

## Past Productions

1972	The Bells of Bruges	
1973	The Wizard of Oz	
1974	Listen to the Wind	
1975	A Christmas Carol	I'll Get My Man
1976	Topsy Turvey Castle	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
		The Big Band Show
1977	The Love Birds	The Wizard of Oz
1978	Animal Capers	Captain and his Floating Zoo
1979	West Side Story	Listen to the Wind
1980	The Best of Protea	Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs
1981	Peter Pan	Babes in Arms
1982	Alice in Wonderland	
	Carols Come to Life	
1883	Protea Playtime '83	A Christmas Carol
1984	Half a Sixpence	The Wizard of Oz
1985	Seven Brides for Seven Brothers	Mini Pops
1986	CanCan	Tales of Beatrix Potter
1987	Bugsy Malone	Prism
1988	The Adventures of Tom Sawyer	Finians Rainbow
1989	The Jungle Book	Bye Bye Blue Jeans
1990	Brigadoon	Pinocchio
1991	Dracula Spectacula	Mary Poppins
1992	Rockafella	Water Babies
1993	Annie Get Your Gun	Peter Pan
1994	A Funny Thing Happened On the way to the Forum	Three and a Half Musketeers
1995	West Side Story	
1996	Joseph and the Amazing Tehnicolor Dreamcoat	
1997	Leader of the Pack	Robin Hood
1998	Pinocchio	Sweeney Todd
1999	Cindy Ella	
2000	Mary Poppins	
2001	Godspell	
2002	West Side Story	The Magic Faraway Tree
		Be Our Guest
		Comedy Tonight

