

BOOKING INFORMATION

PERFORMANCE DIARY

MARCH	
Halifax Film Society	Sun 4 7.45pm
Hi-de-Hi	
Tue 13	Performances at
Wed 14	7:30pm
Thu 15	PLUS
Fri 16	Matinee Sat 17
Sat 17	2.30pm
Halifax Film Society	Sun 18 7.45pm
My Fair Lady	
Tue 27	Performances at
Wed 28	7:15pm
Thu 29	PLUS
Fri 30	Matinee Sat 31
Sat 31	2.15pm
APRIL	
April In Paris	
Thu 5	Performances at
Fri 6	7:30pm PLUS
Sat 7	Matinee Sat 7 2.30pm
Halifax Film Society	Sun 1 7.45pm
Halifax Film Society	Sun 15 7.45pm
MAY	
Someone Who'll Watch Over Me	
Tue 8	Performances at
Wed 9	7:30pm
Thu 10	PLUS
Fri 11	Matinee Sat 12
Sat 12	2.30pm

Calderdale Big Band	Sun 21 7.00pm
Thespians AGM	Mon 22 7.30pm
JUNE	
On Your Honour	
Tue 12	Performances at
Wed 13	7:30pm
Thu 14	PLUS
Fri 15	Matinee Sat 16
Sat 16	2.30pm
OH WHAT A NIGHT	
Wed 20	Performances at
Thu 21	7:30pm
Fri 22	
Sat 23	
Miss Angela - Dance	Sat 30 7.15pm
JULY	
The Lost Plays of Phyllis Bentley	
Thu 12	Performances at
Fri 13	7:30pm
Sat 14	PLUS
	Matinee Sat 14 2.30pm
SEPTEMBER	
Calendar Girls	
Sat 1	Performances at
Mon 3	7:30pm
Tue 4	PLUS
Wed 5	Matinee Sat 8
Thu 6	2.30pm
Fri 7	
Sat 8	



Spring | Summer | 2012

Home of Halifax Thespians

Halifax Playhouse
King Cross Street
Halifax
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THEATRE

PLAYS

ARTS

MUSICALS

FILMS

DANCE

MUSIC



On King Cross Street, almost opposite the offices of the Evening Courier.



The Playhouse opens its doors to a Spring and Summer season of comedy and drama with TV and film adaptations to the fore.

In March it's off to Maplins Holiday Camp with the stage version of BBC classic sitcom *Hi De Hi!*. All your favourite characters will be there, so it's "Morning Campers!"

John Godber's comedy *April in Paris* has a short run in April as we follow Yorkshire couple Al and Bet as they win a romantic trip to the French capital.

Someone Who'll Watch Over Me by Frank McGuinness is a celebration of the resilience of the human spirit and is inspired by events surrounding Brian Keenan's abduction in Beirut. This Tony Award winning play has been described as 'heartrendingly compassionate' as well as 'uproariously funny'.

In June *On Your Honour*, a hilarious successor to the Whitehall farces of the 50s and 60's, brings a legal twist to the genre. The *Lost Plays of Phyllis Bentley* is the Thespians entry in the 2012 Halifax Festival in July.

In September the Thespians hold the joint British premiere of *Calendar Girls*, which has only been released to Amateur groups for a year from 1st September 2012. The *W!* will have never been so popular!

The Halifax Film Society presents more films during March and April, whilst visiting societies bring us a *Fair Lady*, *Miss Angela's* dancers, a Royal Command style performance and the Calderdale Big Band's 10th anniversary concert.

Please make cheques payable to: 'Halifax Thespians' and send to: Halifax Playhouse, King Cross Street, Halifax HX1 2SH.

Please enclose an SAE and allow four working days for the tickets to be sent.

BY POST

at the Halifax Playhouse Box Office, King Cross Street, Halifax.

The Box Office is open from 12 noon to 4pm on the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the week leading up to the start of each production. During the run of a production it is open from 12 noon to 4pm and from 7pm (6.45pm on Saturdays) until curtain up. Seats for all forthcoming shows can also be booked.

IN PERSON

during the opening hours shown below. When booking in advance we accept all major credit cards. If you do not have a credit card, tickets must be collected and paid for 24 hours prior to the performance otherwise the seats will be sold.

BY PHONE

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PRICES

for *Halifax Thespians* main stage productions

All seats are £10 and can be booked in advance.

STUDENTS in full time education pay £8 for any performance of any production upon presentation of a valid admissions card.

OVER 60s £8 for any performance.

