

# The Pirates of Penzance or, The Slave of Duty

Libretto by Sir William S. Gilbert Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan

Adapted by Jane Ramseyer Miller, Musical Arrangement by Steve Milloy First Performed at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York, NY — December 31, 1879

Produced in cooperation with Nautilus Music-Theater of Minneapolis

## **CAST**

The Pirate King	Anita McColley	General Stanley's Daughters	
Samuel (Her Lieutenant)	Rebecca Warren	Mabel	Samuel Baker
Frederic (Pirate Apprentice)	Brock Metzger	Edith	Jasmine Scott
Ruth (Pirate Maid-of-all-work)	Darcy Juhl	Kate	Ashley Hannahs
Sergeant of Police	Nate Freeman	Isabel	Claire Psarouthakis
Major-General Stanley	Joselvn Fear		

## Ensemble of Pirates

Cathy Dalton, James Gottfried, Jennifer Heaton, Rosemary Kosmatka, Karen Muleski, Eponine Post

## Ensemble of General Stanley's Daughters

Kirby Goodell, Cece Klueh, Ben Lamb, Jennifer Root

## Ensemble of Police

Beth Desotelle, Jay Kurvers, John Siracusa, Anthony Stanton, Dick VanDeusen

The leads and actor ensemble for our Pirates production are all singers from within One Voice Mixed Chorus with the exception of our guests, Brock Metzger and Samuel Baker, who have joined us for this delightful romp!

## **PIRATE BAND**

Accordion	Dee Langley
Bass Guitar	Jay Young
Drums	Sarah Johnson
Keyboard	Mindy Eschedor
Synthesizer	Stephen Swanson
Trumpet	Kelli Heckman
Ukulele	Sheri Pleiss
Winds	Ryan Golden



## **PRODUCTION**

Stage Director Gary Briggle

Artistic Director Jane Ramseyer Miller

Production Advisor Ben Krywosz

Set Design Meagan Kedrowski
Costume Design Barb Portenga
Sound Engineer Collin Sherraden
Sound Assistant Anne Hodson
Stage Manager Anna Schultz

Assistant Stage Manager Ross Mumford, Glee Schultz

Stage Crew Anne Hodson, Andy Kedl, Thorn Post

Props Vicki Janisch-Tri, Sherrie Luetgers

Production Chair Sherrie Luetgers Security Sharon Barnd



Jane and Gary compare pirate notes!

#### ABOUT ONE VOICE PIRATES OF PENZANCE

As child I loved the wacky world of Gilbert & Sullivan and could sing many of their operettas by heart. As I grew older, I also grew weary (and wary) of the formulaic gender stereotypes that inevitably ended in boy gets girl. Then I had a brainstorm; why not a production that completely turned the gender-stereotypes on its head? An outline for the entire show sat in a folder for 15 years until the Knight Foundation asked for crazy ideas centered in St. Paul. I applied and they loved it! So here we are in the middle of the Mississippi River enjoying the fabulous creation of G&S with a little twist. Enjoy!

- Jane Ramseyer Miller, Artistic Director

Welcome friends, and thank you for joining One Voice Mixed Chorus for this delightful adaptation of Gilbert and Sullivan's most popular comic opera! Surprisingly, THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE premiered in New York City (!) in 1879, and has remained a great favorite ever since. The "topsy-turvy" world of tender-hearted pirates, love-struck daughters, timid police and a fast-talking Major General has never ceased to tickle the funny-bone and touch the heart of audiences of all ages, with charms both silly and sweet.

Our "gender-bender" version, featuring over 80 voices and a live band, draws inspiration from the melodrama of Opera and the exuberance of the British music hall, American vaudeville, Broadway and pop culture - spiced with the delicious satire of Monty Python and Saturday Night Live! The brilliant lyrics of W.S. Gilbert and the glorious music of Arthur Sullivan feel as fresh and relevant as they did during the reign of Queen Victoria. The colorful arrangement for "pirate band" was created especially for this production, as were the seaside setting and period costumes. I feel tremendously honored to have had this rewarding opportunity, and am deeply grateful to Artistic Director Jane Ramseyer Miller, Executive Director Christopher Taykalo and producer Ben Krywosz of Nautilus Music-Theater and the entire creative team and marvelous performers, for their dedicated, enthusiastic collaborative efforts in support of such an enormous endeavor. We all hope that you will enjoy our show, joining the cast and crew in celebration of LGBTA PRIDE, and be inspired to "Take any heart, take OURS!"

- Gary Briggle, Stage Director

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Please turn off your cell phone ringer and other electronic devices that make noise.

Photos and Facebook posts are encouraged!! Thank you.

## **SETTING** – A beach resort on the Coast of Cornwall, England (around 1879)

(90 minute program – no intermission)

Frederic is apprentice to a band of tender-hearted pirates until today, his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday, when he plans to leave them. He then meets Mabel, the daughter of Major-General Stanley, and the two fall instantly in love. However, Frederic soon learns that he was born on the 29<sup>th</sup> of February, and since he only has a birthday once each leap year he is technically only five, meaning that he must serve as pirate apprentice for another 63 years. Bound by his own sense of duty, Frederic's only solace is that Mabel agrees to wait for him faithfully.

#### Overture

"Pour, Oh Pour, The Pirate Sherry"

"When Fred'ric Was A Little Lad"

"Oh, Better Far To Live ... I Am A Pirate King!"

"Climbing Over Rocky Mountain"

"Stop, Ladies, Pray"

"Oh, Is There Not One Maiden Breast?"

"Poor Wand'ring One"

"Stay, We Must Not Lose Our Senses"

"Hold, Monsters"

"I Am The Very Model Of A Modern Major-General"

"Oh. Men Of Dark and Dismal Fate"

"I'm Telling A Terrible Story"

"Hail, Poetry"

"Oh, Happy Day, With Joyous Glee"

"Pray Observe The Magnanimity"

"Then, Frederic, Let Your Escort Lion-Hearted"

"When The Foeman Bares His Steel"

"Now For The Pirates' Lair!"

"When You Had Left Our Pirate Fold"

"Away, Away! My Heart's On Fire!"

"All Is Prepared"

"Stay, Frederic, Stay"

"No, I Am Brave" ... "Though In Body and In Mind"

"When The Foeman Bares His Steel" (Reprise)

"When A Felon's Not Engaged In His Employment"

"A Rollicking Band Of Pirates We"

"With Cat-Like Tread, Upon Our Prey We Steal"

"Hush, Hush! Not A Word!"

"Sighing Softly To The River"

Samuel and Pirates

Ruth & Pirates

Pirate King and Pirates

Edith, Kate, Isabel, and Daughters

Edith, Kate, Frederic and Daughters

Frederic and Daughters

Mabel and Daughters

Frederic, Pirates, and Daughters

Mabel, Major-General, Samuel, Pirates, and Daughters

Major-General, Pirates and Daughters

Mabel, Kate, Edith, Ruth

Frederic, Samuel, Pirate King

Major-General, Pirates, and Daughters

Frederic and Major-General

Mabel, Edith, Sergeant, Police, and Daughters

Frederic, Ruth, and Pirate King

Ruth, Frederic, and Pirate King

Ruth, Frederic, and Pirate King

Mabel and Frederic

Mabel and Frederic

Mabel, Sergeant, and Police

Sergeant and Policemen

Sergeant, Pirates, and Police

Samuel, Pirates, and Police

Frederic, Pirate King, Major-General, Pirates, and Police

Full Cast and Ensemble

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## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT / THANK YOU's**

A huge thank-you to Gary Briggle, who has performed or directed Pirates over 30 times, including playing the role of the Modern Major General in the Ordway's production last summer. And to Ben Krywosz who jumped on board with logistics, porta-potty detail and who and introduced me to Gary. Brock and Sam, thank you for crashing the One Voice family for supreme adventure. — Jane Ramseyer Miller

**Brock Metzger (Frederic):** An active soloist throughout the Twin Cities, tenor Brock Metzger is soloist and section leader at St. Philip the Deacon Lutheran Church in Plymouth, MN and was a member of the VocalEssence Ensemble Singers. A graduate of St. Olaf College, Brock is a Global Sourcing Manager with Target Corp. An active volunteer, he serves on the Board of Directors for Cantus and Co-Chair of its annual fundraiser.

**Samuel Baker (Mabel):** Samuel Baker, Tenor (secretly a soprano), is a student at the University of Minnesota, where he is currently working towards a doctorate in Opera Performance. His previous roles include Fenton in Falstaff, Goro in Madame Butterfly, Sam Polk in Susannah, Lindoro in L'Italiana in Algeri, and Schoolmaster in The Cunning Little Vixen. Samuel currently studies voice with Professor John DeHaan.

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Jeff Anderson Janna Pressman Jen Rivera John Bagniewski Sarah Bizek Wayne Schneider Dylan Croeker Jake Thacker Colleen Watson Michael Dodson John Whalen **Brian Geving** Austin Wiebe Kirby Goodell Erika Grossman Dennis Wu Benjamin Lamb

#### **BASS**

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