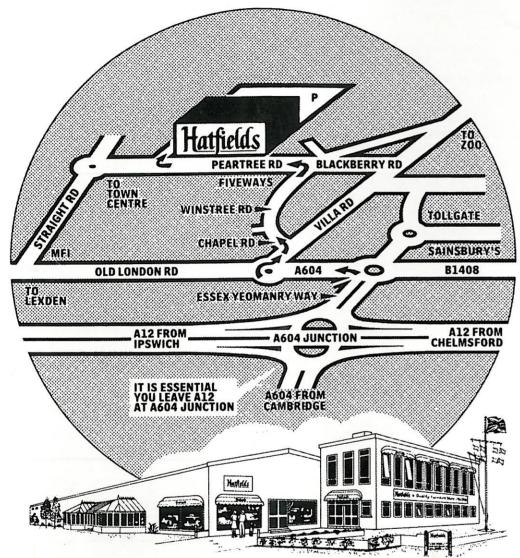
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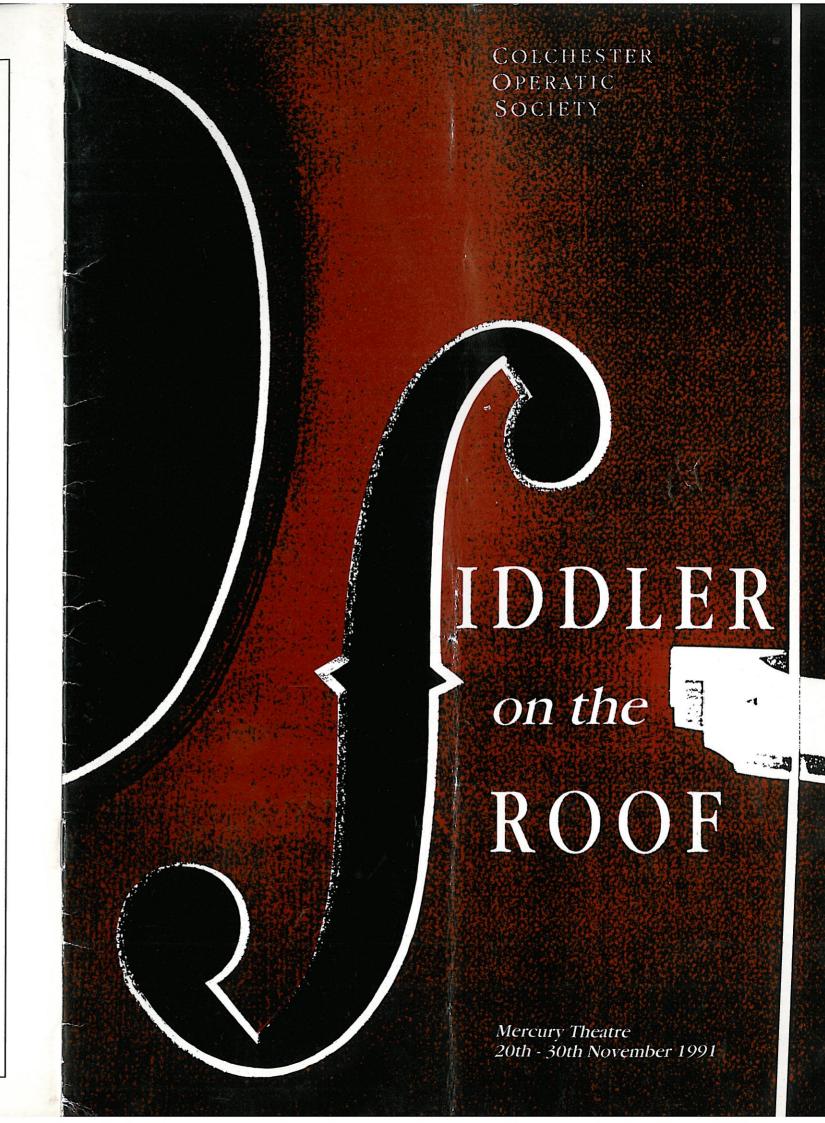


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THE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

This is our second production of 'Fiddler', the first being in 1978. We are pleased to be able to perform at this splendid theatre, and are grateful to the Management and Staff who, in every department have always given us their help and guidance to gain the maximum enjoyment for ourselves and to you the audience

In September of this year we saw a fine sell-out production of 'Grease', performed by our very talented young group C02.

