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Dargaville Little Theatre are raising funds to represent Theatre New Zealand in prestigious theatre festival in Monaco this August 2025



'Out of Mind' by Deborah Steele and Julianne Parkinson, has been selected to represent New Zealand in Mondial du Théâtre, the World Festival of Amateur Theatre.

The team of 8 will head to Monaco in August to put Dargaville and New Zealand on the world stage.

The cast hoped to tour the musical around Northland in a bid to raise \$40,000 by August. A 'Give A Little' Page has also been set up.

The musical looks at Aotearoa's mental health system in the 1950s by following the lives of six women within a mental health institution.

Ella Irene Lamont is a Mental Health Nurse, who trained at Tokanui Mental Hospital in South Waikato in 1952. As she examines the text books of instruction that is to form her thinking and behavior as a Mental Health Nurse, stories of life at Tokanui weave in and around her. Each story has a unique experience, and together, they form a collective voice of the complexities of Mental Health (diagnosis and treatment, attitudes and assumptions) during this time.



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