

Burton and District Operatic Society
'The Musical Theatre Company'
proudly presents....

The PIRATES of Penzance

Music by Arthur Sullivan
Libretto by W. S. Gilbert
Adapted and updated by Simon Gallaher



de Ferrers Specialist Technology College

Tuesday 16th to Saturday 20th February 2010
Saturday Matinee 2.30pm



The Society is affiliated to the Burton Arts Council
And the National Operatic & Dramatic Association

An amateur performance

Synopsis

In *The Pirates of Penzance*, Frederic was as a child apprenticed to a band of tender-hearted, orphaned pirates by his nurse who, being hard of hearing, had mistaken her master's instructions to apprentice the boy to a pilot. Frederic, upon completing his 21st year, rejoices that he has fulfilled his indentures and is now free to return to respectable society. But it turns out that he was born on February 29 in leap year, and he remains apprenticed to the pirates until his 'actual 21st birthday'. By the end of the opera, the pirates, a Major General who knows nothing of military strategy, his large family of beautiful but unwed daughters, and the timid constabulary all contribute to a cacophony that can be silenced only by Queen Victoria's name.

Orchestra

Richard Hair -	Bass
David Shipley -	Drums
Bryan Clarke -	Drums and Percussion
Laura Zobel -	Keyboard
Ed Moore -	Keyboard
Karen Thompson -	Keyboard

Acknowledgments

The Committee, on Behalf of the Society wishes to express its grateful thanks to: Trade Team, de Ferrers Specialist Technology College, Dean & Smedley - Family Pharmacy, The Staffordshire Education Committee, Prima Sports Clinic - Personal Training 07504 299 391, Springfield Army Stores and anyone else who helped to make "The Pirates of Penzance" a success - Thank You.

We would also like to thank an anonymous donor who made a significant contribution to the Society - we are extremely grateful for this.

We extend our sincere thanks to you, our audience, for your continued support of our productions. The audience is respectfully requested not to smoke in the building, and not to use flash photography in the auditorium during the performance. ALL MOBILE PHONES MUST BE SWITCHED OFF. The Society cannot accept responsibility for any articles left in the cloakroom.

The Society welcomes new members. If you are interested in singing, acting, building or painting scenery, costumes or helping with front of house please telephone the Secretary on 01283 540781

Costumes by Lichfield Costume Hire

Principals Wigs from The Wig Room, Basingstoke

Swords from Tom Fermor

Programmes designed by Terry Devitt & Printed by Reflex Print Solutions

Scenes & Songs

Act 1

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| 1. Pour, O Pour the Pirate Sherry | Pirate King, Samuel,
Frederic, Pirates
Ruth |
| 2. When Frederic Was a Little Lad | Pirate King & Pirates |
| 3. Oh, Better Far to Live and Die | Ruth & Frederic |
| 4. Oh, False One, You Have Deceived Me | The Daughters |
| 5. Climbing Over Rocky Mountain | Frederic & Daughters |
| 6. Stop, Ladies, Pray! | Frederic & Daughters |
| 7. Oh, Is There Not One Maiden Breast | Mabel & Daughters |
| 8. Poor Wandering One | The Daughters |
| 9. What Ought We to Do? | Mabel, Frederic & Daughters |
| 10. How Beautifully Blue the Sky | Frederic, Daughters & Pirates |
| 11. Stay, We Must Not Lose Our Senses | Mabel, Samuel, Major-General,
Daughters & Pirates |
| 12. Hold, Monsters! | Pirate King, Major-General
& Ensemble |
| 13. A Modern Major-General | Company |
| 14. Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate | |

Act 2

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| 1. Oh, Dry the Glistening Tear | Mabel & Daughters |
| 2. Then Frederic | Major-General
& Frederic |
| 3. When the Foeman Bares His Steel | Sergeant, Mabel, Police
& Daughters |
| 4. Now for the Pirates' Lair! | Frederic, Pirate King
& Ruth |
| 5. When You had Left our Pirate Fold | Ruth, Frederic & Pirate King |
| 6. Duty, Duty | Frederic, Ruth & Pirate King |
| 7. Away, Away! My Heart's on Fire | Ruth, Pirate King & Frederic |
| 8. All is Prepared | Mabel & Frederic |
| 9. Stay, Frederic, Stay! | Mabel & Frederic |
| 10. No, I am Brave | Mabel, Sergeant & Police |
| 11. When a Felon's Not Engaged
in his Employment | Sergeant & Police |
| 12. A Rollicking Band of Pirates We | Pirates, Sergeant & Police |
| 13. With Cat-Like Tread | Pirates, Police & Samuel |
| 14. Hush Hush! | Frederic, Pirates, Police,
Major-General & Company |
| 15. Sighing Softly | Frederic, Pirates, Police,
Major-General & Company |
| 16. Megamix Finale | Company |

Characters



Major General Stanley
Melvyn Edwards



The Pirate King
Jonathon Salt



Samuel
O.J. Wright



Frederic
Lee Smith



Sergeant of Police
Andy Last



Mabel
Chloe Godrich-Salt



Rgth
Margaret Hogg

General Stanley's Daughters



Louise Jones, Lauren Sewell, Karen Hambleton, Michaela Adams,
Angela Wynne, Rachel Cook, Sharon Plummer, Christina Bailey,

Ensemble

Claudia Bevan, Helen Bewley, Richard Dean, Louise Evanson,
Andrew Hambleton, Mark Hargreaves, Bob Hughes,
Jean Mason, Melanie Stephenson, Mike Storr, Steven Wilson,
Iain Wishlade, Ash Worthington



Directed by
Steven Foster



Produced by
Mike Mear



Musical Director:
David Blackwell

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