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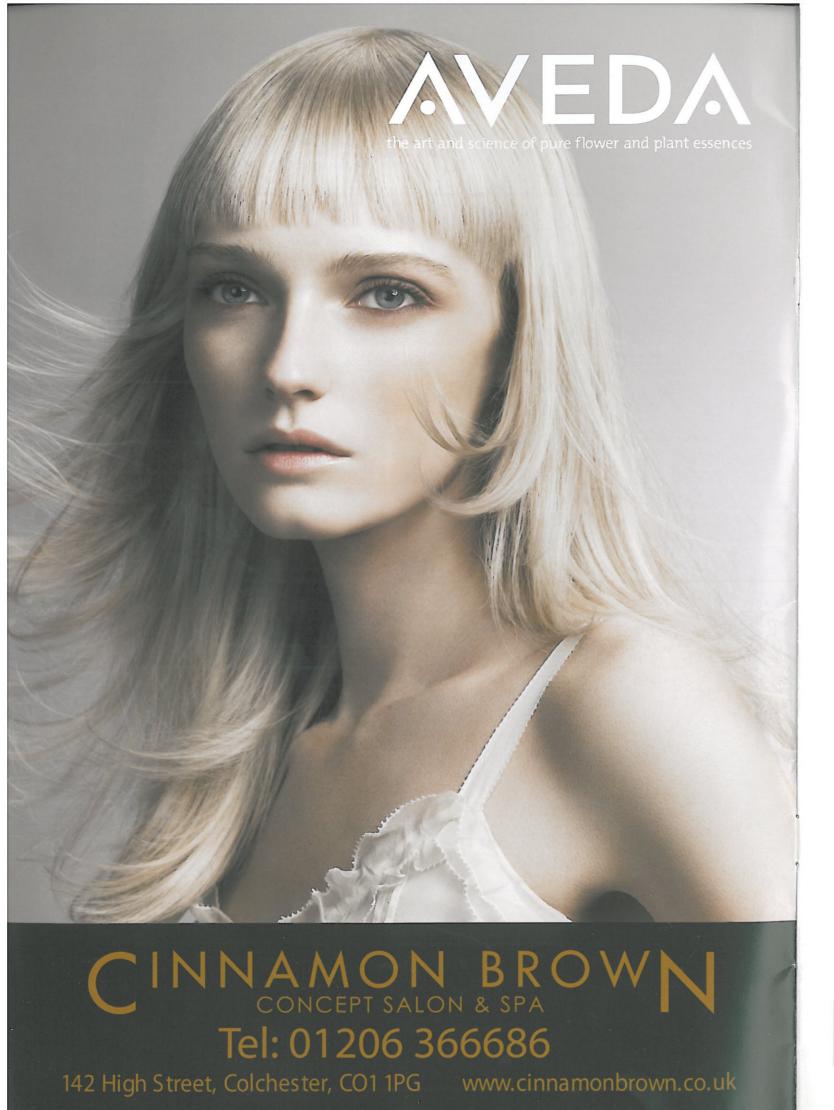
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Mercury Theatre, Colchester

23rd January 2nd February 2008

SOUVENIR PROGRAMME



Colchester Operatic Society



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SOUTH PACIFIC

by Rodgers & Hammerstein

THE PRODUCTION TEAM



DIRECTORCaroline Fritz



MUSICAL DIRECTOR
Peter Snell

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

May I extend a warm welcome to you all on this cold winter's day and allow the company of "South Pacific" to whisk you away to the golden sands, the blue seas and sky, the gently swaying palms of a South Pacific island for the next few hours. This Rodgers and Hammerstein musical with its dramatic story line, its humour and memorable songs add up to one of the best known shows.

For this production we have a new director, Caroline Fritz. Caroline has been a member of the Society for some while now and you may have seen her in our last production of "Camelot" when she played Queen Guenevere. She asked us if she could try her hand at directing this show and we said yes. She is ably assisted by Sally Hammond and our Musical Director, Peter Snell, who have directed and guided the cast through the show to the performance you are about to see now.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the CO2 team on their magnificent production of "We Will Rock You" at this theatre... A standing ovation at the end of every performance is the highest compliment an audience can give to a cast. It was also a record for the Society - a sell-out - not a seat to be had in the theatre.

The Society is always on the lookout for new members to swell the ranks in all departments so if you have a talent for singing, dancing or back stage work etc we would like to hear from you by contacting Colin Thorne our Membership Secretary. Details are at the back of this programme. That's the end of my chat, so sit back in your seat and enjoy the enchantment of "South Pacific" and don't forget to tell your friends.

Michael Spurgeon, Chairman COS

THE STORY OF "SOUTH PACIFIC"

Based on the Second World War best seller by James Michener, "Tales From The South Pacific" the musical centres on the romance between exiled French planter, Emile de Becque and Navy Nurse, Nellie Forbush and a liason between Lt. Joseph Cable and Bloody Mary's daughter Liat. Emile and Joseph are sent on a secret mission to an island occupied by the Japanese. The show features well-loved numbers such as "Bali Ha'i", "Some Enchanted Evening", "Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair" and "There Is Nothing Like A Dame". The show provides a melodic and colourful evening's entertainment.

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THE CAST



Graine Ivell



Jenna Saiz



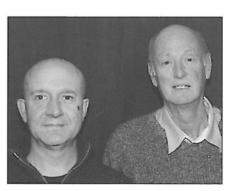
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Lydia Clough



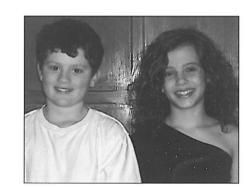
Graham Bowden & Nick Clough



James Fillery



Kevin Richard



Samuel Pace & Anna Andreas



The Boys



The Girls

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES & MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

The action of the play takes place on two islands in the South Pacific during World War II. There is one week's lapse of time between the two Acts.



"Some enchanted evening"

'OVERTURE' Scene 1: The Terrace of Emile de Becque's Plantation Home 'DITES-MOI'

......Ngana and Jerome

Scene 2: Another Part of the Island 'BLOODY MARY' Sailors, Seabees and Marines

Scene 3: The Edge of a Palm Grove Near the Beach 'BALI HA'I' Bloody Mary

Scene 4: The Company Street

Scene 5: Inside the Island Commander's Office

Scene 6: The Company Street

Scene 7: The Beach Reprise: 'SOME ENCHANTED EVENING' Emile and Nellie

Scene 8: Inside the Island Commander's Office

Scene 9: Another Part of the Island

Reprise: 'BALI HA'I' French and Native Girls

Scene 10: Inside a Native Hut on Bali Ha'i

Scene 11: Near the Beach on Bali Ha'i

Scene 12: Emile's Terrace

ACT II

'ENTR'ACTE'	
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Scene 1: A Performance of "The Thanksgiving Follies"

Scene 2: Backstage at "The Thanksgiving Follies"

'HAPPY TALK'Bloody Mary and Liat Scene 3: The Performance Resumes, as in Scene 1

'HONEY BUN' Nellie, Billis and Ensemble

Scene 4: Backstage, as in Scene 2

'THIS NEARLY WAS MINE' Emile Scene 5: Another Part of the Island

Scene 6: The Radio Shack

Scene 7: Another Part of the Island

Scene 8: The Radio Shack

Scene 9: The Company Street

Scene 10: The Beach

Scene 11: The Company Street

Scene 12: Emile's Terrace

'FINALE ULTIMO Emile, Nellie, Ngana and Jerome

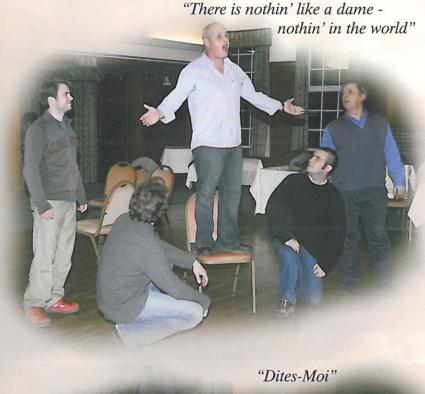


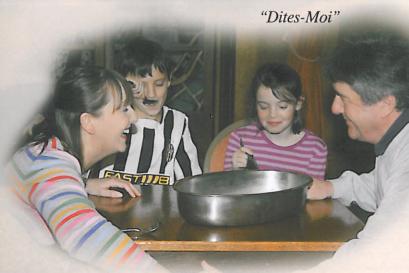
"There is nothin' you can name

"Younger than Springtime"

that is anythin' like a dame"







PACIFIC THE CAST



Character	Name	The Boys	The Girls	
Emile de Becque	John Davies	Rikki Hammond	Rebecca Buckle	
Nellie Forbush	Graine Ivell	Ryan Mazlan	Valentine Cavanagh-White	
Lt. Joe Cable	Jamie Fillery	Colin Thorne	Katie Chan	
Luther Billis	Kevin Richard	Steven Chan	Sally Leung	
Simone	Barbara Ryan	Shane Diggens	Kelly Marven	
Lt. Buzz Adams	Nathan Crame	Steven Knight	Siobhan O'Shea-Warner	
Stewpot	Sean Walsh	David Moye	Ayla Hassan	
Professor	David Moye	Sam Pilkington	Amy Green	
Bloody Mary	Lydia Clough	Ken Houghton	Clare Jones	
Liat	Jenna Saiz		Emma Dagleish	
Captain Brackett	Nick Clough		Clare Edwards	
Harbison	Graham Bowden		Teresa White	
McCaffery	Sam Pilkington			
Jerome	Samuel Pace Ben Fusi			
Ngana	Anna Andreas Ali Fusi			



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1926	Mikado	1952	Harmony Hill	1972	Mikado		My Fair Lady
1927	Princess Ida	1953	Show Boat	1973	Robert and Elizabeth	1990	The Pajama Game
1929	Iolanthe	1954	Brigadoon	1974	Orpheus in the Underworld		The Music Man
1930	Yeoman of the Guard	1955	Pink Champagne	1975	The Merry Widow	1991	Fiddler on the Roof
1931	Trial By Jury &	1956	Vagabond King	1976	My Fair Lady	1992	Oklahoma
	Pirates of Penzance	1957	White Horse Inn	1977	The Great Waltz	1993	Kiss Me Kate
	Les Cloches de Corneville	1958	Summer Song	1978	Fiddler on the Roof	1994	Godspell
1932	Quaker Girl	1959	The Merry Widow	1979	The King & I		Orpheus in the Underworld
1933	Mikado	1960	Song of Norway	1980	Show Boat	1995	Hello Dolly
1935	Gondoliers	1961	Naughty Marietta	1981	Hello Dolly	1996	Pirates of Penzance
	Merrie England	1962	The Dancing Years	1982	Camelot	1998	Me & My Girl
1936	Duchess of Danzig	1963	Kismet	1983	Half a Sixpence	1999	Singin' in the Rain
1937	Vagabond King	1964	The Most Happy Fella	1984	Brigadoon	2000	Sweet Charity
1938	Country Girl	1965	They Came to a City	1985	Guys & Dolls	2001	Half a Sixpence
1946	The Beggar's Opera		The Student Prince		Carousel	2002	Carousel
1947	Tom Jones	1966	Hay Fever	1986	Pirates of Penzance	2003	The King & I
	The Arcadians		La Belle Helene		The Sound of Music	2004	Oliver
1948	Waltz Dream	1967	Carousel	1987	South Pacific	2005	Crazy For You
1949	New Moon	1968	Count of Luxembourg		Oliver	2006	My Fair Lady
1950	The Wind and Rain	1969	Oklahoma	1988	The Desert Song	2007	Camelot
	The Desert Song	1970	Kiss Me Kate		Annie Get Your Gun		

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