



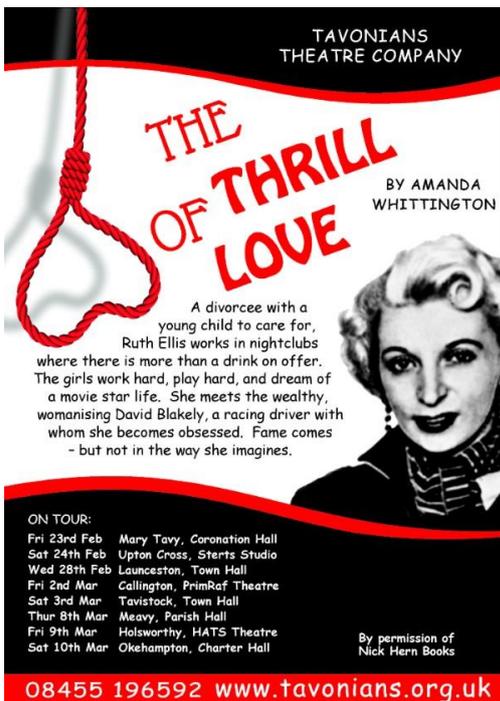
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CHESHIRE CATS: A fond farewell

At every performance, we had a fabulous reception for our recent production of Cheshire Cats, which was sponsored by Mansbridge Balment, and raising money for St Luke's Hospice.

With plenty of laughs behind us, and a few tears, we wave goodbye to the silly tutus, decorated bras and cat ears, having raised an amazing **£791.71** for St Luke's. Thank you everyone for your generous support.



THE THRILL OF LOVE

by Amanda Whittington

On tour from
23rd February to 10th March

Ruth, a divorcee with a young child to care for, works in the kind of nightclubs where there's more than just a drink on offer. The girls work hard, play hard and dream of a movie-star life. Then she meets the wealthy, womanizing David, a racing driver with whom she becomes obsessed. Fame comes - but not in the way she imagines.

Why does their relationship end in murder? Why does she plead not guilty but offer no defence? Why does she show no remorse? And who is she trying to protect?

The Thrill of Love dramatises the true story of Ruth Ellis, the last woman to be hanged in Britain, and takes a fresh look at the woman behind the headlines.

Fri 23 Feb - Mary Tavy, Coronation Hall

Sat 24 Feb - Upton Cross, Sterts Studio

Wed 28 Feb - Launceston, Town Hall

Fri 2 Mar - Callington, PrimRAF

Sat 3 Mar - Tavistock, Town Hall

Thur 8 Mar - Parish Hall, Meavy

Fri 9 Mar - Holsworthy, HATS Theatre

Sat 10 Mar - Okehampton Charter Hall

Tickets will be on sale from mid-January.

OPEN AUDITIONS -
TALKING HEADS
by Alan Bennett

Tavonians will be participating in the Tavistock Festival in May 2018.

Monologues from the Talking Heads series are to be presented at a number of Dinner Theatre evenings at the beginning of May, performed as rehearsed readings, as part of the Festival events. A number of scripts are being considered, depending upon auditionees. It is anticipated that we will perform two of the female monologues, although if an appropriate male were to audition, we could do the one male monologue in the series, and one of the female ones. Stuart Waterworth, who is to direct, will decide at the auditions.

**Auditions will be held on Sunday 14th January at 2pm
Northcott Room, Kingdon House, Pym Street, Tavistock**

For further information, contact secretary@tavonians.org.uk

OPEN AUDITIONS -
JEEVES & WOOSTER in
PERFECT NONSENSE

by The Goodale Brothers
from P G Wodehouse

ADVANCE NOTIFICATION:

Auditions for our November/December 2018 touring production will be held on

Sunday 18th March at 2pm
Northcott Room, Kingdon House, Pym Street, Tavistock

Cast: 3 men, playing multiple roles. Further details about this production, including performance dates, will be in our January newsletter.

PLAYREADINGS

Tavonians playreadings are open to anyone wishing to attend who is a member of the company, or who may be interested in joining the society and auditioning for a future production. These are free events.

The following playreadings will be held at 7.30pm at Kings Church, Pixon Lane, Tavistock (upstairs room).

Wed 17 Jan - The Vicar of Dibley by Ian Gower and Paul Carpenter

Wed 21 Feb - Amy's View by David Hare

Wed 18 Apr - Life and Beth by Alan Ayckbourn

Wed 16 May - My Mother Said I Never Should by Charlotte Keatley

Do come along to meet other members of your Theatre Company.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subs for 2018 are due on 1st January and we hope you will show your commitment to Tavonians by renewing your membership promptly, or by joining if you haven't been a member during the past year.

A Membership Form is available from Membership page on our website, www.tavonians.org.uk. If you are renewing please either use the form or at least make sure you let us have your name and contact details via email or post.

There are some great advantages to being a member of Tavonians, and the benefits include:

- **25% discount on up to four tickets for most productions;**
- **Free entry to most workshops and to playreadings;**
- **Entitlement to vote at the AGM and have a say in how the Company is managed;**
- **Being involved in a production is only available to members.**

Membership Rates:

Full membership - £20.

Youth membership (under 25) - £10.

Additional members of the same household - £10 each.

Payment may be made in the following ways:

a) Online bank transfer - to Tavonians Theatre Company, TSB Bank Tavistock, sort code 30-98-46, acc. no. 00769538. (Please use your name/s as the payment reference)

b) Credit card or PayPal - go to www.paypal.co.uk, click on 'Send Money', then 'Pay for Goods or Services'. The recipient's email address is payment@tavonians.org.uk and please add your name/s in the optional remarks box.

c) Cheque - made payable to 'Tavonians Theatre Company', posted to The Membership Secretary, The Stannary, Mary Tavy, Tavistock, PL19 9QB. Please send a membership form or a note of your name/s, and contact details with your cheque.

We look forward to welcoming you as a member of Tavonians for 2018.

In other news

General Members Meeting

Tavonians Theatre Company are to hold a Members Meeting on Friday 8th December at Tavistock Enterprise Hub to vote on a small change in our current Constitution requested by the Charities Commission in connection with our application for charitable status. All fully paid up adult members have received separate notification of this event. If you have not received notification, please contact secretary@tavonians.org.uk

AGM Advance notification

Tavonians Theatre Company AGM will be held on Wednesday 16th May 2018 at 7pm Kings Church, Pixon Lane, Tavistock (side entrance, up the steps)

A playreading (open to all) of 'My Mother Said I Never Should' by Charlotte Keatley will be held after the AGM.

Sale of Theatrical Lighting equipment

Tavonians own a number of very old theatre lighting fixtures - probably around 50 to 80 years old. This (non working, non tested) equipment has some restoration value for use in the home. Please contact

secretary@tavonians.org.uk before 8th December if you wish to view/purchase any of this equipment and would like further details. Should no interest be shown in these items, they will be listed for sale on eBay from 8th December.

Angel at Large: A Nativity-Pantomime for Christmas by Nigel

Forde

Featuring a map-eating camel, an apprentice angel and two incompetent soldiers as additions Christmas story

Tavistock Methodist Church www.tmc.me.uk

7pm Friday 15 December 3pm & 7pm Saturday 16 December

Preschool children free children at school £5 adults £7.50

Tickets from TMC Office 01822 611049 or on the door

Presented by the Tavistock Passion Players, with all profits going towards the expenses of a future production of the Tavistock Passion Play.

We would like to wish everyone a very

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

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