

# SHOWBUZZ

**Encore**  
Theatre Company

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## Show + Business = SHOW BUSINESS!

The arrival of a fresh, new company on the local theatre scene has certainly got tongues wagging and local businesses enthused!

Encore Theatre Company is delighted to announce their first Naming Rights sponsor: **ResCom Property & Finance Services Launceston**.

When discussing the possibility of forming a partnership with Encore, ResCom's Managing Director Martin O'Toole was impressed with ETC's foresight and planning, and how, as a new company in the region - just like ResCom - we presented a range of energetic ideas on gaining a significant toe-hold in the marketplace. You can read more about ResCom Property & Finance Services Launceston on page 2 of Showbuzz.



And what community theatre company doesn't enjoy the opportunity to relax after rehearsals in a friendly atmosphere and take the time to get to know their fellow cast members on a personal level?

**Metz Café Bar**, cnr of St John & York Streets Launceston, has enjoyed strong links with the cultural life of Launceston over the years, and has leapt at the chance to form a partnership with ETC. More about the Metz is also on Page 2.



## Announcing the cast! Congratulations go to...

**Almost 80 people fronted up to the Earl Arts Centre vying for a place in ETC's inaugural production. So much talent & so many possibilities... but, of course, decisions had to be made and here are our cast of 36!**

**Presenting the cast of our October 2008 production of Roger's & Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music*...**

Maria Rainer  
Captain Von Trapp  
Mother Abbess  
Max Detweiler  
Baroness Elsa Schraeder

Melissa de Jong  
Daniel Priest  
Di Briffa  
John de Jong  
Sarah Haberle

Sister Margareta  
Sister Berthe  
Sister Sophia  
Rolf Gruber

Belinda J King  
Joanne Seen  
Phillipa Simmons  
Nicholas Tolputt

Leisl  
Friedrich  
Louisa  
Kurt  
Brigitta  
Marta  
Gretl

Zoe Jensen  
James Briffa  
Ella Booth  
John Morgan  
Bree Stephens  
Nikia Breen  
Lauren Colson

Admiral Von Shreiber  
Franz  
Frau Schmidt  
Ursula

Ensemble Nuns

Ballroom Guests

Ballroom Waiters/  
Hitler Youth

Brendon Markos  
Dennis Mann  
Patsy Marshall  
Pam Corrick

Suzanne Parkinson  
Mary Cassidy  
Diedre Brown  
Cat Sparrow  
Alana McDonald  
Liz Corrick  
Trish Van Galen  
Wendy Huett  
Pam Corrick  
Madeline Huett  
Margaret Vaessen  
Jennifer Whawell

Luke Vaessen  
Tory Garwood  
Jamie Hillard  
Peter Harvey

William Badcock  
Tory Garwood



*Melissa de Jong and Di Briffa are put through their paces by Director Di Summers*

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**Innovation**

**Excellence**

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## Introducing our first major sponsors...

**Martin O'Toole knows what it's like to be the new kid on the block, too.**

He, like the founding members of Encore, has been in Launceston for many years, and instinctively knew that the time had come to present a fresh face from his market sector to our region.

ResCom Property & Finance Services Launceston covers Northern Tasmania in all sectors of the real estate market; in fact Martin & his team at ResCom can provide advice on a number of issues pertaining to your potential or completed purchase or sale. Ranging from market appraisals, sales & purchases, property management, conveyancing and finance – if it's to do with real estate you'll find everything you need under the one roof. Truly, ResCom is a one-stop shop!

ETC has no doubt you will be seeing Martin's cheery face popping into rehearsals from time to time, especially as his old friends, the de Jong family, have decided to set new records for how many times their surname can appear in a local theatre program!

Welcome to Martin & ResCom Property & Finance Services Launceston.

[www.rescomlaunceston.com.au](http://www.rescomlaunceston.com.au)



**"I'll see you at the Metz!"**

It's been a catchcry of Launcestonians for years, and now it's heard throughout *The Sound of Music* cast towards the end of each rehearsal.

Details on a number of upcoming Metz functions will come your way soon, and if you are in the area why not call in and say g'day to Olivia, Ang & the Metz team.

Oh, and you'll always find ETC members there after Sunday rehearsals around 5pm enjoying a Metz bread, spicy wedges and a glass of something special.

And if you're not doing anything after work on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July, then why not drop into the Metz for Happy Hour? At week's end Jamie & BJ will definitely need a knock-off bevvy from 6-ish and would love to see you there.



## ETC's now on Facebook...

Unashamedly, our mission for the next month is to get BJ as addicted as we are to our brand new Facebook site – ETC's The Sound of Music (look for us under 'Groups'). Now she knows the password there'll be no stopping her!

Thanks to all of you who've become our friend so far – we can't wait to keep you updated with all our latest news, photos & the odd home movie or two! And of course, if you know of anyone who'd like to be our friend please suggest us.

[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

**In your next SHOWBUZZ... SOM rehearsal news  
& we're revving up the pace with more MAJOR sponsorship news!**

This community theatre production of *The Sound of Music* is presented through special arrangement with ORIGIN THEATRICAL on behalf of R&H THEATRICALS of New York City