

Welwyn Thaliens Present:

Kiss Me Kate

The Musical by :
Cole Porter

Directed By:
Samantha McRae

Musical Director:
Peter Farrell



Tickets £10.00 to £12.00
Concessions Wed and Sat Matinee

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Kiss Me Kate

A musical version of "The Taming of the Shrew" is about to open in Baltimore. In the show with producer- actor Fred Graham are his former wife, Lilli; Lois, a singer in whom he is interested; and Bill Calhoun, who is Lois's interest. The irresponsible Bill informs Lois that he has signed Fred's name to a 10,000 dollar IOU for gambling debts. She begs him to reform. Fred and Lilli patch up their differences as they reminisce nostalgically about other shows in which they have appeared together. Fred sends a bouquet to Lois, which is delivered in error to Lilli. On stage as Katherine, Lilli discovers that the bouquet was meant for Lois and threatens to leave the show. Her departure is prevented by two gangsters who have come to collect the IOU with Fred's signature. As the first Act ends she is raging, both in character and reality.

Petruchio (played by Fred Graham) although just married to Katherine, and beginning his tempestuous wedded life, begins to yearn for his life as a single man. Because of a sudden change in gang administration the gangsters tear up the now worthless IOU and Lilli prepares to walk out on the show as Fred muses on his love for her. The gangsters sing the always show-stopping *Brush Up Your Shakespeare*. As the show comes to close, Lilli unexpectedly returns and in Katherine's words expresses her intention of returning to her husband.

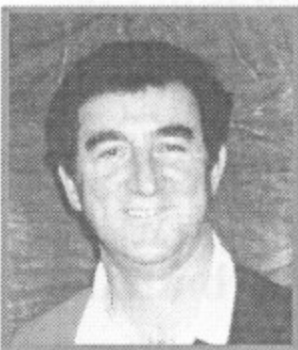


***** ★ **Alison Mills Barr- Lilli Vanessi/Kate** ★ *****

★ Alison Studied Music at Colchester Music College and has played many
★ leads both with the Thaliens and other Societies. She sets and maintains
★ high standards in her singing and acting performances none more evident
★ than in her appearance as *Laurie* in *Oklahoma*. She has also played Eliza
★ Doolittle in "*My Fair Lady*" Maria in "*West Side Story*" and Kate in "*Kiss
★ Me Kate*". Her last appearance for the Thaliens was as Ruth in "*The Pirates
★ of Penzance*"
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***** ★ **Peter Sayers - Fred Graham/Petruchio** ★ *****

★ Peter has appeared with The Thaliens for the past five years. His roles
★ include Curly in "*Oklahoma*", Sky Masterson in "*Guys & Dolls*",
★ Billy in "*Anything goes*" and the Cowardly lion in "*The Wizard of Oz*"
★ and The Pirate King in our last production "*The Pirates of Penzance*"
★ His favourite part to date was as the sinister M.C. in "*Cabaret*".
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***** ★ **Terry Cull - Bill Calhoun/Lucentio** ★ *****

★ Terry seems to be specialising in playing dodgy characters having
★ appeared as the knife throwing zealot Hines in "*The Pajama Game*",
★ Nathan Detroit in "*Guys and Dolls*" and Montague Druitt in "*Jack the
★ Ripper*" (and they do come not much dodgier than that).
★ Previous lighter leads however include Will Parker in "*Oklahoma*" The
★ Scarecrow in "*Wizard of Oz*" and The Major-General in
★ "*Pirates of Penzance*"
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***** ★ **Brian King - Harry/Baptista** ★ *****

★ Brian needs little introduction to regular patrons of this theatre having ap-
★ peared in countless Thalian productions since he joined in 1966. He has
★ had principal parts in "*The King and I*", "*Guys and Dolls*", "*The Wizard
★ of Oz*", "*Oklahoma*" and many others. Brian is a devout old time music
★ hall enthusiast and appears regularly in the Thaliens old time music hall
★ fund raising productions.
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***** ★ **Tammy Wall - Lois Lane/Bianca** ★ *****

