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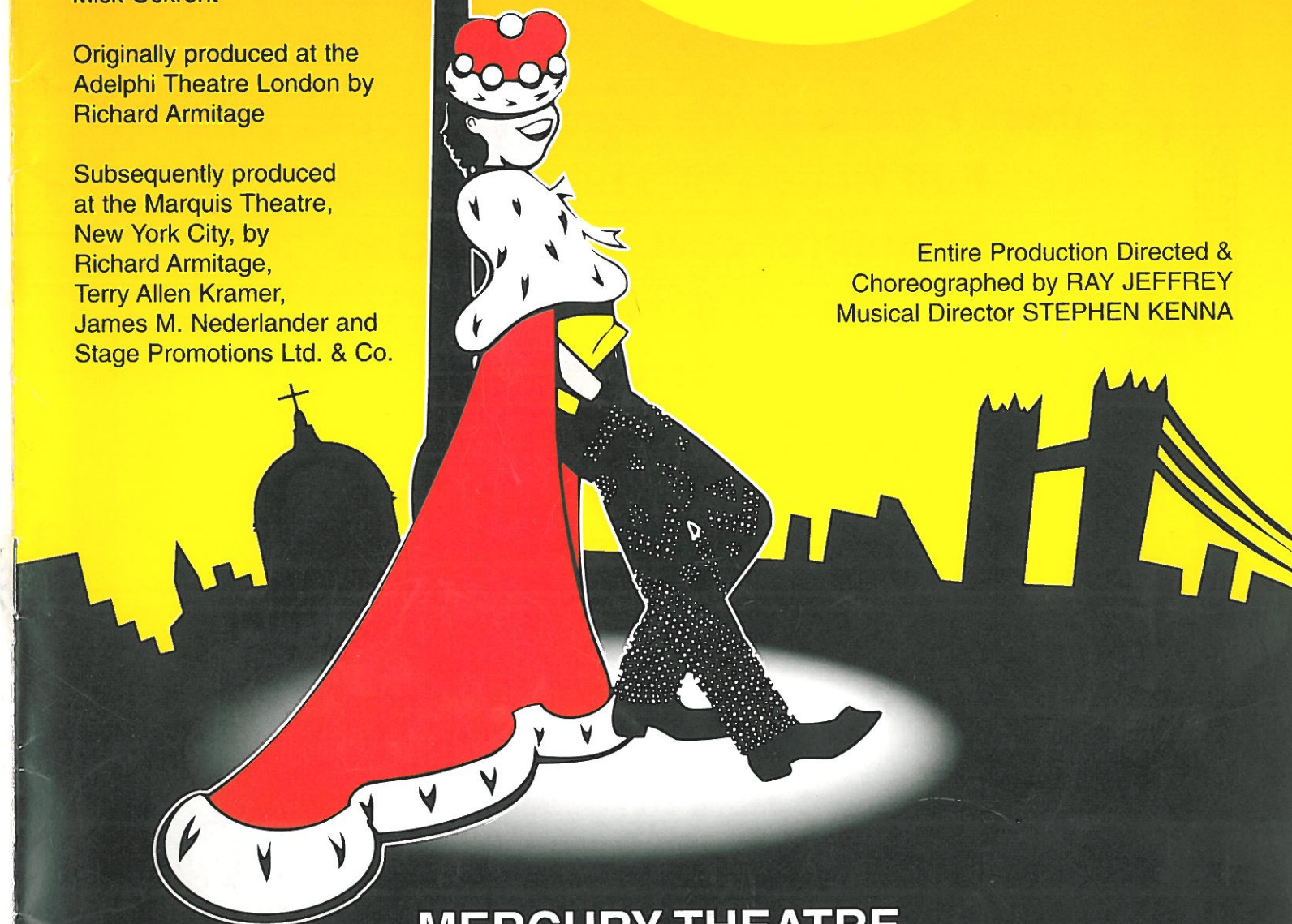
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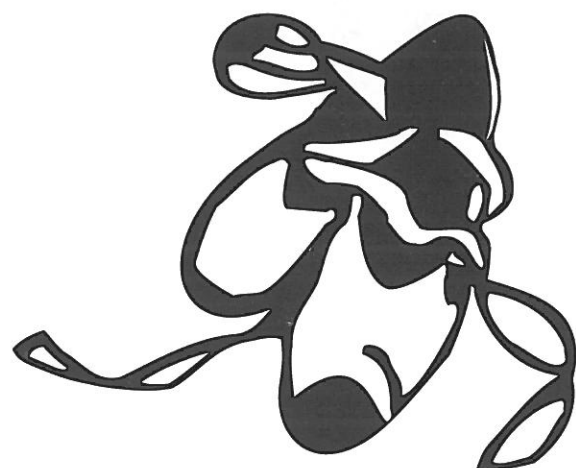


