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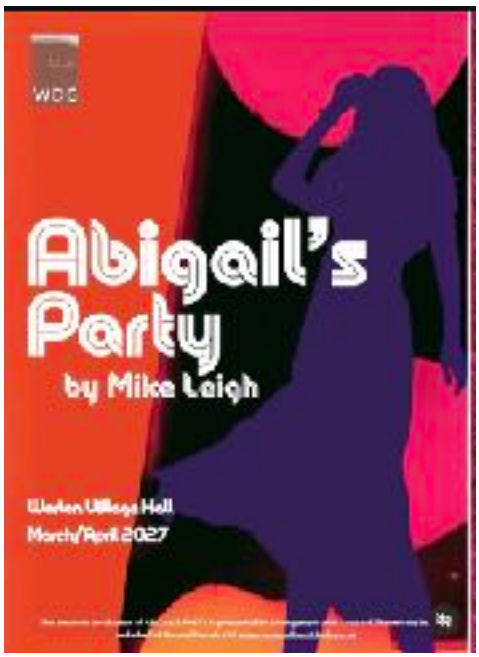
Cast Announcement for Abigail's Party

Following auditions the cast has been finalised for our next production at Warton Village Hall on **31st Mach to 3rd April 2027**.



Beverly - Jane Jefferson
Laurence - Phil Chandler
Angela - Amelia Blackwell
Tony - David Helm
Susan - Hannah Cheriford

We are excited to welcome a new actor to our group. Hannah is from Milnthorpe and is more familiar with improv, she read beautifully at the reading and we can't wait to see her play Susan. It's an exciting return for Jane, Amelia, Phil and David after appearing in Hay Fever in the Spring. Rehearsals will begin in January. Good luck guys, we can't wait to see this one. A little Gin and Tonic anyone?

First Meeting for the New Committee

Your lovely new committee met recently after being elected at the AGM. The main points discussed at our first meeting were: safeguarding, ticketing and publicity for Abigails Party. The committee meet every couple of months and anyone can attend. They are usually held at Jo's house in Hest Bank.

Chair - Jo Leeman
Vice Chair - Marion Plowright
Secretary - Neil Read
Treasures - Danny Whitaker and Phil Chandler
Publicity Officer - Emma Nixon
Committee Members - Peter Griffiths, Iain Wallace and Marian Cox

Ever thought about directing?

We would love to hear from anyone in the group who would like to direct a future production for Warton Drama Group. Is there a play you have always wanted to see performed, maybe you have a vision for a particular show or a text you would like to bring to the stage? We would love to discuss it with you.

We are starting to think of productions for 2028 and onwards, that could be staged at either Warton Village Hall or The Heron at Beetham or both! So if directing is something you have

always wanted to do, why not start with us. You will receive lots of support and encouragement, some talented actors plus a budget to get your ideas off the page and onto the stage.

Music, Mysteries and Manifestations

Marion Plowright tells us about her latest project; “I’ve written dialogues between two citizens standing on the roadside watching a pageant go by for the visit of Elizabeth I to Norwich in 1578. The choir are performing Benjamin Britten’s Gloriana, which he wrote in 1952 for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II and which commemorates the visit of Elizabeth I, who was known as Gloriana, to Norwich in 1578.” Featuring the Cumbria Festival Chamber Choir, The Heron Writers Group and our very own Joanne Leeman and David Helm. The event takes place on **Sunday 6th December** from 2.30pm at The Heron, Beetham. Tickets from their website.



Seasons Greetings from WDG

Links

Email: admin@wdg.org.uk

WDG Website: https://www.wdg.org.uk

WDG Facebook: Search Warton Drama Group. There is also a private Facebook group ‘WDG Cast & Crew’ ask to be added.

WDG Instagram: wartondrama