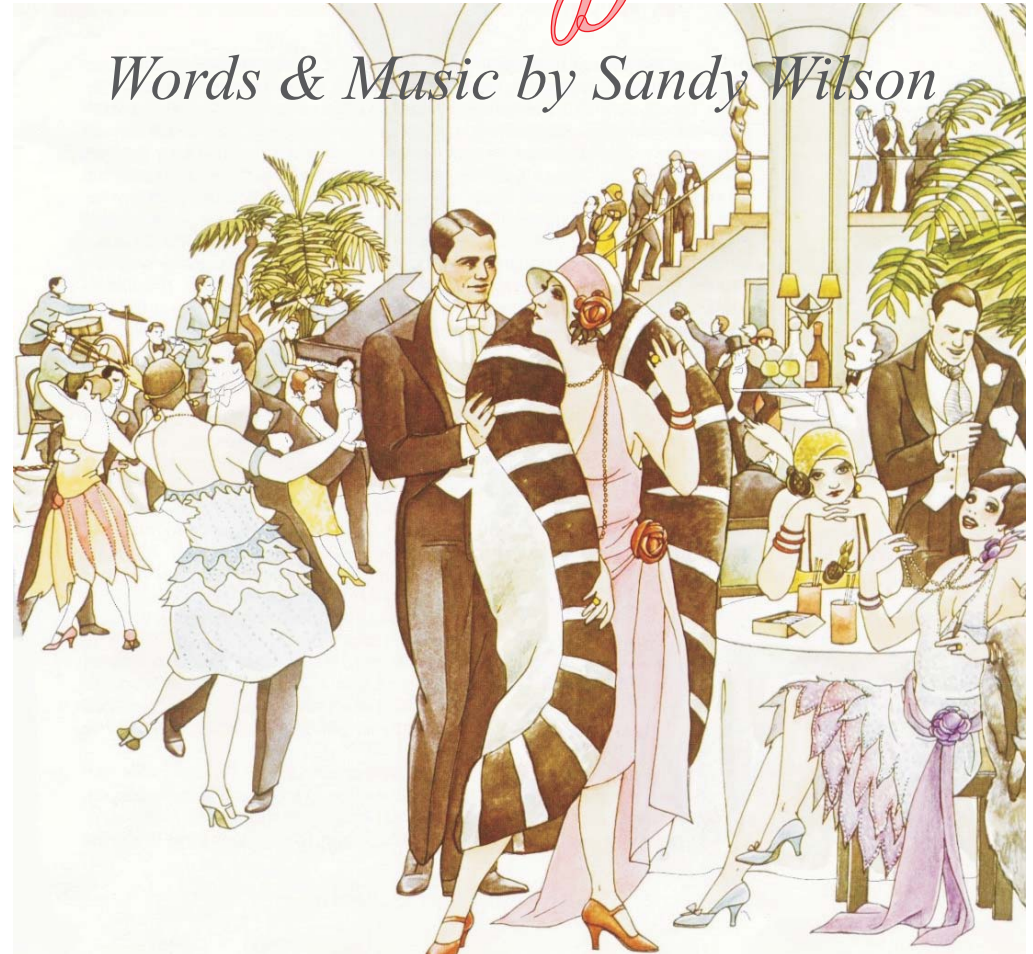
## Protea Stage Productions

Presents



# The Boyfriend

Words & Music by Sandy Wilson



Benoni Small Town Hall - June, 2003

By Arrangement with Dalro

# Message from the Chairman

A year has passed since our last “senior” production “West Side Story” was presented to the East Rand audiences and we are especially pleased to present, to you, our current production, “The Boyfriend”.

In keeping with our aim to introduce the “youth” of the East Rand to the theatre, we are pleased that Claire Wilson has consented to direct for us again and that we have drawn a cast from as far a field as Dunnotar, Springs, Benoni, Boksburg and Edenvale. Truly the youth of the East Rand have responded.

We have also been active in “Community Theatre” this year having recently co-hosted, in Benoni, with our sister society, Startime Players, the East Rand regional one-act play festival.

Both our “A Man of Letters” and Startime Players “Men are from Bars and Women are from Vegas” made it to the finals in the Windybrow Theatre in Johannesburg on Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19 June respectively. The top three of the twelve finalists will perform again on the gala evening on Saturday 21 June.

‘Nuff waffle from me! Let’s get on with what we came here for - an enjoyable evening at the theatre!

*Bob Stone*

# Message from the Director

Well, show time is here again and once again it has ‘nt been without lots of firsts.

We have attracted some new faces, some of us are first time “tappers” and we even have some new backstage and lighting hands. Once again it has been an awesome experience (not without its ups and downs and sometimes major traffic jams).

I would like to thank everyone who has been involved, from cast to crew and all the moms and dads for the fetching and carrying. I would especially like to thank Bob and the committee for supporting me through all the changes, also Aunty Ally for providing a sleeve to wipe all the tears away. Without the support we would never have pulled it off.

Now, sit back, relax and watch the \*stars\* shine.

*Claire*



Claire & Gerry

# Credits

<b>Set Design</b>	<i>Bob Stone, Gerry Lane</i>
<b>Set Construction</b>	<i>Bob Stone, Gerry Lane, Barry Neuwerth, Des Price</i>
<b>Backdrop</b>	<i>Des Price</i>
<b>Painting</b>	<i>Des Price, Bob Stone</i>
<b>Costumes</b>	<i>Alisoun Passmoor</i>
<b>Front of House</b>	<i>Carolyn Havenga, Alisoun &amp; Keith Passmoor, Jane Stone</i>
<b>Lighting Design</b>	<i>Graham Beneke, Barry Neuwerth</i>
<b>Lighting Equipment</b>	<i>Ken McDonald, Startime Players</i>
<b>Sound Equipment</b>	<i>Robin Clare-Talbot</i>
<b>Rehearsal Venue</b>	<i>Arbor Primary School</i>
<b>Public Relations</b>	<i>Lea-Anne Neuwerth</i>
<b>Tickets, Posters</b>	<i>Barry Neuwerth</i>
<b>Ticket Sales</b>	<i>Alisoun Passmoor</i>
<b>Programme</b>	<i>Barry Neuwerth</i>
<b>Show Secretary</b>	<i>Jane Stone</i>
<b>Gala Evening</b>	<i>Foodlicious by Liz &amp; Lea-Anne Neuwerth</i>
<b>Stage Manager</b>	<i>Bob Stone</i>
<b>Makeup</b>	<i>Cast</i>
<b>Lighting Operator</b>	<i>Barry Neuwerth</i>
<b>Lighting Assistant</b>	<i>Loren Nel</i>
<b>Spotlight Operator</b>	<i>Dalia da Mata</i>
<b>Sound Operator</b>	<i>Graham Beneke, Robin Clare-Talbot</i>
<b>Prompt</b>	<i>Claire Wilson, Brett Newby</i>
<b>Cast Teas</b>	<i>Carolyn Havenga</i>
<b>Audience Teas</b>	<i>Louis Price</i>
<b>Beverages</b>	<i>Liz Neuwerth, Barry Neuwerth</i>
<b>Sweets</b>	<i>Alisoun Passmoor</i>



