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Critical Stages is coming to Glen Innes on Friday 10th February with a Community Presenter Forum and FREE master class in Acting with Wendy Strehlow.

Theatre lovers who want to see more shows come to their town are invited to a free community forum on **Friday February 10th, 2-4pm** at the Chapel Theatre in Glen Innes.

Hosted by Critical Stages NSW, Arts North West and Glen Innes Arts Council, this is an opportunity for people from across the region to discuss independent theatre touring in regional NSW.

As a bonus, Critical Stages NSW are also offering a free acting master class with well-known Australian stage actress Wendy Strehlow, held on the morning of the forum.

We would like to start an open discussion about the theatre culture in your local area, how we can build your audiences and what you would like to see come to your communities

Critical Stages NSW is funded by Arts NSW to produce, develop and manage tours of high quality independent theatre productions. They are particularly keen to offer more touring shows to towns in the New England Region.

This forum is for ***absolutely anyone*** interested in theatre. We're hoping people come along from communities of all sizes, from towns with and without traditional theatre venues. It's for people from theatre groups and arts councils but also service clubs, progress and business associations, commercial venues or people just with a personal interest in seeing more great theatre and stage performances happen locally

This is also a chance for Regional Arts Boards to hear what some of the issues might be across the region around touring theatre and what kinds of extra support might be needed.

The bonus acting master class is open to anyone aged 16 and up. Wendy Strehlow will work with performers to develop skills in bringing characters from the page to the stage, responding and analysing scripts and looking at how to convey a character's story. People can attend the class or the forum or both. The forum and the master class are both FREE.

Community Theatre Presenter Forum

When: Friday February 10, 2012

Time: 2-4pm

Where: The Chapel Theatre, Church Street GLEN INNES

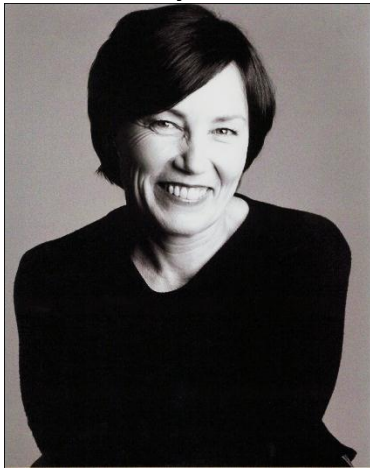


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Free Acting Master Class with Wendy Strehlow

When: Friday February 10, 2012
Time: 10am-1pm (before the forum)
Where: The Chapel Theatre, Church Street GLEN INNES
Bookings: Free workshop. **Bookings essential as places are limited.**
Michael Sieders at Critical Stages NSW on 9331 3107 or email
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About Wendy



Wendy is a graduate of the NIDA Acting and Movement Studies courses. She has worked extensively in theatre, radio, film and TV. Her theatre credits include Pygmalion, Dags, Steaming, The Three-Penny Opera, Sixteen Words for Water, Broken Glass, and the NIDA Directors Projects. Her extensive television credits include All Saints, McLeods Daughters, For the Term of his Natural Life, The Dismissal, A Country Practice, Dirt Water Dynasty, Family and Friends, GP, Ship to Shore, Bush Patrol, Blue Heelers, Halifax and Crash Zone. Her film credits include Hoodwink and Act of Necessity and Dalkeith. Wendy received a Logie Award for Best Supporting Actress in a series for A Country Practice.

Critical Stages is proud to be presenting this workshop and forums in conjunction with:

