



Play Reading Group 2016

Program Guide Description	Have you always enjoyed drama and going to the theatre? Perhaps you have had previous experience in a theatre environment, or always wanted to. During monthly sessions the group will share news of theatre experiences and read chosen plays in a relaxed classroom setting. You won't have to learn lines!
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Course description- brief statement of course goal, proposed content, class style.	This course aims to provide a regular and accessible play reading activity for members interested in theatre and drama. Content for the group will largely be plays chosen and hired as part of the group's membership of the Victorian Drama League. The class will share news of theatre – past and present – and will read chosen plays in a relaxed classroom setting. Longer plays may extend into the lunch period.
Prior knowledge	None required – however this group might appeal to members who have had some experience with amateur, and even professional, dramatic productions (or always longed to do so).
Timetabling	First Wednesday of the month – 10 am to 12 midday. Five sessions in Semester I 2016 with a view to extending into Semester II.
Gold Coin donation	<p>Play Reading group members are requested to contribute a gold coin donation each month to assist in covering the cost of hiring the plays.</p> <p>Additional costs of running the group involve:</p> <p>\$80 per annum Membership of the Victorian Drama League for Play Reading Groups (includes subscription to their Theatrecraft Newsletter).</p> <p>\$10 per week for set of plays (one for each cast member plus one extra)- these are to be returned within seven days.</p> <p>\$3 for single copies of plays for review/preview.</p> <p>Postage of plays to and from Melbourne (To be advised – potentially \$28 per month, though we can pick up and return to VDL)</p> <p>Executive has indicated that \$100 is available for courses which will cover some, but not all of this cost – hence the request for a gold coin donation.</p> <p>We have been in contact with Deniliquin U3A in researching the play reading group. Deniliquin recommend and charge a gold coin donation each session which goes towards the cost of hiring the plays. There is precedent for gold coin donations this in other groups eg. Lifeball, Art Appreciation, Patchwork.</p> <p>Victorian Drama League - The Victorian Drama League is a not for profit community organisation. Website: http://www.theatrecraft.org.au/index.php Catalogue: http://www.theatrecraft.org.au/play_catalog/play_catalog.php</p>