



# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ALL MEMBERS PAST AND PRESENT:

Readings for

'On Baile's Strand'

by

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At the recent AGM of The Balally Players, Geoffrey O'Keefe announced details of the group's successful application to produce 'On Baile's Strand' in The Abbey Theatre in December 2004 as part of the 'Abbey One Hundred' celebration.

Geoff is directing the play and would like to invite all those interested in participating to readings of the play.

**Date:** Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2004

**Time:** 8:00pm

**Venue:** 'Ashville', Sandyford Road (Jean's House)

# **Acting Roles**

There are parts for 5 named male characters, 3 female characters and a number (to be decided) of smaller male roles.

# **Backstage Roles**

Ever wanted to pull the curtain in The Abbey? Now's your chance – full crew needed!!

# About the Play

'On Baile's Strand' examines the relationship between Cuchulain and Conchubar, the High King of Ulster. In this tragedy, Cuchulain kills his son. The poetic language and theatricality of the piece will make for a wonderful production.

### **Further Information**

For further information or if you cannot make it on 1<sup>st</sup> September but would like to be a part of this production, please contact Geoff (087 9936307) or one of the incoming Committee members (contact details overleaf).

# **Other News From the AGM**

#### **Committee Election Results**

The following were elected as the incoming committee of The Balally Players:

Chair: Dave Walsh Tel. 085 7303211 Treasurer: Hilary Madigan Tel. 087 6860411 Oran O'Rua Secretary: Tel. 087 7844834 **Ordinary Members:** Joanne Keane Tel. 087 7977067 Tel. 087 2069452 Judy McKeever Jean Monaghan Tel. 086 1785159 Margaret Twomey Tel. 086 1994195

# An Important Date For Your Diary:

BALALLY PLAYERS OPENING NIGHT

Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2004 8:00pm

St. Tiernan's Community School, Parkvale

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

# **Opening Night**

The Opening Night this year will be held on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2004 at 8:00pm in St. Tiernan's so if you know of anyone who would like to get involved please invite them along with you.

# **Invitation for Submissions**

Suggestions and/or submissions for slots in this year's programme are now being invited. The slots available are:

- One Act Festival Play (October/November 2004)
- Christmas at Airfield (Producer required)
- A Three Act Play (Spring 2005)
- Bray One Act Festival Play
- One Act In-House Production

If you have a play in mind that would be suitable for these slots and/or are interested in directing a play in this year's programme, please contact Dave Walsh or any of the committee members above.

# **Receipts from Last Year**

Unfortunately, with the adoption of the Annual Accounts at the AGM, it is no longer possible to refund claims from last year's shows. If you do incur refundable expenses through your involvement in any of this year's shows please let Hillary know and get your claim in early for the next AGM!

# And Finally...

If you see no other plays this Dublin Fringe Festival, make sure you see Spellbound Theatre's production of 'The Marowitz Hamlet' in the Focus Theatre from 21st September. An interesting and irreverent take on Shakespeare's original, the play features our very own Basil Ashmawy and Oran O'Rua. Further booking information is available online at <a href="https://www.fringefest.com">www.fringefest.com</a>

To all those who attended the 21<sup>st</sup> AGM and to those who directed and produced in Balally's 21<sup>st</sup> year: thank you for your commitment