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HMS PINAFORE

or The Lass Who Loved A Sailor

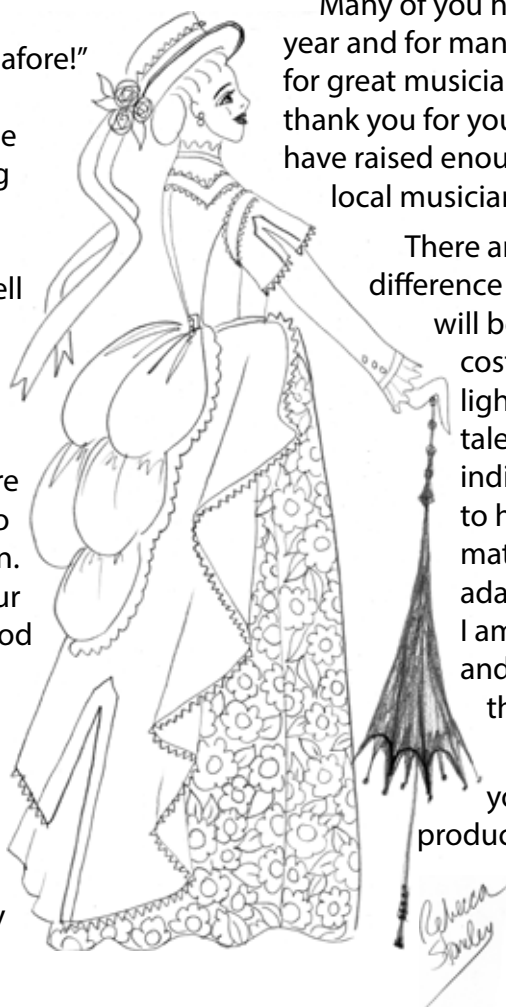
Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan
Book by Sir W. S. Gilbert

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A Presidential Address

"Things are starting to warm up for Pinafore!" We continue our annual tradition of mounting some of the finest theatre in the Madison area. We have been entertaining audiences of all ages since 1963, few companies in Madison can boast that achievement, and we plan to continue well into the future! We hope if you have young ones that you'd like to introduce to the whimsy of Gilbert & Sullivan, you'll bring them to our third annual children's pre-show event on July 30 (more information in these pages). We have also lined up one of our finest casts this season. You'll see returning local favorites from our stage along with new faces from Edgewood College, UW School of Music, and even UW Oshkosh!

Tune in to "The Midday" with Norm Gilliland on Wisconsin Public Radio, as our cast will be featured the week of July 23. We're also excited to be on "Live at 4" on WISC-TV, Channel 3 in Madison on July 29th.



Many of you have supported our organization this year and for many years prior. The love and support for great musicianship in Madison is astounding, thank you for your continued support. Together we have raised enough money to hire a very talented local musicians.

There are still opportunities to make a difference for this production. Donations will be converted into amazing period costumes, beautiful sets, and stellar lighting to assist in the telling of our tale. We are seeking corporate and individual sponsors of \$1,000 per night to help offset our theatre rental, and material costs. Please contact me at: adam.shelton@madisonsavoyards.org. I am always up for a good cup of coffee and discussing how to make amazing theatre in our town!

Mark your calendars and invite your friends for a truly wonderful production of Pinafore!

- Dr. J. Adam Shelton

HMS Pinafore

or *The Lass That Loved a Sailor*

July 28-29* & August 3-5 at 7:30pm

July 30 & August 6 at 3:00pm

UW-Music Hall

The well-loved story of the captain's daughter who loves a lowly sailor against her father's wishes. Gilbert's lyrics poke fun at the class system, patriotism, party-politics, the Royal Navy, and unqualified people in positions of authority.

Directed by **Audrey Wax**
 Music Direction by **Kyle Knox**
 Choreography by **Kristin Roling**

Tickets available from Campus Arts Ticketing: 265-2787, at the Wisconsin Union or Vilas Hall Box Office, or online.

Ticket Pricing:

\$40 Premium, \$30 General Admission, \$28 Senior, \$15 Student and Youth (Student ID or <18 years), \$5 Children 6 and under

* ASL service available for July 29 performance, please request at the Box Office by July 15 when purchasing tickets

Discount available for groups of 10 or more, must be purchased in-person or over the phone

