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STEAMER PART: ACTING YOUR
OPPOSITE IS GREAT THEATRE PLAY

Uppity role demands best

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WHEN Diane O'Beirne first set foot on the stage 40 years ago she knew she'd found her niche.

The Stafford Heights actor, who said she'd inherited her talent from her soprano-singing mother, will star as wealthy English socialite Miss ffoliot-ffoulkes in an upcoming production of Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Nile* at Hamilton this month.

Describing her character as stuck-up and stubborn, Ms O'Beirne said it was nice to play the opposite of her usually bubbly personality.

"All the way through, I am demanding to have the best of everything," she said.

Also a big fan of Christie's novels, Ms O'Beirne said this exciting comedic murder mystery tale was one not to miss.

"It's about socialites going on a steamer through the Nile. Without giving too much away, there's a string of murders that take place on the boat. It's all very mysterious," she said.

Opening last week, the play also stars Keperra actor Rod Lumer, who plays an inquisitive doctor, Hugh Taylor.

"I've been acting since 1968 and I think this production is a real community event. It's entertaining and far better than sitting at home in front of the (TV) box," he said.

The production will kick off from 7.30pm on Friday and Saturday nights until October 29.

➔ Tickets cost \$18 or \$13 for concession. Visit frontrow.org.au

CLASSIC TALE: Rod Lumer and Diane O'Beirne in Agatha Christie's famous *Murder on the Nile*. Picture: NICK KUHN



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