

CLACTON AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY

presents

*'Something Wonderful'*



# The King and I

BOOK & LYRICS - OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II  
MUSIC - RICHARD RODGERS

## PRINCES THEATRE

CLACTON-ON-SEA

### 12 - 16 MAY 1992

### SOUVENIR PROGRAMME



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**Susan Hampshire**

**Deborah Kerr**



# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME YOU ALL TO THIS PERFORMANCE OF RODGER AND HAMMERSTEIN'S 'THE KING AND I', BASED ON A TRUE STORY AND FILLED WITH DELIGHTFUL MUSIC. I AM SURE THAT AS YOU LEAVE THE THEATRE AND WEND YOUR WAY HOME, YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT IT IS A VERY SPECIAL SHOW.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF NEW MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY MALE, AND IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR AN ENJOYABLE HOBBY, WHY NOT COME AND JOIN US.

DON'T FORGET OUR ANNUAL CHARITY CONCERT ON WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY, AT THIS THEATRE.

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE.

*Edna Mountstephen* (Chairman)



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CHOREOGRAPER & ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – SUKI FUSI

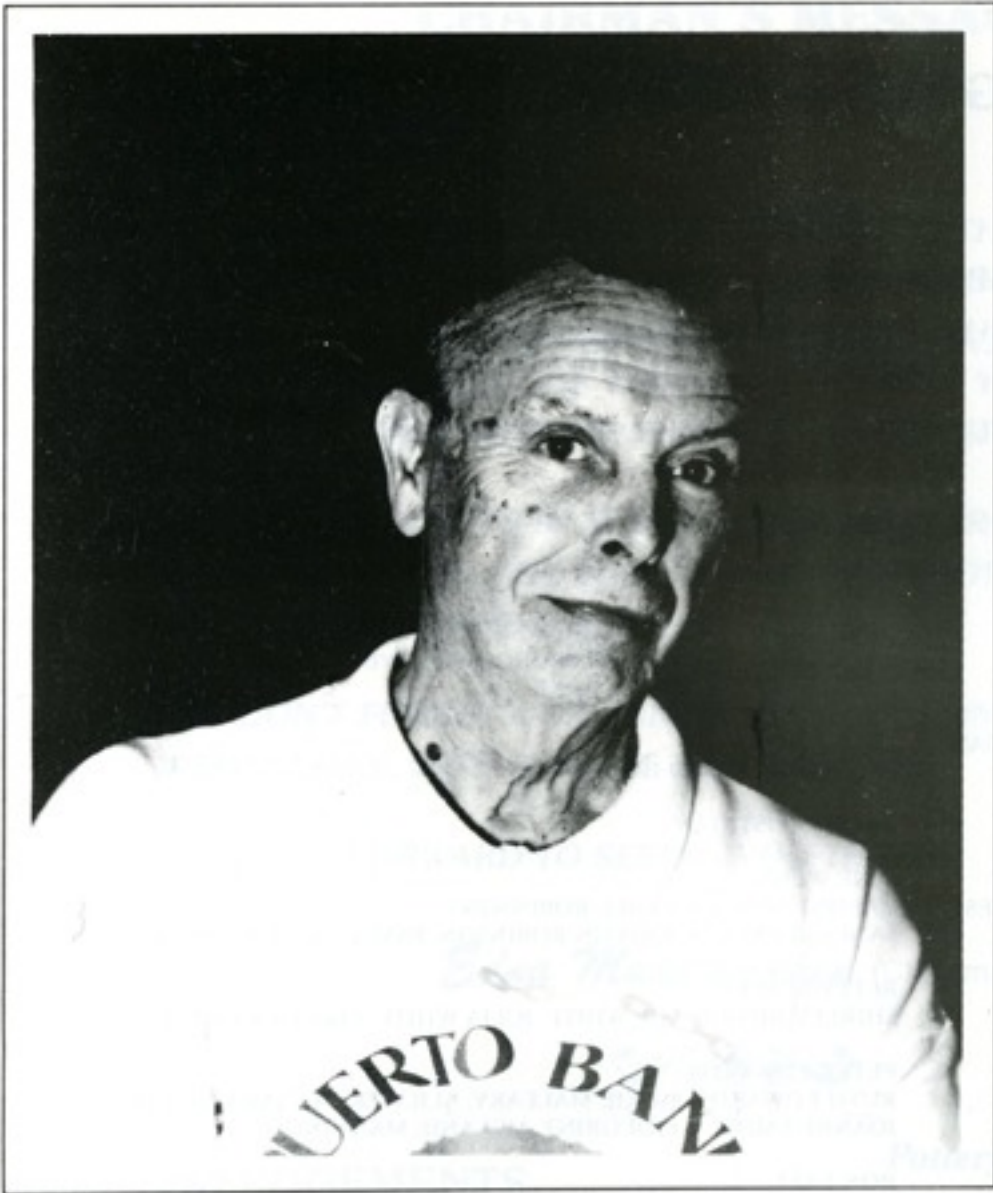
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MAKE-UP assisted by	PETER EDWARDS RUTH EDWARDS, JACKIE MALEARY, ALICE DODD, SARAH JEFFREY JOANNE SMITH, HEIDI GRINT, MELANIE MANNING
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION**





