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“It’s a bad old world, and virtue is triumphant only in theatrical performances.”

The newsletter for friends of the University of York Gilbert and Sullivan Society.

Welcome to the fourth issue of York University Gilbert & Sullivan Society’s newsletter for friends and former members.

Kaleidoshow

Kaleidoshow, our summer show this year, was performed in Langwith over the weekend of 15th–17th June. This was a cabaret-style show of twenty minute(ish) sections from the following very different shows:

- Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
- The Merry Widow
- Godspell
- The Rocky Horror Show
- Les Miserables

Rehearsing the music and moves for all this proved a challenge to the society, and finding a venue also proved problematic. However, as usual sterling work by the committee overcame these problems in time and the show was a triumph showing what it is possible to achieve in 8 weeks.

The cast of Kaleidoshow.



The show received favourable reviews from student publications The Yorker and The Zahir, with several performers being commended. These can be found at:
<http://www.theyorker.co.uk/news/theatre/424>
http://www.thezahir.co.uk/hagen_peter_kaleidoshow_screen.html

The fact that the show required more principals than usual meant that many people were able to get roles and surprise us with their abilities!

Continuity was provided by the device of the “universal barman” to whom a character from each section narrated the plot of the show. The barman then morphed into Thenardier in “Les Miserables”.



Hard work as the set goes up.

Ruddigore 2008

The directorial team for our main show, Ruddigore, has now been decided on. Andrew Lawson and Chris Charlton will be directing the show. Fiona Constantine is our new Musical Director, and Chris Armstrong will be Technical Director.

Ruddigore will be performed in February 2008 in the University’s Central Hall. We hope to see you all there!

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