# The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Austin presents

## A Holiday Musicale



# Songs of love and the travails of romance

December 6, 2009 Genesis Presbyterian Church Austin, Texas



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## Program



"When maiden loves, she sits and sighs" . . . The Yeomen of the Guard - 1888 - Gilbert & Sullivan Katherine Wiggins

"When a wooer goes a-wooing" . . . The Yeomen of the Guard - 1888 - Gilbert & Sullivan Meredith Ruduski, Ariel Rios, Rebecca Stokinger, Derek Smootz

> "Later" . . . . A Little Night Music - 1975 - Stephen Sondheim Andy Fleming

"Try to Remember" . . . . The Fantasticks - 1960 - Harvey Schmidt

Derek Smootz

"Tis done! I am a bride!" . . . The Yeomen of the Guard - 1888 - Gilbert & Sullivan Meredith Ruduski

"Amor, vida de mi vida" . . . Maravilla - 1941 - Federico Moreno Torroba Ariel Rios

"A tenor, all singers above" . . . Utopia, Ltd. - 1893 - Gilbert & Sullivan Andy Fleming

"Strange the views some people hold" . . . The Grand Duke - 1896 - Gilbert & Sullivan Meredith Ruduski, Katherine Wiggins, Andy Fleming, Derek Smootz, Arthur DiBianca

"Is life a boon?" . . . The Yeomen of the Guard - 1888 - Gilbert & Sullivan Ariel Rios

"Vanilla Ice Cream" . . . . She Loves Me - 1963 - Jerry Bock Meredith Ruduski

"I have a song to sing, O!" . . . The Yeomen of the Guard - 1888 - Gilbert & Sullivan Derek Smootz & Rebecca Stokinger

"Voi, che sapete" . . . Le Nozze di Figaro - 1786 - Wolfgang A. Mozart Katherine Wiggins

"At the outset I may mention" . . . The Grand Duke - 1896 - Gilbert & Sullivan
Arthur DiBianca

"Adelaide's Lament" . . . Guys and Dolls - 1950 - Frank Loesser Rebecca Stokinger

"If Saphir I Choose to Marry" . . . Patience - 1881 - Gilbert & Sullivan Meredith Ruduski, Rebecca Stokinger, Andy Fleming, Derek Smootz, Arthur DiBianca

Group Sing-Along with the Audience
"Hail, Poetry" - The Pirates of Penzance
"Now to the Banquet We Press" - The Sorcerer



#### Please join us for refreshments after the show!



Produced by Libby Weed

Accompanist - Martha Dudgeon

Special Thanks: Patricia T. Martin - Genesis Presbyterian Church Nanci Jay - Photography



#### 2010 Calendar of Events

Annual Business Meeting & Musicale Monday, January 11

"The Yeomen of the Guard" Auditions February 27 & 28

> Spring Musicale Sunday, March 7

"Yeomen" Preview & Musicale May

"The Yeomen of the Guard" Grand Production June



Thank you for being here tonight - we hope to see you again next time!

### About Gilbert & Sullivan

The Gilbert & Sullivan comic operas were composed between 1871 and 1896 in Victorian London. Their sparkling musical scores by Sir Arthur Sullivan and their dazzling lyrics by Sir William S. Gilbert have kept them popular throughout the English-speaking world ever since. They've been called the "Saturday Night Live" of their day for their satiric appeal, but they have proven universal and timeless in their comic and ironic treatment of human foibles through their "airy"

persiflage" and "innocent merriment." And the popular appeal of the music has endeared them to millions who cherish "laughing song and merry dance." They are arguably the most popular "musical comedies" ever written for the stage.

#### Our Mission

The Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Austin was founded with the purpose of educating the public and preserving the works of Gilbert and Sullivan. Formed in 1976, the group entertains and educates thousands of Central Texas residents every year.

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