**Ken Smith**

**Kathryn  
Cavender**





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## THE STORY

# 'The King and I'

The King and I based on fact tells the story of Mrs. Anna Leonowens an English widow who arrives in Siam with her son to become Governess to the numerous children of the King. She finds amid the oriental splendour of the Court a King with absolute power still ruling in the manner of his ancestors, but slowly realising that in a modern world Siam too must change with the times or else perish. Anna becomes his friend and adviser but they quarrel when he refuses to allow her to live away from the palace. She decides to return to England but on doing so, the news arrives of the King who has had a heart attack and is dying. At his bedside she realises that she must now stay and guide his eldest son, Prince Chululongkorn, the way his father would have wished him to go. As in the words of the beautiful song from 'The King and I' we offer you "Something Wonderful".

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## CHARACTERS

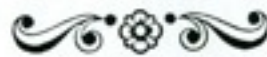
The King of Siam	KEN SMITH
Anna Leonowens	KATHRYN CAVENDER
Lady Thiang	VICKY TEARLE
Kralahome	KEN ROWLANDS
Tuptim	MELANIE LODGE
Lun Tha	PAUL GRIMWOOD
Prince Chululongkorn	DARREN CHEEK
Princess Ying Yaowlak	RACHEAL CRAWFORD
Louis Leonowens	CHRISTOPHER GRIMSEY
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Captain Orton	STEVE CHURCH
Interpreter	MALCOLM CRAWFORD
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**ROYAL WIVES** Chris Bareham, Julia Clarke, Vivienne Evans, Gabrielle Hogg, Helen Horwood, Doreen Humphreys, Val Mecklenburgh, Molly Newham, Jean Parker, Gwen Porter, Janet Ross.

**PRIESTS** John Clay, Malcolm Crawford, John Ellson, Steve Church, Ernie Grimsey, Philip Haynes, George Osborn.

**PRINCIPAL DANCERS** Samantha Church, Francesca Hogg, Catrina Grimsey.

**CHILDREN**

Wed, Fri. &amp; Sat. Even.

**YELLOW TEAM:** Nicole Cheek, Vanessa Church, Michelle Clarke, Simon Coulson, Stephen Crawford, Leanne Croyman, Edward Dwan, James Dwan, Fiona Floyde, Sarah McGrath, Sherree Moody, Dawn Neal, Rose Neary, Sinead Ruddy, Lisa St. George, Kerri Schoeman.

Tues, Thurs.  
& Sat. Mat.

