U-Vic COTR Teacher Education candidates (31 Second and Third Year students) had the opportunity to work in the Stage Door theatre for twelve three hour day time sessions spread over the Winter semester (January to March).

The premise of the project was to bring in two new generations; teacher candidates and local elementary school students, to experience the magic of drama and stagecraft through two series of classes. One explored improvisation and theatre sports, and the other a social justice theme-focused series of microplays collected as 'More Than a Play' by David S. Craig from Toronto.

The younger students were introduced to real literary tools like magical realism and foreshadowing, and drama structures such as forum theatre, conscience alley, and good old hot seating. All were led by a 'teacher-in-role' model of process Drama instruction. Program instructor, Phil Duchene, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Victoria, will be submitting an article about the experience for publication this Fall in the UK based international National Drama Magazine.

Read More about this story on e-KNOW Published March 15, 2020



THANK YOU FOR RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP

For your convenience there are now 3 ways to renew:

1. Contact Marge Kemp, Membership Chairperson (250) 427-3026
2. Send cheque to Box 345, Cranbrook BC V1C 4H8
3. Purchase through our website or send by e-transfer to crancommtheatre@gmail.com

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Printed newsletters mailed to members by request.