

CONVENOR'S CORNER



Welcome

As we skittle towards the final couple of judging months of the year, I'm happy to inform our participants that the annual Presentation Night will once again be held as follows:

DATE/TIME: Monday 2nd December, 2024, from 6.00pm to 11.00pm
VENUE: Dracula's Cabaret Restaurant, 1 Hooker Boulevard, Broadbeach
DRESS CODE: Gold Coast Glamorous!

**We encourage you all to bling up to the nines!
It's not Showbusiness tonight, it's SHOWPARTY!**

Significant other dates are:

NOVEMBER 4 (Monday) 12am - 4 weeks before the Awards Presentation Night) - **TICKETS GO ON SALE!**

NOVEMBER 14-15 (Friday/Saturday) - Final Judging Weekend.

All shows being performed after this weekend will be entered into the 2025 Awards Year.

NOVEMBER 17 (Sunday) - Final Judges' Meeting

NOVEMBER 21 (Thursday) 8.00pm - Full list of Nominations published on website

NOVEMBER 22 (Friday) Midnight - Finalists published on website

We have had a huge Judging Year, with 68 shows attended by judges, performed by 18 High Schools/Colleges or theatre schools and 34 community theatre groups and our catchment area this year stretched from Kyogle Northern N.S.W. to Ipswich Qld., with centres from Ballina, Bangalow, Brisbane, Byron Bay, Coorparoo, Mullumbimby, Chermside, Banora Point, Cleveland, Redbank Plains, Redcliffe, Bonogin and Redlands in between!

We saw 2 versions of THE ADDAMS FAMILY, 2 versions of MARY POPPINS and saw digital programs for the first time...We were sorry to see 7 shows cancelled during the year. It would be interesting to know whether this was because of rights conflicts/problems, casting difficulties, financial difficulties or some other reason. We welcomed 7 new participants to this year's Awards, and hope to see representatives of those new groups on Presentation Night.

As we prepare for the night, you may be asked to provide photographs and/or program covers for any Finalist nominations your group receives. We would be grateful for early receipt of these, to include in the power point program for the screens at Dracula's when the Awards are announced.

We would also be grateful to hear from you about any members who passed away during the year, for inclusion in our Obituaries segment. Please feel free to send this information now to this email address, with a name and short description of what the person did in your group (actor/director/ wardrobe etc.)

You may also be approached to have your group be part of the entertainment at the Awards. All year long the Judges have been making a list of those musical items which have really impressed - if you are asked to be part of the evening, we will be asking for your backing track as early as possible so the sound engineer at Dracula's can program it into the Awards program.

Come along, meet your colleagues from a heap of other groups who love performing, and enjoy some of the year's best entertainment from a variety of shows!

Kate Peters Convenor and Founder - Gold Palm Theatre Awards

2024 - What we have seen this year!

DECEMBER 2023

Included in 2024 judging

Brisbane Arts Theatre
EBENEZER

JANUARY

Ballina Players
THE LION KING Jnr.

MATES Theatre Genesis
FARMER WILL SWAP
COMBINE HARVESTER FOR WIFE

FEBRUARY

ROAR Academy Redcliffe
SHREK

Gold Coast Little Theatre
THE GRADUATE

Spotlight Theatrical Company
SOUND OF MUSIC

Brisbane Arts Theatre
WHEN THE RAIN STOPS FALLING

MARCH

Ballina Players
ARE YOU BEING SERVED?

ROAR Academy Redcliffe
JOSEPH & HIS AMAZING
TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

Palm Beach Currumbin State High School
THE WEDDING SINGER

Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School
MAMMA MIA

APRIL

Gold Coast Little Theatre
WAIT UNTIL DARK

Ghostlight Theatre Co.
BLOOD BROTHERS

Spotlight Theatrical Company
BURN

Bangalow Theatre Company
SPEAKING IN TONGUES

Brisbane Arts Theatre
FRANKENSTEIN

Redland Museum and Theatre Redlands
SNOWED UP WITH A DUCHESS

MAY

Spotlight Theatrical Company
DOGFIGHT

Tugun Theatre Company
THE HAUNTING

Emmanuel Anglican College Ballina
MARY POPPINS

Village Hall Players
37 POSTCARDS

Sky Productions
FROZEN Jnr.



