



Hamilton Playbox

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Hamilton Playbox Rep Soc Inc are pleased to be hosting the third 24 Hour Play Challenge at Riverlea Theatre on 24 and 25 July 2020.

The contestants enrolled, and on Friday they were given ten lines of text and two props and had Friday night and today to make an original short play. The plays will be adjudicated by Steven Arnold and during the day the participants would have had the advice of well-known Tauranga Playwright Devon Williamson.



Steven is a theatre loving teacher, who lives in Auckland. His theatre qualifications include: Accredited Adjudicator; ANZDA; NZTF Council Member; BA in drama from University of Canterbury; LTCL – Teaching Speech and Drama; LSB – Performance in Speech and Drama; ASB – Public Speaking; Grade 8 – Choral Speaking. Steven has worked as a director, actor, and backstage with the technical crew.

He adores the moment just before his first cue; the lights, the music, the tension!

It is wonderful to have a hobby that attracts so many creative people. Curtains up everybody, its storytime! It is so much fun.



Devon is a playwright, director and theatre tutor based in Tauranga with Detour Theatre. He has written 15 full-length comedies and has had over a hundred theatres produce his plays. Each year Devon's plays are staged in New Zealand, Australia, USA, Canada and the UK. His recent works include Mad Sisters, Murder on the Menu, The Jailhouse Rocks and The Wedding of the Century. Devon has a passion for community theatre. He is represented in New Zealand by The Play Bureau.

At the end of each play, an on-stage adjudication will be given.

Following the final presentation and supper all entrants are invited into the auditorium for the presentations..

Special thanks to the Hamilton Playbox committee and all the people who have put so much effort and time into making this a successful event.