

Dear Theatregoer,

Congratulations to Carol Allen who won two tickets to our Summer production by entering the prize draw at our March production of **FROZEN** by Bryony Lavery.

## THE BENCH by Gerald Sibleyras

16-19 June @ Chapel Barn, South Stoke

In an English version by John Barlow and Anna Tognetti



Following the powerful and thought-provoking start to our 2010 season with **FROZEN**, we return to our summer home with a characteristically witty, new play from the writer of **HEROES** and **AN HOUR AND A HALF LATE**.

**THE BENCH**, first performed in Paris in 2008, is now receiving its British première.

Paul and Vladimir have been playing music together for twenty years – pieces for one piano, four hands. Now, confined to a chalet in the mountains to practice for a major concert, they're beginning to find their lives increasingly cramped.

With music, both piano and, remarkably, cello, **THE BENCH**, surprising and sometimes surreal, is a comedy for a summer night.

Directed by Paul Ward, with Drip Action co-founders Bill Brennan and Chris Warren-Adamson sharing the piano stool ...

**THE BENCH** will be performed at the Chapel Barn, South Stoke 16 -19 June at 8 pm with the ticket price to include a selection of fine finger food provided by our production sponsors **Pallant of Arundel**, served from 7.30 pm.

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Alternatively contact the friendly Pallant team and have them prepare your own picnic hamper by calling 01903 882288, by e-mailing [info@pallantofarundel.co.uk](mailto:info@pallantofarundel.co.uk) or by calling into the store in the High Street. Visit their website at [www.pallantofarundel.co.uk](http://www.pallantofarundel.co.uk).

Tickets are £9.00 (£5.00 students), available from the Arundel Information Centre, Crown Yard, Arundel or by telephoning 01903 882268.

## STATION#RY by Simon Birks

6-10 July @ The Victoria Institute, Arundel



**THOROUGHLY PROFESSIONAL PRODUCTIONS** in association with Drip Action is pleased to bring you the first full length play by Simon Birks who has written and performed in some of Drip Action's most recent productions.

*'...sublime daffy logic and good one-liners... it will make a very entertaining evening ...' Simon Brett,*

### STATION#RY

Directed by: **Lin Jones** Performed by: **Marielle Cottee** and **Simon Birks**

Venue & Time: The Victoria Institute at 8pm (Doors 7.30pm)

Tickets: £9, £8 (Victoria Institute members) and £5 (students)  
Available from Arundel Information Centre, Crown Yard, Arundel  
...or by telephoning 01903 882268



## Arundel Town Festival - THEATRE TRAIL

21-28 August @ 8 venues across town

**8 plays in 8 venues across the town every day for 8 days**

The 7 successful plays to be performed alongside a newly commissioned work from Simon Brett were announced at our Theatre Trail Launch in May and will be published on our website soon.

Season tickets for all 8 plays will be available from the Town Festival Box Office or individual tickets may be purchased on the door.

## Arundel Town Festival - BLACKBIRD

23-28 August @ The Victoria Institute, Arundel

### Drip Action's Evening Production for the Arundel Town Festival

**BLACKBIRD** by David Harrower Directed by: **Dawn Smithers**

Performed by: **Marielle Cottee** and **Stuart Smithers**

Venue & Time: The Victoria Institute at 8pm (Doors 7.30pm)

Tickets: £9, £8 (Victoria Institute members) and £5 (students)  
Available in advance from Arundel Information Centre, Crown  
Yard, Arundel, by telephoning 01903 882268, or on the door.

Please note **BLACKBIRD** does not form part of the Theatre Trail Season ticket offer.

## AUTUMN PRODUCTION

19-23 October @ The Victoria Institute, Arundel

Our Autumn production will be sponsored by **India Gate** and ticket prices will include a selection of fine Indian food. Why not reserve a table for your pre or post theatre supper?



## CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

7-11 December @ The Victoria Institute, Arundel

Our Christmas production will be sponsored by **Pallant of Arundel** and ticket prices will include a selection of fine finger food. Don't forget to drop in store for all your essential scrumptious Christmas treats.



## DRIP ACTION PATRONS - 2010

We invite those who support Drip Action's aims and objectives to become Patrons for 2010. Patrons receive two-for-one tickets for opening nights and invitations to special events.

Subscriptions, £20 (or more if the mood takes you!), should be sent to Drip Action Theatre Company, 1 Norfolk House, 28 High Street, Arundel, BN18 9AB

## BE PART OF THE (DRIP) ACTION

Drip Action is a registered charity and is run solely by volunteers. If you would like to help in any capacity, please leave your details with one of our volunteers on your next visit, contact us at [dripactioninfo@btinternet.com](mailto:dripactioninfo@btinternet.com) or by telephoning 01903 885250.

If you would like to become a sponsor please contact June Barker on 01903 883886 or 07831 650375 or via e-mail [junebarker1708@googlemail.com](mailto:junebarker1708@googlemail.com)

*Drip Action reserves the right to sell unclaimed tickets 15 minutes before the start of a performance – entry may be refused once a performance is in progress.*

Don't forget to keep up to date by visiting our website: [www.dripaction.co.uk](http://www.dripaction.co.uk)

Drip Action is sponsored by South Coast GIS, Neil Holland Architects, Pallant of Arundel, India Gate and Arundel House.

All programme information is subject to change; Any changes will be advertised as soon as possible

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU**



Web: [www.thevictoriainstitute.org](http://www.thevictoriainstitute.org)  
Email: [team@thevictoriainstitute.org](mailto:team@thevictoriainstitute.org)

Not only is **The Victoria Institute** home to Drip Action Theatre, it also plays host to a number of clubs, events and classes: kids art, Arundel Youth Theatre, Arundel Jazz Club, adult dance classes, live music by local musicians, a resident artist, table-tennis, darts, snooker, pool ... there really is something for the whole family!

This fantastic community asset is run by members and volunteers. Membership is just £10pa and is open to all. Visit the website to find out more about the events and activities, or contact The Victoria Institute team by e-mail.



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