

Judges Interval & Prize Giving

After the last performance there will be an interval during which the judges choose the winners. The judges will then come onto the stage and give feedback on each play, and award the prizes.

Prizes (these are for the students themselves)

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| Winning Performance | £200 |
| Highly Commended | £50 (between 1 and 2 at judges discretion) |
| Best Actor + Actress | £25 each |

Judges

Graham Bill
Adrian Bull
Jo Bousefield



Event Committee

Diana Humphrey
Jane Roberts

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Five Live Drama 2007

Theme: Freedom



This year Stroud Arts Festival is commemorating the 200th anniversary of the British Act abolishing the slave trade with a programme of events celebrating black achievements and freedom. The theme for tonight is "Freedom" in its broadest sense and each of the short plays has been devised by the students to explore that theme.

13th October 2007 7:30pm

Rednock School

G Phwooar !!!!

Leader: Mandy Johnson
 Jonny Dakin Year 13
 Ed Waldron Year 13
 Jordan Dessi Year 11
 Tom Moyser Year 13

G Phwooar are back from their highly successful tour – these four gorgeous guys mix opera with rock – performing “Bohemian Rhapsody” as you’ve never seen it before encouraging you all to break the shackles of stress and pressure and express yourselves freely !!!!!

Thomas Keble School

The Choice

Leader: Jennie Crosby
 Emily McCollum
 Katie Birkin
 Janneke Curtis
 Callum Bonner
 Francesca Cratchley
 Hayley Doolan
 Danielle Ferin
 Carly Mallinson

Our play has been devised by members of the Year 11 GCSE Drama group and concerns the rights of an 'A' level student still living in the parental home to make her own choices in life. The 'freedom' that the students have chosen to explore is that which finally comes to all children growing up when they reach an age to make decisions for themselves in the pursuit of their own happiness. The play opens as Milly meets a stranger on a park bench...

Stroud High

Death Show

Leader: Cat Sargent
 Rebbeca Dean
 Adele Baxter
 Amy Bracewell
 Sarah Kane
 Miriam Gardner
 Harriet Chitty

The show is based on five convicts on death row, one will gain the ultimate prize of freedom, but at what cost, and is it one that they are willing to pay?

Vale of Berkeley College

Freedom – Let me go!

Leader: Fiona Madden
 Laura Horton
 Blu Lynes
 Rachel McCallum
 Sasha Northover
 James Prewett

The drama opens with a solo voice delivering the message of the piece, before we see flashbacks to happier times. These happy memories are interrupted by the captain of the slave ship. We hear the refrain 'Freedom' as the characters tell of their desire for freedom but all too soon they become faceless puppets of the slave master. They plead agonisingly - 'Let me go' and eventually the chains are broken and they celebrate their welcome return to freedom.

Marling

Dulce et Decorum est Pro Patria Mori.

Leader: Jeff Gillett
 Matt Henderson
 Joe Jepps
 Tomas Kaspar
 Adam Patel
 James Whittard
 Tim Searle-Barnes.

A Year 10 play. The story concerns two British soldiers in Sudan who are sentenced to death after freeing 700 slaves.