

OCTOBER **1ST**

Where I Want To Be

Neil Couperthwaite

Fresh from appearances in the West End, Neil Couperthwaite will enchant us with an evening of laid-back music to suit all tastes, from musical theatre, pop, jazz and swing! So pull up a chair and enjoy the unique voice of this remarkable musician.

Tickets £10.00 **8.00pm**

Proceeds in aid of The Headgate Theatre

OCTOBER **2ND**

Music Amongst Friends

Julie Roberts, Steve Browne and Andrew Burke

Three good friends get together to give an intimate recital of music from the 18th Century onwards. The programme will comprise violin, piano and vocal music, including operatic arias and piano duets, and is guaranteed to appeal to all lovers of fine music.

Tickets £6.00 **8.00pm**

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OCTOBER **8TH-9TH**

Misspent Youth

Steve Daking

An evening of comedy with the World 8-Ball trick shot Pool champion. Be amazed and amused by this new show from the master pool player whose dexterity of both hand and tongue gives a special meaning to the phrase, "Quick on the cue."

Tickets £8.00 Con. £7.00 **8.00pm (Doors open 7.30)**

OCTOBER **15TH**

Gala Night

Colne Endeavour Music Club

Returning by popular demand, here is another chance to hear the Colne Endeavour Music Club, accompanied once more by the ensemble String of Pearls. People with special needs are particularly welcome.

Tickets £6.00 Con £3.00 **7.30pm**

OCTOBER **22ND**

Scratching The Surface

Essex Storytellers

Carl Merry, Jan Williams and Andy Jennings - a trio of professional storytellers who have years of experience in bringing alive the tales of ages past.

A new storytelling performance based on Essex local history and folk tales, which are blended with myths from Roman and Celtic sources. As the excavation of the burial mound is undertaken, the individuals involved speculate on its history and the romantic tales its mystery suggests. Arts Council funded,

Tickets: £6.00 Con. £5.00 **8.00pm**

OCTOBER **23RD**

Sacred and Secular

Roman River Music Society

An unmissable evening of music by Mahler, Bach, Fauré and Dvorak performed by international musicians Rebecca Sharp, mezzo-soprano, Dominic Harlan, piano, and the Quince Quartet - Chris George and Claudia Ajmone-Marsan, violins, Juliet Jopling, viola, and Amy Norrington, cello.

Tickets £10.00 **7.30pm**

OCTOBER **27TH**

Play-In-A-Day

Polka Dot Arts

Following the highly successful Summer School, we are thrilled to announce a one-day workshop which will, once again, be run by Neil and Darren from Polka Dot Arts. Young people from 8 to 16 yrs old will have the chance to be involved in Play In A Day. From 9.30am you will get to work on a scripted text and by 4pm you will be in a position to perform the play to family and friends. This is a unique opportunity to develop theatre technique and drama skills, as well as being great fun! The performance will be free for all family and friends to attend and the fee includes a certificate.

Fee: £10.00 **9.30am**

NOVEMBER **3RD-6TH**

Mother Courage & Her Children Bertolt Brecht

Colchester Theatre Group

Written in 1940, this is one of Brecht's most famous and popular plays, presented here in a style which follows closely the theories which he held about the theatre. In this 'Promenade' production, the audience will be encouraged to move around the auditorium in order to get close to the action as the various scenes in the life of this extraordinary woman, Mother Courage, unfold. Please note that there will be only a few chairs and these will be reserved on a 'first-come, first-served' basis for those with difficulty in standing.

Tickets £7.00 Con. £6.00 **8.00pm**

NOVEMBER **11TH-12TH**

Teachers John Godber

Square Moon

Teachers is one of John Godber's best-loved plays. A comedy set in a school provides us with something we can all relate to, and some of the characters may seem familiar too! Three students put on a play after being inspired by their new drama teacher and the fun starts there ...

Presented by the critically-acclaimed Square Moon Theatre Company, with a cast of six taking on no less than 21 different roles, this will prove to be a memorable night for all.

Tickets: £6.00 Con. £4.50 **8.00pm**

NOVEMBER **14TH**

Fairly Tales

Black Sheep Comedy

Sponsored by Essex on Tour, Fairly Tales is an improvised story-telling show that is loved by audiences and critics alike. Four storytellers, a suitcase full of odds and ends and a few words from the audience combine to create stories never told before or since. Funny stories, moving stories and excitingly unique stories mix in an afternoon guaranteed to entertain and entrance listeners both young and old.

Children £3.00 Adults £5.00
Two adults + 2 children £15.00 **2.30pm**

Proceeds shared with The Headgate Theatre

NOVEMBER **19TH-20TH**

A Word In Your Face

Untapped Writers

Some recent thoughts from this highly entertaining group. Poetry, sketches and stories, interspersed with interludes of jazz.

Tickets £6.00 Con. £5.00 **8.00pm**

NOVEMBER **24TH-27TH**

The Dancing Years

by Ivor Novello (by arrangement with Samuel French Ltd)

Platform Musicals

'Platform' celebrates its tenth anniversary with a rare opportunity to see Ivor Novello's most acclaimed and popular romantic musical. The beautiful score contains such evergreen songs as My Dearest Dear and Waltz of My Heart, and tells the story of a young composer's rise to fame and his love for two women, over several decades. Book early!

