



An interesting twist to the traditional Christmas outing: Imagine yourself nestled in The Arboretum Centre, University of Guelph, on a windy night, seated at a table with your friends and associates. In your hands is a cup of hot coffee, to wash down the scrumptious meal you've just finished. Just beside you, on a stage so close you can almost touch it, a play is just about to get underway. Sound like the perfect night out? Indeed it is, when you come to The Arboretum's Theatre in the Trees.

Theatre in the Trees, The Arboretum, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1G 2W1

It is the unique blend of live entertainment, fine dining, and an intimate setting which makes the Theatre in the Trees such a success. Artistic Director John Snowdon, Producer Margaret Snowdon, and a cast of actors suited perfectly to their parts provide the entertainment. For seventeen years now the Snowdons have been using the dinner theatre as a vehicle for farces, comedies, and other lighthearted fare. Coupled with this is the delicious buffet provided by the University's own Hospitality Services. The result: a relaxed, pleasant, thoroughly entertaining evening. See the following website for further details and photos.

<http://www.ugalumni.uoguelph.ca/~msnowdon/ttd.htm>

Funny Money A comedy by Ray Cooney. Directed by John Snowdon.

Synopsis: Henry A. Perkins, a mild-mannered C.P.A. accidentally picks up the wrong briefcase - one full of money. Henry assumes it is illicit cash and he decides to keep it. Knowing that the former owner must have his briefcase, he rushes home to book one-way fares to Barcelona. He tells his confused wife to leave everything behind; if she doesn't like Barcelona, they can go to Bali. In fact, they can buy Bali! The doorbell rings as they wait for their taxi. The police detective at the door thinks Henry was soliciting in the men's room of the local pub (actually, he was sitting in the loo counting the cash). The bell rings again. Another detective arrives thinking Henry is dead; a man with bullet holes in his head and Henry's briefcase were found in the Thames. Henry's inept attempts to extricate himself from this impossible situation lead to increasingly hysterical situations.

Cast:

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| Jean Perkins | Rosemary Noakes | Betty Johnson | Peggy Mickelown |
| Henry Perkins | Ken Noakes | Vic Johnson | Tom Bolton |
| Davenport | Robin MacKeller | Slater | Chris Mawdsley |
| Bill | Rob Gray | | |

FUNNY MONEY is a full length play, running about two hours, with one intermission. Doors of the Arboretum open at 6:00 PM; with dinner buffet being served at 6:30 pm and the play beginning at 8:00 PM.

Ticket Price: ASQ has reserved 60 seats. The regular cost of the dinner theatre is \$53.00, but the ASQ Kitchener section is subsidizing the price for our section members. Once the 60 subsidized seats have been spoken for, ASQ will reserve additional seats if they are still available, but the regular price will apply.

- **\$40.00 each for a Kitchener Section member and his/her spouse/date (first 60 seats only)**
- **\$53.00 for non-members**

The ticket price includes play, dinner, gratuities and taxes, **payable at the door to ASQ by cash or cheque** (no credit or debit cards). There is a cash bar for refreshments.

RSVP: Tickets are expected to go fast so if you wish to attend this event, please RSVP to program@asqkitchener.org ASAP. **Please state the event** for which you are registering, your **first and last name**, the name of your **company**, and your ASQ **membership #** or identify yourself as a non-member, and also remember to indicate if you want **one or two tickets**. You will receive confirmation via E-mail of your RSVP and the cost of your tickets.