



August 2017

**We invite you to be a sponsor of this exciting season of local, live theatre. As a Sponsor of the Stage North's 2016-2017 season, you will be supporting local talent and providing quality entertainment for the entire North Peace. Stage North Theatre Society requires community support to keep theatre alive and thriving in Fort St. John and area.**

Stage North continues the 2017 year celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> year. Stage North was formed in 1977 in conjunction with the Northern Lights College Drama Department. *The Alcan Craze of '42* starts off the season by bringing back the shock and awe of the residents of Fort St. John when 10,000 US soldiers invaded the Peace Country to build the Alaska Highway. A Christmas special for the entire family will top off the year and the season continues into 2018 with a comedy of Italian proportions when *Tony and Tina's Wedding* is presented in a Dinner Theatre co-produced by the Fort St. John Rotary Club. The Spring Show is *Mary's Wedding* set in WWI about love, hope and survival and will also be the Theatre Festival Entry.

Stage North 2017-18 productions will be staged in the North Peace Cultural Centre or the Northern Grand Hotel. Thanks to the generosity of Surerus Pipelines, Stage North continues to have space for rehearsals and set construction at an affordable rental rate. With space to work, Stage North provides training opportunities for budding thespians in acting and technical skills. Stage North produces quality theatre entertainment for the residents of the area and introduces career opportunities for young people. Anyone can take part. Workshops in directing, lighting, sound, set design and construction help volunteers to learn skills which they use in other activities in the community. Members also assist productions staged by other community groups.

We invite you to be "Front Row Centre" in this season's performances. Please consider a sponsorship for the 2017-2018 season.

Sincerely, Kevin Smith President 250-793-5453 [Kevin.Smith@enbridge.com](mailto:Kevin.Smith@enbridge.com)

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You are invited for a **Sneak Preview of The Alcan Craze of '42 on Thursday September 28** at 7:30pm North Peace Cultural Centre. Thursday Night is Sponsors, Stage North Members and Media Night only. You do not need a ticket and you do not need to book. Just come for the show at 7:30pm.

Enclosed are complimentary tickets for the regular nights of the show. Because you are a sponsor we are taking this special opportunity of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Building of the Alaska Highway to give you ample opportunity to see the show. If you are not going to use these tickets, please gift them to someone else.

We appreciate your support of live theatre and look forward to seeing you at the show.

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## The Alcan Craze of '42

September 29, 30, October 5, 6, 7, 2017

North Peace Cultural Centre Fort St. John 7:30pm

Tickets \$25 adults, \$20 students and Seniors \$15 children

Tickets available: [online.npc.bc.ca](http://online.npc.bc.ca) or Box Office 10015 100 Street, FSJ

Fort St. John in 1942 comes alive on stage September 29 when Stage North and the North Peace Cultural Centre open "The Alcan Craze of '42". Experience the shock and awe of the residents as they saw the huge machines and 10,000 US soldiers invade our peaceful village during WWII in the quest to building the Alaska Highway in 8 months. This original play written by local playwright Deborah Butler features Northern humour, characters of the town in 1942 and little known facts about the Alaska Highway. Drama, music, laughter and dance combine to make this a family show recommended for those 9 years old and older. Seniors will be particularly familiar with the legendary characters depicted by the talented local cast directed by BC actor and director Michael Armstrong.

Tickets are now available online at [npc.bc.ca](http://npc.bc.ca) or at the NPCC box office in Fort S.t John. Phone 250-785-1992 for further information.