

# BACKSTAGE NEWS

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## Green Light for "Traffic"

**T**raffic, directed by Jason Marshall, our entry into this year's Skeena Zone Festival, May 8-11 in Kitimat, returned home with **Best Visual Presentation** and **Best Technical (Lights and Sound)** awards.

**Congratulations** to the director, cast and crew!

Saskatoon-based playwright Larry Parsons, travelled to Kitimat to see the festival performance of "Traffic", and took part in the morning after coffee critique with **Adjudicator Martin Kinch**.

Our final show of the 2001/2002 season, "Traffic" returned home for a 6 night run at McCull Playhouse. Tickets are still available for its final performances **May 24, 25, 31 and June 1**.

**Kim Hewgill, Michelle Eisner, Kieran Leach, and David Belanger** make up the cast. Anything can happen, when a roommate goes AWOL with his share of the rent, and a stranger shows up with a mysterious brown bag. A quirky and sometimes tender play, "Traffic" explores the relationship between four twenty-something's with insight as well as a good dose of black humour.

Presented by **The Mix 590** and TLT, tickets are \$8.00 each, available in advance at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel in the Lazelle Mini-Mall. **Note: Mature Content.**

## AGM

**O**ur next meeting is our Annual General Meeting Wednesday June 19, 7:30pm at McCull Playhouse.

Everyone please attend for the **Election of Officers**, and the announcement of next season's line-up.



## Zone Awards

**H**ere is breakdown of all of the Skeena Zone Festival awards as presented by Adjudicator Martin Kinch:

- Best Backstage:** "What the Butler Saw", HTS
- Best Light & Sound:** "Traffic" TLT
- Best Costumes & Make-up:** Sinners, OCP
- Best Visual Presentation:** "Traffic", TLT
- Best Supporting Actress:** Doreen Blackburn, OCP
- Best Supporting Actor:** Rich Jerstad, HTS
- Best Actress:** Annette Krause, SRP
- Best Actor:** Miles Lacey, OCP
- Best Ensemble:** HTS
- Best Director:** Marianne Brorup Weston, SRP's "Someday"
- Best Production:** "Someday"

### Peoples Choice Awards:

- Best Set:** "What the Butler Saw", HTS
- Best actor:** Rich Jerstad, HTS
- Best Actress [TIE]:** Nedra Lee Prisk, SRP  
Doreen Blackburn, OCP
- Best Production:** "What the Butler Saw", HTS

As Best Production, Skeena River Players will perform Drew Hayden Taylor's "Someday" at **Theatre BC's Mainstage in Nanaimo July 5-13**. Benefit performances are being planned for June at the REM Lee.

**Legend:**  
TLT: Terrace Little Theatre  
HTS: Harbour Theatre Society, Pr. Rupert  
SRP: Skeena River Players, Terrace,

## At a Glance

"Taffic"	May 24, 25, 31 & June 1
Play Reading "Criminal Hearts"	May 21
Board of Directors Think Tank	May 26
Golf Tournament	June 8
Season Planning Meeting	June 12
AGM	June 19
Mainstage Nanaimo	July 5-13
Summer Festival	@ Aug 1-5
Udder Fest	Aug 7-11

## Golf Tourney

**O**ur 4th Annual **Bank of Montreal Charity Golf Tournament** is Saturday **June 8** at the Skeena Valley Golf and Country Club.

Plans are underway for more games at various holes to add to the excitement, and we've lined up **Yuk Yuk's** comedian **Brad Muise** to provide the evening entertainment. The laughs should be fitting: Word has it Brad is a struggling wanna-be golf pro who's had to fall back on his day funny guy day job.

Tee-off times are filling up fast. Please contact **Gordon Oates** at **638-0996** to register or get a 'Corporate Challenge' registration form.

## Thanks!

**A** big THANK YOU to **Emily Yeast** for her substantial contribution to our costume room, including flamboyant Mexican dresses.

## Summer Drama Days

**W**e are now taking registrations for Summer Drama Days. This children's program has been a huge hit with kids and parents alike since we started it back in 1979.

