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September 24 Hour Play Challenge assessed by Jillian Carpenter ANZDA

Eight teams had lots of fun creating and presenting some splendid short plays using a length of red material, a scooter and a pair of Dutch clogs as well as the stipulated dialogue. It's always amazing how different the ideas can be and how polished a performance can result after such a short preparation time.

The winners this year were:

Absolutely Best Overall: "KATastrophe" (KAT Theatre)

Best Overall (College): "The PM Team" (Newlands College)

Best Overall (Theatre Society): "KATastrophe" (KAT Theatre)

Best Use of Compulsory Props: "KATastrophe" (KAT Theatre)

Best Use of Compulsory Dialogue: "The Radican RapsCALLIONS Returns" (Wellington College)

Magic Moments:

For Grandpa's Shaky Entrance: "My Personal Favourites" (Hutt City Musical Theatre)

For the Never Ending Blood: "KATastrophe" (KAT Theatre)

For the Punishing Slide: "The Wooden Door Handle" (Kuranui College)

For being United in Death: "Blaat" (Kuranui College)

For the Presidential Race: "The PM Team" (Newlands College)

For the Dance of the Evil IDs: "The Famous Ram" (Newlands College)

For DeFence: "The Radican RapsCALLIONS Returns" (Wellington College)

For the Telephonic Clogs: "Gavin & Denise" (Kuranui College)

Countdown to the Gala Evening, our annual celebration of all things theatrical.
Sunday 7th December 6pm, Polish Association, 257 Riddiford St Newtown

Festival entries since the last newsletter in July:

Easy Money Mana Little Theatre, *Thumbelina* Hutt Repertory, *Crazy Ladies* New Players,

Legally Blond the Musical Coasters Musical, *And Then There Were None* Hutt Repertory *Lady Windermere's Fan* Kaha, *Jekyll & Hyde* KAT, *Vicar of Dibley* Kapiti Playhouse, *The Wedding Singer* Hutt City Musical, *Pack of Girls* Porirua Little, *The Great Gatsby* Wellington Repertory, *Calendar Girls the Musical* Upper Hutt Musical.

Reminder

President David emailed you all asking for each society to provide a helper in the kitchen and another to help set up front of house from 5pm. Once David knows how many entries have to be accommodated he will allocate your seats. Remember each society has also been asked to make one bulk payment for the number of \$20 seats you've been allotted: WDTF bank account 03 0502 017909 02

Are you going to nominate someone to receive the **Don Blackmore Award**? Remember it's an annual award to honour audio/visual backstage work across the year or for a specific production this last year. Find the form on the website www.wdtf.org.nz Festivals/Awards.

We will be honouring **Hayden Rogers** too.

There's still time to see these productions

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| <i>Pack of Girls</i> Porirua Little Theatre | to November 1 |
| <i>The Great Gatsby</i> Wellington Repertory | October 29 - November 8 |
| <i>And Then There Were None</i> Hutt Repertory Theatre | November 26 - December 6 |
| <i>Superior Donuts</i> Stagecraft Theatre | November 26 - December 6 |
| Double Bill <i>Bang Bang You're Dead</i> and <i>Flatmates</i> | November 27 - December 6 |

Directing Workshop
is being planned for early next year - watch out for information.

Big Thank You!

Thank you Millie Fuller, Kauri Theatre for designing our smart new letterhead: Wellington colours with a touch of red, reminiscent of a stage curtain. We're proud of our organisation and hope you will continue to support it so we all thrive together.

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