

# Wyong Drama Group: Media Release



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Re: Last Of The Red Hot Lovers by Wyong Drama Group  
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Wyong Drama Group's August production is Neil Simon's *Last Of The Red Hot Lovers*, which premiered at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre in New York in 1969. *Last Of The Red Hot Lovers* touches on the sexual revolution that was just beginning in the 1960's. Neil Simon is one of America's most prolific, successful and popular playwrights and has written numerous plays and musicals over the years. His first play was *Come Blow Your Horn* in 1961 quickly followed by his first musical *Little Me*. Other well known Neil Simon works include *Barefoot in the Park*, *Sweet Charity*, *They're Playing Our Song*, *The Odd Couple* and *Plaza Suite*, the last two having been presented by Wyong Drama Group in previous years.

The action revolves around Barney Cashman who is middle aged, married and the owner of a fish restaurant in Manhattan. Barney wants to join the sexual revolution before it is too late. On three different afternoons over the course of a year Barney brings the objects of his affections to his mother's apartment. The first is Elaine Nevazio, a somewhat attractive women in her late thirties with an air of desperation about her. Elaine likes cigarettes, whiskey and men, other than her husband. The second is Bobbi Michele, an actress who Barney discovers is both goofy and paranoid. And finally the desperately depressed wife of his best mate Mel, Jeanette Fisher. Barney's exploits offer many hilarious moments and unexpected results.

The cast consists of veteran Wyong Drama Group members John Czerniecki as Barney (*Cosi*, *Inheritance*, *Loot & Soulmates*) Ruth Jordon who takes the parts of Bobbi and Jeanette (*Soulmates*, *Stepping Out*, *Noises Off*) and relatively new comer Sally Bartley as Elaine (*No Sex Please We're British*).

With this excellent cast and widely experienced director, Brian Fitzsimmons, *Last Of The Red Hot Lovers* will be certain to entertain and amuse.

Eight shows only! August 11– 20 at Wyong Memorial Hall, Anzac Ave, Wyong  
Bookings open July 21 on 4353 4353  
Credit Card Facilities Available for phone bookings only  
Tables (BYO drinks & nibbles) or Raked Seating  
Thursdays 11, 18 (8 pm), Saturday 13, 20 (2 pm), ALL \$17  
Friday 12, 19 (8 pm), Saturday 13, 20 (8 pm) ALL \$20  
Discounts for groups of 10 or more

To book, you can phone WDG's booking line on 4353-4353 from 9am to 9pm **which will be open from 21<sup>st</sup> July onwards**. For more information, see the drama group's website at [www.wyongdramagroup.com.au](http://www.wyongdramagroup.com.au) .