

# HOStage

## Shows for 2010

2010 looks to be an exciting programme of shows and involvement in community activity.

In February HOS will take part in the Hamilton Gardens Summer Festival for the first time with a Concert featuring songs from all your favourite musicals. In April / May we will see *The Secret Garden* at Clarence Street Theatre. This will be a family show with a beautiful historical narrative for all to enjoy.

Later in September we will present one of Andrew Lloyd Webber's beautiful and musically rich pieces, *Aspects of Love*. Both pieces will

be directed by David Sidwell and will prove to be a treat for Hamilton audiences.



*Aspects of Love*

## AGM Coming Up

Now the accounts have been finalised we will advertising and notifying paid members of the upcoming 2009 AGM - the date will confirmed and a notice mailed out shortly. The venue will once again be Ventura Inn & Suites hotel in Clarence Street.

This year will see some suggested amendments to the constitution with the intent to clarify and simplify. There also will be the opportunity for appointed and co-opted members to become part of the Board.

If you have any interest in this opportunity please contact Yvonne Milroy or Jason Wade through [hamiltonoperaticnz@gmail.com](mailto:hamiltonoperaticnz@gmail.com).

## Auditions

### Mark your Calendars!

Auditions for both the Hamilton Gardens Summer Festival Concert and *The Secret Garden* will be held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> of September at the rehearsal room at Founders Theatre. Full information is available on our website. Please phone Costume Hire for further information and to book a time: (07) 839 3082  
[www.hamiltonoperatic.co.nz](http://www.hamiltonoperatic.co.nz)

## Volunteers needed

With the pending shows and also various tasks that need completing we need your help! We're on the lookout for volunteers to help backstage, in wardrobe, on the fly crew and front of house. Here's your chance to get involved, plus have lots of fun. If you're interested or want more information please contact Jason Wade through [hamiltonoperaticnz@gmail.com](mailto:hamiltonoperaticnz@gmail.com)





# Apollo 13

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July some of the Board had the privilege of attending the opening of Apollo 13 at the Meteor, along with some lucky subscribers of our email newsletter who won complimentary tickets to the show.

"Trapped 200,000 miles away from earth, three astronauts fight for their lives. An explosion has ripped through their space craft and they are quickly running out of oxygen, power and hope. Become a member of Mission Control and join flight Director Gene Kranz as you attempt to bring these three heroes home."

It was a fresh and innovative theatrical experience that had much laughter, apprehension and confusion. A big "well done" to the team and a special mention to Producer Mark Westerby, one of HOS's past members, and the excellent job he has done with the production.

For more info on the show see their website: [www.apollo13.co.nz](http://www.apollo13.co.nz), plus look out for more special offers in your inbox.

## Sponsorship - funding

As always we are on the lookout for funding and sponsorship. If anyone has new exciting ideas or would potentially like to become a sponsor please contact Yvonne Milroy or Jason Wade through [hamiltonoperaticnz@gmail.co.nz](mailto:hamiltonoperaticnz@gmail.co.nz) We also will be setting up a Sponsorship/Funding committee so if you are at all interested please get in contact.

## Contestable fund - HCC

Hamilton Operatic would like to applaud the City Council's new initiative set out in the Long Term Council Community Plan LTCCP. There will now be a contestable Performing Arts fund of \$100,000 available to arts organisations within Hamilton to apply for funds toward operating expenses. While much work is needed on criteria and how this process will actually take place, we feel it is a fantastic opportunity and initiative for supporting performing arts in Hamilton.

# Overwhelmed in Wardrobe!

Our wardrobe ladies are warding off any sign of a recession and are doing a fantastic job up in our Costume Hire department at the Clarence Street theatre. Costume parties seem to be a popular way of beating the recession blues, and they've been flat out of late. Unfortunately they only have two hands each and only a few hours in the day to get the job done. If anyone at all would like to help out or spare a couple of hours here and there please feel free to call Kathie in wardrobe on (07) 839 3082 and offer a helping hand. We know they would be more than grateful!



Directed by Gaye Poole, check out this chilling and slyly genre-bending meditation on addiction, avoidance and the nature of fear, in a neighbourhood where the split between the 'real and the 'virtual' isn't so simple.

Academy of Performing Arts - University of Waikato  
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