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Woodside Community Theatre Presents Lerner and Loewe Classic Musical

MY FAIR LADY

October 26 – November 4, 2018

Music by Frederick Loewe

Lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner

Book by Alan Jay Lerner

Woodside, CA, August 27, 2018 — **Woodside Community Theatre** ("WCT") is proud to present ***My Fair Lady***, music by Frederick Loewe with lyrics and book by Alan Jay Lerner, based on George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*.

The show will run from October 26, 2018 through November 4, 2018: Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30pm, Sundays at 2pm. All performances will take place at the Performing Arts Center on the campus of Woodside High School, located at 199 Churchill Ave, Woodside, California. Tickets are \$15-\$32 each, with group discounts available, and are available online at <http://woodsidetheatre.com/my-fair-lady-tickets>

Synopsis:

My Fair Lady is a musical based on George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*, with book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Loewe. The story concerns "Eliza Doolittle", a Cockney flower girl who takes speech lessons from "Professor Henry Higgins", a phonetician, so that she may pass as a lady. The original Broadway and London shows starred Rex Harrison and Julie Andrews. The musical's 1956 Broadway production was a notable critical and popular success. It set a record for the longest run of any show on Broadway up to that time. It was followed by a hit London production, a popular film version, and numerous revivals. ***My Fair Lady*** has frequently been called "the perfect musical" and is the standard by which all other musicals are measured.



Gloriously triumphant, ***My Fair Lady*** features one of musical theatre's greatest scores. Songs include "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?," "With a Little Bit of Luck," "The Rain in Spain," "I Could Have Danced All Night," "On the Street Where You Live," "Get Me to the Church on Time," and "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face."

Woodside Community Theatre's *My Fair Lady*:

Well known and long-time Bay Area director, producer, and actor, John Baiocchi, will make his WCT directorial debut with this classic Broadway musical at the beautiful Woodside High School Performing Arts Center.

Baiocchi explains, "The language and lyrics of ***My Fair Lady*** are the height of intelligence, and the brilliant score is filled with iconic songs. Central to its amazing five-decades of popularity on the stage and screen is the intensely complex relationship between Eliza Doolittle and Henry Higgins, as originally created by George Bernard Shaw in the classic play, *Pygmalion*. As the story unfolds, these two strong characters leave each other changed forever in ways that are relevant to any new relationship, even today. A lark becomes a cause, and then a mutual transformation."

Baiocchi will be supported in bringing this vision to the stage with Choreography by Gary Stanford, Jr., Vocal Direction by Heather O'Brien, Musical Direction by Kristin Pfeifer, Scenic Design by Akio Patrick, Lighting Design by Don Coluzzi, and Costume Design by Karen Patrick.

Starring in the leading roles are Alicia Teeter as "Eliza Doolittle", Aaron Weisberg as "Henry Higgins" and Steven Anthony as "Colonel Pickering". Rounding out the leading characters are Darlene Batchelder as "Mrs. Pearce", Daniel Dominguez as "Alfred P. Doolittle", Justin Kerekes as "Freddy Eynsford-Hill", and Joan Pugh Newman as "Mrs. Higgins". A very talented group of local and regional actors complete the cast and ensemble.

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FACT SHEET

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Sundays at 2pm

COST: \$15-\$32. 20% discount is available to groups of 20 or more at the same performance, contact the box office directly at boxoffice@woodsidtheatre.com

TICKETS: Online at <http://woodsidtheatre.com/my-fair-lady-tickets>

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