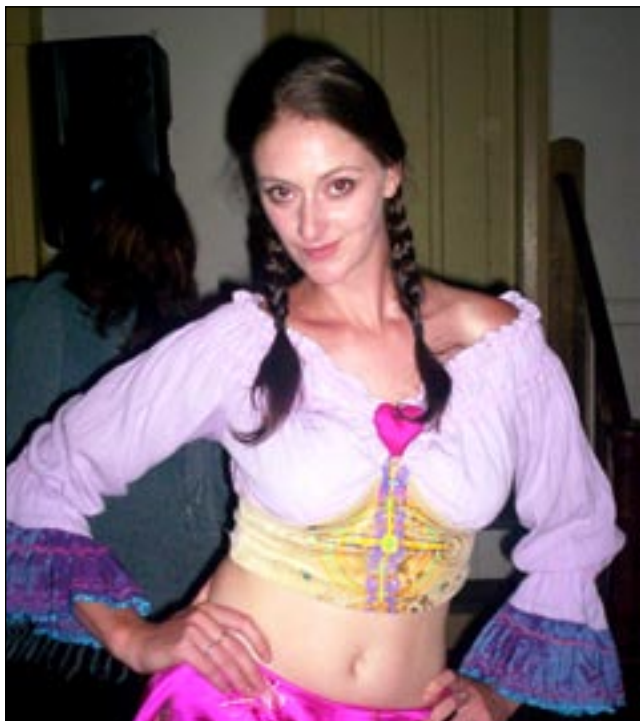




A very stylish Helen J Hope, author of 'Among the Stars' with John Culver.



Jade Whitworth who performed the contemporary dance with Ben Grants sexy saxophonies was later seen dancing to Fatter than Nusrat wearing an outfit by local designer Christina Chester. Love the heart and the skirt – very gypsy/maiden/Nimbin style!



Richard and Celeste Oss-Emer from Stony Chute were a stylish couple. Richard wore a paisley brown & gold retro suit and purple ruffle shirt. His piece of fluff on the side was 100% fake 1940's fluff. Celeste wears her wedding earrings and black wraparound v neck dress.



The elfin princess Kelly McRae oozes style in a sexy little black number. The halter neck with a long plunge to the sequins was absolutely fabulous.



Jennifer and Michelle from Sphinx Rock looked angelic in purple lace, paisley shawl, cuddles and smiles.



Celeste with Talitha Mackay from Barkers Vale. Talitha looked angelic in an Indian wrap dress over a sunset coloured dress. She is glowing, and congratulations to Talitha & Terry who are expecting their first child in 2006.

Frock Tales

by Celeste Oss-Emer

The elegant glitterati of the Nimbin social scene, 'the high society', came out to enjoy another spectacular event presented by the Nimbin School of Arts. The Blue Moon Cabaret Show was held at the Nimbin Hall on Saturday 12 November and the fourteen performances were absolutely fabulous, sweetie darlings!

The stellar line-up included grand piano performances by Daddy Cool and the sexy Vasudha, both were magical and unforgettable. Peppa Rose sang a beautiful song in memory of a dear friend, Paul Laird who wrote the song, but sadly had passed away recently. Better known as Lupin, his memory and talent will live on through his friends.

Jade Whitworth's contemporary dance with Ben Grant's Sexy Saxophonics was comical and elegant, she has great timing, poise and spunk! Christine Strelan, a local poet from Lillian Rock performed some amazing poems and took me away to Stonehenge. She really does create a world rich in colour and emotion, with her passion for poetry.

Kim Kilgaroff and Jan Rae performed the sexiest tango dance that I have ever witnessed. They were practically making sweet love on the stage! Bravo! I am now looking for a local tango dance school so my husband and I can dance our way to the bedroom! The Tap Bitches gave an excellent performance, the hair, the smiles, the perfect timing of the taps and those legs! All four women have the best sets of legs that I've seen in along time.

A comedian was called in at the last minute, as Willy McElroy was unable to attend. The fabulous Mandy Nolan recommended Chris Radburn to be the stand-in stand-up, and he was very funny. Jean-Paul Bell was a comic genius, he had the audience in stitches with his condom-over-the-head routine. He does this to warn potential terrorists that he is very tense and stressed about the state of terror in Australia. Karen Connors is a great local singer and guitarist and we all enjoyed her 'very serious song' about her grandmother's advice.

David Hallett was a great MC for the night and he also performed a spot-on poem about our little leader 'Johnny'. The beautiful, worldly and goddess-like Diana Anaïd gave an energetic performance, I just wish she sang more than one song though. I hope she puts on a local gig at the pub or hall so we can see some more of her amazing talent. S Sorrensen, our local poet/comedian/and green activist, gave an emotionally honest performance. I am still feeling very emotional after hearing of the devastation that is still occurring to our old growth forests in Tasmania.

S Sorrensen had just returned to Nimbin after spending one week in Tassie trying to stop the loggers from destroying some ancient rainforest trees. Sadly the protests were ignored and the old growth rainforest trees will soon be available in toilet paper form. The sad truth is that most politicians and the like would rather wipe their arses with our rainforests and line their own pockets with the profits from cleared land, development, housing and taxes. The greedy cycle makes me feel sick, the Awful Truth hurts.

S Sorrensen's performance brought me close to tears, tears that nearly prompted my first trip to Tassie. I had great aspirations to tie myself to the ancient trees, like the great protesters before me, to protest about the greedy raping of our mother earth. Then I remembered that I have no money, no time, a husband and twin daughters, dinner needed to be cooked, the mortgage had to be paid, the washing had to be hung out, I have to do the ironing – oh there's my superwoman cape, and oh shit, I'm out of toilet paper again! I must write my shopping list and I can't forget the 100% recycled old growth rainforest toilet paper, highly scented with a truckload of guilt!

The Blue Moon Cabaret show ended with the band 'Fatter than Nusrat' playing some great music, the tables and chairs were moved and most of the crowd danced the night away.

The fabulous Thai food was by Motdang Thai and the desserts and coffee looked so good that our crew had one piece of everything. Mmmm. Delicious!

Thank you to the Nimbin School of Arts, all performers, and all volunteers for a special 'Once in a Blue Moon' experience.

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Miss Ashlea Hunt from Palm Vale was an Asian Goddess in red and gold Chinese style dress.

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Fashion Parade



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A: Designer: Christina Chester
Fantasia collection of interesting textures in fresh summer colours.
Model: Jade Whitworth

B: Designer: Pumpkin
Denim kilt with pliesee wings, a cutting edge design brief.
Model: Bodhi Seed

C: Designer: Billi
Contemporary doof partywear with rips, zips and lace.
Models: (left to right) Sky Hallett, Emma Crawford, Lucy Crawford (obscured), Tessa Birch, Karma Blinco-Parr, Billie Bourne.

D: Designer: Pol
Elegant ballgown goes shopping, inspired by Devine.
Model: Inca (from Germany)

E: Designer: Christina Chester
Ultra-light embroidered summer top, worn with baroque long skirt
Model: Jutta Jobst


F: Designer: Barbara Mills
Design in silks and hand-made Numo felt
Model: Tini (from Germany)

G: Designer: Tina Dvorak
Simplicity with style in these hard-wearing cotton fashions for children (and mums too).
Models: Tina Dvorak with Gypsy (right) and friend

H: Designer: Kier Duncan (pants) and Dempsey Biscoe (shirt)
Practical and stylish outfits designed by Tuntable Falls Primary School kids.
Model: Kier Duncan

I: Designer: Tara Austin
Daywear range in summer colours and light, breathable fabrics.
Model: Phoebe Bamford

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