**The Maskers Theatre Company** 

by Bernard Shaw **Director Mollie Eliza Manns** 

Nuffield Theatre, Southampton 18 to 22 January 2005



# WORSFORDS

Original Cast Iron Fireplaces and Surrounds

The Triangle Bitterne Park, Southampton Telephone 023 8058 5404

The use of cameras, tape recorders or mobile phones in the theatre is forbidden. The management reserves the right to refuse admission, and to make any alterations to the cast which may be rendered necessary by illness or other unavoidable causes. In accordance with the requirements of the licensing authority:

- 1. The audience may leave at the end of the performance by all exit
- 2. All gangways, corridors, staircases and passageways which afford a means of exit shall be kept entirely free from obstruction.
- 3. Persons shall not be permitted to stand or sit in any gangway except in positions authorised by the licensing authority and in numbers indicated in the notices exhibited in those positions.
- 4. The safety curtain shall be lowered and raised at each performance in the presence of an audience

With thanks to the Nuffield Theatre staff:

Artistic Director Administrative Director Financial Accountant **Production Manager** Assistant Production Manager Chief Electrician Deputy Chief Electrician Marketing Manager Marketing & Development Officer Marketing Assistant Box Office Manager Front of House Manager Assistant Front of House Manager Catering Manager

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#### FUTURE **MASKERS' PRODUCTIONS**

15 - 19 March 2005 THE PHILANTHROPIST by Christopher Hammond

**MASKERS STUDIO** Emsworth Road, Shirley, Southampton Tickets - 023 8055 1489

13 - 23 July 2005 THE MAN IN THE **IRON MASK** an adaption by Alexandre Dumas

> in the open air at MOTTISFONT ABBEY near Romsey Tickets - 023 8059 5151

## Why not join the Maskers as a Full Member or a Friend?

The Maskers Theatre Company is keen to welcome new members. If you are interested in joining, please contact us for further information.

Julia Jupp, Membership Officer Telephone 023 8044 6600 www.maskers.org.uk

### DIRECTORS NOTES

Bernard Shaw, as his family wish him to be known, declared -

"I am a moral revolutionary, interested, not in the class war, but in the struggle between human vitality and the artificial system of morality, and distinguishing, not between capitalist and proletarian, but between moralist and natural historian"

Some of his ideas about class and morality are expressed in Pygmalion, particularly in some of the speeches delivered by Alfred Doolittle, arguably Shaw's mouthpiece.

In the story of Ovid, PYGMALION was a sculptor who carved his perfect woman who, when she came to life, was the ideal woman who always did as he bade her!!

Eliza Doolittle did not always do as ordered by Professor Higgins. However he did create a new woman capable of becoming almost anything she wished.

It is fascinating to ponder what she may have become – especially after the world changed in 1914.

In his preface to Pygmalion Shaw wrote "The English have no respect for their language, and
will not teach their children to speak it. They spell it
so abominably that no man can teach himself what it
sounds like. It is impossible for an Englishman to
open his mouth without making some other
Englishman hate or despise him. German and
Spanish are accessible to foreigners: English is not
accessible even to Englishmen. The reformer England
needs today is an energetic phonetic enthusiast: that
is why I have made such a one the hero of this
popular play".

Mollie Eliza Manns

# **CAST** in order of appearance

Child 1	Olivia Thomas
Child 2	Georgia Griffiths-Hackett
Child 3	Ce-nedra Browne
Child 4	Talison Browne
Prostitute 1	Rachel Thomas
Prostitute 2	Sarah Russell
Client	Jonny Hearn
Flower girl 1	Nicky Lee
Flower girl 2	Alex Austin
Beggar	Ron Randall
Theatre goer 1	Alan Watson
Theatre goer 2	Jo Iacovou
Theatre goer 3	David Collis
Theatre goer 4	Moyra Allen
Pick pocket	Richard Hackett
Bystander	Jez Minns
Sarcastic bystander	Adam Taussik
Freddie Eynsford-Hill	Matt Avery
Clara Eynsford-Hill	Rachael Courage
Mrs. Eynsford-Hill	Hazel Burrows
Eliza Doolittle	Karen Bridle
Colonel Pickering	Guy Boney
Prof. Henry Higgins	lan Morley
Mrs. Pearce	Christine Baker
Alfred Doolittle	Albie Minns
Mrs. Higgins	Avril Woodward
Parlour Maid 1	Jo lacovou
Parlour Maid 2	Alex Austin

Act 1 Covent Garden. A summer evening.Act 2 27a Wimpole Street. Higgins laboratory.Act 3 Mrs. Higgins' Drawing room.

#### Interval of 20 minutes

Act 4 27a Wimpole Street. Higgins laboratory.Act 5 Mrs. Higgins' Drawing room.

#### PRODUCTION

Mollie Eliza Manns Director Production Manager **Richard Hackett** Serena Brown Costumes Lighting Design Colin Maltby **Paul Mills** Lighting Assistants **David Fancett Tony Lawther** Sound **Martin Clift** Stage Manager **Angie Barks** Marketing **Angie Stansbridge** Gill Buchanan Properties Ella Lockett Liz Hill **Helen Officer** Alison Tebbutt Maria Head John Hamon Set Design Set Construction David Jupp **Graham Buchanan** John Hamon Photography Clive Weeks Poster Design John Hamon Stage Crew Phil Moody Ralph Bateman John Johns Mark Scobles **Adrian Davis** Vijay Desai **Anne Waggott** 

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