**RED TEAM:** Danielle Adams, Gemma Annis, Emma Compton, Elisha Cooper, Simon Fletcher, Olivia Gaston, Pierre Gaston, Rebecca Joyce, Ayla Karol, Lucy Newman, Claire O'Donel, Jennifer Peck, Kieran Snell, Kirsty Studd, Edmund Tsang, Kelly Tsang, Kerry Tyler.

**THE BALLET**

Eliza  
King Simon of Lagree  
Uncle Thomas  
Buddha  
Little Eva  
Little Topsy  
Lover / Angel George

CATRINA GRIMSEY  
FRANCESCA HOGG  
RUTH CALKIN  
SIMON COULSON  
ALISON SLEIGHTHOLM  
LISA CLARKE  
SAMANTHA CHURCH

**CORPS DE BALLET**

Anne Marie Bettison, Claire Annis, Helen Cook, Kerri Schoeman, Michelle Clarke, Rebecca Offord, Elianna Beswick, Sarah Chillingworth, Nicola Grimsey.

**SYNOPSIS OF SCENES**

- Act I**
- Scene 1* THE DECK OF THE CHOW PHYA SAILING FROM SINGAPORE TO BANGKOK
  - Scene 2* THE KING'S LIBRARY IN THE ROYAL PALACE, BANGKOK
  - Scene 3* STREET SCENE
  - Scene 4* THE SCHOOLROOM
  - Scene 4a* AN ANTE-ROOM
  - Scene 5* ANNA'S BEDROOM
  - Scene 6* THE KING'S LIBRARY

**Interval**

- Act II**
- Scene 1* A RECEPTION ROOM AT THE PALACE
  - Scene 2* IN THE PALACE GROUNDS
  - Scene 3* BALLET — "THE SMALL HOUSE OF UNCLE THOMAS"
  - Scene 4* THE KING'S LIBRARY
  - Scene 4a* STREET SCENE
  - Scene 5* ANNA'S BEDROOM
  - Scene 5a* PALACE CORRIDOR
  - Scene 6* THE KING'S LIBRARY

(Time — the early eighteen sixties)

# ORCHESTRA

Lead / 1st Violin .....	PETER IVEY
1st Violin .....	PATRICK SABBERTON
2nd Violin .....	STEVEN JOHN
Viola .....	SUE PARMENTER
Cello .....	STEPHEN CHAMBERLAIN
Double Bass .....	STAN SMITH
Flute / Piccolo .....	JACQUIE SCAIFFE
Oboe / Cor Anglais .....	MAX SAINSBURY
No 1 Clarinet .....	LYNN RAMSEY
No 2 Clarinet .....	HANNAH BROWN
No 3 Clarinet .....	KRISTIN ROBINSON
No 1 Trumpet .....	GLYN SWEETING
No 2 Trumpet .....	PHILIP SWEETING
Trombone .....	MARC SCAIFFE
French Horn .....	HAYDN ADAMS
Piano .....	RON EAST
Percussion .....	PETER SNELL

## MUSICAL NUMBERS

### ACT I

#### OVERTURE

"I WHISTLE A HAPPY TUNE" .....	Anna and Louis
VIGNETTES DANCE .....	The Dancers
"MY LORD AND MASTER" .....	Tuptim
"HELLO YOUNG LOVERS" .....	Anna
THE MARCH OF THE SIAMESE CHILDREN	
"HOME SWEET HOME" .....	The Children and Priests
"A PUZZLEMENT" .....	The King
"THE ROYAL BANGKOK ACADEMY" .....	Royal Wives and Children
"GETTING TO KNOW YOU" .....	Anna, Children and Wives
"WE KISS IN A SHADOW" .....	Tuptim and Lun Tha
"A PUZZLEMENT" .....	Prince Chululongkorn and Louis
"SHALL I TELL YOU WHAT I THINK OF YOU" .....	Anna
"SOMETHING WONDERFUL" .....	Lady Thiang
FINALE, ACT I .....	The King, Anna and the Company

