



# Spotlight

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## “some girl(s)” opens on Tuesday 4th September

**Auditions**  
Sunday 23rd  
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Neil La Bute’s play—what a stunning way to end our current time at Lopdell Theatre!

There are loads of laughs combined with some penetrating truths about the American male, the NZ male too?!

We see the Man revisiting four of his previous girl friends, each episode examining a different kind of romantic relationship.

La Bute writes so well for the stage, with a sensitive ear for dialogue and a finely developed skill in

holding up a mirror to ourselves.

Said one reviewer, “..he probes the fascinating dark side of individualism.”



Bookings are now open at the Titirangi pharmacy 817-7658 or on-line [www.titirangitheatre.co.nz](http://www.titirangitheatre.co.nz)

The season runs to Saturday 15th September. It would be especially good to have member support in the first week.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Tickets \$20; opening night and supper: \$25; Saturday 8th 2pm, Sunday 9th 6pm: \$12; concession: \$15; Gold Card (Wednesdays and Sunday) \$5.

## Good attendance at special Lopdell meeting

A good turn-out on Wednesday 8th August heard President Duncan Milne and committee members outlining current developments.

The revised theatre design was there for all to see,

and we noted some key improvements from the earlier plan.

The lighting box, for example, now has something like adequate space for operators and equipment.

It was good too to hear about developments in the plans for management of the theatre and storage space.

All in all, the future is becoming clearer. Congratulations all!

*As always, a big thank you to our sponsors and helpers: Titirangi Pharmacy, Hunt & Gaunt, Glovers Real Estate, the Trusts, Hardware Café and Go West Music*

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# Some notes on the cast of Neil La Bute's "some girl(s)"

### **Bea Hudson plays Bobbi**

Beatrice last performed at Titirangi Theatre in James K Baxter's "The Bureaucrat" in 2010 and she is glad to be back.

Other recent stage performances include appearing in Dustin Lance Black's "8" at the Maidment Theatre and Peter Hibberdine's "Say It Without Blinking" at the Musgrove Theatre.

When she is not on stage she is often to be found, head down, excavating archaeological sites.



### **Karen Soulje Plays Sam**

She says "And you thought your ex was bad?"

A great feminine role that I could get my teeth into with a perfectly formed cast and crew.

Sit back, laugh and enjoy the show."



Karen is a regular performer at the theatre, last playing the delightful role of Gobo in "Merchant of Venice

### **Lana Walters Plays Tyler**

Lana grew up in Rotorua where she became involved in local summer Shakespeare productions and developed a lifelong love of theatre.

After high school she moved to Auckland to study acting at Unitec and graduated with a Bachelor of Performing and Screen Arts at the end of 2011.

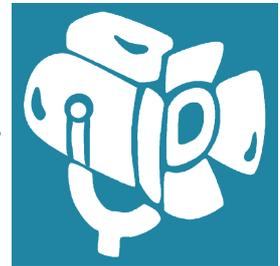
"some girl(s)" is her debut performance as a new graduate.

### **Paula Jones plays Lindsay**

Paula grew up in the UK. She has worked

behind the scenes in post production for 20 years and, after studying Meisner technique, has finally taken the leap to tread some boards.

Paula is a long standing member of Titirangi Theatre, and it is great to see her on stage.



### **Kristof Haines plays Man**

"some girl(s)" is Kristof's first production with Titirangi Theatre, having previously been involved with Shore-side's "Macbeth" and "Closer" and is enjoying the opportunity to rip into a comedic play



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# President Duncan brings you up-to-date with theatre plans

It's all go at Titirangi Theatre! We are very close to being able to announce the location of our new home for the next two years.

It's not finalised, but we are very hopeful that we will take up the lease on a warehouse in Portage Road, New Lynn.



This should happen in the next few weeks.

Then the busy times will really start! We have to be out of Lopdell House by the end of September, meaning that everything has to be moved - and I mean everything!



Not only costumes and props, but also the furniture, the bar, the dressing rooms and even some of the wiring and the bars for the lighting - everything must go!

There is a lot happening now, but we have the season of "Some Girl(s)" to put on yet, so there is only so much that we can move until the show ends.

Expect the last two weeks in September to be a bit frantic!

And our new home is currently a warehouse, not a theatre - so we will have building works to do.

And that means plans, and building consents, and codes of compliance.



We're very excited about the opportunities of a new space, but you can imagine how much work there is to be done between now and late November when "The Mousetrap" opens as our inaugural show in the new venue.

So a great big thank you goes out to all the people who have already offered their time.

We always depend on volunteers, and now more than ever. And

we will need all kinds of help in the next few months—from skilled professionals (we need all trades, and also a structural engineer for some quick calculations, and an HVAC engineer) to willing helpers.

We will need help of all sorts - packing props, carrying boxes, painting, and many other jobs.

And we will need boxes to pack into, and shelves to unpack onto, and hardware to hold it all together.

So if you think you might be able to help in any way (not only carrying boxes!) please get in touch with Patricia on 021 142 8726.

And please, make every effort to go see "Some Girl(s)" - it is the last show ever in the theatre as we know and love it. The end of an era indeed.

Don't miss this chance to say goodbye to the theatre in the best possible way!



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**September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

for

# ***“The Mousetrap”***

***Agatha Christie’s classic  
mystery thriller***

***directed by Christine Nash***

**Cast required:**

**3 women (20s, 30s and 50s up)**

**5 men (20s, 30s, middle age and elderly)**

**This will be our first production in  
our new venue!**

**Season:**

**27th November to 8th December.**

**Audition venue to be announced.**

**Please phone Christine**

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Titirangi Theatre presents

## ***“some girl(s)”***

***by Neil La Bute***

Directed by Richard Purro

**Season: Tuesday 4th to Saturday 15th September**

Bookings at Titirangi Pharmacy ph 817-7658

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