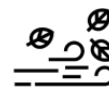




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Congratulations “Deathtrap”!



Our production of *Deathtrap* has officially wrapped—and what a phenomenal journey it’s been. From its suspenseful opening lines to the final shocking twist, this show kept audiences on the edge of their seats, and we couldn’t have done it without **you**.

To our incredible cast and crew: your hard work, talent, and dedication brought this thrilling story to life in a way that exceeded all expectations. The intricately designed set and expertly choreographed fight scenes were

nothing short of breathtaking. Every moment was crafted with precision and passion, and it showed in every gasp, laugh, and round of applause from the audience.

To our tireless volunteers: your behind-the-scenes efforts were the heartbeat of this production. From ushering and ticketing to concessions and cleanup, you helped create a seamless and welcoming experience for all.

To our amazing audiences: thank you for showing up, night after night, with enthusiasm and support. Your reactions were electric, and your presence made every performance feel like opening night.

As the writer of this newsletter, I must admit—I was *completely* surprised by all of the twists and turns. Just when I thought I had it figured out... another plot twist hit! *Deathtrap* truly lived up to its name. This production was a major undertaking, but it was also a resounding success, thanks to this remarkable community. We’re proud, we’re grateful, and we can’t wait to do it all again in the fall!

WTP Trivia: “Arsenic and Old Lace” takes place in Brooklyn during what decade?

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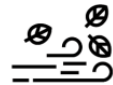
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Artstrek Funding!



Theatre Alberta's Artstrek is a summer theatre school for teens that provides professional learning with theatre artists and educators in a collaborative environment and this year it will be returning to Red Deer Polytechnic to celebrate its 65th anniversary. Artstrek has more than 10,000 alumni working across Alberta, Canada, and the world - including myself. Artstrek students explore the creative process through five daily classes that include the study of acting, movement, voice, devising, design, directing, and dramaturgy. This year they have been fortunate enough to receive a unique educational license to use the amazing Canadian Broadway musical *Come From Away* as a play of study for Artstrek 2025 (*Come From Away* is a stunning musical based on the events in the Newfoundland town of Gander during the week following the September 11 terrorist attacks in the United States, when 38 planes, carrying approximately 7,000 passengers, were ordered to land unexpectedly at Gander International Airport).

We are excited to fund this experience to two talented teens from Windmill: Nyla B. and Georgina B. who both took the time to submit thoughtful applications for this funding. We hope that you both have a wonderful experience and can't wait to hear all about it! Additionally, Windmill Theatre Players contributed to the Artstrek Community Funding which sponsors students through scholarships to attend this camp.

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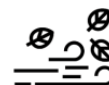
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Tentative AGM Date!



We are hoping to host our AGM on Saturday September 13 followed by a trailer cleanup - look forward to more information about this in our next newsletters. We are always looking for new members for our group and for the Executive. This is a great day to join us for breakfast to learn about what we have been up to this year and how you can be a part of the fun! This community is full of love, support, care for each other, laughter, and so much fun! Open positions of the Executive will be announced in the next newsletter and folks will be voting on nominations for those roles during the AGM.

“Chicago” Auditions!



Audition dates for Chicago the Musical are confirmed for Tuesday, August 26th and Wednesday, August 27th at the Highwood Centre. Updates and details of the audition requirements and characters to follow in future newsletters.

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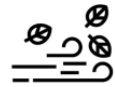
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Annual Camping Trip!

We are booked in for Windmill's Annual Camping Trip from Thursday August 21 (anytime after 4:00PM) to Sunday August 24 (check-out time is 2:00PM) and Wyndham-Carseland (Area C). This is an incredible tradition within our community and it is SO MUCH FUN!!! Folks are welcome to camp for 1, 2, or 3 evenings. If you want to visit instead, join us on Saturday August 23 for some afternoon fun, a potluck dinner (at around 5:30ish), and an evening around the campfire! If you are camping, please email Jennifer at jennifer.campbell@ffca-calgary.com and let her know which nights you are staying, what kind of unit you are camping in (tent, rv/motorhome, or camper van/truck/suv). Camping is available for \$30/unit/night and payable by cash to Jennifer during the weekend!



Upcoming Dates

August 21 - August 24, 2025 - WTP Annual Camping Trip

Saturday September 13, 2025 - TENTATIVE AGM and Trailer Organizing



Trivia Answer: 1940s!

(If the sound of arsenic, lace, Brooklyn (Chicago), and the 1940s (1920s) sound appealing to you, then you will LOVE WTP's Fall Production of "Chicago")

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