

# MUDDPRINTS

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The official newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds - January 2015

*Tickets on sale for Wizard of Oz at Reads Book Shop.*

## **News from the Board** - Sandra Dunlop, Secretary

Discussion is ongoing as to how to use the funds that have been received in memory of Pat Jamieson-Black.

Plans are underway to do a murder mystery. The Board is working with The Lanark County Food Bank as a joint fundraiser. More news to come.

The next meeting of the Mudds Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, February 17 at Tomahawk Technologies.

## **Wizard of Oz** - Doris Ohlmann, Publicity

Tickets are on sale now at Reads Book Shop for the youth edition of The Wizard of Oz.

A young girl from Kansas looks for adventure away from home. She is transported by a tornado to a magical land. In this land she makes many friends as well as becomes an enemy of a wicked witch. She spends her time in Oz journeying to a magical city in the hope of being returned home. Join Dorothy and Toto and all the other well-loved characters from Wizard of Oz for a family-fun production.

Show dates are February 20-22 & 26-28. Check [mississippimudds.ca](http://mississippimudds.ca) for show times. Tickets, \$10, at Reads Book Shop, 135 Bridge Street, Carleton Place, 613-257-7323 or at the door.

## **Do You Have Space?** - Kate Martin, Properties

The Mississippi Mudds are currently in search of a new home for storage of our costumes/ props and set pieces. The space should be ground floor, around 800sq ft or more, climate controlled, within town, accessible 24hrs a day and most importantly cheap. If you know of anything that might fit our needs or know of someone who could help us find a space, please contact Kate Martin (properties) at [ozmermaid@hotmail.com](mailto:ozmermaid@hotmail.com)

## **Show Proposals** - Jan Ferguson, Show Development

Show Proposal Meeting April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

MAKING DREAMS COME TRUE!!  
EVEN YOURS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
\*READ ON TO SEE HOW!!\*

Oh yes, you can! 'Tis the time of year when 'everyone' has an opportunity to see their 'spark' of an idea grow and develop and possibly be the next big MUDDS show!

Between now and March, sit down and write down that 'spark' of an idea that has been brewing in your brain!

Maybe it's a serious drama or a comedy!

Maybe it's a Murder Mystery or a Dinner Theatre night!

Maybe it's your favourite Musical or a crazy English Panto!

Maybe it's a whole home written show that you can see in your mind!

The 'maybe's can go on and on!

The important thing is to act on it now!!

Just remember, that every single show that we have produced started with the small 'spark' of an idea!

You are surrounded by intelligent, creative people who will help with that idea.

Your MUDDS Board has kindly put together a complete 'show proposal' package! All you and your friends or mentors have to do, is fill in the blanks!

And you may see your 'dream come true' on the Town Hall stage!

How great is that??

I'm new in this 'Show Development' role, but, I too, started with just a 'spark' of an idea long ago and I will help you every step of the way (or find someone who can!)

We are so lucky to have a stable full of experienced writers, directors, producers, technicians, choreographers, vocal coaches, acting coaches, musicians and ACTORS! Don't forget the actors!

So.....go to the MUDDS website; mississippimudds.ca and click on Members. The 'show proposal package' is right there. Print it out and start filling in the blanks! (as best you can). Now you've started! Also, you can find the Mudds Producers Guide where you'll find a description of the rolls and responsibilities in putting on a show.

Everyone on the Board will help you. Just call or write.

***The meeting will be held on Monday, April 13 when proposals for Summer, Fall, Winter***

***of 2015 and seasons in 2016 will be reviewed and perused .***

You will get feedback and suggestions(if warranted) on YOUR show!

Okay, get started, get dreaming. 'The Best is Yet To Come!' and pass this along to your creative friends who might be interested in getting involved.

Proposals for Murder Mysteries or the like will be accepted at any time of year by the board as they take much less time to put together and may be time sensitive in their opportunity.

Required for an official proposal is as follows:

- a script
- committed director
- committed producer
- committed stage manager
- a break-even or profitable budget
- a schedule in keeping with the Mudds season

Required for inquiry to the board

- an idea; presently the Mudds board has people experienced in virtually all aspects of putting on a show.

Your Fairy God Mother (Jan Ferguson)  
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***Would You Be Willing to Volunteer - Trish Smith, Board of Directors***

If you saw Cinderella you will have seen the lovely puppet that Button's had in one of the scene's. The puppet belongs to Noreen Young who is offering to do a Spring Workshop for the Mudds youth. This would be a no charge event for up to 15 youth's who would then promise or pledge to take part in the Puppet's Up Festival Parade. The festival itself is set for 8th and 9th of August.

If anyone is interested in organizing this workshop please note that he or she need to find a venue for a whole day and organize

lunch. A good choice might be Zion Church or St James Church Hall. You would need somewhere with good lighting, tables, chairs and a kitchen.

