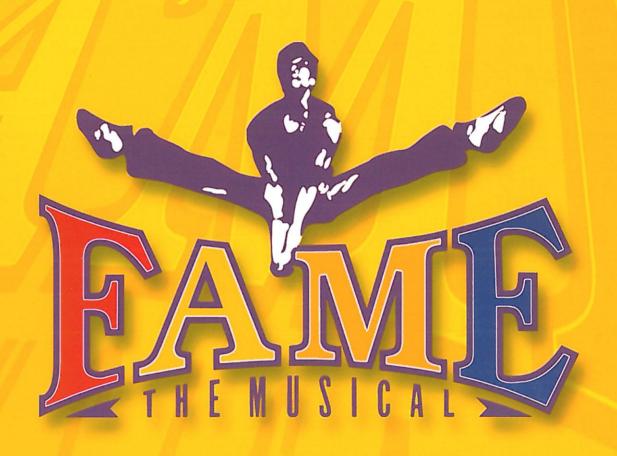


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# Colchester Operatic Society (Second Edition)

**Proudly Presents** 



at the Mercury Theatre, Colchester Tuesday 19th to Saturday 23rd September 2000



As the new Chaiman for CO2, may I welcome you to the Mercury Theatre, for our production of 'Fame', it is good to be back! I would like to thank Dee Evans, Phillip Bray and all the Mercury staff for all of their help in getting C02 back on this stage

'Fame' is a wonderful show for young people to perform, and I hope that you enjoy watching as much as our youngsters have enjoyed rehearsing and performing for you. We would like to warmly welcome Liz Ladd to her first CO2 production as Director and Choreographer. Once again our thanks to Peter Snell for all his dedicated hard work as our Musical Director again this year.

Unfortunately, Katie Osborne who was originally cast in the part of Serena, has had to pull out of the show as she has been offered a place at Drama School, we wish her well. Our thanks go out to Katie and to Soophia Faroughi for taking over the part at such short notice.

Once again this year, as part of our ongoing fund raising activities, we will be making a donation to a local charity, the 'Dolphin Appeal', raising money for the Childrens Ward at Colchester General Hospital.

We look forward to welcoming you at our next CO2 production, 'The Boyfriend', here at the Mercury in September next year, and would like to thank you, our audience for your continued support. I hope that you have a very enjoyable evening.

> Alan Larner Chairman CO2.

Elisabeth Ladd Director & Choreographer

#### 'Fame' Production Team

Directors' Assistant Jo Daniels



Peter Snell Musical Director

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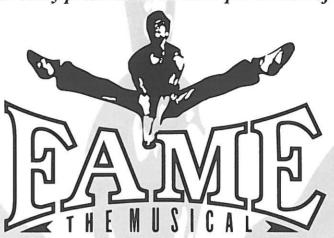
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#### Colchester Operatic Society Future Productions

Fri 19th & Sat 20th Jan 2001 at the Colchester Garrison Officers Club A Concert of 'Songs from the Shows' (Rehearsals begin Mon 25th Sept 2000 at the Officers Club)

June 2001 at the Mercury Theatre 'Half a Sixpence' performed by C.O.S. (Rehearsals begin early January 2001 at the Arena, Colchester)

September 2001 at the Mercury Theatre 'The Boyfriend' performed by CO2 (Rehearsals begin March 2001 at the Arena, Colchester)

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A MEMBER OF EITHER COLCHESTER OPERATIC SOCIETY OR CO2, THEN PLEASE CONTACT:

> Mrs. Liz Thorne Secretary COS Tel: 01206 262664 Mrs. Sharon Clarke Secretary CO2 Tel: 01206 768880







#### The Cast

#### **Principals**

Nick Piazza Joe Vegas Mabel Washington

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Schlomo Metzenbaum Iris Kelly Oliver Jones
Joe Allen
Jesamine Donnell

Jesamine Donnelly

Matthew Kelly Claire Shilling Serena Katz Carmen Diaz

Grace Lamb
(Lambchops)

Tyrone Jackson Goodman King

(Goody)

Soophia Foroughi Polly Trenow

Tillie Rothwell
Ian Ashton

**Daniel Howell** 

#### **Teachers**

Miss Sherman Mr. Myers Graine Ivell James King Miss Bell Mr. Sheinkopf Jodie Parish Dan Westacott

#### Dance Students

Holly Connell Jonathon Dearden Justine Garnes Hannah Hailey Isobel King Phillip Hawkins Jenny Leung Laura Ling Charlotte Rainer Becki Riches Nicola Treliving Caroline Walsom

#### Drama Students

Abigail Baker Tiffany Buck Kelly Holmewood Rebecca Issacas Sarah-Louise Larmie Catherine Malinowski Leanne Rogers Amy Secretan Katie Vincent Matthew Bigwood Matthew Chamley

#### Pit Singers

Sally Leung Barbara Ryan Adam Harridance Sally Fisher Rebecca Buckle David Moye Gary Huggins Jo Daniels Richard Shakespeare

#### Act One

'Hard Work'

'I Want to Make Magic' 'Can't Keep it Down'

'Tyrone's Rap'

'There She Goes / Fame'

'Let's Play a Love Scene'

'Bring on Tomorrow'

'The Teacher's Argument'

'Hard Work' (Reprise)

The Company
Nick
Joe & Students
Tyrone
Carmen & Students

Serena Schlomo & Carmen

Miss Bell, Miss Sherman The Students

#### Act Two

'I Want to Make Magic' (Reprise)

'Mabel's Prayer'

'Think of Meryl Streep'

'Dancin' on the Sidewalk'

'These Are My Children'

'In L.A.'

'Let's Play A Love Scene' (Reprise)

'Bring on Tomorrow' (Reprise)

Nick & Students
Mabel & Girls
Serena
Tyrone & Students
Miss Sherman

Carmen
Nick & Serena
The Company

#### 'The Company'



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For the Mercury Theatre:

**Dee Evans** 

Hamish Everitt Neville Milson

and with grateful thanks to Phillip Bray and all the Mercury Staff

For Colchester Operatic Society:

**Stage Director:** 

Mike Spurgeon

Stage Management:

Chris Barrell, Terry Lyon, Dave Clarke, Bob Wilkinson,

John Moye, Michael Waersing, Andrew Jeffers,

Jim Maxwell, Stuart Carey.

Matt Wood house and Alan Larner.

Stage Lighting by:

Jim Bowman

Assisted by:

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