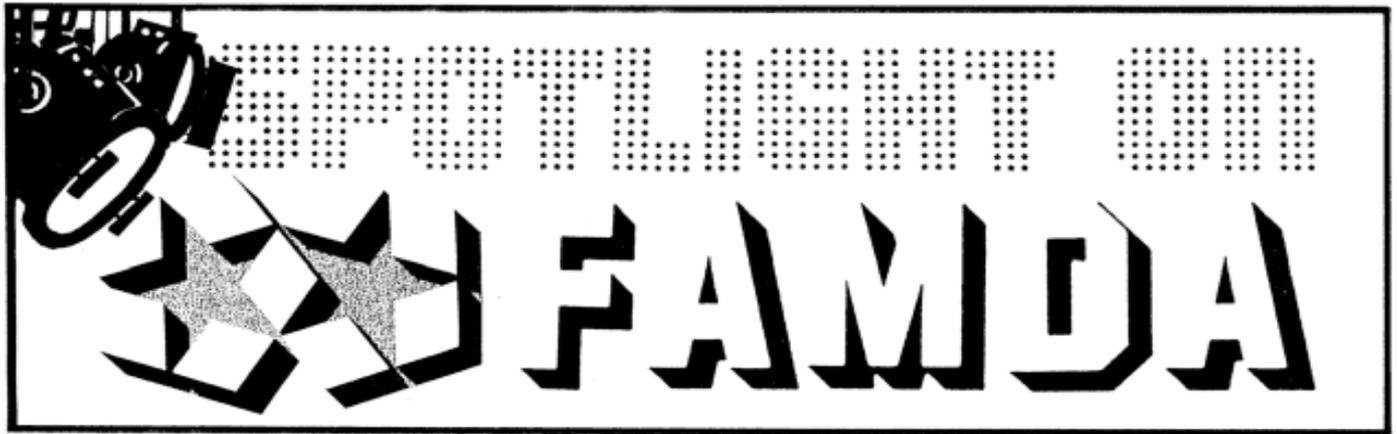


# Foster Amateur Music & Drama Association Inc.



August 2009

## Coming Events

- **FAMDA - 2 x 1 Act Plays @ Welshpool**  
8:00 Sat 1 August
- **FAMDA - 2 x 1 Act Plays @ Meeniyán**  
2:00 Sunday 2 August
- **9th South Gippsland One Act Play Festival**  
Friday & Saturday  
7 & 8 August
- **Sale Theatre Company Breaker Morant @ Stratford** 7—9 August
- **MADS @ Meeniyán**  
Lord Chatterley's Demise  
28 August—6 Sept
- **Leongatha Lyric - A Little Hotel on the Side**  
11—19 September
- **Latrobe Theatre Beauty and the Beast @ Warragul**  
4—12 September
- **FAMDA**  
Into the Woods  
Foster Arts Centre  
2—17 October

## TWO ACTS

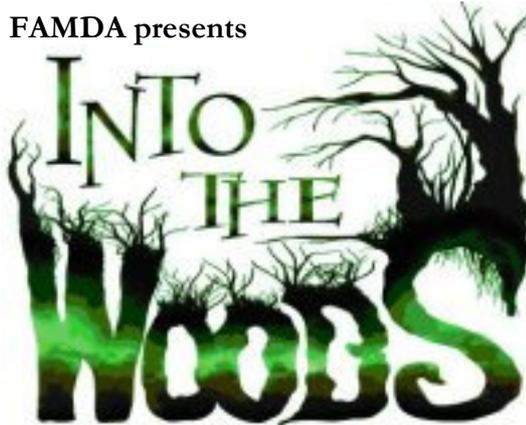


### PREVIEW FAMDA'S ONE ACT PLAYS

Welshpool Memorial Hall  
8:00 Saturday 1 August

Meeniyán Town Hall  
2:00 Sunday 2 August

FAMDA presents



*Music and Lyrics by* STEPHEN SONDHEIM

*Book by* JAMES LAPINE

*Originally directed on Broadway by* James Lapine

*By arrangement with* Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd  
*Exclusive agent for Music Theatre International (NY)*

Staged by FAMDA

Foster War Memorial Arts Centre

2—17 October 2009

## EARLY BIRD BOOKINGS

FAMDA will be staging this fairytale musical from 2 to 17 October at 8:00 on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays plus two Sunday matinées at 2:00.

Book now on the early bird booking form and get the best seats while saving \$3.00 on each ticket purchased.

**Early Bird until August 27**

**Gala opening - 2 Oct All tickets: \$38**  
**Adult: \$27**

**Conc. / Group (10+): \$22**

**Student / Child: \$17**

**Standard Tickets from August 28**

**Gala opening - 2 Oct All tickets: \$38**  
**Adult: \$30**

**Conc. / Group (10+): \$25**

**Student / Child: \$20**

Early bird booking forms can be downloaded from [www.famda.org.au](http://www.famda.org.au) or collected from Paragreen Real Estate, 17 Main St., Foster or ask a cast member for an application form.

## NINTH ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL



FAMDA is hosting its ninth one-act play festival with the largest number of entries ever so that plays will be staged on Friday night, 7 August, as well as throughout Saturday.

This friendly theatrical competition provides the chance to see new plays, support your friends, meet new people and be thoroughly entertained. People are free to come and go and to watch all or only some of the plays on offer.

Friday night's plays start at 8:00. On Saturday the youth section begins at 10:30am and the festival resumes (after a short lunch break) from 1:30. During the day people can come and go between the plays. The final session starts at 8:00.

