

# Here's an unusual gift-giving idea

And what did you get for Christmas last year?

Most people find this an impossible question to answer. Oh sure, they can remember where they were, who they were with and what they enjoyed for Christmas dinner, but the gifts are always fleeting material objects soon to be forgotten.

The Gryphon Theatre Foundation in Barrie has a unique idea for a Christmas gift that will be remembered long after the glow of the Christmas tree has faded. They are currently offering a "Gift of Gryphon" which is either a single

ticket or a season subscription to the theatre's summer season. A gift certificate form is available from the Collier Street office in Barrie to be tucked between the branches of the beautiful family Christmas tree.

"I feel a Gift of Gryphon is a thoughtful and inexpensive way of recognizing a good friend or saying thank you to special clients and customers," Gryphon Manager Judy French recently pointed out. "It's certainly a gift to last the whole year," she emphasized.

The Gryphon Theatre Foundation is currently

programming their 1982 summer season and will be presenting 10 performances for each of the five productions planned in the coming season.

Canadian Director Vernon Chapman has accepted the Board of Director's invitation to return as Artistic Director of Gryphon Theatre for the 1982 summer season.

Gryphon will be sponsoring the April 3 production of the Famous People Players. Tickets are currently being ordered for this Canadian black light theatre group production and indications are it will be

another sell out similar to the Billy Bishop show which was also sponsored by Gryphon and presented at the Georgian College Theatre in Barrie.

Obviously activities of the Gryphon Theatre Foundation have not decreased despite the fact their own production season is still 6 months away.

Mrs. French is certain the current "Gift of Gryphon" program will generate a good number of ticket sales long before the serious subscription campaign begins in late March.

For more information contact Gryphon Theatre, Barrie.

**News Note**  
The Gryphon Theatre Foundation has recently received a Wintario grant of \$4,265. The money is to be used for a

new marketing program for the theatre activities.

Gryphon has also received a deficit

reduction grant of \$3,195, under the Special Cultural Initiatives Program from the Federal Department of Communications.

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