

Lilies on the Land

by the Lions part

12th-17th June 2023

Lilies on the Land is a collection of true stories from members of the Women's Land Army who experienced the trials and tribulations of the Second World War. If there was a forgotten army, then the WLA must be included.

Whilst the menfolk were fighting the war overseas, it was the WLA who took the place of the farmers and agricultural workers to 'feed the nation' and sustain the war effort. The WLA had a huge influence on the outcome of the war, and went about their tasks with pride. They literally 'made their home field their battlefield' and not everyone survived to tell their stories.

Lilies on the Land is a play which commemorates the memory of these brave ladies in more ways than one. Their contribution should never be forgotten, which is what we have tried to portray in the production of this wonderful play.

The cast includes a few MLT regulars as well as some new faces, who have adapted their talents to become storytellers of a wonderful part of our history and heritage to which we should all be thankful for. The whole team have worked incredibly hard to ensure that the respect we have for these women is communicated in a way that we can all remember and honour them.

The play includes a number of nostalgic songs, to which the audience is welcome to join in and sing along, as well as some funny, and some sad, stories, to help us understand exactly the problems they faced, both mentally and physically.

As the director of this production, I feel privileged to have worked with a team of wonderful people who are so committed to telling this exceptional story to you.

John Winson, Director

Cast

Poppy	Kate Brookes
Peggy	Susannah Kerr
Vera	Jules Doe
Margie	Pat Wilson
The WLA Girls	Christina (CiCi) Holmes Cherie Jones
Person of many parts	Lisa Gibbons

Crew

Director	John Winson
Sound & Light Assistant Director	Dave Wilson
Stage Manager	Ian McWilliams
Set Design	Dawn Jones Jim Muir
Costume	Elaine Thomas
Prompt	Margaret Winson

Coming Up

DUNCAN RAND
ONE-ACT PLAY FESTIVAL
JULY 2023

Medway Little Theatre's annual one-act play festival, promoting interaction with fellow enthusiasts from all over Kent and further afield. 2015 marked the 40th anniversary of the festival, which has brought together groups both new and familiar in the spirit of the friendly competition.

How to join

Medway Little Theatre always welcomes new members. Come along to one of our social evenings on Tuesdays at 8pm when shows are not on, get acquainted, and pick up a membership form. Check our website for more details, or email membership@mlt.org.uk.

What do you want to see?

Our Production Committee would be very interested in your suggestions for our coming seasons, especially if you would be interested in directing or producing. Please send your ideas to info@mlt.org.uk.



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