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**For immediate release**

## [Ladies Night](#)

By Stephen Sinclair & Anthony McCarten

Directed by Sam Snedden

Show Sponsor: The Breeze

Location: The Court Theatre, Addington, Christchurch

**Dates: 1 May – 5 June 2021**

### **Short show description:**

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## **THE COURT THEATRE HEATS UP WITH THE ARRIVAL OF COMEDY-SHOW, LADIES NIGHT**



### **IN DEPTH (338):**

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Will they have the bravery, the bods and the balls to follow through? *Ladies Night* is a raucous comedy about the power of friendship, determination and classic Kiwi ingenuity. Not to be missed!

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Written in 1987 by Anthony McCarten and Stephen Sinclair, *Ladies Night* was a global theatrical hit. It has been translated into 16 languages and remains New Zealand's most commercially successful play of all time. After eight sell-out tours of Britain, it went on to win The Molière Prize, France's premiere theatre award for comedy, in 2001. The Court Theatre last produced this play in 2004 – some 17 years ago.

The show follows five Kiwi blokes who dare each other to put on a male strip show, after falling down on their luck and needing some extra cash.

And for those worried about whether they can bring their partners, *Ladies Night* makes a perfect date-night, as well as a fantastic evening out with your friends.

"Uncontrollable laughter rang from the crowd of women – and men – as the lovable characters found their way into the hearts and the fantasies of the audience," said Maxine Jacobs in her review for Stuff.

Director Sam Snedden has brought together a cast of lookers, including Roy Snow (*Chicago*), Hayden Tee (internationally renowned for his Broadway performances in *Les Misérables*), Isaac Pawson (*Jersey Boys*), Nic Kyle (*Jesus Christ Superstar*), Shadon Meredith (*Spartacus*) and Will Hall (*Westside*). Lead by choreographer Hillary Moulder, you can expect to crack up and swoon in equal measures.

Phoebe Hurst (*Hedwig and the Angry Inch*) and Kathleen Burns (*The Pink Hammer*) round out the cast with a much-needed female perspective, providing the insight into what women want – as opposed to what Barry and Gavin think would be a good idea...

"With the world still an unpredictable place, we wanted to programme a show that provided a night out full of fun, entertainment and a little bit of sexiness!" says The Court's Artistic Director, Dan Pengelly.

"*Ladies Night* is unbelievably fun," says Pengelly. "Let your hair down, grab a rosé (or a beer, no judgement here) and enjoy the show!"

***Ladies Night runs at The Court Theatre from 1 May – 5 June 2021.***

"A hilarious adult comedy about taking risks, friendships and a good dose of Kiwi 'can-do' spirit. It's a must-see." *NZ Herald*

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## Cast

Barry	<a href="#">Roy Snow</a>
Craig	<a href="#">Nic Kyle</a>
Wes	<a href="#">Shadon Meredith</a>
Norman	<a href="#">Isaac Pawson</a>
Gavin	<a href="#">Hayden Tee</a>
Glenda	<a href="#">Kathleen Burns</a>
Grahame	<a href="#">Will Hall</a>
Bernie	<a href="#">Phoebe Hurst</a>

## Creatives

Director	<a href="#">Sam Snedden</a>
Choreographer	<a href="#">Hillary Moulder</a>
Set Designer	<a href="#">Nigel Kerr</a>
Costume Designer	<a href="#">Amy Macaskill</a>
Lighting Designer/Head Technician/Operator	<a href="#">Giles Tanner</a>
Sound Designer	<a href="#">Matt Short</a>
Stage Manager	<a href="#">Jo Bunce</a>

## Ticket Prices

Adult	\$58 - \$64
Senior	\$52 - \$58
Group (6+)	\$54
Supporter	\$50 - \$56
Community Services or KiwiAble Leisure cardholders	\$35
30 Below (aged 30 & under)	\$30

## Show Times

- Monday & Thursday 6:30pm
- Tue/Wed/Fri/Sat 7:30pm
- Matinee Performance 2pm Saturday 29 May

**Bookings:** phone 03 963 0870 or visit [www.courttheatre.org.nz](http://www.courttheatre.org.nz)

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