

WOS News



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Message from the society Chair

Rachel's Ramble

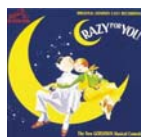
We are putting the finishing touches to the show, with director Jeff Eales, MD Peter Holt and choreographer Matt Fowler - more below - but have an urgent **plea for help**. Is anyone available to collect 27 wigs, loaded on two pallets (so an estate car or bigger would be needed), from Forest Hill in south London? We need them the week before the show. If you can help, please let Nicky know at nicky.chryss@hotmail.com.

If anyone has free time during the week of the show, we can make use of you in a variety of ways - Vicky Farman still has couple of vacancies for front of house programme sellers, Jacqui Harman and Nicky (costumes) are looking for dressers to assist with several quick changes through out the show, and I can always do with an extra pair of hands for backstage. Drop me a line at rachel.curren@gmail.com or call or text 07785 508 135.

Not content with the excitement of an imminent show? Turn very quickly to page 2 to read some very exciting news about our next show...

See you all soon at the Palace,
Rachel

Update - 'Crazy for You'

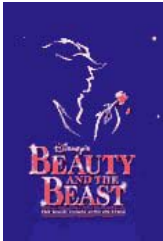


With less than a month now before the curtain goes up, we are very excited about our forthcoming show. Rehearsals are going well and the production team and committee are working

hard behind the scenes to get everything ready for show week. Don't forget that the show runs at the Palace from **Monday 20th April to Saturday 25th April 2008**.

Ticket sales are going well. Thanks to everybody who has bought their tickets already. There are a few individual seats left for the matinee, but otherwise it has sold out. The rest of the week is selling well, particularly the Friday and Saturday nights, as usual, but the rest of the week is proving popular with ticket buyers as well. However, if you haven't yet bought your tickets, maybe you'll consider booking for the **Wednesday** of show week (that's **22nd April**). This is the day that has sold least well so far. So, society members, how about coming along that night and catching up with other members that you haven't seen lately?!

Newsflash!



An announcement about our next show!

We are delighted to announce that our 2010 show will be Disney's "Beauty and the Beast". It's a wonderful show that tells a simple love story with fairytale sets and fantastic costumes, especially the vast parade of enchanted objects. We will be one of the first ever amateur groups to be licensed to put on the show, which is a great accolade for our society. It is a visually stunning show, very close to Disney's cinematic masterpiece, and promises to be great fun for cast, production team and audience.

We have not yet been able to confirm dates with the Palace theatre, but will let you know when we do. Watch this space!

Obviously the show will need a huge amount of preparation and work behind the scenes in order to make it a success. Much of this work is done outside of rehearsals by society members, especially your committee. There are lots of tasks, large and small, that need to be done, that are interesting and enjoyable, not to mention valuable. If you're interested in joining the committee and becoming more involved with the work of Watford Operatic Society all year round, please let us know. Don't feel you have to wait until the AGM in October to join in. Members can be co-opted throughout the year. Contact Rachel, our chairman, at rachel.curren@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

Our Facebook group

Have you joined it yet? Just type "Watford Operatic Society" into the Search box on the top right hand corner of your Home page and then go into the group by clicking on the name. When you're into the group, click "Request to Join" under the group logo. Then wait for Rachel to approve you - and you're in!

News from our members

We'd like to send special condolences to **Matthew Fowler**, who has recently lost his father. Matt is a long-standing member of the society and currently doing a wonderful job of choreographing "Crazy". Our love and thoughts are with him and his family at this sad time.

We also wish a speedy recovery to **Linda Duggan** after her recent emergency operation.

Happy new home! to members, **Hollie Ward** and **Gareth Edwards**, who are renting a house together. We look forward to the housewarming party.

Thanks to **Marion Sherry** who came out to the Colosseum last Sunday afternoon to help me staff the WOS stall at an open event for musical theatre, in conjunction with Putting It Together's production of Sweeney Todd.

And finally ...

See you at "Crazy for You" at the Watford Palace Theatre from Monday 20th to Saturday 26th April. Evening performances start at 7.30 pm and the Saturday matinee (if you've been lucky enough to get tickets) is at 2.30 pm. Book online at www.watfordtheatre.co.uk or call the booking office on 01923 225 671.