

# MUDDPRINTS

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*The official newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds - March 2019*

**AUDITIONS: CP200+ Time to Remember will take place on June 1 at the Carleton Place Arena from Noon to 4pm. Please see the website for more details.**

## **From the President's Desk - Stu West**

Five "Sold Out" shows, ten days before opening, made the conclusion to this Mudds' season extraordinary. A huge 'Thank You' to the cast and crew of "We Will Rock You" for leaving us with memories that will last until our next season begins and beyond. Shows of this calibre leave the participants with lasting memories and a desire to perform in upcoming shows, and encourage audience members to come out and try something new by becoming part of our Mudds family.

Along with the end of our fiscal year comes one more important job. And that is to review this past season's successes and prepare for a new season by electing our **Board of Directors for 2019-2020** at our **Annual General Meeting to be held in the Town Hall Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 17**. By now, members should have received a letter from our Nominations Committee seeking candidates for the Board of Directors positions. If you have an interest in helping the Mudds in a different way (other than on stage or backstage) this may be the job for you. We have tried to simplify the process this year by sending you a letter with two response options – one is to indicate the position you might be interested in running for, and the other is to simply acknowledge receipt of the letter, and state that you do not wish to run for a Board position at this time. Non-members interested in seeking a Board position should contact Wendy Jewell ([wendy5448@gmail.com](mailto:wendy5448@gmail.com)) in order to receive the

letter. As Chair of the Nominating Committee (since I am not running for a position) I will present the slate of candidates at the General Meeting where we will elect, should that be necessary, your Board of Directors for 2019-2020. Please keep in mind that candidates can be nominated (or show a desire to be on the slate) at the AGM without indicating their desire to run on the nomination letters. Please give the idea of serving on the Board some consideration as the Mudds organization needs an effective Board in order to keep putting on the high quality of shows our community has come to know and expect.

I would like to thank the members of this years' Board for their help and dedication to the Mudds over the course of the year. I would also like to thank the members of the Board for helping me over the past two years. You have made my job enjoyable and I have appreciated getting to know you and your support. I hope to see lots of you at the AGM! Where does the time go? Another Mudds Season is winding down to a wonderful curtain

## **Help Needed at Storage Unit This Weekend - Jeff Lee**

Please come out this weekend to help out with cleaning up storage. After a long and successful season we need to clean and organize our facility. Please join us Saturday

and/or Sunday from 10AM to 2PM to help out. You do not need to stay the entire time, a couple of hours would help out a lot. Saturday May 25 and/or Sunday May 26 from 10AM to 2PM – the Sunday date may be cancelled if the job is finish Saturday and that will be communicated through Facebook and/or email.

Anyone who needs/wants bonfire material bring a truck because there will be plenty for the taking. There are tasks that will require heavy lifting but also lighter work such as organizing and labelling props.

Thanks in advance.

### **From Membership Chairman - Kaz Lapointe**

Hello to all our members past and present.

We have just finished our shows for this season and we are coming up fast to our End of Year AGM where we discuss how well we are doing as a community theatre group and what the next year holds for us. We have had a great run this past 12 months and we would like to share with you all everything that has been achieved.

It's also good for the Board to hear any ideas and suggestions you may have as a member, long-standing or new. The Mudds are a great family to be a part of and without all of you, this wonderful group could not continue.

I've been looking after memberships now for 4 years and I have had the utmost pleasure to meet and get to know most of you and your families, either through the Mudds Junior, Youth or one of our adult/mixed productions. I've met some very talented and gifted people outside of the singing, acting, dancing, technical, musicians, etc., who have suggestions that are worth being heard by everyone and so I hope you will all come to this year's annual general meeting to bring forth those ideas which will help the Mudds continue to grow and improve.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the AGM.

### **We Will Rock You Wraps Up - Stephanie Stephens - Co-Producer**

The stars had aligned for WE WILL ROCK YOU in just the right way. We had everything we could possibly ask for: a director incredibly passionate about the show (Karen Lapointe); a spectacular lead producer who kept everything running smoothly and organized (Sandra Dunlop); a production crew dedicated and rich with knowledge and experience. Plus we had a well-written show with the timeless music of Queen.

When this cast auditioned for WWRY last November, a group of individuals from multiple generations were thrown together. And who could have possibly imagined that the cast would have exactly the right chemistry to pull off such an epic show for the Mudds? Each individual brought warmth and positive attitudes to every rehearsal and new friendships were birthed and will always be treasured. The actors in the lead roles were stars, and the supporting cast, the GaGa Girls and Secret Police and Bohemians, were aesthetically beautiful on that stage, working cooperatively together and tirelessly to get every choreographed movement and every harmony. Some had to be a little more daring than others, pulling off the different wardrobe demands, but what was created in the end was magic.

