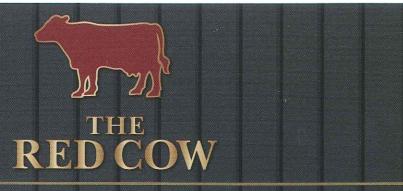


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#### Chairman's Message

I feel very privileged as Chairman to welcome you to the 50th anniversary of the NAOS. Below is an extract from the founder Frank Richardson taken from the programme of "The Student Prince" in 1966 and a picture of the 1975 performance of Show Boat with a cast of 90.

Here in Staffordshire we have a wealth of talent encouraged and nurtured by numerous operatic societies and the Repertory Theatre. Many people over the fifty years who appeared in our shows have gone on to perform in TV, West End, Broadway and Opera, including Robbie Williams who at the age of 12 sat on the roof and played Fiddle in the 1987 production of Fiddler on the Roof.

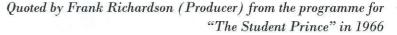
Nowadays we could not afford a cast of 90 or the large orchestras and sets we used to have. However, for as long as I have known Newcastle Operatic Society we have had the name of the 'friendly society' which is something to be proud of. Only surpassed by the quality of our production teams and performers.

So on this 50th anniversary I would ask you to sit back, enjoy and above all laugh as we present The Addams Family.

#### IN MEMORY

It is with sadness that I have to announce the death of one of our older members after some years of illness. Kathleen Cope died in June this year and was both a committee and playing member for a number of years. The older members of Newcastle will remember her fondly.

"Never before was such a small Committee so hard put to, to achieve so much in such a short time. Yet in less than twelve months from its formation, this small, but heroic Society successfully presented its first production 'Carousel' at the Municipal Hall, Newcastle, thus taking a sure but firm step upon the ladder of recognition and acclaim the public of North Staffordshire"





