SACTRIBIDIE D'AIRTE STRUCTEURS COUNTROLLS

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Rodgers & Hammerstein's

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TABARD THEATRE NAPIER

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Adults \$ 10 Students \$ 5

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"The King and I" - is one of Hollywood's all-time greats, which bagged a total of five Academy Awards from nine nominations. But the story, based on Mary Landon's novel, is shrouded in controversy and intrigue. King Mongkut, known as Rama IV, was a deeply religious man who had spent most of his life in a monastery. He was educated in Western sciences and was fluent in English. Today he is known to the Thai people as "The Father of Thai Scientists".

By the time Anna arrived in Siam, King Mongkut was nearly 60 years old. Anna was not Governess, but teacher to the royal children. She had very few audiences with the King and the idea that she was advisor and a frequent sparring partner is ludicrous and the suggestion that they danced together or had an affair is extremely offensive to the Thai people. Consequently the 1956 musical, "The King and I", and the latest version, "Anna and the King" are banned in Thailand on the basis that the script contains historical and cultural distortions.

Hollywood tried several script rewrites to get permission to film the new version "Anna and The King" in Thailand, but they were turned down and the epic movie starring Chow Yun Fat and Jodie Foster had to be shot in Malaysia. However, despite the controversy, there is no denying the appeal of this Rogers and Hammerstein epic musical. The music is exquisite and the show has endeared itself to millions of theatre goers for over half a century.

Order of Show ...

Scene 1: Deck of the Chow Phya

"I Whistle a Happy Tune"

Scene 2: The King's Library

"My Lord and Master"

"Hello Young Lovers"

Scene 3: "A Puzzlement"

Scene 4: School room

"Getting to Know You" "We Kiss in a Shadow"

Reprise: "A Puzzlement"

Scene 5: Anna's bedroom

"Shall I tell you what I think

of you?"

"Something Wonderful"

Scene 6: The King's Study

"Song of the King"

"Shall we Dance?"

Scene 5: A room in Anna's house

"I Whistle a Happy Tune"

ACT 2 Scene 1:

Reception Room at the Palace "Western People Funny"

Scene 2:

"I Have Dreamed" Reprise: "Hello Young Lov-

Scene 3:

The Ballet in the Theatre

Pavilion Scene 4:

The King's Library

"Song of the King"

"Shall we Dance?"

Scene 5: A room in Anna's House

"I Whistle a Happy Tune"



Director: Musical Director: Mr Ronnie Lundall

Mr David Brown

Cast List

Anna Leonowens Lendl Oosthuizen Andrei Morgan The Kina Kralahome Matthew Pipe Lun 'Tha Liam Foley Laura Jeffares

Tuptim **Lady Thiang** Lagi Farani-Tuisalega Michael Haggerty Captain Orton

Edward Ramsay Jacob Laird Prince Chululongkorn Richard Grzby Jennifer McElroy Phra Alack

Victor De La Ray Swat Louis Leonowens

Ciaran Kelly Interpreter

Nicola Duff, Sarah-Leigh Nonu, Tara Kelly, Wives/Amazons/Chorus:

> Helene Malone, Jo-Marie Sciescia, Laura Robertson, Natalie MacKenzie, Monika Grabmeier, Meg Whitlow, Lucy Newrick, Davinia Austin-Lobb, Helena Brown, Harriet

Stone, Mary Nichols, Selina Maka

Ruth Harding, Emma McKay, Rachel Dooh **Dancers**

an, Kjerstine Severinsen, Leonie Rhodes, Luke Dineen, Joshua Price, Sarah Mills, Dominic Brown, Hannah Walsh, Rachel Wall,

Hayley Price, Steven Drury

Sailors/Guards Cameron Hawkins, Lucas Holmberg, Aaron

Trautvetter

Sophie Gittings, Chloe Parsons, Carolyn Royal Children

Gorst, Shayna O'Malley, Amy Zaloum,

Georgina Metu, Hannah Oosthuizen, Sophie

Robertson, Zoe Patterson, Anastasia Fincaryk, Nicole O'Malley, Hannah Byron,

Byron Oosthuizen

Members of the Orchestra ...

Conductor : Ronnie Lundall Violin : Norma Smith

Flute : Sarah Delany

Clarinet : Roy Isaacs

Piano : Sister Colleen

Keyboard : Frances Burch

Bass : Matthew Evans

Drums : Adam Lamberg



Special thanks to...

Napier Operatic Society
Levin Performing Arts Society for costumes
Jane Pierard for Orchestra lights
Frances Burch for vocal coaching

Stage Manager : Mr Mike Perry, Mr David Sullivan

Choreographer : Hayley Price, Ruth Harding
Costumes : Ms Karen Chalmers, Mrs Charmaine Naidoo.

Mrs Sheron MacGregor

Makeup : Mrs Maria Metu

Lighting/Sound : Mr David Brown and helpers
Backstage/Props : Mr Mike Perry, Mrs Carol Murphy
Front of House : Mrs Christine Watson and School

Committees

Posters/Tickets/Programme : Mrs Kerin Greville, Mrs Lynda Pipe

Growlers : Mrs Mona Stewart, Mr Ashley Brown, Mrs Trish

Carthew

Backstage Crew : Student helpers