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La Belle Helene

(By arrangement with NODA Ltd. on behalf of Joseph Weinberger Ltd.)

Music by JACQUES OFFENBACH

New Book and Lyrics by PHIL PARK

Music Adapted and Arranged by RONALD HANMER

Produced by
FRANK DORAN

Hon. Musical Directors :
CORAL GOULD and MYRA MESARITIS

Choreography : DAPHNE GOULD

at the
WULFRIC SCHOOL

OCTOBER 27th — NOVEMBER 1st.

CAST

(Characters in order of appearance)

JUNO	}	JOY APPLEBY
MINERVA	}	— Three beautiful goddesses	SYLVIA COPESTAKE
VENUS	}	SHEILA BOYCE
MERCURY		— Messenger of the Gods	NIGEL HART
PARIS		— Prince of Troy	JOHN GOULD
LEONA		— Young ladies	BETTY BOOTH
GRESSIDA		of Sparta	MARIAN YEOMANS
PHILOCOMUS		— Attendant to Calchas	DAVID NEAL
CALCHAS		— Chief Augur	DAVID WYNNE
HELEN		— Queen of Sparta	CHRISTINE GEORGE
NESTA		— Her Attendant	JOAN BURMAN
ORESTES		— Son of Agamemnon	MARGARET GORDON
MENELAUS		— King of Sparta	ALAN THOMPSON
AGAMEMNON		— King of Argos	ROY SMITH
AJAX		— King of Salamis	ALBAN LITTLE
ACHILLES		— King of the Myrmidons	TERRY BASSETT

SOLDIERS : RON BLADON, CLIVE FARMER, MIKE PAYNE, JOHN SHARP
 CITIZENS OF SPARTA, MEN AT ARMS, SERVANTS.
 HELEN'S LADIES IN WAITING.



ORCHESTRA under the direction of
 CORAL GOULD

Leader : JOHN McNULTY

Second Violin	...	HOWARD JONES	Second Clarinet	...	CHRISTINE THOMPSON
Viola	...	ALAN BATES	Bassoon	...	KATHERINE LAST
Cello	...	HONOR UPHAM	First Trumpet	...	TOM FARRAR
Double Bass	...	TONY MORTIMER	Second Trumpet / Trombone	...	MICHAEL HUTTON
Flute	...	JOHN DUFFIELD	Percussion	...	TREVOR HATHAWAY
First Clarinet	...	MICHAEL PALIN	Continuo	...	MYRA MESARITIS

The audience is respectfully requested not to smoke
 during the performance

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MUSICAL CONTENTS

OVERTURE

PROLOGUE Venus, Juno, Minerva, Mercury, Paris

ACT ONE

Opening Leona, Cressida, Calchas, Philocomus & Chorus

"Oh ! Adonis" Helen, and her attendants

"The Rising Generation" Leona, Cressida, Orestes

Entrance of Paris

"The Judgement of Paris" Paris

Helen's meeting with Paris.

"Behold, the mighty Kings of Greece" Chorus

"To be a Grecian King" ... Orestes, Calchas, Ajax, Menelaus, Achilles, Agamemnon and Chorus

Finale Act 1 Ensemble

ACT TWO

Opening Orestes, Nesta, and Ladies Chorus

"The moment now is drawing near" Helen

"Fair and Square" Helen, Orestes, Nesta, Calchas, Achilles, Ajax, Agamemnon

"Oh dream of Love" Helen and Paris

Finale Act 2 Ensemble

ACT THREE

Opening Helen, Menelaus and Chorus

Ballet

Reprise "Oh dream of Love" Helen and Paris

"Two Mighty Men at Arms" Achilles and Ajax

Entrance of the Golden Galleon

Finale Act 3 Ensemble

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SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

- PROLOGUE — Mount Ida.
 ACT I. — Sparta : before the Temple of Jupiter.
 ACT II — Sparta : The Queen's Apartments.
 ACT III — Nauplia : The sea shore.

The action of the Operetta takes place, without any regard for credibility, in unspecified Ancient Times — in an unlikely Ancient Greece.

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