

Sunday, May 6, 2012 • 3 p.m. Holloway Hall, Great Hall



SU Opera Workshop Pirates of Penzance May 5 & 6, 2012 Holloway Hall, Great Hall

Production Credits

17

DGR

Artistic & Stage Direction by	Thomas Anderson & John Wesley Wright
Musical Direction by	Dr. William M. Folger
Setting & Original Costume Design by	Thomas Anderson & R. Jessica Miller, Costumer, Washington & Lee University
Voice & Diction Coaching by	William M. Folger & John Wesley Wright
Lighting Design by	Stas Cornwell; Event Services, Matt Hill, Coordinator
Choreography & Artistic Input by Rehearsal Pianist	The Cast Susan E. Zimmer

Dramatis Personae

(In Order of Appearance)	
Samuel	Terron Quailes
Pirates	Christopher Ferron, Cornelius Fletcher, Earle Kirkley
The Pirate King	Michael Pistorio
Ruth (Pirate Maid-of-all-work)	Kathrin Thawley
Frederic (Pirate Apprentice)	Nathan Gioconda
Edith	Melissa Martin
Kate	Brittany Eaton
Isabel	Courtney Lynn Stratemeyer
Wards:	Kassidy Korb
	Emily Rey
	Leigh Usilton
Mabel	Caitlyn Howard
Major-General Stanley	James Carpenter
Sergeant of Police	Eric Russell
Police	Miesha Burley, Grace Ha Eun Cho, Amanda Lundstrom, John Posner, Leah Wilson

Overture

1. "Pour, O pour the pirate sherry" (Opening Chorus and Solo)	Pirates and Samuel
2. "When Frederic was a little lad" (Solo)	Ruth
3. "Oh, better far to live and die" (Solo and Chorus)	Pirate King and Pirates
4. "Oh, false one, you have deceived me!" (Recitative and Duet)	Frederic and Ruth
5. "Climbing over rocky mountain" (Chorus and Solos)	Wards, Edith and Kate
6. "Stop, ladies, pray!" (Recitative and Chorus)	Frederic, Edith, Kate and Wards
7. "Oh, is there not one maiden breast" (Solos and Chorus)	Frederic, Mabel and Wards
8. "Poor wandering one!" (Solo and Chorus)	Mabel and Wards
9. "What ought we to do" (Solos and Chorus)	Edith, Kate, and Wards
10. "How beautifully blue the sky" (Chattering Chorus and Duet)	Wards, Mabel and Frederic
11. "Stay, we must not lose our senses" (Recitative and Chorus)	Frederic, Wards and Pirates
12. "Hold, monsters!" (Recitative and Chorus)	Mabel, Samuel, Major-General, Wards and Pirates
13. "I am the very model of a modern Major-General" (Solo and Chorus)	Major-General, Wards and Pirates
14 "Oh, men of dark and dismal fate" (Finale of Act I)	Ensemble

Act I

Orchestra

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Act II

Overture

- 15. "Oh, dry the glistening tear" (Opening Chorus and Solo)
- 16. "Then, Frederic, let your escort lion-hearted" (Recitative)
- 17. "When the foeman bares his steel" (Solos and Chorus)
- 18. "Now for the pirates' lair!" (Recitative)
- 19. "When you had left our pirate fold" (Solos, Trio and Chant)
- 20. "Away, away! My heart's on fire" (Trio)
- 21. "All is prepared" (Recitative)
- 22. "Stay, Frederic, stay!" (Duet)
- 23. "No I am brave!" (Recitative, Solo and Chorus)
- 24. "When a felon's not engaged in his employment" (Solo and Chorus)
- 25. "A rollicking band of pirates we" (Chorus and Solo)
- 26. "With cat-like tread, upon our prey we steal" (Chorus and Solo)
- 27. "Hush, Hush! Not a word" (Recitative, Chorus and Solo)
- 28. "Sighing softly to the river" (Ballad and Finale of Act II)

Orchestra Wards and Mabel

Major-General and Frederic

Sergeant, Mabel, Edith, Major-General, Police, and Wards Frederic, Pirate King and Ruth Ruth, Frederic and Pirate King

Ruth, Pirate King and Frederic Mabel and Frederic Mabel and Frederic Mabel, Sergeant and Police

Sergeant and Police

Pirates, Sergeant and Police

Pirates, Police and Samuel

Frederic, Pirates, Police and Major-General Major-General and Ensemble

Orchestra

William M. Folger, Conductor

Flute/PiccoloLisa AdamsViolinRichard LeavittOboeAmy SterlingClarinetDebra ScottHornKayla O'ConnorBassoonNicholas PinoCelloMartha MancusoPercussionTed NicholsPianoSusan E. Zimmer

Production Staff

Costume Coordinator	Melissa Martin, Courtney Lynn Stratemeyer
Make Up	Eric Russell, Courtney Lynn Stratemeyer
Properties	Brittany Eaton Courtney Lynn Stratemeyer
Light Board Operators	Event Services
Spot Light Operator	Event Services
Stage Crew	Harry Early, Rafael Huff, Taylor Brinks & Company
Box Office Manager	William M. Folger

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Argument

When Frederic was yet a little boy, his nurse (Ruth) was told to apprentice him to become a pilot. She heard the word incorrectly and apprenticed him to a band of pirates, remaining with them herself as a maid-of-all-work. Although Frederic loathed the trade to which he had thus been bound, he dutifully served; and, as the curtain rises, his indentures are almost up and he is preparing to leave the band and devote himself to the extermination of piracy.

He urges the pirates to join him in embracing a more lawful calling, but they refuse. Ruth, however, wishes to become his wife. Having seen but few women, he does not know whether she is really as pretty as she says she is; but he finally consents to take her.

Just then a group of girls, all the wards of Major-General Stanley, happen upon the scene. Frederic sees their beauty – and Ruth's plainness – and renounces her. Of these girls, Mabel takes a particular interest in Frederic, and he in her. The other girls are seized by the pirates and threatened with immediate marriage. When the Major-General arrives, he can dissuade the pirates only by a ruse: he tells them that he is an orphan, and so works upon their sympathies that they let him and his wards go free.

During the ensuing days and nights, however, this lie troubles the Major-General's conscience: he sits brooding over it at night in a Gothic ruin. He is consoled by his wards' sympathy and Frederic's plan of immediately leading a band of police against the pirates.

Meanwhile the Pirate King and Ruth appear at the window and beckon Frederic: they have discovered that his indentures were to run until his 21st birthday, and – as he was born on February 29 – he has really had as yet only five birthdays. Obeying the dictates of his strong sense of duty, he immediately rejoins the pirates. He tells them of the deception that has been practiced upon them, and they seize and bind the Major-General.

But the police come to the rescue and charge the pirates to yield, "in Queen Victoria's name." This they do. Ruth explains, however, that these men who appear to be lawless pirates are really all "noblemen who have gone wrong," and they are pardoned and permitted to marry the Major-General's wards.

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