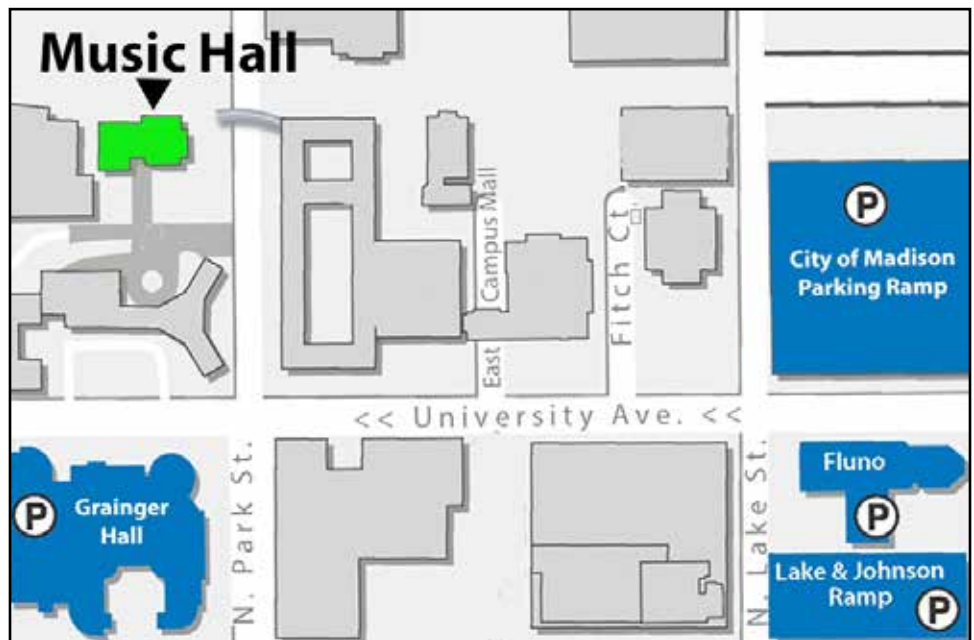
Children's Pre-Show

1:00 pm on July 30th

Listen to an interactive summary of the plot, get a backstage tour, and join us on a craft!

Free for children 12 and under, please RSVP by email at: madison.savoyards@gmail.com

Parking Near UW-Music Hall



Friday Evening Shuttles

July 28th and August 4th

Cost: \$10 per person, or 2 for \$17

In lieu of our dinner lectures, avoid the hassle of parking near Music Hall. Instead, park at the First Unitarian Society (900 University Bay Dr) and take our 6:45pm shuttle to and from the show! Catherine Killam, our 2012 Maybel, will offer insights during the drive. Shuttle arrives at Music Hall at 7:00pm.

RSVP to Catherine Killam at CatherineSkillam@gmail.com

Thank You to Our Grantors

Madison Savoyards is a proud and grateful recipient of grant awards from the Wisconsin Arts Board, Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission and Madison Arts Commission! These boards are publically funded entities supporting and promoting arts and culture here in the State of Wisconsin, Dane County, and the City of Madison. Their support allows us to continue our legacy of providing full lyric productions of Gilbert and Sullivan and light opera to our community, to engage local artists, and educate our youngest patrons on the joys of light opera! We are excited to partner with them again this year for our 2017 production of *H.M.S. Pinafore*.



Join the Board

We are on the lookout for board members with a passion for the Madison music community, and a strong work ethic. We meet once a month in the evenings. Special skills we are looking for: fundraising experience, business acumen, graphic design/layout, marketing, events planning and a dry sense of humor.

Madison Savoyards Ltd - Annual Meeting

All are welcome! Please join us on September 17, 2017 for our annual meeting. Please attend if you have an interest in the future of this organization or thoughts on our 2018 season! There will be fun and refreshments. This is a very low-pressure way to get involved with the organization or dip your toe in the water.

An Exciting Opportunity

Madison Savoyards is considering expanding our performance repertoire to include other light opera, in addition to the wonderful works of Gilbert and Sullivan! Composers contemporary to G&S, such as Johann Strauss II (*Die Fledermaus*) and Jaques Offenbach (*La Perichole*) wrote comic operettas not frequently performed in the Madison area. Expanding our repertoire means that our patrons can enjoy other great light opera while identifying G&S within the greater scheme of the genre, and it increases our ability to attract increasingly talented musicians training them in a repertory they may not see during their education.

We continue to be committed to performing all the works of G&S, but plan to occasionally present an operetta outside the G&S repertory. We remain committed to developing the skills and talent of cast, crew, and musicians while seeking to inspire, and entertain, our community through full lyric performances.

We would love to hear your thoughts! Would you come see a performance of *Die Fledermaus* by Madison Savoyards, Ltd.? Please feel free to email Aimee, our Board secretary, at aimee.broman@madisonsavoyards.org with your thoughts about this proposed expansion of our repertoire, or schedule a coffee date with J. Adam Shelton, our Board President.

- The Madison Savoyards, Ltd. Board
of Directors

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"I am ecstatic to return for my third season with Madison Savoyards, Ltd. This production of *HMS Pinafore* will be unlike any other that the Savoyards have produced. Part of what makes this production special is energy of the returning team from last year's *The Gondoliers*. I am so pleased to be once again working with the very gifted Kyle Knox as Music Director, the incredible Kristin Roling as choreographer, and a team of very talented new and returning designers and technicians. As a team, we are unstoppable. That's what makes our productions shine!"



-Audrey Lauren Wax, Stage Director

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I wish to join or renew my membership for 2017 at the following level:

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