Town Hall Theatre



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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL THEATRE

THE HALL... While workmen are putting the finishing touches on the grand concert hall of Victoria Hall, Cobourg, plans are well underway for the first season of professional summer theatre to be presented in the hall this August.

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THE PLAY... Casting for the Town Hall Theatre's first production, "Tracks", is now complete. Artistic director Burton Lancaster has chosen eight performers for this new play with music, about the dreams and ambitions of the Cobourg area in the mid-nineteenth century. The play is being written by bp nichol and Mary Barton, and composer/music director for this first production is Philip Schaus, of Cobourg.

> In addition to the cast and crew for Tracks, many other area residents will have a part to play in this new and exciting endeavour. Local church groups have agreed to host special suppers for visiting tour groups, and several homeowners have come forward with offers to provide bed and breakfast for theatre guests. Motel owners have offered to include brochures about the theatre when they confirm bookings for tourists, and a local hotel hopes to supply housing for a large number of the cast and crew during their seven-week stay in town.

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Perhaps one of the most visible aspects of community involvement will be that provided by eleven young people from the area. The federal government, under the Summer Canada employment program, has provided grants enabling the theatre to hire eleven students for ten weeks of the summer. These people will form a student corps, assisting in many areas of the production, including stage crew, box office and front of house work, and will also develop their own touring company bringing entertainment to parks and outdoor areas throughout Northumberland County. Both high school and university students are eligible for this program; interested applicants should submit their resume to Mark Hart, the Student Employment Centre in Cobourg.

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TICKET ORDERS ARE COMING IN ...

Already, ticket orders have been received at the theatre office, located at 3A King St. W., in Cobourg. A group from Enniskillen, Ontario, have booked 50 seats for opening night, August 10 after one of their members read about the new theatre in an Oshawa newspaper. A tour operator based in Toronto has also made group bookings for two matinees, and more tour bookings are expected soon. Cobourg's Kinsmen Club, as a demonstration of support, has decided to purchase \$1,000 worth of tickets, in addition to giving a generous donation to the theatre. Any groups wishing to reserve seats at this time should contact Jennifer O'Rourke at the Town Hall Theatre, P.O. Box 670, Cobourg, Ontario K9A 4R5 (416) 372-0710. The play runs from August 10 through to September 4. Tickets are \$7.00 and \$8.00.

AND SO ARE DONATIONS ... Our donors are a key element in the theatre's success, below is a list of donors who have generously contributed to the Town Hall Theatre to date. The Town Hall Theatre Committee thanks the following individuals, companies and organizations for their support.

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