The Cameo Players present

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A Downton Christmas

Enjoy the hustle and bustle of a Country House preparing for a Christmas Houseparty in the 1930s. Join Lord and Lady Grandish as they lead the celebrations with music, drama and general merriment!

Hylands House
Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th December, 2016
7.45 pm

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Christmas has arrived at Hylands House!

A warm welcome to Hylands House for the Cameo Players' Christmas Soiree. We have been performing evenings devoted to various aspects of Christmas for many years, but this year is a departure from our normal format.

We are turning back the clock to the 1930s and you are invited to spend the evening with Lord and Lady Grandish and the Downton staff as they prepare for Christmas.

Lord Grandish has opened the house for just two evenings to share the excitement of the festive season and has asked his staff to give a flavour of some of the tasks that they will be undertaking in the build up to the festivities.

Mr Carswell - John Peregrine
Mrs McHughes - Vicky Tropman
Hannah - Sarah Slaughter
Jim Higgins - Martin Lucas
Mrs. Potman - Lindsay Lloyd
Mr. Banks - Michael Gray
Musicians - Bells & Baxter

There will be an interval of 20 minutes. Drinks and mince pies will be available to purchase. After the interval the House Party will begin in earnest. The evening will end with a dramatic Melodrama and you are invited to cheer and boo with gusto.

Melodrama Cast in order of appearance:
Chairman - Michael Gray
Mama - Vicky Tropman
Grace - Sarah Slaughter
Dastardly Deed - John Peregrine
Bart - Martin Lucas
P.C. Notley - Brabinger
Director - Lindsay Lloyd

Special Thanks go to:
Gill Peregrine - Stage Manager & Properties
Barry Weight - Front of House and Mr. Pickwick

Bells and Baxter

Bells and Baxter have been performing together since 2014 and have had a busy year performing on some of the world's most prestigious cruise ships and hotels as a Headline act. Before embarking on a career as Guest Entertainers, they were both busy professional actors, working on hit West End shows such as 'Les Miserables' and 'Jesus Christ Superstar', on number one tours and sell-out shows at the prestigious Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

They are delighted to be performing at Hylands House with the Cameo Players and hope you enjoy the evening.

Here are some of the songs they will be singing:

Winter Wonderland (1934): Music - Felix Bernard, Lyrics - Richard B.Smith

The Holly & The Ivy: Traditional

Mistletoe & Wine: Jeremy Paul, Leslie Stewart & Keith Strachan

The Christmas Song: Mel Torme & Robert Wells

Sleigh Ride: Music - Leroy Anderson, Lyrics - Mitchell Parish

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas: Hugh Martin & Ralph Blane.

The Twelve Days of Christmas: Traditional with additions by Frederic Austin

We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
And a Happy New Year.

Refrain: Good Tidings we bring to you and your kin,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
And a Happy New Year.

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