**One dream, one soul, one prize, one goal  
One golden glance of what should be  
(It's a kind of magic)**

WE WILL ROCK YOU closed on May 4th. And it was sad to say goodbye. We made history together – completing the first ever flash mob for the Mudds, one which ultimately led to us going viral online and contributed to us completely selling out NINE DAYS(!) before opening, something else that has never happened before for a Mudds show. Then there was the demand for tickets online, with people advertising for the opportunity to see the show. Posts pleading for us to add dates started to show up on various group pages.

Most importantly, we had fun together. Throughout every rehearsal. Every

backstage sing along. Every organized karaoke night. Every meme share on the cast and crew Facebook page. Even the production meetings were fun! We enjoyed every moment. Then, of course, the natural evolution was the playfulness off-stage made its way on-stage – like when Curran brought the ‘In Memoriam’ photo of Britney Spears out onto the stage during ‘We Will Rock You’ or when Andrew incorporated seamlessly into the final night (on International Star Wars Day) – “These are not the Bohemians you are looking for!” with a Jedi hand gesture, and then he cried out to Scaramouche and Galileo as they escaped: “May the FOURTH be with you!” And the comedic timing became an entity in itself. Julie and Calvin’s head turns and ‘I felt that’ lines became more and more pronounced with bigger and bigger expressions each night, causing the audience to roar with laughter. Stephanie’s ‘Works for Me’ line got sassier and sassier each night. There really just are too many wonderful moments to go through here – recording them all would fill volumes.

Until the next show, Bohemians.

### **Summer BBQ - Kaz Lapointe**

I wanted to reach out and explain that this year, due to the flooding we experienced at our home, we will be unable to host the summer barbeque at our place. Rej, my hubby, is planning to add measures to hopefully combat the stress and anxiety we went through this winter for future "lake invasions." This does not mean we will not hold the party again next year or subsequent years, but for this year we need to take time out while we renovate and build up

the back yard's defenses. I'm writing this hoping that someone else who has the space for 40+ people can step in and "lend" us your yard.

If you are willing to host this year's summer get-together, please reach out to Sandra, who can pass on the information to the rest of the board.

I will be happy to help out in any capacity once you have established a date for the BBQ; just reach out to me for any further information via email ([kazli63@gmail.com](mailto:kazli63@gmail.com)) or by the telephone number below.

Thank you for considering this; I promise it will just be this once!

Kind regards,

**From the Editor - Sandra Dunlop, Editor**

Please - if you have a change in any of your information (address, telephone number and especially email address) please make sure that you get that information to Sandra Dunlop at 613-599-7221 or [pcbear@rogers.com](mailto:pcbear@rogers.com). This will make sure that you continue to receive the Mudds newsletter and any other pertinent information that is sent out.

Know that I welcome articles monthly, be it from members, former members and people involved in current productions. The deadline for the next edition of Muddprints is June 20. I would love to hear from you. It doesn't have to be long, just of interest to Mudds members and fans.

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**Happy Birthday** wishes go to members past and present who are celebrating their birthdays between May 23 - June 22. We hope you have a lovely day :-)

Kali Latham	May-23
Justin Beiglee	May-24
Kate Osborne	May-25
Cathy Boynton	May-26
Kelly Young	May-28

Jessica Kinnari	May-28
Audrey Statham	May-28
Douglas Campbell	May-28
Bobby Martin	May-28
Kenny Martin	May-28
Lesley Moll	May-30
Katherine Dever	May-30
Kyle Booth	Jun-01
Frank Martens	Jun-02
Julia Harvie	Jun-02
Maleeka Thaker	Jun-02
Lise Corbett	Jun-04
Jacob Jones	Jun-04
Michele Eno	Jun-05
Elizabeth Brumm	Jun-06
Esme Purdy	Jun-08
Jack Lockhart	Jun-11
Sherrie Humby	Jun-11
Meredith Millman	Jun-16
Abigail Terry Shaver	Jun-16
Perry Santry	Jun-17
Nora Ziai	Jun-17
Olivia Scott	Jun-17
Aiden Letemplier	Jun-18
Wendy Giles	Jun-19
William Moore-Crispin	Jun-20
Kathy Cosham	Jun-20
Amy Bourne	Jun-21
Matthew Abele	Jun-21
Daisy Bright-McKee	Jun-22

Watch this space for more birthday celebrations next month :-)

Karen Lapointe, Membership

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The next issue of Muddprints will be published on June 22. The deadline for articles is June 20.

If you wish to be removed from the Muddprints mailing list please send an email to [pcbear@rogers.com](mailto:pcbear@rogers.com) - please make sure you give me your full name in the email.

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***Mudds Calendar (2019)***

June 1 (Sat)	1:00pm-4:00pm	CP200+ Auditions	CP Arena
June 17 (Mon)	7:00pm	Annual General Meeting	Town Hall

CP200+ Time to Remember dates will be included in the next Muddprints.