

Drew Waveryn - Stage Manager

Although Drew has over 40 years of theatre experience, this is his first time stage managing. And what a play for his first time... amazing and talented cast, awesome director and incredible script. Taking part in the Theatre BC North Island Zone Drama Festival will also be a new experience for Drew and will hopefully lead to taking the production to Theatre BC Mainstage Festival in July.

Drew is relatively new to Portal Players, having appeared in *Calendar Girls* and *Maggie's Getting Married*.

Prior to moving back to Port Alberni in 2020, Drew lived in Victoria where he was very active in community theatre, becoming a life member of **Langham Court Theatre**.



Diena Tyne - Lighting Design

Diena Tyne is our award winning, Best Lighting Designer at NIZ 2025 and 2025 Mainstage! We are grateful to all of the hours and support she gives our theatre as a board member, a volunteer and has done lighting for almost every show Portal Players has ever done that she was not acting in! Diena would like to thank her husband Pat for his love and unwavering support in her love of the performance arts. She hopes you all enjoy, and as always help to spread the word and make this show a success.



Ojas Cats - Sound

I'm Ojas and I have come to be the sound person for this production. I have always enjoyed playing and mixing music so learning the art of sound with the theatre has been magical. I am thankful to have worked on previous productions here in Port Alberni doing various roles and was part of the team that went to Theatre BC's Mainstage last year. Being fairly new to the theatre am so enjoying all the creative spirits. That being said I am thankful to be under the guidance of such a great director and producer for this production. Hope you find the show just as compelling as I.



Jane Victoria King - Set & Scenic Design, & Painting

Jane found her tribe when she joined Portal Players as Set Designer on last year's production of *Calendar Girls*. She loved acting in High School, but didn't start until she was in Grade 12. After graduaton she fell in love with journalism and worked in News. These days her day job bounces between Location Scouting for Film & TV and working in the Set Decoration Department, with dreams of someday becoming a Production Designer. Art, design and working

with multiple colours are her jam. When not buying more paint at Benjamin Moore you will find Jane in the forest hugging a tree.



Pat Ribbins - Costumes & Props

Pat Ribbins has enjoyed doing the costumes for *Maggie's Getting Married* and *Blackbird*. She has also taken on props for this show as well. She is a valued member of our group contributing by volunteering in Front of House duties, Costumes and Props. Pat has been an integral part of our *Blackbird* team. We appreciate the dedication, creativity and energy she has brought to this *Blackbird* production! Pat thinks everyone could benefit from joining and volunteering with the theatre!

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