#### **Previous & Current Productions**

1965 - Carousel

1966 - The Student Prince

1967 - Rose Marie

1968 - Calamity Jane

1969 - Oklahoma

1970 - The Desert Song

1971 - The Vagabond King

1972 - Brigadoon

1973 - Gypsy Love & The Old Time Music Hall

1974 - Carousel

1975 - Showboat & The Gypsy Baron

1976 - The Great Waltz

1978 - Orpheus in the Underworld & Desert Song

1979 - Die Fledermaus & Rose Marie

1980 - The Merry Widow

1981 - The Land of Smiles & Lilac Times

1982 - Brigadoon

1983 - Kings Rhapsody & The Student Prince

1984 - The Vagabond King

1985 - Summer Song & The King and I

1986 - South Pacific

1987 - Fiddler on the Roof & The Gypsy Barron

1988 - Camelot

1989 - Show Boat & Calamity Jane

1990 - Orpheus in the Underworld

1991 - Carousel & Land of Smiles

1992 - Carmen

1993 - The Merry Widow & Kismet

1994 - Oklahoma

1995 - Die Fledermaus & The Great Waltz

1996 - My Fair Lady

1997 - Annie Get Your Gun

1998 - The Sound of Music & Broadway Melodies

1999 - The Best Little Whore House in Texas & Calamity Jane

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2000 - Showboat

2001 - Broadway Melodies,

2002 - Show Stoppers

2003 - The Sound of Music

2004 - Fiddler on the Roof

2005 - The Boyfriend

2006 - The Pajama Game - 12 Cong

2007 - The King & L& Carousel

2008- Broad Street Variety & Cinderella

2009 - Good Night Mr Tom

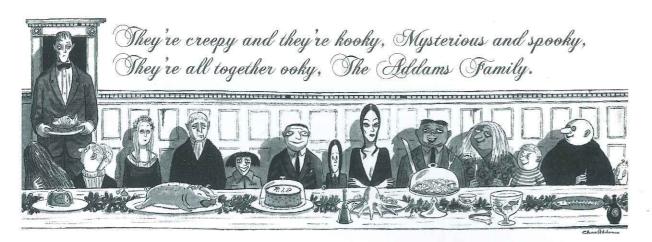
2010 - Jane Eyre the Musical,

2011 - Little Women & The Railway Children

2012 - Frankenstein,

2013 - Annie

2014 - The Addams Family



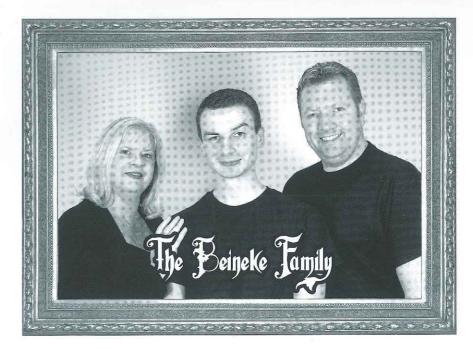
### **Production Team**

Director	James Freeman
Musical Director	Allison Fisher
Choreographer	Sarah Capewell
Rehearsal Pianist	Larraine Ĥunter

# The Cast



Gomez	David Bryan
	Shelley Anne Rivers
Pugsley	Sam Horton
	Elena Fox
Uncle Fester	Rob Lawton
Grandma	Rosemary Gresty
Lurch	Ian Brereton
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Cousin Itt	Himself



Mal......Mark Hilton
Alice.....Wendy Manns
Lucas.....Tom Maurice



StuartMichael DyerRenaissanceJohn HallCharles ISimon DavisCavemanBob FlowerVictorian GentDan Mee

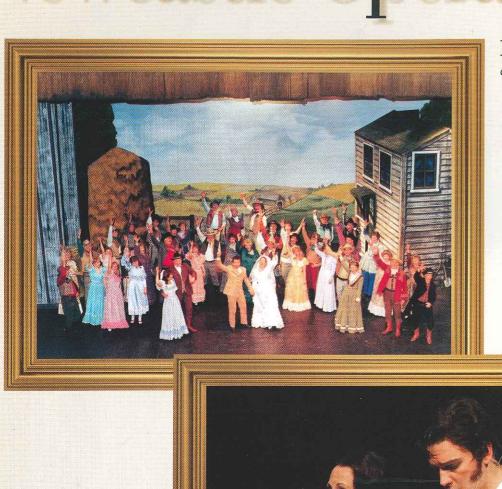




Landgirl......Nicola Jayne Chirnside
Victorian Maid ......Tamitha Ward
Antoinette.....Sue Bailey
Civil War ......Christine Birks
Titanic Victim .....Amanda Bosson
Edwardian Lady .....Janice Brown
Pioneer .....Lesley Ann Leech

Flapper	Lauren Tipping
Victorian Bride	Zoe Twigg
Air Stewardess	.Rachel Baddeley
Wench	Holly Dunn
Pirate	.Charlotte Murfin
Saloon Girl	.Danielle Whelan
1940's Swing	Leisha Harrison
Indian	Sarah Brookes

# Newcastle Operatic Society - 50th Anniversary



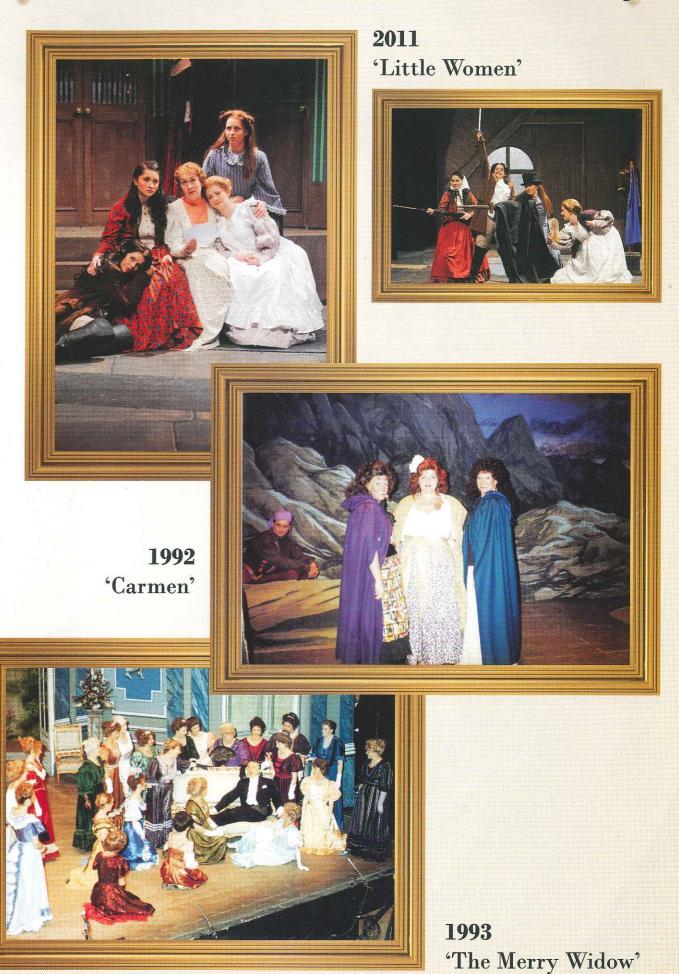
1994 'Oklahoma'



