

Staff news

ATOD warmly welcomes the return of Jane Patton who has taken up the position of book keeper for the company. We congratulate her on the birth of her son, Samuel. Sam has made a few appearances in the office and has provided lovely background noises to keep us all motivated and entertained.

With the Theatre in Schools program well underway, Aslam Abdus-samad has been kept on his toes calling and promoting our wonderful work to schools all around the country. General Manager Shauna Wolifson has studiously been plugging away at numerous grant applications. Keep your fingers crossed for us!



Alex, Bethany and Luke performing *Bookworm*

Theatre in Schools Program

Our talented actors, Bethany Robinson, Luke Watts and Alex Straub have already completed touring to Western Australia and Victoria and have now returned to Sydney to relax and prepare for the NSW and QLD leg of the tour. It's nonstop for our cast but the rewards have been fantastic. Reviews have all been very positive with some schools making extra on the spot bookings!

Australian Theatre of the Deaf is proud to announce that two new school shows have commenced development for 2010. We will be releasing information and opening up for bookings later in the year. Sign up to our mailing list or keep an eye on our website for more information.

Interpreted Theatre

ATOD has organised for two Sydney Theatre Company productions to be interpreted into Auslan during 2009. Bookings can be made by contacting STC - www.sydneystheatre.com.au/2009

Poor Boy - Thursday, 6th August 8pm

Interpreted by Michelle Maguire and Neil Phipps with Alex Jones as the Auslan consultant.

A Streetcar Named Desire - Thursday, 8th October 8pm Starring CATE BLANCHETTE and directed by LIV ULLMAN

Interpreted by Alex Jones and Della Goswell (consultant tbc)

N/B: BOOK ASAP AS NEARLY SOLD OUT!

ATOD Membership

We are a not for profit organisation and we need your support. By being a member you are helping the survival of Australia's only Deaf theatre company. If you would like to become an ATOD member please send your details to info@atod.org.au.

Why not donate?

As ATOD relies on government funding (and as we all know, this can never be guaranteed!!) any donations, no matter how small, will go towards the continuation of our valuable work around the country. Contact us if you would like a donation form. All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible.