

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS AT THE COURTYARD THEATRE?

It's been over eight weeks now since we closed the theatre to help stop the spread of coronavirus. I want to give you as much information as possible about what's happening here at The Courtyard but, of course, no one has a crystal ball and so some of our arrangements for autumn and for 2021 are hopes rather than decisions. We're all missing our wonderful theatre and we can't wait to be back, producing plays of our usual high quality and welcoming back our lovely audiences. In the meantime, we'll keep in touch, sharing our reopening plans when we can.

The information below also serves to tell you the plays for our September 2020 - July 2021 season. Although this isn't the way we'd have chosen to announce this - no fanfare and no razzamatazz! - it seems sensible to let everyone know what's going on. It's going to be a great season with a fantastic range of plays, and we'll resume the schedule at the earliest, safest date.

We truly appreciate all the support we get from our audiences and so, when we're open again, please do your best to ensure that we play to full houses!

Julie Cumbo
Artistic Director

ONE - The end of the current season, April to July 2020

PLAY	DATES	DIRECTOR	STATUS
Our Day Out by Willy Russell (Junior Players)	21st-25th April	Debs Brooks	Postponed. If we're able to put on a play in autumn 2020, it will be this one.
The Last of the Haussmans by Stephen Beresford	1st-6th June	Julie Cumbo	Cancelled. We're hoping to reschedule this for the 21-22 season.
Brighton Beach Memoirs by Neil Simon	20th-25th July	John Sheperd	Cancelled. We'll give more information when we have it.

TWO - The beginning of next season, September to December 2020

PLAY	DATES	DIRECTOR	STATUS
Moonfleece by Philip Ridley (Older Youth Players)	8-12th September	Jane and Nick Foster	Cancelled. We'll give more information when we have it.
The Woman in White by Constance Cox, adapted from the novel by Wilkie Collins	9th-14th November	Eve Manghani	Cancelled. We're hoping to reschedule this for the 21-22 season.

THREE - The remainder of next season, January to July 2021

PLAY	DATES	DIRECTOR
Goodnight, Mr Tom by David Wood and Michelle Magorian	6th - 10th and 13th - 16th January	Jacquelyn Wynter
Lawrence After Arabia by Howard Brenton	22nd - 27th February	Maggie May
Treasure Island by Stuart Paterson, adapted from the novel by R L Stevenson (Junior Players)	12th - 17th April	Debra Elsdon
On Golden Pond by Robert Thompson	24th - 29th May	Suzi Whittle
The 39 Steps by Patrick Barlow, adapted from the John Buchan novel	19th - 24th July	Lauren Milsom and Noel Harris