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CHANGING **THE** LABEL A MUSICAL

**The Story of Diane Dupuy, C.M.
Founder of Famous PEOPLE Players**



**Book & Lyrics by
Gord Carruth**

**Music by
Gord Carruth & Amy King**

**Directed by
Willard Boudreau**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Angels In the Wings of our Life,
I'd like to proudly welcome you to our Dine &
Dream theatre – your home away from home.

This is a special evening for me; I am the subject of
an original Musical called Changing The
Label, which is based on the story of my life and
the founding of Famous PEOPLE Players
(FPP).

However, for me, this musical really honours the
Company – and all our beautiful Players from
the past, present, and future, who will continue to
benefit from this initiative that I founded
back in 1974.

It is true that you only need one person to make a difference – but it takes a team to make the miracle.

I could never have accomplished everything that I did without my dear Players, their parents, and loyal sponsors. After 51 years in the business, I like to think of us as the stock market; if you invest in FPP, the returns are priceless.

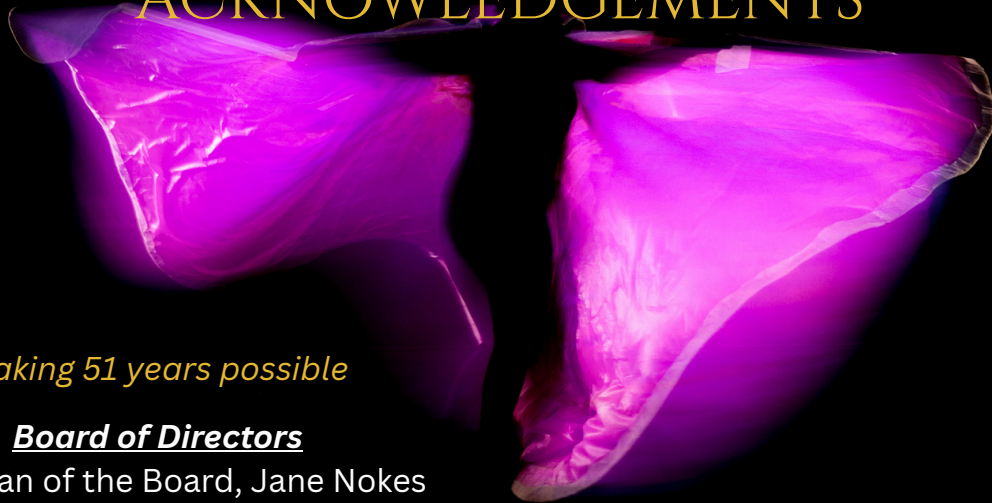
Tonight, it is you whom we applaud; you whom we honour. When the curtain rises and our Players step into the light, you are the glow that shines from within them.

At this particular time in our history, we are being challenged – as all of us are – and we are in need of continued support. This can be achieved through many ways, and I'd like to humbly ask of all of you here:

When you feel the time is right for you, please consider becoming a monthly donor, sponsor, or even ambassador of Famous PEOPLE Players. This is a place for people of all walks of life; and with your support, they can find a home here and discover their inner gifts that set them on the right trajectory of life.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



For making 51 years possible

Board of Directors

- Chairman of the Board, Jane Nokes
- Michael Presta
- David Parks
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- Anthony Alexander
- Rose Ariangio
- John D'Onofrio
- Michael Schmidt
- Head of sponsorship, Robert Sacco

to whom I am infinitely indebted for his support this year. He came into our life like a fine instrument, and touched the chord and the symphony of life and gave us hope!

For holding me together

Angels in the Wings

- Anne Campbell
- Carm Suriano
- Rose & Ralph Chiodo
- Fred and Luan Pristine
- Mary Vespa
- Eddy Burello

The PEOPLE behind the show

Resident Artists

- Joanne Dupuy
- Bernard Dupuy
- Dallas O'Reilly
- Janine O'Blak
- Megan Koh

Players

- Emanuella Mani
- Erald Mani
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Viana Roofing & Sheet Metal

for their strength, dedication and unwavering support.
Without them, there would be no theatre and no roof above us.



Rose Femia and Fazzari + Partners

Rose is a true treasure, guiding us through challenging times with grace and generosity. Their company is always there for people in need.





Pristine Printing and Fine Foods

From printing, to food catering, and just offering a shoulder to lean on, they've helped us soar and continue to chase our dreams.



Michael Presta of Bianchi Presta LLP

Michael's kindness and gentle spirit truly embody what it means to be an Angel in disguise.



The Chiodo Family Foundation

Their support allowed us to set up the Angels in the Wings program which brought in wonderful volunteers, which was vital for our New Horizons Senior Program – where monthly workshops were hosted for seniors to keep them active and involved in the community.





Rotary Club of Etobicoke

Rotarians everywhere must be applauded for holding the community together. From their famous Toronto Ribfest to supporting other charities in need, the Etobicoke Rotary Club is there to give others the extra push they need – truly embodying their slogan of ‘Service Above Self’.

We are thankful to be embraced by such wonderful Angels who make the Rotary Club the organization what it is; they made sure that we got all the supplies we needed – from a stage floor to a camera – to continue our purpose in this world.



CIBPA – the Canadian-Italian Business and Professional Association

The business voice of the Italian community in Canada, CIBPA has been proudly upholding the Italian legacy.

Like true Italians, they embrace those in need with compassion and love.

Tony Cocuzzo, President of CIBPA, along with Robert Sacco and Sabrina Marrelli – President and Vice-President of CIBPA Education Foundation – have been key supporters in the background helping me every day. These are mine and now, your angels.

Buon Cuore to CIBPA – who makes Dreams come true!





CANADA'S GOODWILL AMBASSADORS



Earlier this year, we were the first to receive the Canada Frontrunner Recognition Award by the Urban Economy Forum, which was presented by the Honourable Bob Rae – Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations (UN) – for our commitment to social inclusion and sustainability in Canada.

We also received the King Charles III Coronation Medal, and was awarded the Order of Ontario.

The recognition given to us continues to show that our impact and mission is necessary. Famous PEOPLE Players protects those who are vulnerable; and the ones easily forgotten by society.

As the world spirals into current darkness, our next 50 years are crucial – to protect the social fabric of this country.

Thank you all.

DIANE





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