

CLACTON AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY

Reg. Charity No. 272240

present

MY FAIR LADY

Books & Lyrics by
ALAN JAY LERNER

Music by
FREDERICK LOEWE

*Adapted from George Bernard Shaw's Play and
Gabriel Pascal's motion picture 'PYGMALION'*

**MAY 23RD
TO
MAY 27TH
2000**



PRINCES THEATRE, CLACTON

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A Message from the Chairman

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Here we are in May again and time for our spring production. This year we are proud to present the ever popular musical 'My Fair Lady'. This is the third time the society has produced the show (incidentally I have performed in all three, twice as Mrs. Pearce and this time as Mrs. Higgins). The music is lovely and the costumes colourful, So I'm sure you will enjoy it.

We are always looking for new members, especially young men over 14 years old. Phone Clacton 426999 or 422581 if you would like to join us.

In January 2001 we will be presenting 'Puss In Boots' and the following May another favourite with everyone, 'Fiddler On The Roof'. We hope you will continue to support us,

EDNA MOUNTSTEPHEN

“MY FAIR LADY” PRODUCTION TEAM



Director
VAL MASSEY



Choreographer
**NIKKI
MUNDELL-POOLE**



Accompanist
JANE SHAW



Musical Director
DAVID CAWDELL

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SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT I

- SCENE 1: OUTSIDE COVENT GARDEN (A COLD MARCH NIGHT)
SCENE 2: A TENEMENT SECTION - TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD
(LATER THAT EVENING)
SCENE 3: PROFESSOR HIGGINS STUDY (THE NEXT DAY)
SCENE 4: TENEMENT SECTION (MIDDAY, SEVERAL WEEKS LATER)
SCENE 5: PROFESSOR HIGGINS STUDY (LATER THAT AFTERNOON)
SCENE 6: OUTSIDE ASCOT (A JULY AFTERNOON)
SCENE 7: ASCOT (IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING)
SCENE 8: OUTSIDE PROFESSOR HIGGINS HOUSE, WIMPOLE STREET
(LATER THAT DAY)
SCENE 9: PROFESSOR HIGGINS STUDY (6 WEEKS LATER)

INTERVAL OF FIFTEEN MINUTES

ACT II

- SCENE 1: TRANSYLVANIAN EMBASSY BALLROOM (LATER THAT EVENING)
SCENE 2: PROFESSOR HIGGINS STUDY (3AM THE FOLLOWING MORNING)
SCENE 3: OUTSIDE PROFESSOR HIGGINS HOUSE
(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING)
SCENE 4: FLOWER MARKET OF COVENT GARDEN (5AM SAME MORNING)
SCENE 5: PROFESSOR HIGGINS STUDY (11AM FOLLOWING MORNING)
SCENE 6: THE CONSERVATORY OF MRS. HIGGINS HOUSE
(LATER THAT DAY)
SCENE 7: OUTSIDE PROFESSOR HIGGINS HOUSE
(DUSK THAT AFTERNOON)
SCENE 8: HENRY HIGGINS STUDY

The place is London, The Year 1912. Covent Garden is bustling with gentry leaving the theatre wearing all the finery of the rich, in deep contrast to the rags of the Costermongers of London Town. Professor Higgins and his colleague Colonel Pickering stumble across Eliza Doolittle selling flowers in the square and take on the daunting task to make her a Lady.

CHARACTERS

ELIZA DOOLITTLE
PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS
ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE
COLONEL PICKERING
FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL
MRS. HIGGINS
MRS. PEARCE
MRS. EYNSFORD-HILL
LADY BOXINGTON
LORD BOXINGTON
PROFESSOR
ZOLTAN KARPATY
QUEEN
BUTLER
MRS. HOPKINS
BARTENDER
JAMIE
HARRY
POLICEMAN
FOOTMAN
CHAUFFEUR



