

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2008. As ever, we have a very busy year ahead of us and a number of new challenges and projects. Our Thursday group has designed a drama workshop (led by the performers) which they will take out to local schools. We have been commissioned by the NHS to make an exercise DVD, which we will start shooting in February. Our dance coach, Karen Heritage, has begun a new dance syllabus which will train our performers towards a formal dance qualification and on top of all that we have our usual run of shows at both Saltburn and Middlesbrough Theatre. Phew!

EARTHBEAT: AT THE MOVIES



Do you enjoy a good film? Do you ever wish you could relive your most memorable movie moments from your favourite films all in one night? Well coming soon to Saltburn Theatre for two nights only your wish will come true in the latest Earthbeat blockbuster - At The Movies!

Popcorn at the ready for our latest blockbusting show! Settle back and enjoy movie-related classics such as Rock Around The Clock, Unchained Melody, My Heart Will Go On, and many more! It may not be Saturday night, but the Earthbeat movie experience will be one you won't want to miss, a truly unique show performed by our Monday group.

Review: The Christmas Time Traveller

Christmas 2007 was one to remember, thanks in no small part to our little show, spanning 3000 years in just two hours! From pagan warlords to spacemen, this show had it all.

There were some fantastic performances from our Wednesday and Thursday groups, helped along by our special guest star, Mrs. Who. Who? Well, she looked suspiciously like our very own Jan Towers, but that may have been a cosmic coincidence...

We had Scrooge, Sugar Plum Fairies, WW1 soldiers, Santa doing the samba, two amazing short films featuring the whole cast, plus, of course, some men in ladies underwear. It wouldn't be an Earthbeat show without a few men in ladies underwear, after all!

The grand finale was White Christmas, and our sell-out crowds left the theatre feeling just that bit more jolly and Christmassy than when they came in. Which is just the way we like it.

Earthbeat Polo shirts We have recently given each of our performers a new Earthbeat T-shirt. A lot of other people have shown an interest in having one. If you'd like one, or need a spare for any of the performers, we can supply them at £9 each (which is what we pay for them). Just give us a ring and tell us your size.



Review: Halloween Hullabaloo

Congratulations to cast and audience for a truly spirited show. *Spirited!* Get it? Oh well... Anyway, Halloween magic filled Saltburn Theatre last October, with inspiring performances from dancers, singers and actors. The stage came alive with music, lights, and costumes combined to create the right spirit (sorry!) for ghosts, witches, monsters and demons to perform. Earthbeat cast a spell on the audience with acts including Ghost Dancers from the Andes, Thriller and the Spirit in the Sky. The scariest part of it was how good it was!

Earthbeat Events Coming Up

Put 'em in your diary...

March 17th, 18th:	At The Movies (Saltburn Community Theatre)
June (date tbc):	Celebration Evening (Marton Country Club)
Oct. 19th, 20th, 21st & Jan 21st	South Pacific (Middlesbrough & Darlington Theatres)

Closure Dates

We will be closed on the following dates: -

March –	21 st , 24 th
April –	7 th , 8 th
May –	5 th , 26 th , 27 th , 28 th , 29 th , 30 th

Performer Profile: Anthony Straker



When Anthony started Earthbeat he was a very shy person, but he has surprised everybody by showing a great deal of commitment, and over the three years he has been with us his confidence and self esteem have flourished.

Anthony has had many life changing events to deal with, not least the fact that he is now living in his own home. To attend Earthbeat Anthony must use public transport to travel from his home to the theatre, further demonstrating his independence and self-growth.

Anthony's last performance was for the Halloween Hullabaloo in October 2007. He gave a 100% in all he was asked to do. We're sure everyone will agree his finest performance of the evening was in his role as a zombie in "Thriller".

Next for Anthony is the show "At the Movies" at Saltburn Community Theatre in March so watch out for this tall, handsome man.

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