

# May 2014

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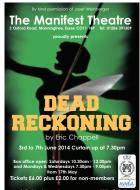
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#### Dear Members,

Firstly, we must apologise to those of you who may have been offended by the content of our Comedy Double Bill evening. A letter was received making us aware that on this occasion, we failed to forewarn patrons that the content of the second of our two one act plays contained language and themes of a sexual nature that may be deemed offensive by some members. Fortunately, our more recent offering, The Variety Show, was greatly enjoyed by audiences and performers alike and we thank all of you for supporting the performances. The proceeds have enabled us to repay those benefactors who kindly loaned monies to cover the shortfall in funds that were available to cover last year's building work and improvements to the theatre.

#### **OUR NEXT PRODUCTION**

# **DEAD RECKONING**



When the mysterious Mr Todd arrives at Anthony Reed's house offering to kill his wife's murderer and so satisfy Reed's long desire for revenge - Reed, tempted, finally agrees. After making the decision Reed and Megan, his second wife, find themselves entering a nightmare from which there seems no escape.

A gripping psychological thriller from Eric Chappell, author of the comedy 'Wife after Death', staged at the Manifest during February last year.

Performances from the 3rd to the 7th June 2014 at 7.30 pm. The Box Office will be open each Saturday from the 17th May from 10.30am to 12pm

and then Monday and Wednesday evenings thereafter from 7.30pm to 9.00pm. Telephone: 01206 391309. Ticket prices: £6.00 for members and £8.00 for non-members.

#### AN EXTRA SPECIAL EVENT LATER THIS YEAR

### An Evening to Commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the start of World War One

If you feel you would like to take an active part in helping to commemorate this historic event, please contact Kerry King on 01206 391435 or email us at info@manifesttheatre.co.uk for more details. **Performances will be staged on the 29th and 30th August at 7.30 pm. Tickets will be available from the beginning of August. See our website for further details.** 

#### BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND



Keystone, the highly talented local five piece band are back for one night only on Friday 16th May. (http://www.keystoneband.co.uk/home) Just a few tickets remain at £5.00 for members. Contact Cathy on 01206 393055 to book. • 7:30pm-10:00pm.

#### OUR NEXT PRODUCTION

Our Autumn production will be Jack the Ripper, a musical, set in a Music Hall and the streets of East London in 1888. It will be staged in October. Auditions will take place at the theatre on the 23rd July. Pre-audition meetings will be held on the 16th July (songs) and the 21st July (read through). If you are interested, please contact Kerry King on 01206 391435 or email info@manifesttheatre.co.uk for more details.

# MANIFEST MOVIES

Our monthly programme of film presentations has become a great success, proven by a full house at April's screening of Philomena and the wonderful feedback we have received from attendees. Thank you for your comments.

Doors open at 7.00pm and films commence at 7.30pm. Why not come along? Tickets just £5.00. The next three screenings will be:

#### Friday 23rd May - The Glenn Miller Story

The biography of the wartime big band leader from his early days to his tragic disappearance over the English Channel in 1944. Starring James Stewart.

#### Friday 20th June - The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

2012 British comedy drama following an unrelated group of elderly people who decide on a retirement hotel in India. Featuring a host of stars including Judi Dench, Maggie Smith and Bill Nighy.

#### Friday 25th July - Les Miserables

2012 British epic romantic musical drama set in early 19th century France. Starring Hugh Jackman, Anne Hathaway and Russell Crowe.

#### Laurel and Hardy Appreciation Society

More film fun when The 'Sons of the Desert' are back for another visit on the 31st May. Manifest members are welcome to attend but ticket price will include a fee to join the 'Sons of the Desert'. For more information telephone Paul on 01255 429 887 ●7:30pm-10:00pm.

#### 2014 Annual General Meeting

This year's AGM will be on Thursday 17th July at 7.30pm. Remember, it's your theatre. Come along to socialise, vote to elect your committee for the coming year and join us for drinks and nibbles following the formalities. Notice of the AGM will be posted at the theatre on or before the 19th June. Items for the agenda and nominations for committee posts should be submitted to the Secretary, Cathy Kalaher (01206 393055 / cathykalaher@hotmail.co.uk), on or before the 3rd July. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the AGM.

### Please help us to keep postage costs down to a minimum

The cost of postage has risen steeply in recent years. Today, an annual Associate Membership subscription barely covers the cost of mailing a year's newsletters. To help keep membership fees down, would any member who receives their newsletter by post but has an e-mail address, please let us know, so we can transfer as many as possible from the postal list.

#### Car parking

If you are driving to the theatre please bear in mind that there is very limited parking in the adjacent roads. There is limited parking on the theatre forecourt for Blue Badge holders and people with restricted mobility.

To maintain the good faith of local residents, we would respectfully ask you to refrain from parking in Oxford Road or Norman Road.