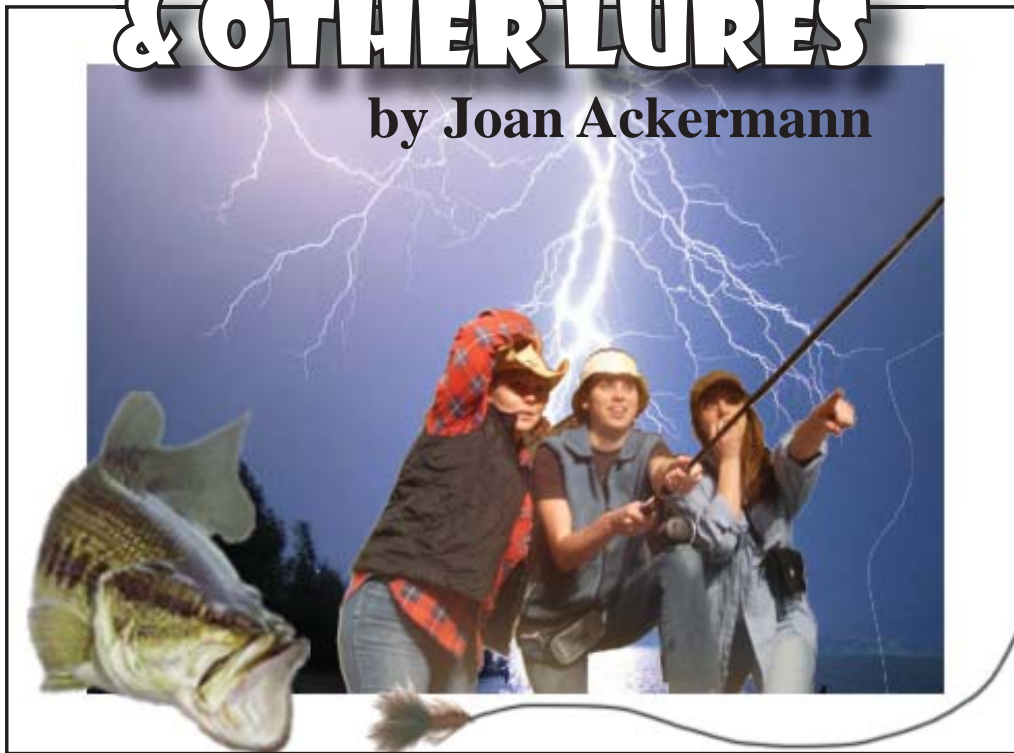


**The Thompson Valley Players**

*present*

# **ZARA SPOOK & OTHER LURES**

by Joan Ackermann



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**EVELYN ~ Amanda Harris**  
**TALMADGE ~ Kevin Bryant**  
**TEALE ~ Caitlyn Gadoury**  
**MARGERY ~ Melinda Austin**  
**HANK ~ Mickey Kinlock**  
**RAMONA ~ Lynn Shook**

*A Comedy in Two Acts*  
*Directed by Danielle Dunn-Morris*

# President's Message

Well, production number 7 and the Thompson Valley Players are still going strong! None of our accomplishments would have been possible without the help of our community. It amazes me the amount of support and volunteers that continue to show up year after year. It takes so many people to put a show together and we have never been disappointed. Thank you all! Zara Spook was a pleasure to create, and I hope you all have as much fun watching as we did putting it all together!

*Amanda Harris*  
President

Thompson Valley Players Society



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## Director's Notes

This is the fourth year that I have had the privilege of directing for the Thompson Valley Players. Every year I am incredibly impressed with the talent and dedication of this group.

This year we have deliberately chosen a play with greater challenges than we have embarked on before. This show is technically challenging as we have chosen to introduce a video element, suggested and expertly put together by Barry McLean and Robin Wilson. Our painting crew, Wayne Broomfield and Bob Bambrick have transformed a car into a rock. Huntley Cooper (set builder) never flinched when I asked if I could have set pieces that started out as a bed, became a car and then was transformed into a rock. This man is my personal hero because he NEVER tells me it can't be done! Thank you Huntley! Thank you to all the crew with special mention to, the props lady Bernice Randrup who has searched and borrowed and never said it couldn't be done. To our costume girl, Crystal, who has shopped and coordinated the costumes to suit the characters. A big thank you to Anna Schlingermann who always gets the ball rolling, feeds us home made soup when we have long days of rehearsal and to Beverly Murphy who has chosen and co-ordinated the music for the show. Beverly came home just in time. Oh Beverly we did miss you! Welcome home!

When you sit back and watch our actors tell you this bonky story about women stepping out into the fisherman's world and succeeding, remember these actors



have spent long hours learning their lines, their blocking and then they put all that together in order to give you 2 hours of laughter and possibly an understanding of a loved one. They are up there because; oh how we love it!

None of this work would have any meaning, though, if you weren't here to laugh with us. Thank you so much for coming out to play with us!

## Danielle Dunn-Morris - Actra/Equity/ UBPC Director - Zara Spook & Other Lures

Danielle is an accomplished actress, who has been involved with all aspects of theatre and film most of her life. Performing on stage and directing has always been Danielle's first love.

Receiving a degree in Education from the University of BC where she majored in Theatre with an emphasis on directing and winning a scholarship to attend The Banff School of Fine Arts studying acting, speech, movement and directing. She then moved back to Kamloops and worked with Tom Kerr being one of the original performers of the Western Canada Theatre Company.