To find out more - Click on the company name to visit their website.

JUNE

[Ballina Players](#)
THE ADDAMS FAMILY

[Gold Coast Little Theatre](#)
HAIR

[Ghostlight Theatre Co.](#)
[Redcliffe Musical Theatre](#)
THE EXORCIST

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
PETER PAN

[Theatre Redlands](#)
MOTHER AND SON

[Drill Hall Theatre](#)
SECRET BRIDESMAID'S BUSINESS

[Queensland Musical Theatre](#)
MY FAIR LADY

JULY

[Coorparoo Secondary College](#)
THE BUTLER DID IT!

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
GHOST

[Top Hat Productions](#)
THE PICCADILLY OLDE TIME MUSIC HALL

[St Andrew's Lutheran College](#)
WE WILL ROCK YOU

[Switch Up Productions](#)
THE DROWSY CHAPERONE

[NAPA](#)
ROCK OF AGES

AUGUST

[Ballina Players](#)
JACK THE RIPPER

[Gold Coast Little Theatre](#)
LORD OF THE FLIES

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE

[Tugun Theatre Company](#)
THE CEMETERY CLUB

SEPTEMBER

[Ipswich Musical Theatre](#)
GUYS AND DOLLS

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
Senior Musical Theatre
CRY BABY

[Village Hall Players](#)
OLIVER

[SonyQ Edge](#)
JERSEY BOYS

OCTOBER

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
Senior Drama
HOW TO VOTE

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
Senior Musical Theatre
CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

[Redcliffe Musical Theatre](#)
MAGIC OF THE MUSICALS

[NAPA](#)
MINEFIELDS AND MINISKIRTS

**NOVEMBER -
up to final judging weekend**

[Ballina Players](#)
9 TO 5

[Gold Coast Little Theatre](#)
HONEYMOON IN VEGAS

[ROAR Academy Redcliffe](#)
RUDOLPH
THE RED-NOSED REINDEER

[Spotlight Theatrical Company](#)
THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG
IN THE NIGHT TIME

[Tugun Theatre Company](#)
THE 39 STEPS

[Queensland Musical Theatre](#)
MARY POPPINS



2025 - What is already booked in!

Spotlight Theatrical Company
A KICK IN THE BAUBLES

Redcliffe Musical Theatre
RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER

Bangalow Theatre Company
INTO THE WOODS

Switch Up Productions
IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE

GOLD PALM THEATRE AWARDS

PRESENTATION AWARDS NIGHT

Monday 2 December, 2024
from 6.00-11.00pm

Dracula's Cabaret Restaurant

1 Hooker Boulevard, Broadbeach

(parking available at the venue and across the road at Pacific Fair).

The cost is \$105 per ticket and includes a welcome drink, fantastic three course meal, all the entertainment, \$3 *Trybooking* fee and the presentation of the awards for 2024.

Bookings open **MONDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2024** through [trybooking](https://trybooking.com).

CLICK TO BOOK!

DRACULA'S

GPTA PRESENTATION AWARDS NIGHT

The Awards night is a glittering, glamorous celebration of the very best of live theatre produced each year in South East Queensland and Northern NSW. The awards acknowledge the contribution to the community's cultural and entertainment life, by awarding participants in shows staged by community theatre groups, high schools and colleges throughout the year. Awards are made in 32 categories covering every aspect of live theatre,

OUR SPONSORS



GOLD PALM JUDGES

2024



Mrs Kate Peters
Convenor and Founder



Ms Kirri Adams



Ms Gai Byrne



Mrs Judy Gadloff



Ms Steffanie Gowland



Ms Del Halpin



Mr Chris Hawkins



Mr David Huddy



Ms Katrina Lardner



Ms Tracey Kriz



Mr Andrew Ross Graham



Mr Mark Turpin