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Production of

LIONEL BART'S

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8 - 31 May 2026

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President's Report

🥰 **Curtain Up on 2026!** 🥰

It's May already—how did that happen?! And you know what that means... opening night is just around the corner!

🌟 **Oliver!**

Our production of Oliver hits the stage on Friday 6th May, and it's shaping up to be an absolute treat. If you haven't secured your tickets yet, now's the time—this is one show you won't want to miss. Packed with energy, heart, and a whole lot of talent, it's perfect for the young and the young at heart alike. We're incredibly lucky to have such a vibrant and dedicated community here at CHMCC, and this production really shows it.

As many of you know, Jacinta has had to step aside due to health reasons. While we've certainly felt her absence, it's been inspiring to see the way our CHMCC family has come together. A special shoutout goes to Loz Dalton, who has bravely stepped into the director's chair for the very first time. Taking on a role like that is no small feat, and Loz has been wonderfully supported by our experienced members who have rallied around to lend their time, knowledge, and encouragement.

To everyone involved—on stage, backstage, and behind the scenes—thank you. Your teamwork, resilience, and passion are what make this community so special.

🎫 *Food, glorious food for the soul!* Who will buy this wonderful morning? Hopefully... **you!** Don't forget to grab your tickets for the show.

🐣 Social Calendar Shenanigans

Of course, it hasn't all been smooth sailing socially this season. With Easter bringing plenty of wet weather yet again, we unfortunately faced another year without a suitable wet weather venue for our Easter/Autumn social event. It's disappointing, but planning will kick off again with renewed determination—here's hoping 2027 is our year! The good news is that all our remaining social events for the year are on track, so keep an eye on our social media platforms for updates and details.

👠 Looking Ahead to November

Looking ahead, excitement is already building for our November production of Dolly Parton's 9 to 5. Preparations are ramping up, and it promises to be a fantastic show filled with vibrant, memorable characters. Violet, Judy, and Doralee lead a brilliant lineup of roles, with opportunities for performers aged 15 right through to... let's say, wonderfully experienced! Auditions will be held towards the end of June, with full details set to be released by the end of this month—so stay tuned.

Now, let's fill those Oliver seats and celebrate the magic of theatre together. See you opening night! 🍷💜

Here's to another year of stories, songs, laughter, hard work, and a whole lot of theatre magic. 🍷💜🌟

President
Dee Tune



LIONEL BART'S

OLIVER!

On Stage Now

We are excited to announce that *Oliver!* hits the Jetty Memorial Theatre stage on Friday, 8th May, to a packed house.

Ticket sales for this much-loved classic musical are strong, so book quickly to avoid disappointment. Tickets are available for shows featuring both the Rascals and Rogues junior casts, as well as our Auslan-interpreted show and midweek matinees.

The true heart of this production lies in our incredible cast. We are immensely proud of the nuanced character work of our talented adult performers; their powerhouse performances create a professional landscape for our dual junior casts to shine. These young performers bring an infectious energy to the stage. At the centre of it all is our protagonist, Oliver. The young performers portraying this iconic role each bring their own identity and impressive vocal talent to capture the very soul of the story with vulnerability and hope.



Directors

Loz Dalton and Jacinta Bentley



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On Stage Now



Sponsorship Prospectus

CHMCC are reaching out to share an exciting opportunity for any business to partner with the Coffs Harbour Musical Comedy Company (CHMCC), one of the longest-running arts associations in the Coffs Coast Region.

As a Not-for-Profit charitable organisation run entirely by dedicated volunteers, CHMCC is committed to enriching our community through the arts. All funds raised are reinvested into the company, ensuring that we continue to provide engaging and entertaining productions for our audiences. As of 2024, we are proud to announce that we have become a registered charity, allowing us to further our mission and increase our impact.

We invite your business to consider becoming a sponsor or advertiser with CHMCC. Your support will not only aid in the sustainability of our community theatre but also provide your business with valuable exposure. All donations and sponsorships are tax-deductible, and we will happily provide a tax receipt for your records.

We have developed a comprehensive prospectus that outlines the various sponsorship and advertising options available, as well as the benefits we can offer in return, including:

- Brand visibility through our promotional materials and event programs.
- Recognition on our website and social media platforms.
- Opportunities for direct engagement with our audiences during performances.

In addition, we are also looking for a sponsor for our production T-shirts. This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your business leading up to and during our productions, while demonstrating your commitment to supporting the arts in our community.

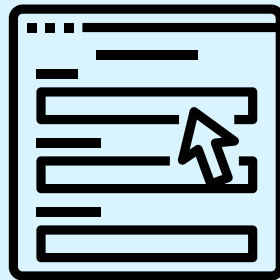
We would love to discuss how we can work together and appreciate any support you can offer. This is an opportunity to promote your business while contributing to a vital community cultural institution.

Please feel free to contact us to learn more about our sponsorship options.

Membership

[Membership form link](#)

Don't forget to become a 2025 financial member! Your membership helps support our productions, performers, and community events throughout the year. Stay connected, get involved, and enjoy exclusive member perks — renew or sign up today!



Interested in directing a show for CHMCC
in 2027 or 2028?

We'd love to hear from you! For more information or to express your interest, please get in touch with us at

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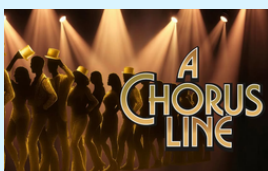
Criterion Theatre
The Enchanted Bookshop
Dates: 7 - 10 May 2026
Criterion Theatre, Grafton



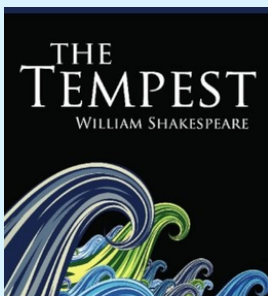
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Port Macquarie's The Players Theatre
Georgy Girl
Dates: 15 - 7 May/June 2026
The Players Theatre, Port Macquarie



Ballina Players Theatre
A Chorus Line
Dates: 5 - 28 June 2026
The Players Theatre, Ballina



CHATS Production Inc
The Tempest
Dates: 24 - 2 July/Aug 2026
Coffs Harbour Jetty Memorial Theatre



Expressions of Interest

Industry Professional Development & Opportunities



[EOI form link](#)

CHMCC is seeking feedback from our community and members to help shape future professional learning and development opportunities.

We're not just talking about onstage skills! We want to hear from those interested in all aspects of theatre—whether it's stagecraft, backstage roles, the bio box, costuming, sheds, front of house, or anything in between.

Let us know what areas you're keen to learn more about or develop skills in by filling out our short Expression of Interest form.

Your input will help us design workshops and opportunities that reflect the interests and needs of our incredible community.