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WE SHOWED THOUSANDS OURS!

Between August 12th and 22nd, The 29th Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival hosted eleven days of revealing theatre and flaunted its stuff to record-breaking crowds. Despite cool weather, smoke and haze, more than 93,000 patrons enjoyed the Festival's indoor shows, as upwards of 400,000 people partook in performances, food, arts and crafts on-site.

This year's Fringe success would not have been possible without the help and generosity of its many volunteers, sponsors, donors and media, and FTA thanks all for their support and dedication. The 30th anniversary edition of the Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival runs August 11 to 21, 2011.

In the meantime, Fringe Theatre Adventures (FTA) will continue to bring performers from around Edmonton and the world to the TransAlta Arts Barns' Westbury Theatre through its 2010/2011 seasonal programming.

The Adventures in Fringe Theatre series, running October 2010 to March 2011, provides adults a blend of thrilling mystery, sarcastic humour and musical hilarity. The Adventures in Family Theatre series, running December 2010 to April 2011, takes kids of all sizes beyond the clouds, back to the Gold Rush and into the heart of the circus.



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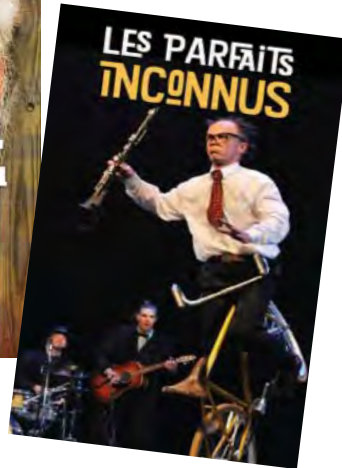
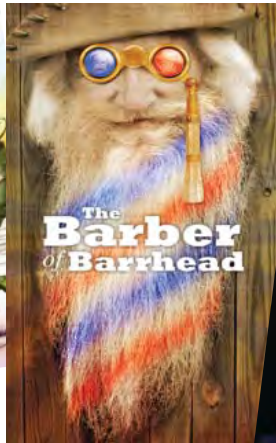


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ADVENTURES IN FAMILY THEATRE 2010/2011

The Adventures in Family Theatre series, running December 2010 to April 2011, takes kids of all sizes beyond the clouds, back to the Gold Rush and into the heart of the circus. Featuring:



Alberta Opera Musical Theatre for Young People: **Jack and The Beanstalk**
December 3 - 12, 2010

Edmonton Opera & Fringe Theatre
Adventures: **The Barber of Seville**
February 17 - 26, 2011

Les Parfaits Inconnus
April 8 - 17, 2011

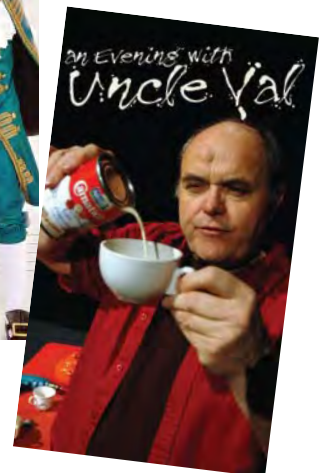
ADVENTURES IN FRINGE THEATRE 2010/2011

The Adventures in Fringe Theatre series, running October 2010 to March 2011, provides adults with a blend of thrilling mystery, sarcastic humour and musical hilarity. Featuring:

DualMinds: **Any Night**
October 21 - 31, 2010

Rainer Hersch: **Mozart: Ze Komplete Hystery**
January 20 - 30, 2011

Andy Jones: **An Evening with Uncle Val**
March 3 - 13, 2011



All FTA presentations take place at
The TransAlta Arts Barns (10330-84th Avenue) in the Westbury Theatre
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Fringe Theatre Box Office
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Season

UPCOMING ADVENTURES...