Festival ticket prices: \$8.00 per session or a complete Festival pass for \$20.00.

Despite the competitive element, the festival is always a very friendly and social occasion with audience members and companies being given the choice of concert style seating or sitting at tables with their own drinks and nibbles.

To allow time for more socialising, on Saturday 8 August Catherine McGlead of **Promontory Gourmet Foods** is offering an **in-house catering package** at Foster Arts Centre (BYO drinks).

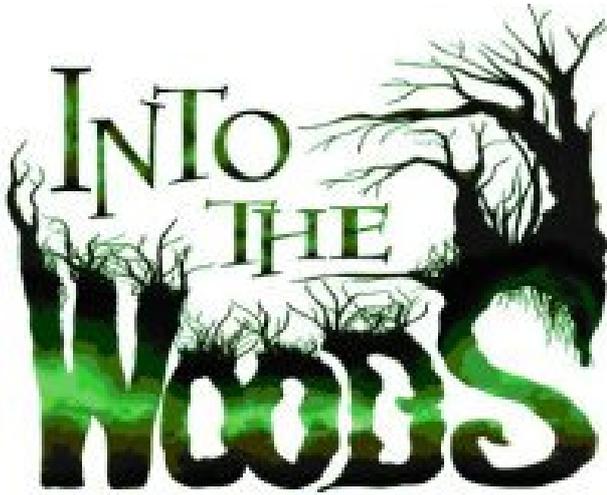
Dinner and dessert/supper will consist of curries and rice with a vegetarian option as a main course plus cakes and slices for supper with self serve coffee and tea for \$20 per person.

Afternoon tea will be on sale \$5 but the whole package (afternoon tea, dinner and supper) is available for \$22 per person.

Final numbers and a deposit of \$10 pp are needed by 1st August. Contact Catherine via 0407 543 371 or [catmcglead@dcsi.net.au](mailto:catmcglead@dcsi.net.au). Deposits can also be left at Main Street Revelations in Foster.

## GREAT FOOD





## BROADWAY MUSICAL IN FOSTER

*Into the Woods* is a musical with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and book by James Lapine. It premiered on Broadway in 1987 and now it's coming to Foster courtesy of FAMDA.

The musical intertwines the plots of several Brothers Grimm fairy tales and follows them further to explore the consequences of the characters' wishes and quests. The main characters come from the stories of Little Red Ridinghood, Jack and the Beanstalk, Rapunzel, and Cinderella, tied together by a more original story involving a Baker and his wife and their quest to begin a family, most likely taken from the original story of Rapunzel. It also includes references to several other well-known tales.

This fascinating combination of fairy stories is designed for an adult audience but has appeal also for younger people. The cast features adults from all over South Gippsland plus a few high school students.

FAMDA is now seeking musicians to play in the orchestra for *Into the Woods*. Interested persons are asked to contact the production manager, Dianne Paragreen, on 5682 2421 or 0407 883 600 or via email at [raphoto@dcsi.net.au](mailto:raphoto@dcsi.net.au)

Book your tickets for this wonderful theatrical event and secure the best seats at a discount price \$3.00 cheaper than the price after 27 August. Check details on [www.famda.org.au](http://www.famda.org.au)

## SUMMER PRODUCTION—DIRECTOR WANTED

FAMDA is now planning its summer holiday entertainment for locals and visitors. In recent years this has taken the form of the locally written pantomimes, *Twisted Tales from the Woods* and *Bush Magic* and FAMDA now wants to stage an established show with opportunities for young people, children and teenagers, as well as adults to be involved. Casting will be done in September / October with rehearsals starting mid-October.

Anyone interested in directing FAMDA's summer show should contact a member of the FAMDA executive to discuss possibilities.

The ideal people to speak to are:

FAMDA president, Max Adam ~ 5682 1600 or [irimax@bigpond.com](mailto:irimax@bigpond.com)

vice president, Andrew Oldroyd ~ 5683 2313 or [aoldroyd@dcsi.net.au](mailto:aoldroyd@dcsi.net.au)

secretary, Raymond Dunstan ~ 5682 1567 or [chris.freeman3@bigpond.com](mailto:chris.freeman3@bigpond.com)

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## One Act Play Festival

**Foster War Memorial  
Arts Centre**

**8:00pm Friday 7 August**

**Saturday 8 August**

**10:30am Youth session**

**1:30pm Adult entries**

In-house dinner bookings  
[catmcglead@dcsi.net.au](mailto:catmcglead@dcsi.net.au) or 0407 543 371

**8:00pm Final Session**

## LOCAL PREVIEWS

FAMDA is entering two plays in this year's One-Act Play Festival.

*Viva Juarez!* by Michael Dines is a revolutionary drama set in Mexico. Directed for FAMDA by David Baggallay its cast consists of David plus Jordan Matthews, Louise Harfield and Josie Harfield-Park.

*Love Or Nearest Offer* is a very up-to-date comedy by the Australian writer, Hugh O'Brien. Bruce Crowl is directing this play with Dianne Frey, Lloyd Morcom, Amanda Richter and Glyn Stuckey.

Both plays will be previewed locally the weekend before the festival.

The Welshpool Hall Committee will host a performance at **8:00 on Saturday 1 August at Welshpool Hall.**

At **2:00pm on Sunday 2 August** the plays will be staged at **Meeniyam Hall.**

All profits from these previews stay with the local hall committees.

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2009—2010**

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