2010

'Jane Eyre'

1995
'The Great Waltz'



#### Act One

When You're An Addams - Full Company

Trapped - Gomez

Pulled - Wednesday

One Normal Night Part I - Wednesday, Morticia & Gomez

One Normal Night Part II - Full Company

But Love - Part I - Fester & Company

But Love - Part II - Fester & Company

Secrets - Morticia, Alice & Company

What If - Part I - Gomez

What If - Part II - Pugsley

Full Disclosure - Part I - Full Company

Waiting - Alice

Full Disclosure - Part II - Full Company

#### Act Two

Entr'acte

Just Around The Corner -Morticia and Company

The Moon and Me - Fester & Company

Happy, Sad - Gomez

Crazier Than You -Wednesday, Lucas, Mal, Alice

Not Today - Gomez

Let's Live Before We Die - Morticia & Gomez

Tango de Amor -Morticia, Gomez and Company

Move Towards The Darkness - Full Company

When You're An Addams (reprise) -Full Company



# **Addams Family History**

1938... Charles Addams first published his cartoons in the "New Yorker". They depicted an eccentric wealthy family who had no idea how horrific they appeared to others.

**1964-66...** A.B.C. television created the series for television. The memorable theme tune was arranged by VicMizzy.It was played on a harpsichord and included the sound of "snapping fingers".

1973... A.B.C. produced a pilot show, "The Addams Family Fun House". It starred Stubby Kaye as Fester. Unfortunately it was not a hit.

1973-75... The first animated series was run on N.B.C.. In this the Addams family were travelling in a Victorian style R.V. Jodie Foster, then eight years old, provided the voice of Pugsley.

**1988...** Charles Addams died. The cartoons ran in the "Newyorker" until his death except for a break from 1964-66 when the T.V series was running.

**1991...** The Addams Family movie was released by Orion pictures. The rights were then sold to Paramount due to financial difficulties.

**1992-93...** The Addams Family animated series was the first series in colour and went back to original format.

1993... The second movie "Addams Family Values " was released. A script was written for a third film but this was abandoned due to the death of actor Raul Julia who had played Gomez.

1998... "Addams Family Reunion", a third movie was finally released with Tim Curry now playing the role of Gomez.

**2007...** In May it was announced that a musical based on the original drawing was being developed for Broadway.

**2010...** The Addams Family musical opens on Broadway. It starred Nathan Lane as Gomez and Bebe Neuwirth as Morticia.

**2010...** Universal pictures acquired the rights to the cartoons and plan an animated film with Tim Burton as co-producer. This was later cancelled.

**2013...** M.G.M. are in the process of producing an animated film.

**2013...** Newcastle Amateur Operatic Society are amongst the amateur companies granted permission to perform "Addams Family The Musical" in the U.K.

# **Newcastle Operatic Society**

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Props - Julie Marsh

 ${\bf Rehears al\ Refreshments} \ \hbox{-}\ {\bf Carole\ Smythe}$ 

Rehearsal Pianist - Larraine Hunter

#### **Honorary Members**

James Freeman ~ Allison Fisher ~ Sarah Capewell

#### Life Members

Elsie Ashley Stretton O.B.E.  $\sim$  Fred Johnson  $\sim$  Mary Blaise  $\sim$  Gill Johnson Mary Beckett  $\sim$  Roy Davenport



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Props - Julie Marsh & props team

Costumes - Thespis Costumes

Alison Ratcliffe, Lyn Clarke and Dressers

Dance Captain - Rachel Baddeley

Company Dance Captain - Lesley Ann Leech Miranda Gresty for Cousin Itt

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