



NODA SE – Newsletter – Christmas 2023

Greetings from the Regional Councillor



Having had to apologise this time last year for my absences I regret to say the last few months not been easy. I must express my thanks to all those who sent condolences on the sad loss of my husband Roger in August. Your thoughts were a great comfort.

2023 has seen some wonderful productions with societies expanding their knowledge and skills to create first class productions. Well done everyone.

My committee and I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a very successful New Year.

Kay Rowan SE Regional Councillor

New Members

We welcome to the SE Region the following new and rejoining societies and hope they enjoy all the benefits of belonging to an organisation that has the vision to inspire amateur theatre.

District	Societies
1	Ditchling Players
1	Hadlow Down Drama & Variety Club
2	Willingdon Church Players
5	GEMS (Gravesend Entertainment & Musical Society)
7	Southern Counties Drama Festival
7	Halstead Players
10	Hayling Island Amateur Dramatic Society
17	Soberton Players

SOCIETIES – Update contact details

Please, do keep us informed if you change your officers, particularly the NODA contact if it is anyone other than the Treasurer. We would like to make sure that any news or information gets sent to the right person. Owing to GDPR rules, we are not able to change the data ourselves without being directly informed by your society. There is now a factsheet “Updating Your Details” which I have put at the end of this newsletter. If you have problems or concerns, please do let your rep or you Councillor know.



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NODA SE CELEBRATION OF 2023



2nd June 2024 at The Electric Theatre, Guildford

10.00 – 18.00

BOOK THE DATE INTO YOUR DIARY

We are very pleased that the National President Christine Hunter Hughes will be joining us for the day to celebrate all the achievements and awards for 2023.

WORKSHOP - Last year we held a workshop to integrate music and drama involving a scene from 'A School of Rock'. **Ideas welcome for workshop(s) in 2024.**

EXHIBITORS - Throughout the day, several traders plied their wares and hopefully picked up some business for the future. We hope they will return in 2024.

PERFORMANCES - Five societies delighted us with their performances last year and we are looking for a similar number to enhance the proceedings in 2024. I have one society booked already! From drama to opera, from dance to monologue the possibilities are endless.....

Would your society like to show everyone how talented you are and offer a 10-15 minute slot for the audience to enjoy?

Following a very short AGM there will be the presentation of awards and accolades

AWARDS – presentation of Accolades of Excellence for each district, announcement of both Regional Awards and Poster & Programme Competition Winners

The event is open to all societies and individual members. More information about the day soon.

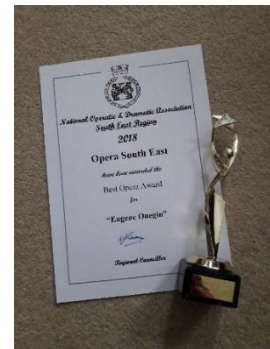


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ACCOLADES & AWARDS FOR 2023

Regional Awards – details to be sent separately. Providing you have invited your rep or councillor to your show it will be considered for an accolade or award.

Could your society be a winner?



PROGRAMME & POSTER COMPETITION FOR 2023



Judging will take place at the beginning of February for all those submitted for 2023. The finalists will be published in the Spring and the winners announced on Celebration Day. All the finalists will get a certificate. More details in separate bulletin.

Badges, Medals & Certificates <https://www.noda.org.uk/awards>



- Keep the orders coming in, the new online system makes it so much easier for everyone.
- It always gives me great pleasure to attend shows and present awards to long serving members.
- Do please consider recognising the services of your members and don't forget the Commendation award

Support from NODA

Do please let me know if there is any way that NODA could assist you with in your endeavours. Facebook SE facilities, advertising, training, information, sources for props etc, personnel lists (MDs, Directors, technical).



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JOIN THE CLASS OF 2024

When: Saturday 3rd August – Saturday 10th August

Where: Yarnfield Park, Stone, Staffordshire

Cost: £720 to include all teaching, evening activities plus bed and full board (alcohol not included!)

Bursaries: These are available to those who apply and fit the criteria

Courses: See end of newsletter for more details

BOOKINGS OPENED on 1st December – there are still spaces specially for YOU

<https://www.noda.org.uk/events/noda-theatre-summer-school-2024/summerschool>
for details of how to book



NODA TODAY – Please note our Regional Editor Chris Horton is ready and waiting to receive your contribution for your magazine. Please send your fascinating articles and lively pictures to chris.horton@noda.org.uk. Articles and photos should be separate with the photos in JPEG form or similar. Preferably the word count should be in the region of 250-300 words.

Articles & ideas to our editor please

FINALLY

Gentle Reminders

Presentation Day – do come and strut your stuff

Society Contacts – are your contacts correct on the NODA database – can we contact you easily?

Do you know who your Regional Rep is?

Does your Programme and Poster person know what should be included?

Will you be booking a place at Summer School?

Need answers? Contact me your Regional Councillor kay.rowan@noda.org.uk

Please share our news and good wishes for the festive season with all your members. There will be some exciting news coming in the New Year so watch this space!



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For Committee Members

Updating Your Details

Have you been recently appointed to your group's committee?

NODA allows member web access to the following roles

- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Webmaster - this role can be used for Safeguarding, Health and Safety, Marketing - but only 1 person.

Step 1

If you do not have a personal web account set up - click register in the top right hand corner of the website and complete the form.

Once you have completed the form, you will receive an email with a link in it - click that link. That releases you into our system.

Step 2

Email info@noda.org.uk and tell us your name, group, and the role you are wanting to add. If there is someone already in that role on your account, that person will be removed and will no longer have access.

Step 3

You will receive an email back once we have linked you to the account - this can take 24 to 48 hours. Once you have received the email response, you will be able to log into your members account.

This is done by clicking login in the top right corner and then entering your email and password you have set up. Once logged in, hover over My Account and click My Societies. Follow the onscreen instructions and you will then have access to your members account.

If you use the Forget Password feature and do not receive an email, firstly check your Spam, but it generally means you do not have an active web account set up.

If you have any issues with this process, please email info@noda.org.uk