

**The Gilbert & Sullivan Very Light Opera Company  
Board Meeting**

**January 25, 2018**

In attendance were: Mary Gregory, Shawn Holt, Malka Key, Wally Benbenek, Stephen Hage, Alex Gerchak

The meeting began at 6:35 pm.

Comp Tickets: Comp Tickets will be issued to:

Joe Andrews	Stage Director
Randy Buikema	Music Director
Denise Brophy	Stage Manager
Larry Rostad	Set Designer
Alex Flinner	Lighting Designer
Barb Portinga	Costume Designer
Katie Phillips	Props Designer
Jay Scoggin	Set Builder
Bob Johanneck	A/V Technician
Jean Orbison	Accompanist
Steve Norquist	Accompanist
Mary Olson	Poster Designer
Emily Venell	Plymouth Church Contact
Bethany Jackson	Photographer
Tracey	Plymouth Church custodian: Malka Key will arrange for his ticket as it needs to be arranged around his work schedule.

Wardrobe Mistress: We are still in need of a wardrobe mistress. They will need to be available for the entire 4 week run and will receive a stipend of \$200.00. Mary Gregory will check with someone her daughter knows and Barb Portinga will be asked if she can recommend someone as well.

Reviews: We have 7 reviews scheduled.

Mary Aalgaard	Play Off the Stage	Friday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tierney Chlan	No Filter Reviews/Say Entirely	Friday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Laura Kulm	Twin Cities Stages	Saturday, March 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Basil Consadine	Twin Cities Arts Review	Saturday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>

Becki Iverson, Compendium, is a yes and a follow up email will be sent on February 9<sup>th</sup>  
John Townsend, Lavender Magazine, is a yes and a follow up email will be sent on February 15<sup>th</sup>  
Kendra Plant, Artfully Engaging, is a yes and is considering dates

The following have been contacted but have not yet responded:

Jill Schafer from Cherry and Spoon Reviewer	1/15
Laura VanZandt from One Girl/Two Cities Reviewer	1/15
Stephanie K from PhenoMNaI Twin Cities	1/17
Arthur Dorman from Talkin' Broadway	1/18
Brett Burger from Coffee Talk With Brett	1/18
Caly/Jules from Minnesota Theater Love	1/18
Matthew Everett from Single White Fringe Geek	1/19
The Star Tribune	

Ticket Sales: Wally Benbenek informed us that tickets are 25% sold as of Thursday, January 25, with Sundays selling out quickly, as usual. Gold Star is also selling well.

Costume Work Location: Stephen offered the use of the new Orion office space at 820 N. Lilac Drive in Golden Valley for Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawn Holt