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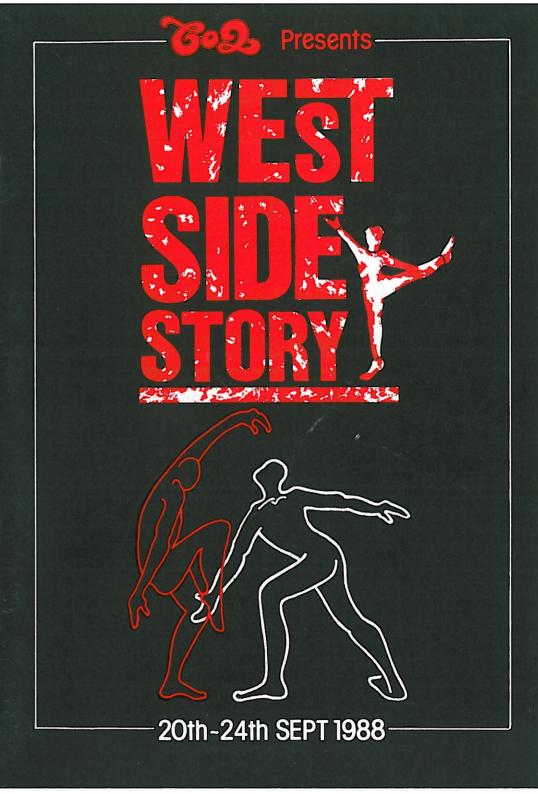
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In 1984 CO2 tentatively stepped onto the stage with their first production 'Grease'. The standard of the performance was as high as the enthusiasm and excitement that poured from the stage.

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West Side Story is a show with many moods and tests the young performer in all aspects of stage craft. As one of the original members of CO2 I am proud of the end result and I hope that you enjoy and appreciate all the hard work that has gone into this performance.

Thank you for your support. Without our audience we don't have a show.

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DIRECTORS ASSISTANT – Valerie Massey
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STAGE MANAGEMENT – Bob Bristow and Mike Spurgeon
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CHARACTERS

THE JETS

THE SHARKS

BERNARDO - Chris Austin RIFF-Stephen Emery TONY - Neil Couperthwaite MARIA (his sister) – Joanna Humphreys ACTION - Nick Eagleton ANITA (his girl) – Clare Joseph A-RAB - Alex Woods CHINO (his friend) - Jim Bagley BABY JOHN - Damien Bell SNOWBOY-Tim Wright BIG DEAL - Andrew Parker DIESEL-Scott Woodrow GEE TAR - Phillip Spurgeon MOUTHPIECE - Andrew Fincham

THEIR GIRLS

GRAZIELLA - Nikki Massey VELMA - Deborah Crewe ANYBODY'S - Sara Smith

THEIR GIRLS

ROSALIA – Milly Morris CONSUELO - Mandy Rosoman FRANCISCA - Liana Bridges

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SHARKS: Lee Carter, Chris Dobson, Jamie Fisher, Martin Foster. Naomi Hart, Andrea Libby, Tim Mapleston, Liz Rawlins, Sue Rickard, Spencer Stott, Nicole Veash, Charles Watson, Anu Yadav.

ADULTS

DOC – John Enfield

SCHRANK - Vic Edwards GLAD HAND - Derek Massey KRUPKE - Mark Fincham

"SOMEWHERE" Sung by Clare Samnpson

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES AND **MUSICAL NUMBERS**

ACT I

SCENE 1: THE NEIGHBOURHOOD: Prologue (instrumental). Jet Song (Riff and the Jets)

SCENE 2: A BACK YARD: Something's Coming (Tony)

SCENE 3: A BRIDAL SHOP:

SCENE 4: THE GYM: The Dance At The Gym (Instrumental)

Maria (Tony)

SCENE 5: A BACK ALLEY: Balcony Scene (Maria and Tony)

America (Anita, Rosalia and Girls)

SCENE 6: THE DRUGSTORE: Cool (Riff and the Jets)

THE NEXT DAY

SCENE 7: THE BRIDAL SHOP: One Hand, One Heart (Tony and Maria)

SCENE 8: THE NEIGHBOURHOOD: Tonight (ensemble)

SCENE 9: UNDER THE HIGHWAY: The Rumble (instrumental)

INTERVAL

ACT II

SCENE 1: AN APARTMENT (Maria and Girls):

I Feel Pretty (Maria & Girls), Ballet Sequence (instrumental)

Somewhere (Tony, Maria and a Girl)

A BACK ALLEY: Gee, Officer Krupke (The Jets) SCENE 2:

SCENE 3: THE APARTMENT: A Boy Like That (Maria and Anita)

I Have A Love (Maria and Anita)

SCENE 4: THE DRUGSTORE: Taunting Scene (Instrumental)

SCENE 5: THE CELLAR

SCENE 6: THE NEIGHBOURHOOD: Finale

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