Danielle eventually became Artistic Director of two Theatre Companies: Shuswap Summer Theatre (1989 – 1996) directing *Sylvia* by A.R. Gurney and “Seduced by Moonlight” by Claire Harrison/Clive Doucet.

WaterMark Theatre (1993 – 1998) directing “Two White Chicks Sittin’ Around Talking” by John Ford Noonan and “Moon Over The Brewery” by Bruce Graham.

In 2002 Danielle was hired by the Thompson Valley Players to direct their spring production. Liking her work, the group hired Danielle to direct for two more years (2003 and 2004) where she directed two original plays using the local talent here in your town of Barriere.

In March 2004 Danielle was in Western Canada Theatre's “Kiss the Moon, Kiss the Sun” by Norm Foster. In the of summer of 2006 Danielle played Elizabeth I in Timothy Findlay's “Elizabeth Rex” for Project X.

Moving to Kamloops in the year of 1999, Danielle opened River Magic Productions, a company that specializes in private acting lessons.

Since becoming professional Danielle found an agent and has been featured in five films and a popular TV series:

In 2003 “An Unfinished Life”; 2004 “Riding the Bullet” and “Fantastic Four”; 2005 “Truth”, “Da Vinci's Inquest” and “Presumed Dead”.

Danielle's latest project is a Radio Play Series called “The Adventures of Milly and Tilly”. CD number two has just been completed.

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Danielle Dunn-Morris is an experienced, versatile performer, director and educator with a desire and ability to share her knowledge and performing skills with audiences everywhere.



## Amanda Harris “Evelyn”

Amanda is the president of the Thompson Valley Players, with “Zara Spook” being her second production with the group. Her first production was a part in “The Dr Will See You Now”. Amanda is a stay-at-home mom of her twin children, Andrew and Taylor. Prior to the TVP, Amanda attended drama and choir classes at Quesnel Senior Secondary School.



## Caitlyn Gadoury “Teale”

16 year old Caitlyn attends Barriere Senior Secondary School, where she is involved with drama productions. She is also a candidate for the North Thompson Fall Fair Queen Pageant. This is Caitlyn’s first production with the Thompson Valley Players, but intends to stay a member and also be a part of future productions.



## Lynn Shook “Ramona”

Lynn was born and raised in Clearwater BC. A travel counselor by trade, she has worked at the Info Center for 3 years. She is a local singer songwriter who has played up and down the valley for 25 years. She has produced some digital productions and has worked within the movie industry for 5 years with her husband Don, on such productions as “Deep Water”. “Zara Spook” is her acting debut.



## Kevin Bryant “Talmadge”

“Zara Spook” is Kevin’s acting debut. He has been involved with computers and technology for the last 8 years, with a focus on Digital Video editing for the last two. He has produced over 50 small video productions that have been released on the internet various times over the last year, with over 300,000 views world wide. Kevin currently works as a graphic designer for the Star/Journal and Times newspapers, as well as managing several websites.



## Melinda Austin “Margery”

After living in Prince George for 25 years, Mel moved to Barriere 10 years ago with her two sons. This is Mel’s second production with the Thompson Valley Players. Her acting debut was in “Purple is for Flowers” and she is thrilled to be cast in “Zara Spook”.



## Mickey Kinlock “Hank”

Mickey grew up working on ranches, has driven logging trucks and school buses, and has lived out a few sea adventures. He was married, raised two children and ranched in Darfield for thirty years. Mickey was involved with Darfield Players Theatre Group. His acting talents were seen in “The Doctor Will See You Now”, “Jugs”, “Purple is for Flowers” and now “Zara Spook and other Lures”.



# Behind The Scenes

## Barrie McLean “Technical Director”

Barrie has worked as a film and television director in Canada, the US and internationally for many years, in programming as varied as major concert series, drama documentaries, news and public affairs, commercial production, corporate video and feature film production. His last assignment, two years producing live court television coverage of the Pan AM 103 trial, in the Netherlands. His only stage appearance was in “The Skin Of Our Teeth” which won the Dominion Drama Festival best play award in Halifax in 1956.



## Katja Hundt “Stage Manager”

Katja is stage manager and assistant director for “Zara Spook & other Lures”. She is a teacher by profession.



## Robin Wilson “Sound & Light Technician”

Robin has been involved in the production department with the Thompson Valley Players for seven productions. He is a musician and has been involved with bands for 35 years. He is on the board of directors for the Barriere & District Television Society, who helped bring TV broadcasts to Barriere. Robin filmed many of the scenes used as back grounds in “Zara Spook and other Lures”.



# Behind The Scenes



**Music**  
Beverly Murphy

**Props**  
Bernice Randrup  
Kitty Hurdle

**Wardrobe, Hair, Makeup**  
Crystal Piche



**Set Design & Construction**  
Huntley Cooper  
Wendy Grywacheski  
Doug Davis

**Scene Painters**  
Wayne Broomfield  
Bob Bambrick

**Stage Hands**  
Shelley Ewashina  
Hayden Ewashina  
Don Shook  
Cathy Cooper

**MC**  
Megan Ewert

**Programs**  
Kevin Bryant

**Photography**  
Amanda Harris  
Kevin Bryant



**So many people put in much  
time and effort.  
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Please talk to us if you would like to become a part of the next Thompson Valley Players production. Whether you would like to act or be a part of our invaluable crew there is always a welcomed position for you. To join in the fun call Anna at 672-5527 or Inez at 672-9625, and get ready to have the time of your life!