Tickets £8.00 Con. £7.00 **8.00pm (Sat. Mat. 3.00pm)**

NOVEMBER **28TH**

Opera Gala

Lyrebird Opera

Lyrebird Opera are a vibrant young company specialising in promoting polished singers, giving them a platform to develop their artistry. Enjoy an afternoon of arias and ensembles from everyone's best-loved operas including La Bohème, Madame Butterfly, La Traviata, Don Giovanni, The Marriage of Figaro, Così fan Tutte, The Pearl Fishers and many more.

Tickets: £8.00 Con. £6.00 **4.00pm**

DECEMBER **5TH**

All That Jazz and more!

EKC Productions present a fabulous evening of songs from Musicals and Opera. This concert is in Aid of the NSPPC

Tickets: £8.00 **7.30pm**

DECEMBER **16TH-18TH**

Dangerous Corner J B Priestley

Royal London Drama Group

This intriguing drama concerns Robert and his wife on the night that they are entertaining her brother and sister-in-law. Eager to discover the truth of his brother Martin's 'suicide', Robert unearths disturbing revelations that lead to seemingly disastrous events.

Tickets: £7.00 Con. £6.00 **8.00pm**

DECEMBER **19TH**

Christmas Celebration

Colchester Accordion Showband

Get your Christmas off to a rousing start with one of the country's leading accordion bands. The programme will include popular Christmas music and carols for the audience to join in.

Tickets £5.00 Con. £3.00 **3.00pm**

DECEMBER **30TH-31ST**

New Year's Eve Celebration

Headgate Harmonic Follies

Celebrate the end of the old year and see 2005 in with song and comedy from both Old Time Music Hall and the world of entertainment that followed. Due to overwhelming demand in previous years, leading to sell-out audiences on New Year's Eve, this evening of entertainment will also take place on Thursday 30th. There will be a prize for the best-costumed member of the audience on each evening, and on New Year's Eve itself there will be a complimentary drink to greet the New Year in style.

30th Dec Tickets £7.00 **8.00pm**

31st Dec Tickets £10.00 **9.30pm**

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JANUARY **22ND**

Loft Loot

Valuation Day

Do you have unknown treasures in your loft? Might that old ornament turn out to be valuable? Have you ever wondered if you are sitting on a fortune? Find out from auctioneers Reeman Dansie when they run a Valuation Day. Just bring your items along and get the opinions of the experts.

Fee: £2.00 for the first item and £1.00 for each subsequent item. (Maximum five items in any one consultation.)

Proceeds in aid of The Headgate Theatre **10.00am-3.00pm**

FEBRUARY **27TH**

Colchester Accordion Show Band

Pupils from the ages of 4 years to adult will be competing for titles in the East Anglian Championship and the public are invited to come and listen. There will be solos, duets, groups and bands. Success will also enable them to qualify for the National Championships in May 2005. For more information, including details of the running order, please phone the band's director, Elaine Beecham on 01206 866615.

No entry charge. **10.00am-5.00pm**

Regular Events

Colchester Film Society

Membership £25 (£20 conc). Free entry to 11 films. Guests £3.50. Casual £5
Second Wednesday of every month except August. 7.30pm (priority for members).
Enquiries to **Geoff King (01206 573742)**

Weds 13th October

Michael Curtiz - USA 1943 - 102 mins

Humphrey Bogart & Ingrid Bergman. One of the most popular films ever made - a romantic triangle set against an espionage background in an exotic setting.

CASABLANCA

Sun 7th November

The true story of mountaineers Joe Simpson and Simon Yates epic climb in Peruvian Andes.

TOUCHING THE VOID

Weds 10th November

Philip Noyce - USA 2001 - 105 mins

Starring Michael Caine, this is an impressive and remarkably faithful adaptation of Graham Greene's acclaimed novel. The film is memorable for its beautifully-written script and luminous photography.

THE QUIET AMERICAN

Weds 8th December

Patrice Leconte - France 2002 - 90 mins - subtitles

A train pulls into a deserted station and small time crook Milan (Johnny Halliday) steps out. He goes to a chemist's in search of an aspirin and becomes involved with retired teacher Manesquier (Jean Rochefort). This film of tension and frustrated ambition has a totally unexpected ending.

L'HOMME DU TRAIN

Weds 12th January '05

Stephen Frears - UK 2002 - 107 mins

Nigerian illegal immigrant Okwe finds a human heart in a toilet and begins to suspect that the hotel where he works is the centre of an illegal organ transplant scam. Frears' disconcerting tale is from the underbelly of immigrant London.

DIRTY PRETTY THINGS

The Elegant Dancing Years is a novel wherein the main character, now named Qi Mingyue, died and is reborn in a different world as a prince. This novel has unorthodox and unconventional themes such as incest and shotacon which might be a turn off for some, but believe me, this novel is addicting and outstanding. The harem might be a bummer for some, but remember, this is a 1v1 novel with unconditional love. They don't necessarily see each other as potential love interests until a good few years. The Dancing Years is a 1950 musical British film based on the musical by Ivor Novello. A pre-First World War love affair between a young composer (Dennis Price) and a star of the musical stage (Giselle Preville) falters through a misunderstanding which causes her to leave him and marry a prince (Anthony Nicholls). Rudi Kleber - Dennis Price. Maria Zeitler - Giselle Preville. Grete - Patricia Dainton. Prince Reinaldt - Anthony Nicholls. Franzel - Grey Blake. Hatti - Muriel George. Frau Kurt - Olive Gilbert. Dancing Years. 5,465 likes · 9 talking about this. Listen to 'Learn to Kiss', the new single from our forthcoming debut EP, out on February 12th here Facebook is showing information to help you better understand the purpose of a Page. See actions taken by the people who manage and post content. Page created - April 6, 2012. People.