



ITR Theatre Company

Happy 45th Anniversary ITR

All year long ITR has been celebrating 45 years of bringing great entertainment to the south end of Ottawa. A big thank you goes out to those brave souls who performed *Jesus Christ Superstar* at St. Brigid's Church in 1973, thus forming the Isle in the River Review Theatre Company. From that early start at St. Brigid's to our current performances at the Osgoode Community Centre, we continue to strive for excellence.

Thank you also to all our volunteers, patrons, sponsors and audiences over the years. It is you who keep us going.

Waiting for the Parade by John Murrell

November 9th-18th 2018

Waiting for the Parade is a series of vignettes about five Calgary women on the home front in the Second World War, based on interviews John Murrell did with women who had experienced the era first hand. It's a window on a time gone by fraught with loneliness, propaganda, rationing and big changes to the role of women in society.



Catherine's husband is overseas; Margaret has one son overseas and one who joins the communist party; Janet's husband avoids active service by working for CBC radio; Eve, a teacher, tries to keep her students from enlisting; and Marta is a German immigrant whose

father is interned as a spy. These women respond very differently to their circumstances during WW II, creating a wonderful portrait of life in Canada in the 40s.

The show will be performed at the Osgoode Community Centre on November 9 and 10 and 16 to 18, 2018. Tickets go on sale on September 24th.

Coming in the Spring of 2019:

Tempting Providence by Robert Chafe is a simple and often humorous tale that recounts the true story of nurse Myra Bennett who left her home in England in 1921 for Newfoundland, to serve a community in great need on the remote Great Northern Peninsula. It follows the trials and joys of this courageous woman who became known as the Florence Nightingale of the North and a true Newfoundland legend. Directed by André Dimitrijevic, the play will be performed in April of 2019.

Board of Directors

ITR's Annual General Meeting was held on June 9th. Reports on a successful year and a solid financial situation were followed by elections for the Board of Directors. The 2018-2019 expanded board features Sophie Hall as President, Louise Lagacé as Vice President, Wayne Hall as Treasurer, Helen Visbach as Secretary, Sheila Dubyk as Director of Community Outreach, and Directors at Large Lorraine Hopkins, Dirk Visbach, Myrna Ferris, Lindley Morrison and Janice Marks. Judy Beltzner rounds out the strong team as Past President.

A Taste of Manotick



This year ITR returned to A Taste of Manotick for the third time. We served up WWII ration cookies to our visitors. Directors, members of the cast and the production team all participated in making this one of the best Tastes yet.

Become an ITR Patron, Sponsor or Volunteer

ITR is grateful to the individuals who support us on an annual basis as Gold, Silver or Platinum patrons and to the businesses which sponsor particular shows as Ruby, Sapphire or Diamond sponsors. Their support allows us to continue offering high-quality entertainment to the rural Ottawa south community and beyond. To find out more about becoming a patron or sponsor and the attendant benefits, please visit itrtheatre.com and follow the links to the Patrons or Sponsors page.

Of course, no community organization can exist without its heart and soul: volunteers. We are fortunate to have many wonderful helpers who return time after time and we're always eager to welcome new volunteers to help us out on any given show or on a year-round basis. If you would like to volunteer as a set-builder, painter, decorator, bartender, ticket-taker, snack-seller or usher for our upcoming show, please contact producer@itrtheatre.com. If you would like to volunteer to help the Board of Directors with PR and outreach initiatives or in any other capacity, please contact president@itrtheatre.com.