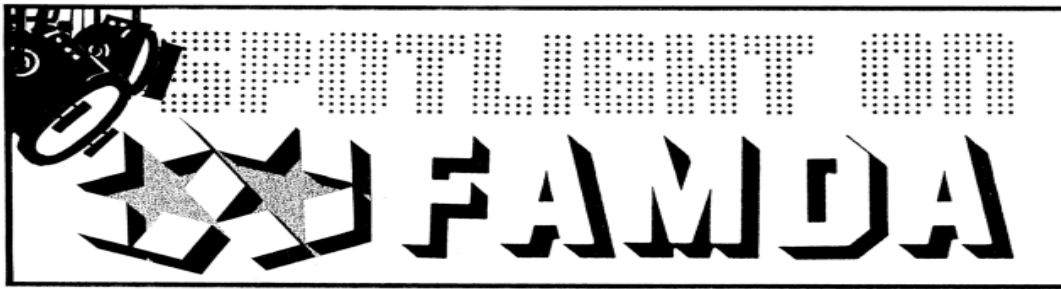


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The Cameron Creswell Agency Pty Ltd presents

The Shoe-Horn Sonata deals with the brutality of World War II by viewing the stories of two fictional characters, Bridie and Sheila.

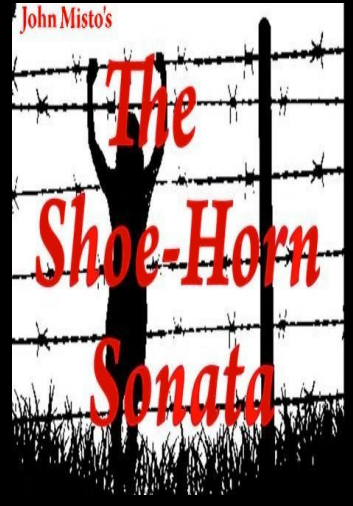
In 1945 they were freed from a Japanese POW camp deep in the jungles of Sumatra where thousands of women and children had lived and died virtually forgotten by their own governments.

Fifty years later the filming of a television documentary forces them to relive the past, contact the present and question the future. Woven into their half century separation are a shoe-horn and the threads of loyalty and love which form their bond.

The characters are fictional yet every incident they describe is true and occurred between 1942 and 1995.

The playwright, John Misto, was concerned that the pain and suffering that many women endured at the hands of their Japanese captors after the fall of Singapore had been forgotten. He said "I do not have the power to build a memorial so I wrote a play instead."

In 1995, when Misto won the \$20,000 *Australia Remembers* National Play



Competition for *The Shoe-Horn Sonata*, he donated his prize money to the Australian Nurses' National Memorial Fund. Misto's passion for the story shines through in creating a poignant play complete with gentle humour and an uplifting ending.

David Baggallay is directing this compelling drama for FAMDA with Marg Rudge and Jean Moore in the key roles.



8pm Friday 20 & Saturday 21 July, 2pm Sunday 22 July
8pm Wednesday 25, Friday 27 & Saturday 28 July 2012

Foster War Memorial Arts Centre

FAMDA FUTURE DATES

@ Foster War Memorial Arts Centre

The Shoe-Horn Sonata

8pm Friday 20 July
8pm Saturday 21 July
2pm Sunday 22 July
8pm Wednesday 25 July
8pm Friday 27 July
8pm Saturday 28 July

One Act Play Festival

Saturday & Sunday 11 & 12 August

Dreamboats

7:30 Friday 28 September
2:00 Saturday 29 September
2:00 Sunday 30 September
7:30 Thursday 4 October
7:30 Friday 5 October
7:30 Saturday 6 October
2:00 Sunday 7 October

Arty-Farty Trivia Party

7:00 Saturday 27 October

PROM COAST FILM SOCIETY REST OF SEASON 2012

Friday 6 July – *NAIDOC Week*

The Tall Man (2011 Australia)
Indigenous Documentary (M)

Friday 3 August

Another Year (2011 UK) Drama (M)

Friday 7 September

Barney's Version (2010 USA) Drama (M)

Friday 5 October

Norwegian Wood (2011 Japan)
Drama/Romance (MA)

Friday 2 November

Lantana (2001 Australia) Drama (M)

Friday 7 December

Tabloid (2011 USA) Documentary (M)



Adults: \$22 Concession & Groups (10+): \$18

Gala opening night with supper, Friday 20 July: All tix \$25

Special mid-week theatre people's night, Wednesday 25 July: All tix \$16

Tickets on sale @ Main Street Revelations

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DREAMBOATS



Dreamboats is a musical written especially for FAMDA by two remarkably talented locals, Edwin Coad and Paddy Broberg, Edwin has written the libretto and Paddy has composed the music for this delightful musical fantasy designed to allow opportunities for people of all ages to be involved on stage.