If you are interested in organizing this please get in touch with Trish Smith 613 253 3546.

**Once Upon A Mattress (OUAM) - Karen Lapointe, Producer.**

It is with great excitement that I have taken on my first role as producer with Director Sandra Dunlop's vision for Once Upon A Mattress, the MUDDS' final show of the 2014/2015 season. OUAM, a Rodgers & Hammerstein musical, is based on the fairy tale classic - The Princess and The Pea.

We had an extremely good turnout for auditions on December 13, 2014; the talent was, as usual, top notch and after a few days of agonising wait, the cast were informed of their characters and work began in earnest getting together the rehearsal and set build dates and all the usual stuff that goes on busily behind the scenes prior to the show going "live".

As I write this, we have had our first four rehearsals at St James' Church (the first one was extremely cold due to a very low

temperature outside and a broken furnace inside!), and the songs are already sounding fantastic. The characters are coming to life before my very eyes - and that's without set or costumes! Most of the cast are familiar with each other through previous shows; but we also have some talented newcomers who are already settling in nicely and are already adding their personalities to the lovely mixing pot that is our wonderful MUDDS family.

The show dates are April 24, 25, 26 and 30 and May 1 and 2. See you there

**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 February 20<sup>th</sup>. I would love to hear from you. It doesn't have to long, just of interest to Mudds members and fans.

The next issue of Muddprints will be published on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. The deadline for articles is February 20<sup>th</sup>.

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 (2015)**

Jan 22 (Thu)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Jan 24 (Sat)	10am-4pm	Wizard of Oz Set Build	Town Hall
Jan 25 (Sun)	10am-4pm	Wizard of Oz Set Build	Town Hall
Jan 25 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Jan 28 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Jan 29 (Thu)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Jan 31 (Sat)	10am-4pm	Wizard of Oz Set Build	Town Hall
Feb 1 (Sun)	10am-4pm	Wizard of Oz Set Build	Town Hall

Feb 1 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 2 (Mon)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Feb 4 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 5 (Thu)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Feb 7 (Sat)	Cast 12pm-4pm	Wizard of Oz Q to Q	Town Hall
Feb 8 (Sun)	10am-4pm	Wizard of Oz Full Dress	Town Hall
Feb 8 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 9 (Mon)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Feb 11 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 12 (Thu)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Feb 15 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 17 (Tue)	7pm	MUDDS Board Meeting	Tomahawk
Feb 18 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	TBD
Feb 19 (Thu)	7pm-8:30pm	Wizard of Oz	Town Hall
Feb 20 (Fri)	7pm	Wizard of Oz - Performance	Town Hall
Feb 21 (Sat)	2pm	Wizard of Oz - Performance	Town Hall
Feb 22 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 22 (Sun)	2pm	Wizard of Oz - Performance	Town Hall
Feb 25 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Feb 26 (Thu)	7pm	Wizard of Oz - Performance	Town Hall
Feb 27 (Fri)	7pm	Wizard of Oz - Performance	Town Hall
Feb 28 (Sat)	2pm	Wizard of Oz - Performance	Town Hall
Mar 1 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Mar 4 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Mar 8 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Mar 11 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	St. James
Mar 15 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Mar 18 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Mar 21 (Sat)	9am-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress Set Build	Town Hall
Mar 22 (Sun)	9am-1pm	Once Upon a Mattress Set Build	Town Hall
Mar 22 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Mar 25 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Mar 28 (Sat)	9am-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress Set Build	Town Hall
Mar 29 (Sun)	9am-1pm	Once Upon a Mattress Set Build	Town Hall
Mar 29 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Apr 1 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Apr 4 (Sat)	9am-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress Set Build	Town Hall
Apr 8 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Apr 11 (Sat)	11am-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress Cue to Cue	Town Hall
Apr 12 (Sun)	1pm-4pm	Once Upon a Mattress Dress	Town Hall
Apr 13 (Mon)	7pm	Show Proposal Meeting	Tomahawk
Apr 15 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Apr 19 (Sun)	12pm-5pm	Once Upon a Mattress Full Dress	Town Hall
Apr 22 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Apr 24 (Fri)	5pm-10:30pm	Once Upon a Mattress Show	Town Hall
Apr 25 (Sat)	5pm-10:30pm	Once Upon a Mattress Show	Town Hall
Apr 26 (Sun)	12pm-5pm	Once Upon a Mattress Show	Town Hall
Apr 29 (Wed)	7pm-10pm	Once Upon a Mattress	Town Hall
Apr 30 (Thu)	5pm-10:30pm	Once Upon a Mattress Show	Town Hall
May 1 (Fri)	5pm-10:30pm	Once Upon a Mattress Show	Town Hall
May 2 (Sat)	5pm-10:30pm	Once Upon a Mattress Show	Town Hall
May 3 (Sun)	10am-1pm	Once Upon a Mattress Tear Down	Town Hall