



**MORPHEUS
THEATRE**

SPOTLIGHT

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March 2012
Morpheus Theatre News

Presenting **Shows Worth Seeing** for seventeen years!

Upcoming Events:

March 10, 10:00 - 4:30
Directing Workshop

March 17, 10:30 - 5:00
**Technical Theatre for
Dummies Workshop**

March 30 - April 14
HMS PINAFORE

April 3
G&S Jr Final Performance

April 6
Morpheus Office Closed

April 15 7:00
G&S Singers Restart

April 22 12:00 - 4:00
**Dance for Musicals
Workshop**

May 5 10:00 - 4:45
**Singing for Actors
Workshop**

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Community Centre)
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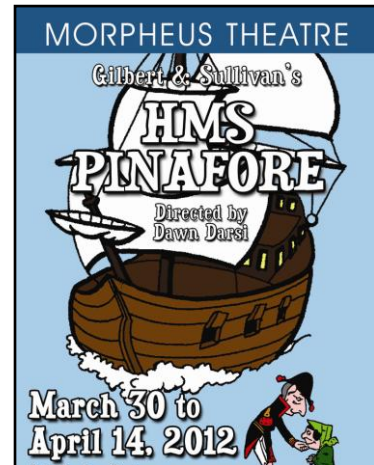
Give Three Cheers and One Cheer More!

One of the most beloved comic operettas Gilbert and Sullivan created, HMS Pinafore tells the tale of Josephine: who is the captain's daughter, who is to be married to Sir Joseph Porter, but is in love with a British Tar, one Ralph Rackstraw – hilarity and silliness ensue in this nautical romp.

Oh Rapture!! All in good fun, no institution is safe from the lighthearted pokes of this favourite musical. Join us this spring for declarations of love and the complexities of class systems – bring your sisters and your cousins and your aunts!

**Gilbert & Sullivan's
HMS Pinafore**
presented in the
**Victor Mitchell Theatre
at the Pumphouse Theatre
(2140 Pumphouse Avenue SW)**

March 30 – April 14, 2012



Watch our website for preview videos arriving soon!

Show Times:

Wednesday to Saturday at 7:30pm

Saturday & Sunday at 2:00pm

***No performance on Sunday April 8**

Adults - \$18

Students & Seniors - \$15

Groups of 12+ save \$2 each!

To purchase tickets/Flex Passes

Visit www.morpheustheatre.ca or

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Would you like to see HMS Pinafore for Free?

We need 4 volunteer ushers for each of the performances and 1 box office assistant. Both ushering and helping in the box office is quick and easy, and all volunteers are invited to stay and watch the performance for free! To volunteer, please email tickets@morpheustheatre.ca or call the office.

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These valuable workshops are presented at this low price in the spirit of community theatre.



PUMPHOUSE THEATRE

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2011/2012 WORKSHOP SERIES

Morpheus Theatre has been pleased to offer high quality, affordable workshops since September 2008. This year we have been excited to offer 8 workshops!

Workshops are geared to community theatre volunteers both from on-stage and off-stage aspects of production. All workshops are open to the public.

For more information, or to register, please visit our website or call the office.

Where: Morpheus Rehearsal Centre (Lower Level, Parkdale Community Centre)

Cost: \$40

**discounts available for groups of 5 or more, or for attending 3 workshops, please call for details

MARCH

Directing Workshop*

With Simon Mallett

Saturday March 10, 10:00 – 4:45

Addressing advanced directing issues...

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Sir

SOLD OUT

Producer of Downstage will focus on actor/director collaboration & communication, the intersection of form and content, the role of director as dramaturg and more!

Technical Theatre for Dummies *

With Dave Smith

Saturday March 17, 10:30 – 5:15

Specially designed for Pumphouse users!

Synopsis:

For all aspiring Theatre Technicians, Directors, Producers, and other curious minds who would like to get a better handle of what goes into Lighting, Set and Sound Design and implementation.

***This workshop is at the Pumphouse Theatre**

April & May

Dance Basics for Musicals

With Joyce Reddy

Sunday April 22, 12:00 – 4:00

So you think you can't dance?