This is the last show that Ray Jeffery will be directing for the time being and I wish to record our thanks to Ray for his fine directing, not only of this production but fourteen previous productions. I am sure that the improvements in our productions over the past ten years have much to do with Ray's high standards. We do not forget that high standards cannot be realised without many hours of devoted work by large numbers of our members and friends, often working behind the scenes, and rarely seen by the public. My special thanks to Sally, Jenny, Phyl, Irene and Richard at rehearsals.

I look forward to your continued support at our future productions. May I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Shalom.

John Enfield Chairman

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THE STORY

The people of Anatevka, a small Jewish Community in Tsarist Russia, make a poor living from the soil. Tevye, the milkman, a devout and humorous man tells how their strength derives from the age-old laws of Tradition. In Tevye's home, Golde, his wife, and their five daughters are preparing for the Sabbath, when Yente, the Matchmaker, arrives to tell Golde that the butcher, Lazar Wolf, a gross middle-aged but wealthy widower, wishes to marry their eldest daughter, Tzeitel who is already in love with a poor tailor, Motel Kamzoil.

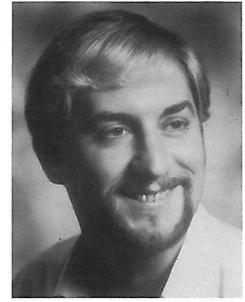
On his way home, Tevye meets Perchik, a poor student from Kiev, with determined ideas. Tevye is persuaded, against his better judgement, to agree the marriage of Lazar Wolf and Tzeitel, but Tzeitel pleads with her father and she and Motel tell him of their secret betrothal. Tevye is shocked with this break with tradition, but eventually he gives in and agrees to the marriage, but has to think of a way to tell Golde. His vivid imagination helps him to pretend that he has awakened from a nightmare, and he tells her how Fruma Sarah, Lazar Wolf's first wife, and her own Grandma Tzeitel have persuaded him against such a match. When Motel and Tzeitel are married with traditional solemnity, Russian demonstrators arrive to smash up the wedding feast.

This is the beginning of the troubles spreading throughout Russia, and before leaving to join the revolutionaries against the Tsar, Perchik asks Hodel to marry him. Once again Tevye, seeing the pleading in his daughter's eyes relents and agrees to the marriage. When he breaks the news to Golde he suddenly wonders if their own relationship is based on love.

Perchik is arrested and sent to Siberia, and Hodel decides to join him and marry him there, leaving all she cares for at home to be with the man she loves.

Soon Anatevka is caught in the political maelstrom, and Jewish families are ordered to leave within three days. Even Tevye, whose third daughter, Chava has married a Russian cannot be spared, and as they put their belongings together, the villagers mourn for the sorry little place which has been their home. Sadly they leave for Poland, the Holy Land and America.

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Director & Choreographer



SALLY HAMMOND

1927

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1978 Fiddler on the Roof The King & I

Show Boat

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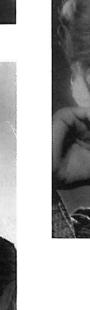
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Mikado	1948	Waltz Dream
Princess Ida	1949	New Moon
Iolanthe	1950	The Wind and Rain
Yeomen of the Guard	1950	The Desert Song
Trial by Jury and	1951	The Student Prince
Pirates of Penzance	1952	Harmony Hill
Les Cloches de Corneville	1953	Show Boat
Quaker Girl	1954	Brigadoon
Mikado	1955	Pink Champagne
Gondoliers	1956	Vagabond King
Merrie England	1957	White Horse Inn
Duchess of Danzig	1958	Summer Song
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Country Girl	1960	Song of Norway
Beggar's Opera	1961	Naughty Marietta

