

Bualadh Bos!

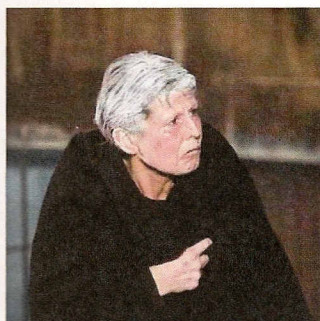
Oranmore Music & Drama Group

Another Successful Season for Bualadh Bos!

Bualadh Bos recently played for three nights to sell out audiences in Route 66 @ Keanes with their production of two one-act comedies: Lady Gregory's "*Spreading the News*" & the third act of Neil Simon's play "*Plaza Suite*". It was a perfect blend of traditional Irish and American comedy and judging by the amount of laughs both plays received every night, the plays were a great choice. The group was fortunate to have Margaret Martin directing again this year.



(Incidentally Margaret stars as Mrs Higgins in the Galway Patrician Musical society's production of *My Fair Lady* which runs in the Town Hall Theatre from Tues 26th Feb to Sat 1st March). "Break a leg" Margaret!



The group were blessed to have recruited many new talented actors this year. We also had the good fortune to have the expertise of a new recruit, Stephanie Hoban who designed two

fantastic sets and who was responsible for the amazing make up. Stephanie was ably assisted with painting of the sets by members of the Maree Foroige Youth Club, who we were delighted to welcome to the play on the opening night.



Thanks

As Chairperson of Bualadh Bos, it was a pleasure and a privilege for me to work with such a fantastic group. There are many people I want to thank who helped with this year's production and who deserve a big Bualadh Bos!

Thanks to Margaret Martin, the director and her hard working cast who did us proud with wonderful performances each night. Thanks to our many sponsors/patrons who made this production possible.

We owe much gratitude to Alan and Phil Carr of Keanes who allowed us to use their fantastic venue of Route 66 for rehearsals and for the performances. All of the staff in Keanes went out of their way to help



us, as they do each year, and we are truly grateful for all the support and generosity shown to us.

Thanks to Imelda Reynolds who was our prompter and to Damian and Terence for building the flats for the set and for helping each night to turn the sets – thank you for your time and commitment – I know it has not been easy!

A big thanks to Sheila O’Dea & Mary McHale who did amazing work with backstage, make up, costume & props.

As mentioned already, thanks to Stephanie Hoban who was responsible for an amazing set. Thanks to Lurna Dineen, Mary Hazlett, Noreen Clarke, Ronan Galvin, Ann O’Neill, Rosemary Finlay, Nessa Flaherty & Amanda McCoy who all helped in various areas. Thanks to Frank Cummins for the lights, Ray Donoghue for the sound system and to Mike Patterson for the photos.

Finally, a big thank you goes to a very hard working secretary, Mary Ferry Smyth and to Lily Considine, our Treasurer.

Would you like to join our group?

We are always looking for people to join our group and there is a place for everyone! We need help with backstage, props, sets, PR and fund raising, sound, light, music, front of house etc.... We are hoping to organise a variety show in the coming months to bring the “music” element of *Bualadh Bos* to life as well! (Further details in next edition)

The group also has a social element to it and we meet regularly and organise different activities such as trips to other plays/musicals, day at races, BBQ nights etc.... so it is an excellent way of getting to know other people in Oranmore too.

Please contact me at mairemike@yahoo.co.uk or on 087-9969680 if you are interested in finding out more about our group. We would be delighted to hear from you!

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