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Polly & Madam Dubonnet



Lord & Lady Brockhurst



Tony & Polly



At the Riviera



At the Riviera



# The Boyfriend

Directed by Claire Wilson

Musical Direction by Gerry van Zyl

Choreography by Claire Wilson



## CAST

Polly Browne	Lauren Havenga
Tony Brockhurst	Edan Topolansky
Hortense	Nicole Brews
Madame Dubonnet	Bridget van Zyl
Percival Browne	Robert Beech
Lord Brockhurst	Jed Kemery
Lady Brockhurst	Verna Young

Maisie	Jeanne Vanderwagen
Bobby	Philip Lewis

Dulcie	Suanne Wilson
Alphonse	Shaun Moodley

Fay	Jody Miles
Marcel	David Selkirk

Nancy	Suzette Britz
Pierre	Donovan Arentsen

Libby	Charmaine Barber
Tiffany	Toni Erasmus
Anastacia	Kerensa Weddell
Kathryn	Tarryn Corrie
Liesel	Joanne Schimper



## Orchestra

Piano - Gerry van Zyl

Violin - Wilma Venter

Violin - Esmé van Niekerk

Violin - Corrin Vermaas

Clarinet - Desmond Schiel

Drums - Paul Kindon

## Synopsis

### Act I

*The Drawing Room of the Villa Caprise, Madame Dubonnet's Finishing School for girls, near Nice. A morning in the year 1926.*

Polly, a poor little rich girl, receives a surprise visit from her father, Percival Browne, the millionaire. Polly falls in love with a delivery boy, Tony.

### 10 minute Interval

### Act II

*A beach in the Riviera.*

The girls from the Finishing School meet their "Boyfriends" at the beach. Lord and Lady Brockhurst visit the beach and Tony runs off. Polly is devastated!

### 20 Minute Interval

### Act III

*The Terrasse of the Café Pataplon adjoining the beach. A masked ball is in progress.*

The boyfriends propose, Tony is unmasked and at midnight all is revealed and there are many wedding bells in the air.

## CAST

Isabella	Shelly Gershuni
Marilyn	Shelley Waller
Genevieve	Cherene Knop
Alice	Lynsay Stone
Vicky	Jacqui Cross
Natasha	Kirsten Passmoor
Magda	Lea-Anne Neuwerth
Timielle	Candice Wheeler
Adelè	Lynette Beneke
Vannessa	Robyn Begemann
Irene	Clair Preston
Andie	Caroline Landey

Gaston	Colin Groenewald
Theo	Karabo Kganyago
William	Craig Groenewald
Charles	Peter van der Westhuizen
Brent	Wesley Havenga
Aaron	Matthew Holland

## Tango Dancers

Lolita	Tineke van der Merwe
Pepe	John Schimper
Tina	Charlene Barber
Sanchez	Ross Saunders

