

## **Royal Manor Theatre Company**

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## --PRESS RELEASE--

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## Old Actors Never Die (they simply lose the plot!)

From the people who brought you 'A Vicar of Dibley Christmas', comes the Royal Manor Theatre's latest hilarious comedy entitled: 'Old Actors Never Die; They Simply Lose the Plot!'; A play by Lyn Brittney will be performed from Monday 13th to Saturday 18th November. Directed by Becky Chance & Lis Green. The play is set in the Mount Home for Retired Actors, a home for the elderly like no other. Three women who are ex-wives to the same womanising actor, Edmund Sullivan, reside here, and welcome the arrival of Walter Neville, a small part veteran of hundreds of films, and an old friend. All is well until Edmund Sullivan arrives on the run from Russian gangsters. The ladies decide that their ex-husband needs to be saved, which runs into a truly daft journey of farce and great comedy. Tickets available at: www.royalmanortheatre.co.uk, or by calling: 0333 666 3366. Also available from our friends at Cards & Celebrations - right now. DON'T MISS THIS SHOW!

The JSLN Ballet return for their superb Christmas show of 'Odile' on 16th December, which is a fresh look at Swan Lake and suitable for the whole family. The ballet event also features a back-stage experience, before the twilight show, enabling parents to bring their children to see the event without having to take them back home too late. Visit the theatre's website for tickets and back-stage tour details.

On the 14th December, come and see the Artsreach event called 'Chritstmas TIME' by the Near Ta Theatre Company. Charlie and Toby are feeling low, and why wouldn't they? It's Christmas Day and they're serving time at Her Majesty's pleasure. But why shouldn't they be having a Merry Christmas in spite of their incarceration? What's stopping them from creating Christmas around them? Absolutely nothing! And so they set off on their festival of carols, Claus, Christ and custody! Join them on a fantastical adventure through Dickens, pantomime, musical, Christmas dinner and Christmas films! See as they build a wonderfully Merry Christmas around them with songs, snowmen and lots of laughs in this truly festive show that puts the 'cell' firmly back in 'celebration'!

Even further ahead we have another Artsreach show called 'Team Viking' on 12th January, followed by our ever-popular family pantomime, this time called 'Peter Pan'. All that and much more to follow and plenty more in between! Plus, we'll soon be opening up a weekend movie club for young people. As well as family screening events enabling people of all ages to enjoy the latest and greatest movies, but at a fraction of the price! Another great reason to support Portland's Royal Manor Theatre.

As always, tickets are available for all events by calling: 0333 666 3366. Or by visiting: www.royalmanortheatre.co.uk.

Can you help? Are you good with carpentry? Do you know someone who is? Can you, or they, lend us a hand on a Wednesday afternoon from 1pm - 4pm? If so, please ask them to pop-in and see us. We'd be delighted to welcome them, as we urgently require assistance with a whole range of tasks, from repairing furniture to general building maintenance. The work is on-going and the list of jobs required is ever-increasing!

So, as you can see - there's a part for you in theatre! See you soon.