



# Pirate Productions asbl

*February 2007*

This being the Year of Culture, there's loads of stuff going on throughout the year. The April/May time of year is starting to look very busy (see Diary, below), with plenty of different shows to go to/be in. The latter part of the year is still largely shrouded in mystery, with plans still rather fluid.

On this subject, we are sorry to have to announce that due to several logistical problems, Pirates will not be able to stage its production of "Call Me Madam" this Autumn. The Committee is currently looking at possible alternatives - if anyone has a show that they feel they might be able to put on by the Autumn (not in the Esch venue), we'd be delighted to meet with you and discuss your ideas.

And speaking of the Committee . . . there have been some exciting developments and I am delighted to announce that we welcome Deirdre Ecock, Dominique Vitali and Isabel Thépin, all of whom have agreed to lend their experience and energy to the Pirates Committee.

Last, but by no means least, our Rodney (a.k.a. Mercedes) is looking for an enthusiastic bunch to put together a joint NWTC/Pirates team in next month's "Relay For Life", to raise funds for the Luxembourg Cancer Society. Details are inside - get in touch with him ASAP if you'd like to join in.

*Steve*

## Dates for your Diary

<u>When</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>
Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	NWTC	"Something Unspoken" auditions	Gasperich Church Hall
Mar 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup>	NWTC/Pirates	Relay For Life	The Coque
Mar 7 <sup>th</sup>	NWTC	"Linda Her" auditions	To Be Announced
Apr 25 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup>	NWTC	Steel Magnolias	Theatre National
May 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup>	Pirates	Wine and Toons	Gasperich Church Hall
May 15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Acorn	Tissue	Theatre National de Luxembourg
May 25 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup>		FEATS	Den Hague
Jul 11 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup>	NWTC	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Centre Culturel, Tétange

## NWTC Auditions for 'Something Unspoken'

The NWTC will be holding auditions on February 27<sup>th</sup> for their May/June production of 'Something Unspoken' by Tennessee Williams. The auditions will be held at Gasperich Parish Hall.

'Something Unspoken' is a two-character one-act play about a wealthy Southern spinster and the widow who has served as her secretary for 15 years. On this anniversary of their meeting, Cornelia Scott, the spinster, gives Grace, her secretary, 15 roses and begins to speak of her feelings about their long association. The two women manifest, respectively, a haughty, competitive spirit, and the air of patient sacrifice.

Cornelia is in her 60's, imperious and affected; whilst Grace is in her 40's, a mousy, self-effacing character.

If you would like to audition for either of these parts, please be at Gasperich Parish Hall by 7.30pm on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, OR call Chris Wilson on 26350897 if you would like to audition but can't make it that evening.

'Something Unspoken' will be the NWTC entry for Feats this year, which will be held in the Hague May 25<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>.

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### Call for Auditions

LINDA HER, by Harry Kondoleon, to be directed by John Brigg

*Linda Her*, a quirky and taut 25 minute drama by American playwright Harry Kondoleon, is about a woman prevented from sleep by the story of a girl who died, the Linda Her of the title. The heat of the summer night has also kept her best friend and daughter awake; only her husband remains unperturbed.

An unusual, perceptive and fascinating imagining of a woman's examination of her situation and her self.

Cast : Carol ..... the woman awake

Janet ..... her friend

Hilary ..... her daughter

Matt ..... her husband

Carol, Janet and Matt should be of a similar age, ideally mid-thirties, but they could be younger or older. Hilary is not more than 10 years old, but could also be played by an adult.

***Linda Her* will be performed in early June 2007 together with *Something Unspoken*.** Auditions for *Linda Her* will be held at 8 pm on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March at a venue to be confirmed. Anyone interested or wishing for further information should contact John Brigg on 691 636 631 or at [jbrigg@luxconsult.lu](mailto:jbrigg@luxconsult.lu).

# *Relay For Life*

The Luxembourg Cancer Society will once again organize a Relay for Life in support of cancer patients and their friends and families. It will take place March 3-4 at the Coque sports center in Kirchberg. The Relay for Life 2006 was a huge success with 198 teams participating, more than 2000 visitors and 60,000 euros raised to support the Luxembourg Cancer Society's work. The Society hopes that the Relay 2007 will be an even bigger success.

For those who were not here for the Relay 2006: it was a 12-hour event with teams of 15-30 people taking turns walking or running for the duration of the event. The Relay for Life 2007 will be a little different; it will be a 24-hour event instead of 12 hours. It will be possible to sign up as a classic team (12 hours) or a master team (24 hours). Again the teams will be made up of 15-30 people who will take turns walking or running for the duration of the event. Obviously, the more people who sign up for a team the less time each individual person will have to walk or run!

Each team member must pay 10 euros to participate. All money collected will go towards supporting the Luxembourg Cancer Society's work in Luxembourg and developing countries.

We would like to put together a New World/Pirates team to participate in this worthy cause. If you're interested in participating, please contact me ([rodney.tow@gmail.com](mailto:rodney.tow@gmail.com)) as soon as possible.

Thanks!

Rodney

## Membership Form

This form should be completed in the case of new members or in order to amend the details for existing members.

Name :

Address :

Telephone Number (home) :

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Email Address :

Nationality :

Would you like to receive the Newsletter in electronic format via email?

YES / NO

Do you agree that the above contact details may be included on a contact list, circulated to members on a regular basis?

YES / NO

Date and Method of payment for first annual subscription :

Subscriptions are due on an annual basis, payable in September each year. Please see the back page of the Pirates' Newsletter or the Pirates' web site ([www.pirates.lu](http://www.pirates.lu)) for current rates and payment details.

Please return this form in electronic format to the Membership Secretary.

# Pirates Committee - 2006/7

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Subscriptions are due on an annual basis, payable in September. We would therefore like to inform the membership that subscriptions for 2006/2007 are now due. Fees due for the different categories of membership are as follows:

Individual:	25 Euro
Family:	40 Euro
Overseas:	75 Euro
Junior/Student:	10 Euro

The appropriate amount should be paid by virement to the Pirates' account with Dexia/BIL – account number LU51-0022-1561-0680-0000 – Pirate Productions Asbl, mentioning “Subscription 2006/7”, your name and the category of subscription required, clearly indicating your address so we can verify it on our Membership database.

Please ensure that the Membership Secretary is notified of any change of address or other details (the membership form is to be found in the Newsletter).

Only members who have paid their subscription will receive a Newsletter.

Please note that the cast and crew of all Pirates' shows must be fully paid-up members, otherwise they will not be covered under Pirate's personal accident insurance and will therefore not be able to be involved in shows.