We are fortunate to have experienced director, Beth Millar, directing the production in her first involvement with FAMDA.

Rehearsals are held on Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays but each person is required to attend only the rehearsal sessions for which they are scheduled.

Performances 28 September – 7 October @ Foster Arts Centre

DREAMBOATS - CAST LIST

OLIVER ~ Luca McLean	VANESSA ~ Bella Standfield
JAKE ~ Tyler Bindloss	CATHY ~ Cass McLean
EDWARD BEAR ~ Stephen Ormsby	MARY FAIRY ~ Marieke Ormsby
PIRATE PETE ~ Jack Millar	BANJO THE CLOWN ~ Kat Wheeler
BENNY FESTER ~ Louis Wheeler	BREWSTER BOYLE ~ Will Pridham
CLOTHILDE CARBUNKLE ~ Amy Tudor	LADDERMAN ~ Arie Bos
FAIRY QUEEN ~ Fran Allott	QUEEN BEEATRICE ~ Dianne Paragreen
PIRATE CHIEF ~ Geoff Harris	RINGMASTER ~ John Davies

The ensemble includes: Anne Adams, Margot Bettles, Zoe Bettles, Jarvis Bindloss, Taylor Eady, Bon McLean, Storm McLean, Morgan Ormsby, Summer Ormsby, Leah Ross, Maddie Slaney, Jade Thompson, Maddie Thompson, Bella Thorpe and Tilly Thorpe

If you have thought about joining the crew to stage a musical and not quite got around to it – you haven't missed the boat, yet! FAMDA can add to our *Dreamboats* team still more singers, dancers and agile people willing to train as puppeteers.

If you would like to be involved behind the scenes, sewing, set construction etc— now's your chance! Just contact acting production manager, Edwin Coad, via 5689 1305 or pandecoad@skymesh.com.au and prepare to sail your dreamboat.

July Theatrical Events

Bairnsdale
Production Line Theatre
GUYS AND DOLLS

15 June – 1 July

7:30 Fri & Sat, 2pm Sundays
Forge Theatre and Arts Hub

www.bairnsdaleproductionline.com.au

5152 3444 or 1800 637 060

Off the Leash Theatre

FACE TO FACE

15 & 16 June Old Drouin Butter Factory
23 June ARC Yinnar

30 June Stratford Courthouse Theatre
7 July Neerim South Hall

www.offtheleashtheatre.com.au

5625 2138 or 0438 222 138

Leongatha Lyric Theatre

NARNIA

13 — 28 July

Mesley Hall

www.lyrictheatre.net.au

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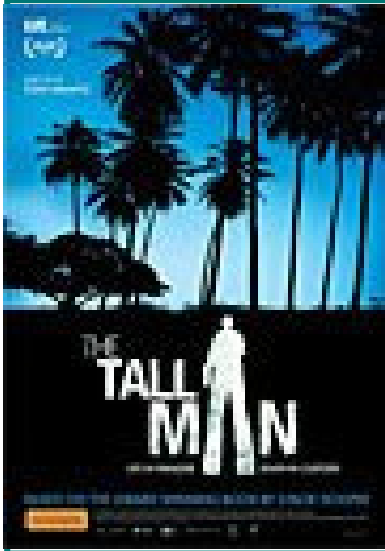
Wonthaggi Theatrical Group

**SECRET BRIDESMAIDS'
BUSINESS**

17—25 August

Wonthaggi Union Arts Centre

5672 1083



Prom Coast Film Society — 8pm First Friday each month @ Fish Creek Hall

THE TALL MAN Directed by Tony Krawitz (Australian 2011) showing on 6 July

The Tall Man is the story of Palm Island, a tropical paradise in Australia's Far North. It is the story of Cameron Doomadgee, who in 2004 was arrested for swearing at Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley - the 'tall man' of the title. 45 minutes later, Doomadgee was dead.

This extraordinary documentary takes the audience into the coronial inquest; into the riot that rocketed the story to the nation's front pages; the charging of Hurley for murder and into the once notorious Queensland police force. We see the impact on Doomadgee's family and the Indigenous community of Palm Island - a place where people live lives like no others, have a relationship with the land like no others, and a history, culture and a catastrophic present like no others. This is Australia, but an Australia few of us know.

Based on the award-winning book by Chloe Hooper, *The Tall Man* is a gripping and provocative film that exposes the inescapable complexities of Australia's racial politics, and a haunting moral puzzle that no viewer will forget.



Entries close Tuesday 17 July

The 12th Annual Foster One Act Play Festival

11 & 12 August 2012 @ Foster War Memorial Arts Centre

Don't miss this great opportunity to see theatre companies from all over the state with an amazing variety of plays with \$2500± in prizes as inducement!

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FAMDA would like to have its own play entry (or entries) in the festival.

If you are interested in directing or acting in a one act play please contact Edwin Coad 5689 1305 pandecoad@skymesh.com.au

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