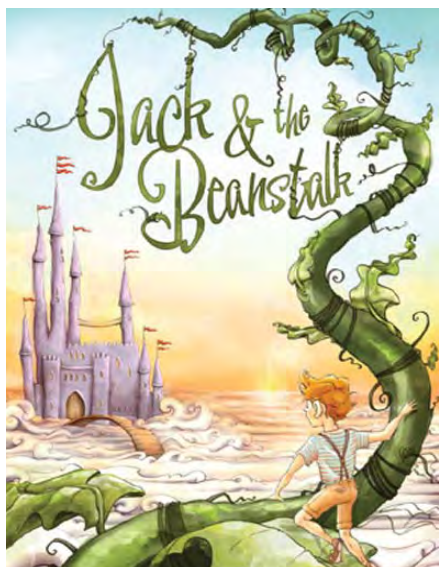
DualMinds

Any Night

October 21 - 31, 2010

From the writers /performers of the internationally acclaimed Tuesdays & Sundays and director of the multi award-winning The Black Rider and the

Off-Broadway hit Bash'd, comes a new mystery of privacy, paranoia, and violent sleep... A young woman suffering from night terrors and sleepwalking is drawn into a tender romance with the young man living above her. But how does he know her so well? Part romance, part thriller, Any Night is an exploration of that thin line between trust and fear.



Alberta Opera Musical Theatre for Young People

Jack and The Beanstalk

December 3 - 12, 2010

Jack lives with his mother on a fledgling bean farm and fills his days concocting fantastic imaginary adventures to combat his boredom. One day, on his way to trade the beloved family cow for food, Jack meets a mysterious merchant and is whisked away on an epic journey. Jack dangles from a monstrous beanstalk miles from the ground, discovers vast riches in an enormous castle beyond the clouds and befriends a Giant! But when he steals the Giant's beautiful singing harp, Jack is faced with a difficult choice that tests his courage. Adapted by Garner Butler and Jeff Unger, this lively musical theatre rendition of a fairy tale classic is directed by Farren Timoteo with an original score by Jeff Unger.

Gerald's Trivia Corner

Trivia questions courtesy of Gerald Osborn, playwright and Fringe historian

In honour of Fringe Theatre Adventures' upcoming presentation *Any Night*, described as "part romance, part thriller and an exploration of the thin line between trust and fear", this month's quiz focuses on past productions from the darker side of the Fringe.

1. At the 2009 Fringe, Stage a Revolution, Kill Your Television presented _____ and _____'s *Terrifying Tale of Terrible Things*. Please fill in the _____s?

- a) Bill and Ted
- b) Victor and Victoria
- c) Zack and Miri
- d) Thelma and Louise

2. In Marty Chan's bloodcurdling classic, *The Bone House*, the unseen serial killer was known as

- a) Rhinestone Cowboy
- b) Dimstore Cowboy
- c) Midnight Cowboy
- d) Woody from Toy Story

3. At the 2010 Fringe, We'll Show You Ours, during tech rehearsals and previews, iii theatricals' psychological thriller *NIGHT SWEATS*, was plagued with disasters (including flood and fire) causing the Edmonton Journal to dub playwright

Gerald Osborn the "Job" of the Fringe. Just who or what is this Job they were referring to?

- a) a character from Greek mythology
- b) a figure from the Old Testament
- c) something Canada Manpower offers you at \$8.90 an hour

See ya at Any Night October 21-31!

Answers: 1. b, 2. c, 3. b

Season

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped to make the 29th Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival: We'll Show You Ours, a success. Fringe Theatre Adventures' volunteer community continues to distinguish our Festival as a favourite among visitors and artists alike. Every position filled by a volunteer, is a position we know will be filled with passion, excitement and energy – qualities vital to our success.

Did you know that you can also volunteer with our company year-round? It is a great way to meet people who love theatre, see shows for free, and beat the winter doldrums!