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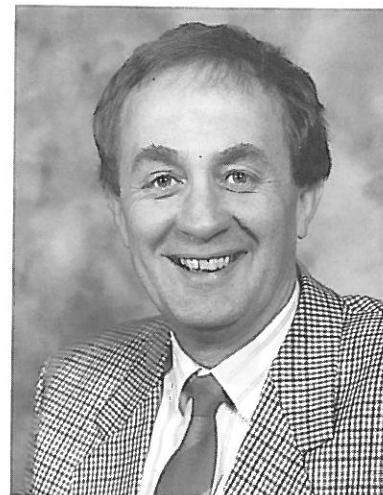
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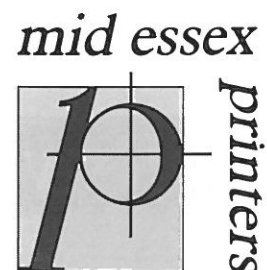
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## ME AND MY GIRL



*The story of "Me and My Girl"  
revolves around a boy from  
Lambeth who succeeds to the title of  
the Earl of Hareford and as a result  
almost loses his true love, Sally, a  
little cockney girl.*



*Noel Gay wrote the music for 26 London Shows, as well as 28 feature films,  
and 45 top films of the time.*

*Just before the war "Me and My Girl" was produced at the Victoria Palace and  
starred Lupino Lane (who also directed the Show), it ran for 5 years.*

*The 1985 revival at the Adelphi Theatre was produced by Noel Gay's Son. It  
ran until 1993 and this version contains 4 songs from other Noel Gay  
musicals. Love Makes The World Go Round, Hold My Hand, The Sun Has Got  
His Hat On and Leaning On A Lamp Post, made famous by George Formby.*

## PREVIOUS PRODUCTIONS

1925	Gondoliers	1949	New Moon	1966	Hay Fever	1984	Brigadoon
1926	Mikado	1950	The Wind and Rain	1966	La Belle Helene	1985	Guys & Dolls
1927	Princess Ida	1950	The Desert Song	1967	Carousel	1985	Carousel
1929	Iolanthe	1951	The Student Prince	1968	Count of Luxembourg	1986	Pirates of Penzance
1930	Yeomen of the Guard	1952	Harmony Hill	1969	Oklahoma	1986	The Sound of Music
1931	Trial by Jury and Pirates of Penzance	1953	Show Boat	1970	Kiss Me Kate	1987	South Pacific
	Les Cloches de Corneville	1954	Brigadoon	1971	Die Fledermaus	1987	Oliver
1932	Quaker Girl	1955	Pink Champagne	1972	Mikado	1988	The Desert Song
1933	Mikado	1956	Vagabond King	1973	Robert and Elizabeth	1988	Annie Get Your Gun
1934	Gondoliers	1957	White Horse Inn	1974	Orpheus in the Underworld	1989	The Mikado
1935	Merrie England	1958	Summer Song	1975	The Merry Widow	1989	My Fair Lady
1936	Duchess of Danzig	1959	The Merry Widow	1976	My Fair Lady	1990	The Pajama Game
1937	Vagabond King	1960	Song of Norway	1977	The Great Waltz	1990	The Music Man
1938	Country Girl	1961	Naughty Marietta	1978	Fiddler on the Roof	1991	Fiddler on the Roof
1946	Beggar's Opera	1962	The Dancing Years	1979	The King & I	1992	Oklahoma
1947	Tom Jones	1963	Kismet	1980	Show Boat	1993	Kiss Me Kate
1947	The Arcadians	1964	The Most Happy Fella	1981	Hello Dolly	1994	Godspell
1948	Waltz Dream	1965	They Came to a City	1982	Camelot	1994	Orpheus in the Underworld
			The Student Prince	1983	Half a Sixpence	1995	Hello Dolly
						1996	The Pirates of Penzance