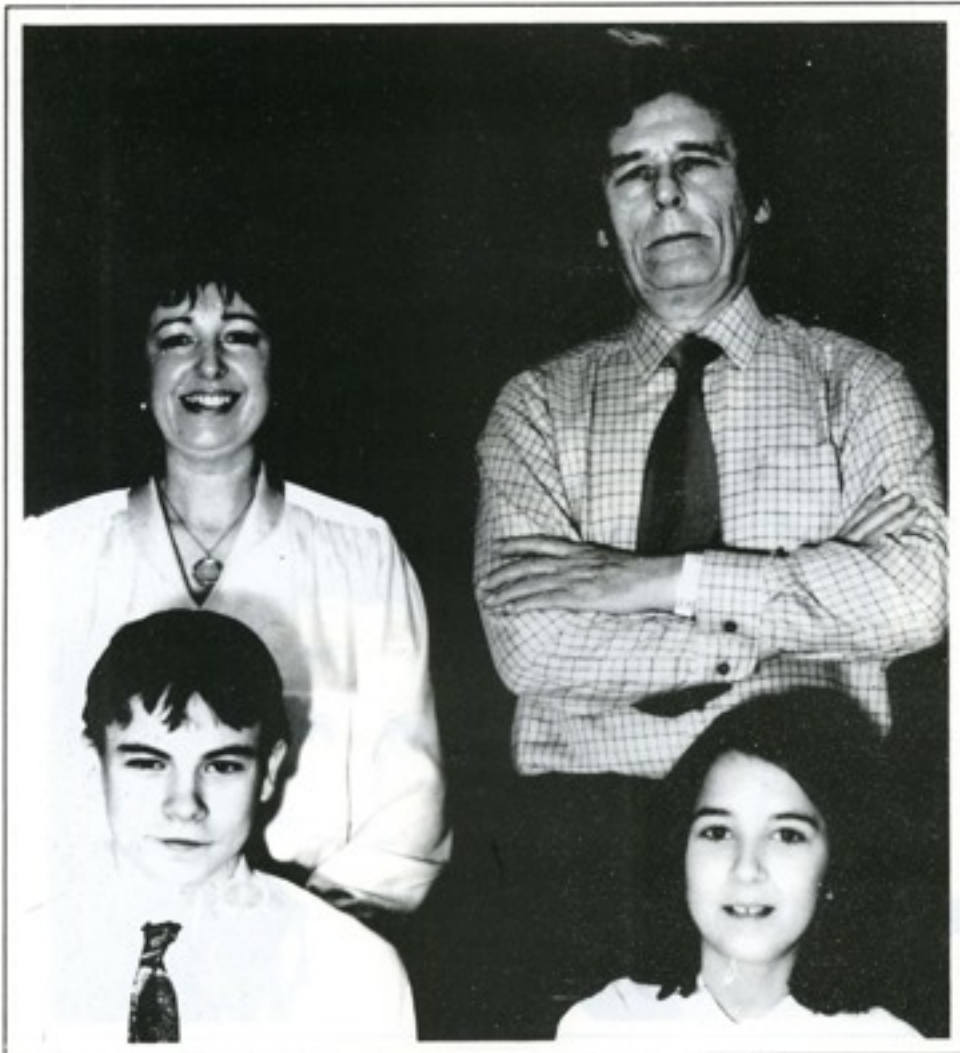
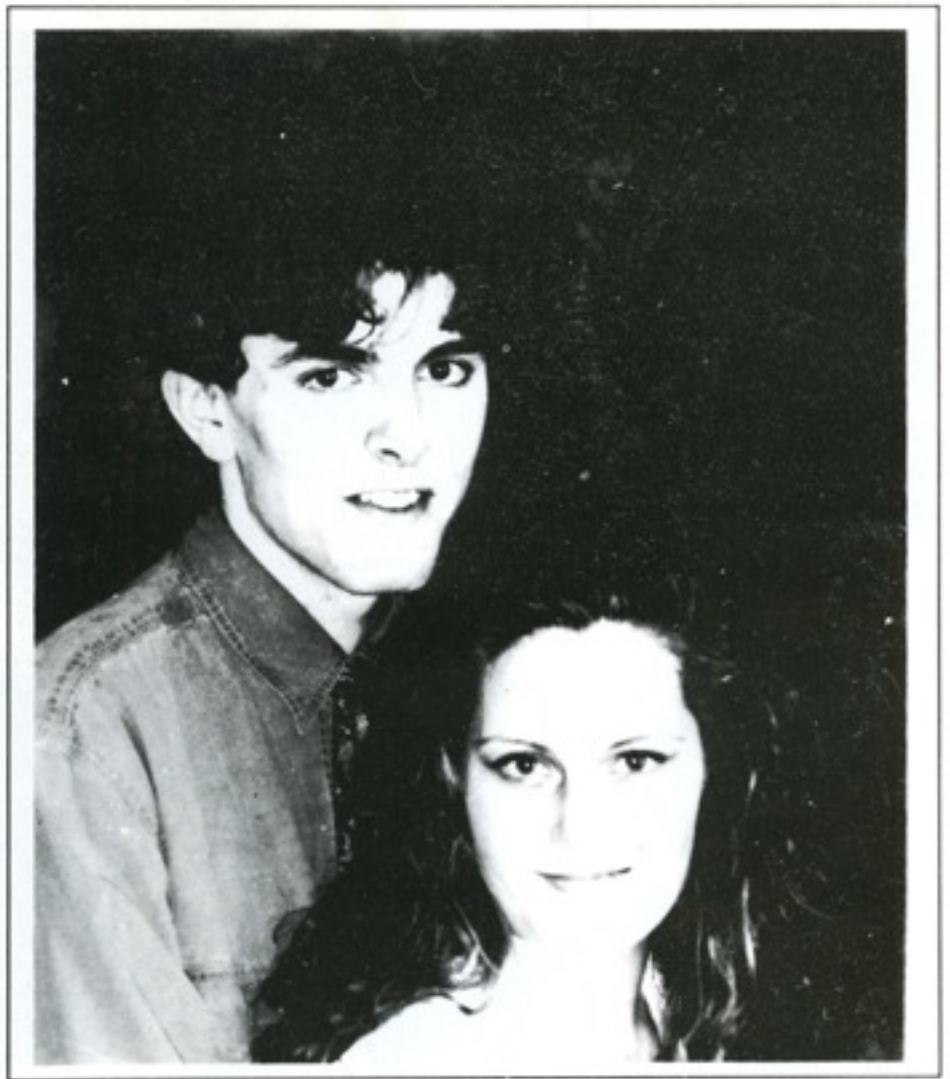
### ACT II

#### ENTRACTE

"WESTERN PEOPLE FUNNY" .....	Lady Thiang and Royal Wives
"I HAVE DREAMED" .....	Lun Tha and Tuptim
"HELLO YOUNG LOVERS" (REPRISE) .....	Anna
THE SMALL HOUSE OF UNCLE THOMAS .....	Ballet Narration — Tuptim and Chorus
"SONG OF THE KING" .....	The King
"SHALL WE DANCE" .....	Anna and the King
"I WHISTLE A HAPPY TUNE" (REPRISE) .....	Anna
FINALE, ACT II .....	The Company

**Paul Grimwood**

**Melanie Lodge**



**Vicky  
Tearle**

**Ken  
Rowlands**

**Darren  
Cheek**

**Racheal  
Crawford**

**Graham  
Tippett**

**Steve  
Church**

**Christopher  
Grimsey**



**Sam Church**

**Francesca Hogg**

**Catrina Grimsey**

