

Chairperson's Address

Welcome to Glencullen Dundrum Musical & Dramatic Society's production of 'My Fair Lady'.

Our society was founded in 1971 in Glencullen and in 2013 we changed the name to Glencullen Dundrum MDS to reflect our wider geographical membership base, making our home in the DLR Mill Theatre in Dundrum. We are an amateur, non-profit community organization who traditionally perform one play and one musical each season.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the ongoing support of our patrons Pat Kinsley, Lillo McGuinness and Sean Murphy. I would also like to give a very special thank you to Tony and the staff of St. Tiernan's community school and the 137th Balally Scouts Group for the much appreciated use of their rehearsal spaces.

A sincere thank you to my committee: Peter (Secretary), Carmel (Treasurer), Liam (PRO), Brian, Niamh and Louise. Your hard work, time and commitment has been so appreciated.

Last but not least, a thank you to you, our audience for supporting us for this production and always. We hope you enjoy our production of 'My Fair Lady'.

Remember, if you are interested in joining or helping out in our society-front of house, backstage, props, costumes, set etc- please email us at glencullen.musical@gmail.com. We are always looking for new members!

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Chairperson, GDMDS

About The Show

Hailed by critics and audiences for its heart and its wit, My Fair Lady is a beautiful musical about transformation, patronage, gender politics and class, based on George Bernard Shaw's play, Pygmalion.

Boasting such classic songs as "I Could Have Danced All Night," "The Rain in Spain," "Wouldn't It Be Lovely" and "On the Street Where You Live," My Fair Lady tells the story of Eliza Doolittle, a young Cockney flower seller, and Henry Higgins, a linguistics professor who is determined to transform her into his idea of a "proper lady."

Through arduous training, day and night, Eliza learns how to speak English "properly," and transforms into a lady respected and adored by all classes. Along the way she bewitches Freddie Eynsford-Hill into falling in love with her and forges a deep connection with Professor Higgins. But when Higgins takes all the credit for Eliza's transformation and forgets to acknowledge her efforts, Eliza angrily leaves him for Freddie. Suddenly Higgins realizes he's grown 'accustomed to her face'; but is is now too late to win his 'fair lady' back!



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Music by: Frederick Loewe

Adapted from George Bernard Shaw's play and Gabriel Pascal's Motion Picture
"Pygmalion". Original Production directed and staged by Moss Hart.

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Our Production Team



Helen McCann – Director
Helen has a long association with musical theatre playing leading roles for numerous societies and in 2010 was nominated for an AIMS best comedienne award for her role as "Widow Corney" in 'Oliver!' Helen's involvement with GDMDS spans more than a decade, most recently directing their productions of 'Me and My Girl' and 'Calamity Jane'. Helen is delighted to be back working with GDMDS again for their production of 'My Fair Lady'.



Róisín Ryan – Musical Director
Róisín has happily been involved in musical theatre since a young age, both on stage & more recently as a musical director. She has previously directed a number of shows including; 'The Hired Man', 'Joseph', 'Annie' & 'Little Shop of Horrors'. A classically trained singer, Róisín holds a BA in Music from NUJM where she majored in Performance and Musicology. Róisín is delighted to be back working with GDMDS as musical director & wishes all the cast and crew a great run.



Laura Macken – Choreographer
Laura has been a professional dancer for many years and has trained and danced with the Dublin City Ballet company. She has danced with all major contemporary dance companies in Ireland & has performed in numerous productions at the Abbey, Gaiety & Olympia theatres, as well as many TV productions & movies. Laura has an MA in dance from the University of Limerick & now teaches professional classes, full-time dance students, children, and special-needs students.

Lights – Kris Mooney
Sound – The Sound & Music Company
Set Construction – Tom Ronayne & Robert Coventry
Costumes – Gemma Plunkett, Marion Holohan & Members of GDMDS
Props – Niamh Thornton & Members of GDMDS
Make Up – Catherine Coventry
Stage Manager – Tom Ronayne
Backstage Crew – Members & Friends of GDMDS
Front Of House – Members & Friends of GDMDS
Programme – Chris O' Connor & Louise Culleton
Poster – Chris O'Connor & Louise Culleton

A special thank you to the following companies who donated raffle prizes along with members of the cast:

La Bella Hair Salon, Stepside; Ballance Hair and Beauty Salon; Romina Daniels Hair Salon, Sandyford; Vanity Rooms, Stepside; Dunnes Stores, Beacon South Quarter; Dunnes Stores, Leopardstown; Dunnes Stores, Johnny Fox's, Ballyogan; Glencullen; Quattro Pizza Bar, Stepside; Union Cafe, Beacon South Quarter; Noel Reid Men's Shop, Dundrum; Fleurtaious, Leopardstown Shopping Centre, Ballyogan; Belarmine Pharmacy; Lloyd's Pharmacy, Leopardstown Shopping Centre; Mulveys Pharmacy, Sandyford Village & McCabes Pharmacy, Sandyford Hall.