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1963	Kismet
1964	The Most Happy Fella
1965	They Came to a City
1965	The Student Prince
1966	Hay Fever
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1966	La Belle Helene
1967	Carousel
1968	Count of Luxembourg
1969	Oklahoma
1970	Kiss Me Kate

Robert and Elizabeth

1974 Orpheus in the Underworld

The Merry Widow

The Great Waltz

1976 My Fair Lady

Count of Luxembourg	1985	Guys & Dolls
Oklahoma	1985	Carousel
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Die Fledermaus	1986	The Sound of M
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1987	Oliver
1988	The Desert Song
1988	Annie Get Your Gun
1989	The Mikado
1989	My Fair Lady
1990	The Pajama Game

The Music Man

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Prologue:

Scene 1

CAST

Tevye	Ken Smith
Golde	
Tzeitel	Jayne McKercher
Hodel	Barbara Ryan
Chava	Claire Nicholson
Shprintze	Claire Lynas
Bielke	Beth Keeble
Yente	Barbara Pears
Motel	
Perchik	Jim Hughes
Fyedka	
Lazar Wolf	
Rabbi	Malcolm Crawford
Mendel	
Avram	Clive Smith
Mordcha	
Grandma Tzeitel	Brenda Green
Fruma Sarah	Dani Fincham
Constable	Roger Dobson
The Fiddler	Philip Spurgeon
Nachum	David Moye
Shandel	Sue Nicholson
Yussel	
Sasha	Nick Flower
Priest	Scott Woodrow
Children	Serving Girls
Edward Higbee	Sharon Cook
Sam Higbee	Beverley Humphreys
Beth Keeble	Gillian Humphreys
Claire Lynas	Emma Spurgeon

Mamas, Papas, Sons and Daughters

Helen Robinson

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Scene 2	Exterior of Tevye's House
Scene 3	Interior of Tevye's House
Scene 4	The Inn
Scene 5	Street Outside The Inn
Scene 6	On a Bench Outside Tevye's House
Scene 7	Tevye's Bedroom
Scene 8	Village Street and Motel's Tailor Shop
Scene 9	Section of Tevye's Yard
	ACT TWO
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Prologue:	
Scene 1	Exterior of Tevye's House
Scene 2	Village Street
Scene 3	Exterior of Railroad Station
Scene 4	Village Street
Scene 5	Motel's Tailor Shop
Scene 6	Somewhere in the Outskirts of the Village
Scene 7	The Barn
Scene 8	Outside Tevye's House

Kitchen in Tevye's House

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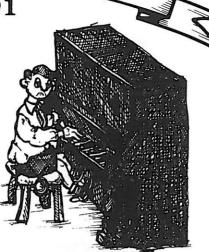
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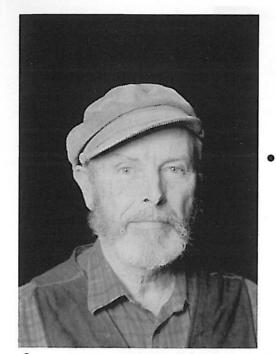
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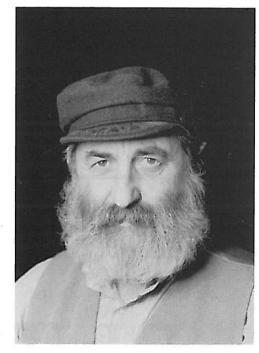




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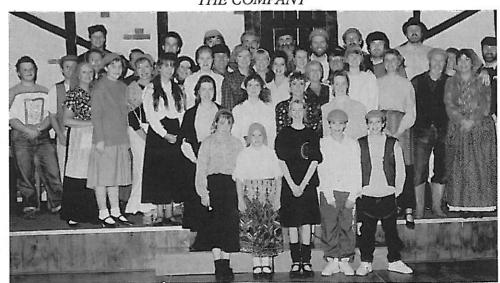


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