★ Tammy joined The Thaliens from the St.Albans Operatic Society in 1999.
★ Since then she has appeared as Mary Kelly in "*Jack The Ripper*", Sally
★ Bowles in "*Cabaret*", Bet in "*Oliver*", Ado Annie in "*Oklahoma*", and
★ Charity Hope Valentine in "*Sweet Charity*". She has also appeared for the
★ Barn Theatre as Caitlin in "*Over the River and Through the Woods*" and
★ as Miranda in "*Forbidden Planet*" with Elstree Productions.
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Director & Choreographer

Although Sam has been a regular in most of the recent Thalian shows much of her time has been devoted to dance and many of our best routines such as the ballet in "Oklahoma" and Luck Be a Lady in "Guys and Dolls" are thanks to her accomplished choreography. Her talents are many however as well as choreographing in many of our shows She successfully directed and choreographed Previous show "The Wizard of Oz" and "Sweet Charity"

Musical Director and Conductor

Peter Farrell

Graduated from the The Royal Academy of Music in 1975 and has enjoyed a professional career in music both performing and teaching from jazz to Beethoven. Peter is an extremely talented performer who became our MD in 1985 and has continued his very successful relationship with us ever since.



Synopsis of Scenes

Act One

1. Stage of Ford Theatre
Baltimore
2. Corridor (Backstage)
3. Dressing rooms of
Fred & Lilli
4. Padua
5. Street Scene-Padua
6. Backstage
7. Dressing rooms of
Fred & Lilli
8. Before The Curtain
9. Exterior Church

Act Two

1. Theatre Alley
2. Before The Curtain
3. Petruchio's House
4. Corridor (Backstage)
5. Dressing rooms of
Fred & Lilli
6. Corridor (Backstage)
7. Corridor (Backstage)
8. Baptista's House

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

Another Op'nin Another Show.....*Hattie & Ensemble*

Why Can't You Behave.....*Lois & Bill*

Wunderbar.....*Lilli & Fred*

So In Love Am I.....*Lilli*

We Open In Venice.....*Kate, Petruchio, Bianca,
Lucentio & Ensemble*

Tom, Dick Or Harry.....*Bianca & Suitors
(Lucentio, Hortensio & Gremio)*

I've Come To Wive It Wealthily.....*Petruchio & Men
In Padua*

I Hate Men.....*Lilli*

Were Thine That Special Face.....*Petruchio*

I Sing Of Love.....*Bianca, Suitors
& Ensemble*

Finale - Kiss Me, Kate.....*Kate, Petruchio,
Principals & Ensemble*

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ACT II

Too Darn Hot.....*Paul & Ensemble*

Where Is The Life That Late I Led.....*Petruchio*

Always True To You.....*Lois*

Bianca.....*Bill & Ensemble*

Reprise - So In Love Am I.....*Fred*

Brush Up Your Shakespeare.....*Gangsters*

Women Are So Simple.....*Kate*

Finale - Kiss Me, Kate.....*Full Company*

The Cast

Fred Graham/Petruchio	Peter Sayers
Lilli Vanessi/Kate	Alison Mills-Barr
Bill Calhoun/Lucentio	Terry Cull
Lois Lane/Bianca	Tammy Wall
Harry/Baptista	Brian King MBE
Gremio	Wetner De Waal
Hortensio	Marc Wall
Ralph	Martin Desmond
Hattie	Katy Clementson
Paul	Chris Ryde
1st Gangster	Dick Breeze
2nd Gangster	Peter Dunham
Rosalinde	Gill Shaw
Titiana	Anna Hitti
Porsche	Maggy Reed

Ensemble

Vicky Collins	Maureen Davies
Gail Elliot	Richard Gregg
Sue Hawkins	Mandy Plinge
Angela Monaghan	Jackie Radford
Annie Rumney	Winter Shang