TWO FOR ONE On the first night and Saturday matinee of each main stage production you can buy tickets for two seats for the price of one. This offer does not apply to Student, Over 60, or other concession prices.

GROUP BOOKING DISCOUNT Contact the Box Office for details.

for productions in the Bar and for other Companies and Societies

Please see posters for details.



HALIFAX PLAYHOUSE

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MARCH

Halifax Thespians

Hi-de-Hi

By Paul Carpenter and Ian Gower
Adapted from the TV series by Jimmy Perry and David Croft
Directed by Alan Stockdill

**Tuesday 13 to Saturday 17
March 2012**
**7.30pm. Saturday matinee
2.30pm**

Hello Campers! Welcome back to Maplin's holiday camp in the 1950's, the setting for the legendary BBC TV series Hi-De-Hi. Join all your favourite characters including Chief Yellowcoat Gladys Pugh; the object of her desires, Entertainments Manager Jeffrey Fairbrother; cheeky Camp Host Ted Bovis and madcap Chalet Maid Peggy Ollerenshaw.

All Souls' Amateur Operatic Society

My Fair Lady

Book and Lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner. Music by Frederick Loewe

**Tuesday 27 to Saturday 31
March 2012**
**7.15pm. Saturday matinee
2.15pm**

A chance meeting in Covent Garden between two British linguists, Professor Henry Higgins and Colonel Hugh Pickering, leads to a wager that will test Higgins' skills - to transform the caterwauling Eliza Doolittle into a lady. From this premise springs classic songs including Wouldn't It Be Lovely; With a Little Bit of Luck; The Rain in Spain and Get Me To The Church On Time.

APRIL

Halifax Thespians

April In Paris

By John Godber
Directed by Jeanne O'Rourke

**Thursday 5 to Saturday 7 April
2012**
**7.30pm. Saturday matinee
2.30pm**

Al and Bet are not what you'd call 'love's young dream'. Bet's bored, Al's at his wits end and they're stuck in a romance rut! Then out of the blue the passionless pair win a holiday to Paris!

MAY

Halifax Thespians

Someone Who'll Watch Over Me

By Frank McGuinness
Directed by Yvonne Kniveton

**Tuesday 8 to Saturday 12 May
2012**
**7.30pm. Saturday matinee
2.30pm**

Inspired by the experiences of Brian Keenan and Terry Waite, Frank McGuinness explores the difficult relationships among an Irishman, an American and an Englishman taken hostage in Lebanon during the early 1990s.

Sometimes hilarious, often moving, always compelling, Someone Who'll Watch Over Me is a celebration of the resilience of the human spirit.

Calderdale Big Band

**Sunday 20 May 2012
7.00pm**

Join the band to celebrate their 10th Anniversary with a mix of music from the Big Band and Swing Era plus some more modern compositions and arrangements.

Halifax Thespians

Annual General Meeting

**Monday 21 May 2012
7.30pm in the Bar**

Your chance to vote, to hear about our future productions and take part in our post AGM question and answer session.

JUNE

Halifax Thespians

On Your Honour

By Roger Leach and Colin Wakefield
Directed by Lynn Lord

**Tuesday 12 to Saturday 16
June 2012**
**7.30pm. Saturday matinee
2.30pm**

This new, fast-moving farce in the Ray Cooney tradition sees Barrister Hugo Barnes organising a "Clean Up The Bar" conference to impress the new Lord Chancellor.

However his friend and colleague Nick Willmott has invited a young solicitors' secretary along for the weekend and it isn't long before Hugo's plans dissolve into chaos, amid misunderstandings, narrow escapes and attempted sexual infidelity!

Halifax Light Opera Society

OH WHAT A NIGHT

**Wednesday 20 to Saturday 23
June 2012**
7.30pm.

Your chance to enjoy your own Royal Command style performance

Interested in Hiring



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JULY

Halifax Thespians

HALIFAX FESTIVAL ENTRY

The Lost Plays of Phyllis Bentley

A fun evening of memories and writings from the Halifax writer - plus the presentation of a series of short plays probably not performed for more than 50 years.

Playhouse Bar Studio

**Thursday 12 to Saturday 14
July**
**7.30pm. 2.30pm
Saturday matinee**

SEPTEMBER

JOINT UK AMATEUR PREMIERE

Halifax Thespians

Calendar Girls

By Tim Firth
Directed by Derek Smith

**Saturday 1, Monday 3 to
Saturday 8 September 2012**
**7.30pm. 2.30pm Saturday 8
September matinee**

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