# ME AND MY GIRL

## CAST

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Sally Smith	Rachel Johnson
Maria, Duchess of Dene	Gill Plumtree
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Sheila Maxwell, Bradley Maxwell, Denise Peggall, Jane Pipe,  
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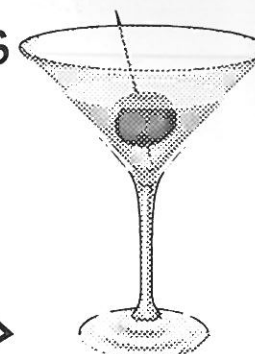
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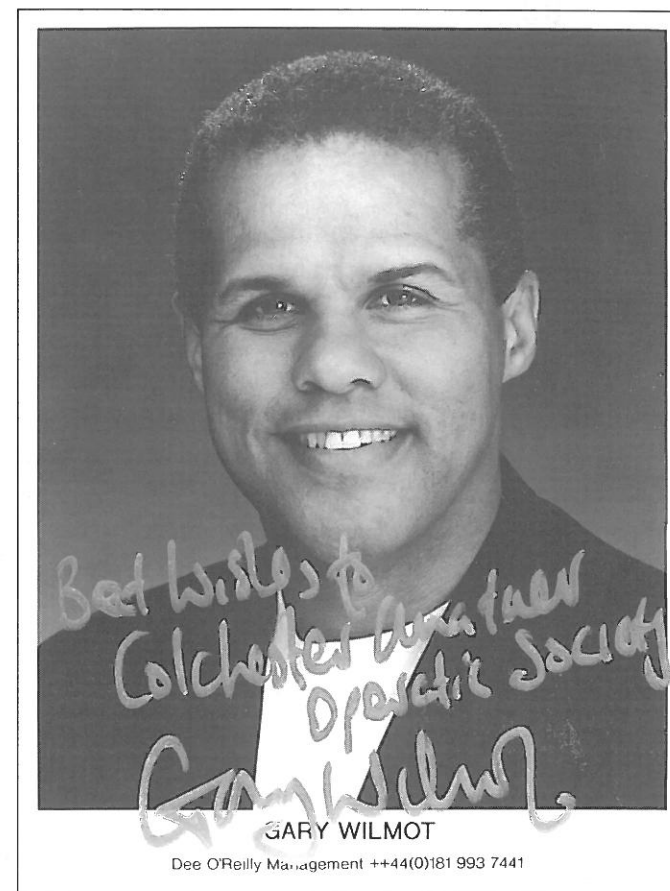
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*Gary Wilmot*

March 1998



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It's great to be back at the Mercury after the enforced absence owing to the fire at the theatre. I do hope that you agree our come-back show of Me And My Girl is the right choice for all the family.

I warmly welcome back Ray Jeffery, Director and Steve Kenna, MD. My thanks to Sally, Jenny, Phyl and Peter for all their hard work and understanding at rehearsals. Also my thanks to the Mercury Theatre Management for their help with publicity.

Like most Operatic Societies we are short of men in our company and would be very pleased to hear from anyone interested in joining. We can assure you of a warm welcome.

Finally, on behalf of Colchester Operatic Society, my sincere thanks to you, the audience, for your continued support.

John M Enfield  
Chairman

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