

This is our second production of the four planned for 2009.

Here are the dates for the rest of the year for your diaries

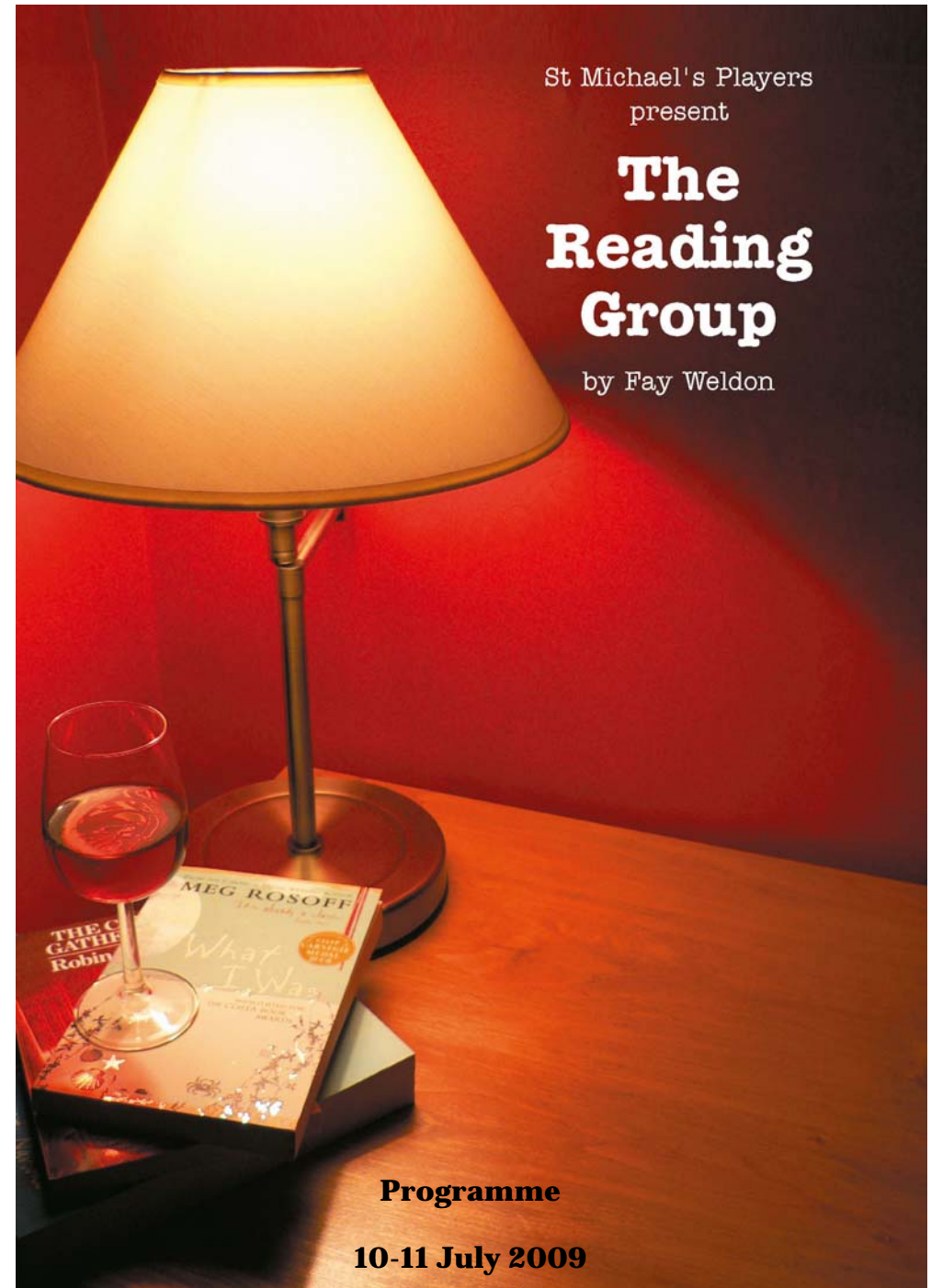
29, 30, 31 Oct: Autumn production:
Play and director to be confirmed

10, 11, 12 Dec: Our World Famous Panto
Jane Atkinson directing

And while we're at it....we're always looking for new members to act, sing, light, paint, hammer, and well....everything really. So if you would like to be involved with the group in any way please contact Jane Atkinson at :
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If you would like to be on our email list contact Chris Hulatt at :
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For details of future shows and for online booking visit :
www.stmichaelsplayers.org.uk



CAST

In order of appearance

Oriole	Christine Neyman
Tom	Jonathan Povey
Lesley	Elizabeth Ollier
Zelda	Ruth Reid
Anne	Jane Atkinson
Avril	Bryony Wilman
Harry	Adrian Ellis

CREW

Director	Bryony Wilman
Set/props/backstage	Dave Lye The Cast and Members of St Michaels Players
Prompt	Jo Barrett
Lighting	Lorraine Allen/Chris Hulatt
Business Manager	Chris Hulatt
Front of House	Sue Darrieulat Members and Friends of St Michaels' Players
Poster	Bryony Wilman and Atkinson Associates

THE READING GROUP

The action takes place in Oriole's sitting room,
in a house in a small seaside town.

Time: the present, more or less, evening.

THE PLAY

Four stalwarts of a women's reading group, plus one newcomer, meet to choose their next book. This proves even harder than usual, and the evening becomes one of confessions and suspicions.

THE AUTHOR

Fay Weldon was born Franklin Birkinshaw in either 1931 or 1933. She spent her early years in New Zealand, but returned to the UK in her teens. By the time she produced her first novel in 1967, she had already written prolifically for radio, stage and television. She has been married three times; aspects of her split from her second husband are said to be reflected in The Reading Group.

When working as a copywriter, she coined the famed slogan "Go to work on an egg"; her proposal to advertise vodka with the phrase "Vodka gets you drunker quicker", for some reason failed to find favour with her bosses and was rejected.