Fringe Theatre Adventures offers a season of theatre programming which includes three adult shows and three family shows. Our seasonal offerings are specially selected to keep the spirit of our fabulous Festival alive throughout the fall and winter months. First up is a chilling tale entitled *Any Night* running October 21st - 31st. *Any Night* is a play about the mystery of privacy, paranoia, and violent sleep – directed by Edmonton favourite Ron Jenkins and starring the wonderful Daniel Arnold and Medina Hahn. FTA is looking for enthusiastic and caring volunteers to be ushers or bartenders (must have ProServe training), at our evening, public performances throughout the year. We are also in need of ushers for our week-day, school performances. Shifts are typically no longer than 2 hours and you are welcome to stay and see the show afterward. If you are interested in any of these opportunities, we would love for you to join us!

For more information or to sign up for a Season Volunteer shift, please contact:

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Watch for a new Fringe Theatre Adventures ScanLife code for each of our upcoming productions.



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At The TransAlta Arts Barns...

By Samantha Kelch

What happens to the TransAlta Arts Barns after the Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival? After all of the Fringe artists have packed up for another year; after the mini donuts and green onion cakes have rolled out and after eleven glorious days of fringing in August, the TransAlta Arts Barns transforms back into a public facility for many different clients and events. Highlights from this past September and October 2010 have been the Conflict Management Professionals Conference, Western Canada Fashion Week, Edmonton Chante Music Festival and Timeraiser. Those are just a few of the large public events that have been held here. We also play host to the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Edmonton Whyte Avenue and numerous other local theatre companies that use our comfortable Studios for rehearsal space. Western Canada Fashion Week underwent a name change this past season (from Edmonton Fashion Week) to help incorporate a larger brand presence to help distinguish it as the destination "Fashion Week" for Alberta and all of

Western Canada. WCFW has grown quite a bit in their short time here at the TransAlta Arts Barns. They have just completed their fourth season with us and have seen crowds grow from 200 to over 350 plus each night! For further information on their upcoming April 2011 season, visit www.westerncanadafashionweek.com.

Another high-profile event hosted at the TransAlta Arts Barns is Framework Foundations' Timeraiser. An event focused on bringing meaningful, relevant volunteer opportunities to a younger demographic that may not have the monetary funds to donate to a cause but have the time and much-needed skills to donate to charities. One of Timeraiser's main mission points is, "We improve the experience of bringing people to causes and causes to people". Their second annual event was held in the Westbury Theatre on Saturday October 16th. For more information on next year's event, go to www.timeraiser.ca.

Getting married? The TransAlta Arts Barns is a unique wedding reception venue able to accommodate up to 200 guests for a seated dinner. This coming season, 2010-2011, we have booked over 15 weddings with room for a few more. Our exclusive Westbury Theatre is the perfect spot for the couple looking to have a reception with a bit of drama without paying an arm and a leg for all the added extras.

For facility bookings and inquiries, please contact Samantha Kelch at 780.448.9003 or Samantha.kelch@fringetheatre.ca



Photo by Ian Jackson

The fabulous Westbury Theatre arranged with cabaret-style seating

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

October 21st – 31st – FTA's presentation of *Any Night*

NOVEMBER

2nd-14th – Northern Light Theatre presents *The 4th Graders present an Unnamed Love-Suicide*
(www.northernlighttheatre.com)

6th – Kids up Front Fundraiser

7th – Homefest

Nov 10 – 20: PETS Productions presents *Laramie* (www.fringetheatre.ca for tickets)

Nov 16th: Best Bar None Awards Night presented by Responsible Hospitality Edmonton

Nov 17th Meeting Professionals International (MPI) Edmonton Monthly Luncheon

Nov 19th: Exposure Festival Spoken Word Performance (www.exposurefestival.ca)

Nov 22nd – 26th: Strathcona One-Act Plays

Nov 27th - 28th: FTA Casino fundraiser at **Casino Edmonton** (7055 Argyll Road)

Nov 28th: Shop Til You Drop Expo

Nov 29th Artist Lottery for the 30th Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival

DECEMBER

3rd-12th: FTA presents *Jack and the Beanstalk*

18th – Cecchetti Dance Theatre Christmas Show

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