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Orchestra

Reeds

**Clare Taylor
Martin Cook
Andrew Pummell**

Trumpets

**Tim Welsh
Tom Whalley**

Horn

Simon Cove

Trombone

Aidan Collins

Bass

Peter Neville

Percussion

Chris Gray

Keyboard

Peter Farrell



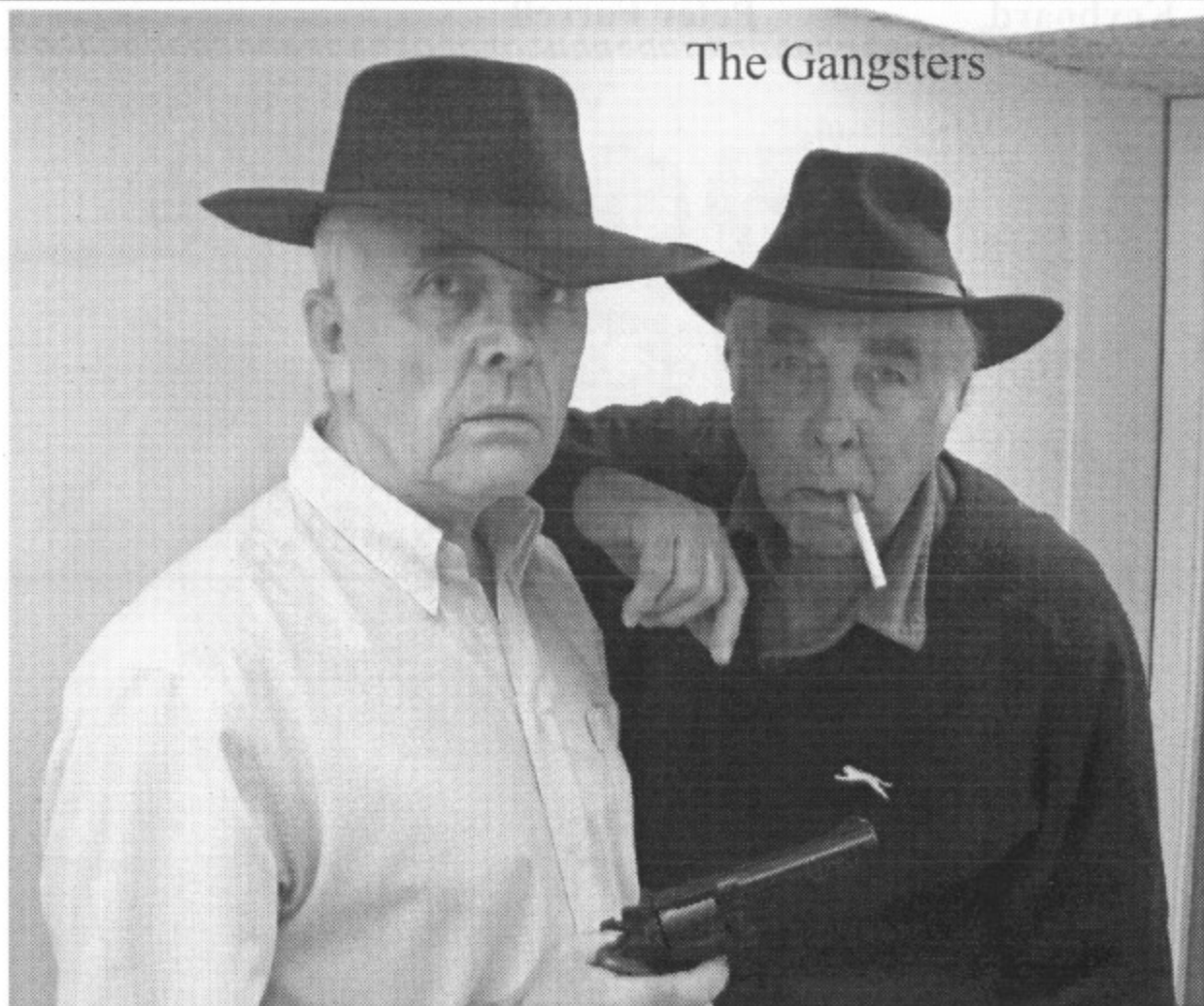
The Ensemble

Production Crew

Stage Manager	Vin Clemmens
Ass. Stage Manager	Frances Green
Prompt	Angela Dunham
Stage Crew	John Marsh, Norman Mills-Barr
Stage Crew	Rod Chillingworth, Harry Thorn
	Oliver Gregg
Costumes	Harlequin And The Company
Props	Vanessa Baker
Lighting Design	Mike Try
Lighting Operator	John Vivash
Sound	Zuz Bryant
Front of House	Dot Lutkin & The Company
Programme Design	Vin Clemmens
Set Design	Scenic & Property Hire

For Campus West Theatre

Ops. Manager	Stuart West
Technical Director	John Vivash





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