

# Final Brampton performance Saturday, Oct. 19

## Local woman starred in Nunsense

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When Theatricality Plus Productions' show, Nunsense, opened at the Heritage Theatre in Brampton, Thursday, Georgetown native Christine Ford was in the limelight.

Right back to her days at St. Francis of Assisi School, Christine Ford has always wanted to perform.

"I wanted to go on the stage in Grade 5," reminisces Christine, "But I was just too shy."

But at the age of 16, she started her career by trying out for Georgetown Globe Productions' Kiss Me Kate, which ran in November of 1987.

"I was a member of the chorus in that show," says Christine, "And it was all because of my neighbor, Jean Murray, that I got involved."

Murray was with Globe at the time and gave Christine a stern lecture about the hard work and commitment of taking part in a stage production. But Christine wasn't deterred, and took part in numerous other Globe

shows over the years, including Pirates of Penzance, Guys and Dolls, and Hello Dolly.

After finishing her secondary school education at Notre Dame High School in Brampton, Christine attended the Music Theatre Program at Sheridan College, and has



CHRISTINE FORD

performed in a number of musical productions since graduating.

In a 1995 summer production of Nunsense which ran in Cobourg and Bancroft, she played Sister Robert Anne, the same part she is tackling in the Brampton production.

Nunsense is a musical comedy about the five surviving nuns of the Order of the Little Sisters. They are putting on the talent show to help raise funds to finish burying the four of their 52 sisters who died of botulism poisoning after eating vichysoise prepared by the convent chef. (They only had enough money to pay for the burial of 48, and had to store the remaining four in the freezer until they raised more money.)

"Playing in Nunsense is unique for me," says Christine "Three of my aunts are former nuns, and two of them have seen the 1995 show. They thought it lots of fun with some great music."

Nunsense isn't the only project Christine has in the works. While she continues to work at her father's training skills video business, she also has found time to perfect her singing and songwriting talents, and has plans of releasing a CD in 1998, working with her cousin on the project.

Nunsense ran Oct. 17-19 at the Heritage Theatre, 86 Main St., North, Brampton, 8 p.m. curtain. Tickets are \$16. For more info, call (905) 874-2800.

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