Synopsis:

For everyone who wants more confidence with choreography! Joyce will be leading participants through basic jazz, tap and ballet movements. Special attention will be paid to names of movements and recording choreography in your own words.

Singing Basics for Actors*

Instructor TBA

Saturday May 5 10:00 – 4:45

Everyone can learn to sing!

Synopsis:

Under the guidance of a qualified instructor provided by Theatre Alberta, we will be exploring projection, speech song, singing as learnable skill, singing anxiety, choosing and preparing appropriate songs for auditions and more!

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Congratulations to our Mini-Pinnies!

We would like to extend congratulations to all the G&S Junior participants for their hard work all year!

You made it! Break a Leg!

The G&S Jr Participants will be performing the JR version of *HMS Pinafore* on the full set at the Pumpouse on Tuesday April 3.



Theatre a go-go - Classes for all Ages!

Theatre a go-go continues to run drama classes for ages 6 – 106 at the Morpheus Rehearsal Space. New classes are starting soon! Summer Camps will also be offered.

***Spring Adult Acting Classes - Introduction to European Clown!**

Tues from 7 – 9, April 17 – June 12

Contact theatreagogo@telus.net or check out their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/theatreagogo

Join the Team!

Morpheus Theatre is now recruiting volunteers to take part in all four of our 2012/2013 productions. (No I **can't** tell you what they are! You'll have to come to *HMS Pinafore* to find out!).

Opportunities include Producers, Assistant Directors, Music Directors, Choreographers, Stage Managers, Designers (Costume, Lighting, and Sound), Technicians, Running Crew, Musicians, and Front of House Staff. Experience is not always required, but enthusiasm is a MUST!

Auditions will be announced at a later date, usually beginning in May. If you are interested in any of these volunteer opportunities, please contact Sean Anderson by email at info@morpheustheatre.ca.

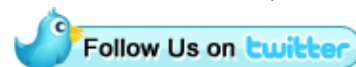
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Follow us at
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And be entered in a draw to win 2 tickets to Gilbert & Sullivan's **HMS Pinafore!**

The draw will take place on March 23 from all users following us on Facebook or Twitter.
Stay connected - win prizes!

Gilbert & Sullivan Singers Off for March



Morpheus G&S Singers
at Parkdale's
Extraordinary Day

The Morpheus G&S Singers have gone on a short hiatus until the end of the HMS Pinafore run on April 14. Be sure to get your tickets to what promises to be a wonderful Gilbert and Sullivan experience when Morpheus presents **HMS Pinafore** at the Pumphouse, March 30 to April 14.

And please come out and join the Morpheus G&S Singers when we begin again on April 15.

Who are the G&S Singers?

The Morpheus G & S Singers are a community chorus dedicated to exploring the works of Gilbert and Sullivan. They are a non-competitive, open membership group that welcomes singers of all experience levels. The G & S Singers rehearse weekly from Sept to June, with occasional performances opportunities throughout the year.

COMING SOON FUNDRAISING GALA



Rehearsal Centre UPDATE

Morpheus Theatre has settled in nicely in our new home in the Parkdale Community Centre – dubbing our space the Morpheus Rehearsal Centre (MRC). We continue working to improve the facility – working on flooring, creating comfortable and clean spaces. Donations of materials, cash or connections still welcome!

There are a variety of great spaces available for rent – contact us today!

We would like to welcome NATS and Canti Forte music studio, who have joined us as permanent renters in our second office. Canti Forte offers private voice lessons in a variety of styles for ages 8 and up. Contact Burton Harker at 403-983-8168 or email cantiforte@gmail.com.

What a Difference a SUB Makes!

We would like to take a moment to thank all our subscribers for the 2011/2012 season.

Subscribers are a special part of our Morpheus Theatre family, as they afford us much appreciated security, as well as providing us with the last piece of the equation – the audience. What is theatre without an audience? Patrons MAKE live theatre possible and subscribers are a very special kind of audience member who travels with us on our season-long journey.

Information on becoming a subscriber will be available at **HMS Pinafore** – get discount tickets, great seats, and join us for our 18th season of **shows worth seeing!**

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