**Job postings** for student instructors, wage subsidized by HRDC's Summer Career Placement Program, are now in the HRDC Job Bank.

Once again we will be holding two sessions, one in July and another in August. Based upon recommendations made by last summer's instructors, each session will now be 4 weeks long, 4 days per week.

For more information call **Marianne at 635-8873** or **Nancy at 635-1329**. You may register in person at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel (4718A, Lazelle Mini-Mall)

## Summer Fest

**I**f two show makes a festival, then get ready for Terrace Little Theatre first ever summer festival.

Patrick McIntyre will direct Nancy Stone-Archer, Diana Braathen and Annette Martindale in "**Desdemona: A Play About a Handkerchief**".

Written by **Paula Vogel**, who also wrote "How I Learned to Drive" which garnered Theatre BC Mainstage awards for TLT last season, "Desdemona" takes a look at what might have been happening behind the scenes of "Othello".

Daniel Barnswell will direct

Both shows will be produced together, alternating performances nights leading up to and during Riverboat Days weekend.

They will then travel to Prince Rupert to perform at the 4th Annual **Udder Fest, August 7-11**.

For more info on Udder Fest go to [www.harbourtheatre.bc.ca](http://www.harbourtheatre.bc.ca) or call **Scott Randolph at 624-1076**.

## Play Reading

**O**ur last play reading prior to finalizing our 2002/2003 season is:

**Jane Martin's "Criminal Hearts"**  
**May 21, 7:30pm at McColl Playhouse**

Please join us - and bring a friend. A play reading is a perfect introduction to Terrace Little Theatre. Take a turn reading or sit back and listen. For more info call **Nancy at 635-1329**.

## 2002/2003 Season

**T**he deadline for production proposals for the 2002/2003 season was **May 15th**. Six proposals were received.

The Board of Directors will consider the proposals over the next few weeks and will approve the next season at the **Season Planning Meeting Wednesday June 12** at McColl Playhouse.

## Decorated Chests

**O**ver the past several months a number of local artists decorated cedar chests as a fundraiser for Terrace Little Theatre.

Throughout the performance run of "Art Attack" in March, two chests transformed into works of art by **Irene Homer** and **Gail Turner Sears**, were on display and open to blind auction bids.

A big **THANK YOU** to Irene and Gail for their beautiful artistry and to all patrons who bid on their chests, and congratulations to the bid winners.

Please look for chests decorated by **Roberta Ekman** and **Maureen Waraby** in the Merry Hallsor Room during the performance run of "Traffic". Bid winners will be determined following closing night, June 1.

Over the next season, more trunks will be displayed and available for bid at various TLT productions and events.

## Check it Out!

**I**f you haven't already done so, check out our new **Online Script Library** via the 'Library' link at [www.myltt.ca](http://www.myltt.ca)

The Script Library doubles as an **archive** of past productions. Even if you don't intend on borrowing scripts, we need your help ensuring that all past TLT productions are entered in full.

We **invite all Skeena Zone Clubs** and **individual members** to list their script titles and help build up this resource of over **400 titles and counting**.

We are always looking for ways to improve [www.myltt.ca](http://www.myltt.ca). Please pass on your suggestions to our Web Site Coordinator **Annette** at [info@myltt.ca](mailto:info@myltt.ca) or **635-4419**.

## Newsletter

**H**elp us save trees and postage by receiving your monthly Backstage News by **e-mail rather than snail-mail**.

This is optional of course. Many members still prefer to receive a good old fashioned hard copy. To make the switch, email us at [info@myltt.ca](mailto:info@myltt.ca)

## On the Lighter Side

**Top 10 Reasons To Become Techie:**

1. Get to make big messes.
2. Power Tools.
3. Does anyone else let you write on walls?
4. Learn to play Mao.
5. Four words:  
Cast Parties. Techie Parties.
6. Gussie the Liquid Nails Model said so.
7. Duct Tape.
8. Get a cool nickname like "Golden Drill Girl" or "Glue Guy of Glory".
9. Guaranteed job security because no one else will do it.
10. You'll never understand the phrase "Scottish Play" unless you do.