TITIRANGI THEATRE INC.

Incorporating Waitemata Theatre

John Goudge Drama Classes

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The theatre has an extensive, exciting wardrobe for hire at reasonable rates.

Our wardrobe hours: Wednesdays 4-6pm, Fridays 5-7pm
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Situated at The Treasure House, just behind Lopdell House For further information contact Lynn, Ph 818 6645

The Titirangi Theatre Wardrobe will be closed from Friday 14th Dec and will re-open on Frid. 8th Feb 2019.

Please turn off your phone!

Photography or recording of any kind is prohibited in the auditorium.



Shirley Valentine - Director's Note

This gorgeous one-woman play is as relevant now as when it was penned by Willy Russell. First produced in 1986, the play was adapted into the 1989 film starring Pauline Collins. Shirley has the great ability to explore her situation - middle-aged and trapped in the unchanging life of working-class Liverpool. Her self-effacing humour hides a deep yearning to make something more of her life. She asks: "Why do we get all this life if it can't be used?" In any time period, I think we all share this condition. And through Shirley's crazy antics, her jokes, her tears, we find out all that is holding us back is ourselves.

Directing a play with one actor has been a welcome challenge, made so easy by Kerynn's skill and friendship, and the support of a close-knit and caring crew. It has truly been a blessing to work with them all, filled with so many laughs.

We have consciously created a play more akin to a stand-up comedy routine, where we break down the barrier between the stage and the audience. Feel free to laugh and cry as Shirley takes you on her journey.

John Goudge

(John is Titirangi Theatre's acting class tutor, and a long-time actor, director and musician.)



Kerynn Walsh - *Shirley Valentine*

When I was 6 I wanted to be a postie. When I was 14 I wanted to be either a professional cricketer or a professional actor. There were no female professional cricketers in the 80s so I became an actor. I remember the blood draining from my parents' faces when, at 16, I told them I was going to be an actor. My mother wanted me to be a travel agent. Yes, I get the Shirley joke there and the weird parallel.

At 18 I was a jobbing actor and already knew I

wanted to do a one-person play. It's the ultimate challenge; just you and the audience, simply having trust – in yourself, in your craft, in your instincts. Sound like Shirley? I've always wanted to play this role – actually any of Willy Russell's women – because he writes them with so much respect and understanding. He must have been a boy in a household of amazingly strong, no bullshit, hilarious women.

I'm up on-stage alone and people ask, "is it lonely?" No. Only in the dressing room. The entire production team has been truly amazing and supportive and nurturing. I have this amazing team of people around me - our fantastic team captain, director John Goudge, leading the brilliant "Team Valentine". We want to share these stories of life with you. Without you, the audience, there is no show. And if you leave with a smile in your heart and tear on your cheek then I can say – job well done! Now, let's get on this ride! Who's with me?

Creative Team

Director John Goudge
Producer Phoebe Falconer
Stage Manager Graeme Heap

Asst. Stage Manager & Props Karen Soulje

Rehearsal Assistants Deb Hudson, Richard McFadgen, Kathy Lowe

Front of House Rachel Bock and friends of Titirangi Theatre

Design Malcolm Dale
Publicity Phoebe Falconer
Social Media Rachel Bock

Costume Lynn Cottingham

Lighting Design Josh Rust
Sound Design Josh Karl
Poster Design Sarah Healey

Lighting & Sound Operators Melandie Oberholzer, Sabrina Ou, Josh Rust,

Rose Tse

Set Construction Manager Tony Dunn

Set Building & Painting Graeme Heap, Karen Soulje, John Lethaby,

Richard McFadgen, Jan Coates, Kathy Lowe,

Deb Hudson, John Goudge

Hair and Makeup Kathy Lowe
Technical Support Duncan Milne
Opening Invitations Rachel Watkinson

Programme Design Mac McIver

Billboard Distribution Tony Dunn, Bryan Moore

Box Office Phoebe Falconer

Photography Mac McIver, John Goudge

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Our next production will be *A Bunch of Amateurs*Audition: Titirangi Theatre, Sunday 2 December 1.30p.m.
Parts for 4 women and 3 men. Audition details on our website.