

# **The Gilbert & Sullivan Very Light Opera Company**

## **Health and Safety Plan for**

### **Audience Members for the**

#### **2023 Production of *H.M.S. Pinafore***

#### **Masking:**

Evening performances: When the COVID Community Level for Hennepin County is Low or Medium, masks will be encouraged, but optional, for audience members for all Friday and Saturday evening performances. When the COVID Community Level for Hennepin County is High, masks will be required for audience members for all Friday and Saturday evening performances.

Matinee performances: Masks will be required for all audience members, at all times for Saturday and Sunday matinee performances, in the lobby and in the theater.

Face shields or masks with a valve, gaiters, scarves, etc. are not acceptable. Disposable masks will be available for audience members at the box office.

Audience members may briefly unmask while actively eating and drinking.

Masking requirements will be posted on the company's website, included in all ticket mailings and emails, and included as a note accompanying mailed tickets. It will be posted on signage throughout the theater.

The House Manager will send an email update to all ticket holders the Thursday leading into the performance weekend with an update on mask requirements. Audience members purchasing a ticket by phone will be encouraged to provide an email address so they can receive updates.

If an audience member removes their mask at a performance where it is required, they will be reminded that they must wear their mask by the House Manager and/or ushers.

#### **Concessions**

Audience members may remove their masks in the lobby while actively eating or drinking during intermission at all performances. Audience members who wish to eat or drink in the lobby before or after performances where masks are required should social distance while doing so.

Audience members may bring their own bottled water and may drink it in the lobby and the theater. They may briefly unmask while actively drinking water in the theater. Food is not permitted in the theater.

#### **Audience Members with Symptoms**

Audience members with COVID symptoms must not attend a performance. Audience members who report that they are experiencing COVID symptoms and will not be attending a performance will be offered tickets to another performance, or their tickets will be refunded.