Our Cast



Brendan O'Sullivan – Henry Higgins
Brendan is no stranger to the dlr Mill Theatre, & has appeared in several plays and musicals over the years, including GDMDS productions of 'Hay Fever' and 'Copacabana'. Brendan has also appeared on TV including 'The Republic of Telly', 'Raw' and 'Titanic: Blood and Steel'. Brendan is thrilled to be playing Professor Higgins and wishes all the cast and crew the best of luck!



Kate Canning – Eliza Doolittle
Kate has an MA in Drama & Theatre Studies from DCU and has performed with the Singapore Lyric Opera. In 2012 she graduated with a Higher Diploma in Vocal Performance at The Royal Irish Academy of Music. Other work include Bizet's 'Carmen' and Gluck's 'Orpheus' with Cork Operatic Society & Handel's 'Messiah' & Handel's 'Semele' with the Royal Irish Academy.



Brian Carroll – Colonel Pickering
This is Brian's second production with GDMDS, having played "Harding" in 'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest' last November. He has previously been on stage with groups in Inchicore, Limerick, Cambridge & London. Brian has relished his time playing the role of Colonel Pickering & hopes that you all enjoy the show!



Niall MacCarthy – Freddie Eynsford Hill
This is Niall's second show with GDMDS having previously played "Jackson" in 'The Hired Man'. Other previous roles include "Ravenal" in 'Showboat', "Curly" in 'Oklahoma' and "Sky Masterson" in 'Guys and Dolls'. He would like to thank everyone for all of their hard work over the past few weeks & hopes that you will enjoy the show.



Louise Culleton – Mrs. Pearce
Louise made her stage debut at the tender age of six in the Maeve Binchy play 'Deeply Regretted By'. Obviously she had no regrets as she has been acting on & off ever since! Louise joined GDMDS in 2017 for their production of 'Copacabana' playing 'Gladys'. Other favourite roles to date include: "Calamity" in 'Calamity Jane', "Nickie" in 'Sweet Charity' & "Katisha" in the 'Hot Mikado'.



Barry Donaldson – Alfred P. Doolittle
Barry is certainly no stranger to the dlr Mill Theatre having served as the theatre's Technical Manager for over twelve years! Although he has acted in, and lit hundreds of plays in the past, to date he has never ventured into the realms of musical theatre as a performer! So after an absence of over 25 years Barry is delighted to be making his musical debut with GDMDS.



Shona Ashmore – Mrs. Higgins
Shona went to her first elocution lesson at the age of three & has been at it ever since! Now a drama teacher, she has been involved in a wide variety of shows from Shakespeare to pantomime & has had many successes in festivals. Shona has appeared with GDMDS before as "Mrs Lyons" in 'Blood Brothers' & "Mrs Markham" in 'Move Over Mrs Markham'.



Mark O'Leary – Professor Zoltan Karpathy
Mark has acted in numerous productions in both Ireland and Hong Kong. Notable roles include "Frederick Clegg" in 'The Collector', "Hal McLeavy" in 'Loot', & "Francois" in 'Men Without Shadows'; for which he won the Best Supporting Actor award at the 2010 ISDA festival. This is Mark's second production with GDMDS, after starring as "Billy Bibbit" in 'One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest'.

Our Chorus



Back Row:

Niamh Rodin, Imelda O'Sullivan (Mrs Eynsford-Hill), Liam Ryan (Charles) Padraic Brady (Jamie), Daragh O'Duffy (Barman) Garreth Grimes (Policeman), Mark O' Leary, Darren Molloy (Harry), Brian O'Sullivan & Tony Matthews (Footman).

Middle Row:

Carmel Tubbert, Dee O' Sullivan, Fiona Doyle (Mrs. Hopkins), Michelle Kennedy (Lady Boxington), Ema Stapleton, Aoife Ryan, Iseult Scott & Amy McGauley.

Front Row:

Sherry Perreault (Queen of Transylvania), Niamh Matthews, Niamh Thornton, Chloe O' Brien & Trudi McDonald.

Not Pictured:

Laura Walsh, Katy-Anna Copland & Sonja Kinlan.