

Rose Hill Musical Society

Newsletter

August 2010

Eagle Awards

Congratulations go to Beverley Graham and Craig Arme who received nominations at the recent Eagle Awards evening. Beverley was nominated for the Gordon Bewley Award for the Best Production of a Musical and Craig for the Gwen Taylor Award for the Best Performance in a Musical.

New Season

The new season will commence on Monday 6th September at 7.30pm at Carlton Road United Reformed Church. This year's production is *HMS Pinafore* and it is suggested that the cast get a synopsis by going onto the Internet and looking up *HMS Pinafore* on Wikipedia, which gives a great deal of detail but in particular the story line and how it all fits into the Musical numbers. The Show will be staged at the Guildhall Theatre from Tuesday 12th April to Saturday 16th April 2011. Sunday 10th April will be 'Get in' day with the Band Call and Technical rehearsal. Dress rehearsal will be on Monday 11th April.

Auditions for principal parts will be held on Monday 27th September. A list of audition pieces can be obtained from Margaret on 0115 9258717, email peter.featherstone4@ntlworld.com or on the Society website www.rosehill.org.uk

If anyone wishes to order vocal scores, libretti or Notebasher CDs please contact Margaret. Vocal scores are £13.50, and libs £7.99. We have a few second-hand scores at varying prices (according to condition).

Alternatively it may be possible to borrow scores from the library. In any event it is most helpful if members come armed with a vocal score for the first rehearsal.

The Notebasher CDs (£9 each) highlight the vocal line of your choice, and are a very helpful way to learn the music.

It is anticipated that the first six weeks will be spent learning the music before Beverley starts the process of setting. It is intended that from 25th October we will learn a Musical number and then we will set it and move on. It is important that we get as much consistency as possible and therefore everybody is urged to try and attend all the rehearsals. To help Beverley please can you indicate any holiday commitments (there will be a sheet on the signing-in table on Monday 6th September), and throughout the rehearsal period keep her (01623 517294, mobile 07855022381) or Margaret (as above and mobile 07712985305) informed of absences.

Recruiting

As ever we are on the look out for new talent and this is a good time to introduce a friend to the delights of G & S. It is so much easier to get involved if there is somebody you know.

Cast Representatives

David Fletcher representing the gentlemen and Katie Nightingale representing the ladies are there to look after the interests of new and old faces alike and will bring to the committee's attention any points that you may wish to raise which you do not wish to raise directly yourself. Their respective contact details are:-

Subscriptions for the season are now due and are as follows:-

Standard	£25
Senior	£15
Students and unemployed (i.e. active job-seekers)	£10
Under 15s	£5

People auditioning for a principal role are reminded that they must be paid-up members before auditioning.

John Wilson - Chairman