

## SHOWBUZZ

#### **JUNE 2012**

### **BASIL the RAT**

#### There may not be a rat in the ratatouille... yet... but there's certainly a rodent in the Ryvitas!

Encore's specialist make-up and properties designer David Barratt (or should that be "Bar-RAT"?!) has outdone himself with his clever recreations of the necessary props that deliver some of the funniest situations in *Fawlty Towers*. His moose is a sight to behold (look out for a preview soon!), and in the meantime here's a close-up look at basil the Rat in the bikkie tin. And once the show is in-theatre please do mind where you step. There WILL be a rascally rodent scurrying around the stage floor during the shows...

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#### ETC's Awards









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Seeing is Believing in 2012

Fawlty Towers
Earl Arts Centre
July 2012

is the Word in March 2013!

It's time to dust off your leather jackets and pull on your bobby-socks as one of the most successful and popular musicals of all time is set to rock 'n' roll its way to the Princess Theatre.

Sweeney Todd
Earl Arts Centre
November 2012

All your Rydell High favourites are here - Sandy, Danny, Frenchy, Rizzo, the T-Birds and the Pink Ladies - singing the unforgettable songs from the hit movie including *Greased Lightnin'*, *Summer Nights*, *We Go Together* and the mega hits *Hopelessly Devoted to You* and *You're the One That I Want!* 

So throw your mittens around your kittens and hand-jive the night away as 'bad boy' Danny and 'the girl next door' Sandy fall in love all over again in a spectacular show that'll make you want to stand up and shout, 'A-wop-bop-a-loobop A-wop-bam-boom!'

It's the most electrifyin' extravaganza on stage!!...

Be there or be square!

AUDITIONS 31 AUGUST, 1 & 2 SEPTEMBER AUDITION KITS AVAILABLE SOON

EMAIL encoretheatre@hotmail.com and pre-register your interest!











## still more SHOWBUZZ

# Seeing is Believing in 2012

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#### **DEMONS & PHANTOMS**

Devilish delights are heading your way with Encore thrilled to announce two more productions have been added to their forthcoming seasons.

This November will see the very first presentation in Launceston of Stephen Sondheim's musical thriller, Sweeney Todd. Dean Cocker (Javert in Les Miserables and The Beast in Beauty and the Beast) will star in the title role in a chamber-style acoustic production at the Earl Arts Centre.

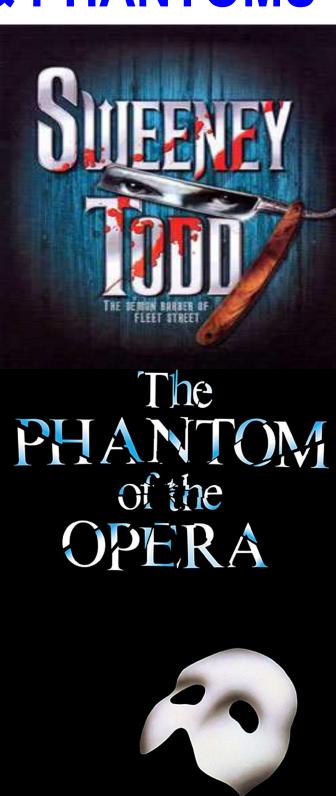
Winner of Eight Tony and Grammy awards, this electrifying production of Stephen Sondheim's musical thriller Sweeney Todd is musical theatre at its very best.

Set in Victorian London it tells the infamous tale of Sweeney Todd, the legendary demon barber of Fleet Street who serves up his justice vigilante-style and forms an enterprising business relationship with Mrs Lovett, the proprietor of the local pie-shop.

Full of spine-tingling wit, infectious melodies and wicked humour acclaimed by critics and audiences alike this razor sharp production takes to the Earl Arts Centre stage 15-24 November.

And yes, it's true... Encore has secured the rights to stage *The Phantom of the Opera*. The world's longest-running musical will finally come to Tasmania.

Will the Opera Ghost meet his mach in the Princess Theatre Ghost? Only time will tell. Watch this space for more info and season dates.





















## take a bow SHOWBUZZ



#### City Ambassadors

CityProm and Launceston City Council are introducing a plan for City Ambassadors, a group of volunteers to be present in the city to assist tourists from overseas, interstate, out-of-towners, and even locals with directions to destinations, businesses, eating places and much more. They have interviewed some applicants, but need more, to make it an effective scheme.

If you're interested and would like to participate and more information, please contact Vanessa Cahoon at Cityprom 0n 6334 3321.

#### **AUDITIONS**

#### Sweeney Todd

The production team are keen to hear from people wishing to audition for the roles of Johanna and Anthony in *Sweeney Todd*. Both are aged 16-30 and are the show's young lovers.

To express interest in auditioning, please email encoretheatre@hotmail.com with a brief CV.

#### The Pirates of Penzance

Lock up your daughters! The Pirates are coming... Auditions will be held on Monday, 25 June 7pm onwards at the Longford Town Hall.

For further information, call Liz or text on 0459 592 229 or email Rodney.Beaver@bigpond.com

#### **BOOK NOW!**

3 easy ways to book for Fawlty Towers:

IN PERSON ONLINE: PHONE:

Princess Theatre Box Office www.theatrenorth.com.au 6323 3666



# WHAT'S ON in TASSIE?



27-30 June **Footloose** presented by Launceston College at the Princess Theatre

12-28 July *Fawlty Towers* presented by Encore Theatre Company at the Earl Arts Centre

13-21 July *When the Rain Stops Falling* Presented by CentrStage and Launceston Players at the Annexe Theatre