JULIE CROWE
KEITH POLLARD
JIM SISSENS
TONY BLACKSHAW
SIMON COULSON
EDNA MOUNTSTEPHEN
JUNE WENN
MOLLY NEWHAM
VIVIENNE EVANS
DEREK BAILEY
NEIL MURPHIE
DOREEN NORTH
KEVIN McKEAN
JUNE SISSENS
SAM McCARTHY
STEVE CHURCH
JOHN ELSON
ADRIAN GOODY
TERRY RATCLIFFE
JOHN LUBIN





DANCERS

ANGELA ALDIS, ANNA-LEIGH BLOWER, GEMMA BRUCE, SAM McCARTHY,
CAROLINE NEWSON, KEITH PECK, BOWEN PERRIN, GEMMA RIBAKOUS,
KERRI SCHOEMAN, CAROLINE SHAW, IAN SEYMOUR AND EMMA SPURGEON.

URCHINS

SAMANTHA GREEN AND DANIELLA TYLER.

SERVANTS

JULIA CLARKE, CATRINA GRIMSEY, KATIE LLOYD, JANE PARKINSON,
KEVIN McKEAN AND VANESSA McGINN.

LADIES CHORUS

MARY ADAMS, CHRIS BAREHAM, CATHY BETTISON, EMMA BRAND,
ANGIE COLLINS, CHARISSA DEBNAM, VAL ENDEAN, VIVIENNE EVANS,
AYLA HASSAN, JUDY JONES, VANESSA McGINN, JEAN MURPHIE,
MOLLY NEWHAM, DOREEN NORTH, GWEN PORTER, JANET ROSS,
WENDY SHEPPARD AND JUNE SISSENS.

MENS CHORUS

DEREK BAILEY, STEVE CHURCH, JOHN ELSON, ADRIAN GOODY,
ERNIE GRIMSEY, NIGEL LAKE, SAM McCARTHY, KEVIN McKEAN,
NEIL MURPHIE, TERRY RATCLIFFE AND DAVID THOMPSON.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

"WHY CAN'T THE ENGLISH"	ACT I
"WOULDN'T IT BE LOVERLY"	PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS
"WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK"	ELIZA AND COSTERMONGERS
"I'M AN ORDINARY MAN"	ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE, HARRY & JAMIE
"JUST YOU WAIT"	PROFESSOR HIGGINS
"THE RAIN IN SPAIN"	ELIZA DOOLITTLE
"I COULD HAVE DANCED ALL NIGHT"	HENRY HIGGINS, ELIZA & COLONEL PICKERING
"ASCOT GAVOTTE"	ELIZA DOOLITTLE, MRS. PEARCE AND MAIDS
"ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE"	SPECTATORS AT THE RACE
	FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL
	ACT II
"THE EMBASSY WALTZ"	PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS, ELIZA,
	PROFESSOR KARPATY & GUESTS
"YOU DID IT"	HENRY HIGGINS, COLONEL PICKERING,
	MRS. PEARCE AND SERVANTS
"JUST YOU WAIT"	ELIZA DOOLITTLE
"SHOW ME"	ELIZA & FREDDY
"GET ME TO THE CHURCH ON TIME"	ALFRED DOOLITTLE, HARRY, JAMES
	& COSTERMONGERS
"A HYMN TO HIM"	HENRY HIGGINS
"WITHOUT YOU"	HENRY HIGGINS & ELIZA
"I'VE GROWN ACCUSTOMED TO HER FACE"	HENRY HIGGINS

ORCHESTRA

Leader	Peter Ivey
Violin	Deborah Dowe
Violin	Kate Bartlett
Viola	Hayley Scurle
Cello	Rebecca Walker
Bass	Lesley Harwood
Flute	Frances Boyson
Clarinet	Sandy McGinty
Clarinet	Madu Vidyarthi
Oboe	Caroline Brooks
Bassoon	Chris Lawrence
Trumpet	John Malam
Trumpet	Jill Betts
Horn	Katie Belcher
Trombone	Martyn Potts
Percussion	Peter Snell
Piano	Jane Shaw



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