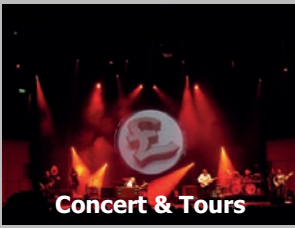


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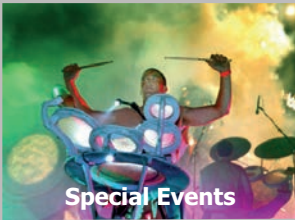
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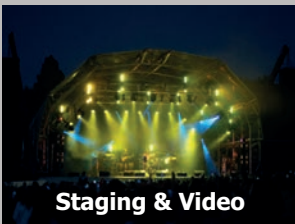
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**Yasmin Sharp**

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**Director/Choreographer**  
**CLAIRE CARR**

**Musical Director**  
**SUSANNAH EDM**

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**OLIVIA BENTLEY**

# Graham Green - President



Welcome to WOW!

This year we welcome Claire Carr, directing her first show for WOW!, and Susannah Edom as Musical Director, a familiar face in the Witham Public Hall orchestra pit.

We hope you will agree that we have been able to bring together a fantastic cast for 'Thoroughly Modern Millie', a musical spoof of the roaring 20s. The show is based on a 1967 film of the same name and starred Julie Andrews in the title role. The stage musical opened on Broadway in April 2002 and won six Tony Awards that year including Best Musical.

We are always looking for young people between 11 and 21 years of age to join this award winning youth musical theatre group and we will be auditioning for our 2020 show, 'Legally Blonde', in September.

We are also keen to hear from anyone interested in joining our production team, whether it's help with costumes, scenery, chaperoning or making the tea. You can contact us by email: Steve Rogers ([steve.rogers@digitalrf.net](mailto:steve.rogers@digitalrf.net)) or Graham Green ([graham@grachris.co.uk](mailto:graham@grachris.co.uk)).

We hope that you will enjoy the show, please feel free to write in our comments book as you leave the theatre!

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## Synopsis

It's 1922, and small-town girl Millie Dillmount has just arrived in New York City, ready to make her dreams come true. Millie's plan is simple: find a job as a secretary for an eligible bachelor, and then marry him. As Millie walks along the street she is mugged and seeks help from Jimmy Smith who advises her to head home to Kansas.

It doesn't take long, however, for Millie's "thoroughly modern" plan to go awry. Her conniving landlady plots to kidnap Millie's best friend and sell her into slavery in Hong Kong, her wealthy boss seems entirely uninterested in her flirtations, and – worst of all – the man with whom she falls head over heels in love doesn't have a penny to his name.

## Production History

Thoroughly Modern Millie has music written by Jeanine Tesori, lyrics by Dick Scanlan, and a book by Richard Morris and Scanlan. It is based on the 1967 film starring Julie Andrews which was itself based on the British musical *Chrysanthemum* which opened in London in 1956.

The show began several workshops in New York in 1999 starring Kristin Chenoweth in the titular role. It eventually started out-of-town try outs in San Diego in October 2000, Chenoweth left the show to film her own sitcom and was replaced by Erin Dilly, but eventually her understudy Sutton Foster was chosen to assume the role, a move that propelled her to stardom. The show opened on Broadway at The Marquis Theatre in April 2002 where it won six Tony Awards and five Drama Desk Awards including Best Musical at both ceremonies.

The show opened in London's West End at the Shaftesbury Theatre in 2003 with Amanda Holden taking on the role of Millie before closing in June 2004 and embarking on a UK tour in 2005.

Recent UK tours have starred Strictly favourite Joanne Clifton and soapstar Hayley Tamaddon.



**Yasmin Sharp - 18**  
**Millie Dillmount**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Loserville  
**Past Roles:**

Bombalurina in CATS,  
 Cinderella in Into the  
 Woods, Dorothy in The Wiz,  
 Angie in Our House  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Cassie in A Chorus Line  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 Auditioning for drama  
 schools and doing more  
 shows!

**Favourite Character in Millie:**  
 Mrs Meers - she is just so  
 charismatic!

**Ben Collins - 17**  
**Jimmy Smith**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 CATS  
**Past Roles:**

Marius in Les Misérables,  
 Rum Tum Tugger in CATS,  
 Joseph in Joseph and  
 the Amazing Technicolor  
 Dreamcoat

**Favourite Musical:**  
 Les Misérables  
**Dream Musical Roles:**  
 Elder Price in The Book of  
 Mormon

**Favourite Song in Millie:**  
 The Speed Test  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Trevor Graydon

**Poppy Fisher - 15**  
**Miss Dorothy Brown**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Loserville  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**

The opening night of CATS!  
**Past Roles:**

Marta in The Sound of  
 Music, Kate in Annie,  
 Bielke in Fiddler on the  
 Roof, Young Cinderella in  
 Cinderella

**Favourite Musical:**  
 Les Misérables  
**Favourite song in Millie:**  
 How the Other Half Lives  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Miss Dorothy (of course!)

**Tom Nicoll - 17**  
**Trevor Graydon**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Grease  
**Past Roles:**

Old Deuteronomy in CATS,  
 Eddie in Loserville  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Young Frankenstein  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Frank Abagnale Jr. in  
 Catch Me If You Can

**Hobbies:**  
 Cycling  
**Favourite Song in Millie:**  
 Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Trevor, obviously!



**Lily Downes - 19**  
**Mrs Meers**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 CATS  
**Past Roles:**

Jennyanydots in CATS,  
 Jan in Grease,  
 Mrs Bumble in Oliver!  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 American Idiot  
**Dream Role:**  
 Viola in Twelfth Night  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 To hopefully get in to drama  
 school this year!

**Favourite Song in Millie:**  
 Not For the Life of Me  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Muzzy!

**Ryan Wuyts - 15**  
**Ching Ho**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 CATS  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**

Opening night of CATS  
**Past Roles:**

Gus in CATS  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Heathers or Legally Blonde  
**Hobbies:**

Sailing, art  
**Training:**  
 Currently studying GCSE  
 Music & Drama  
**Favourite Song in Millie:**  
 Muqin

**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Mrs Meers

**William Hackett - 14**  
**Bun Foo**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Loserville  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**

The opening night of CATS  
**Past Roles:**

Wayne in Loserville,  
 Bustopher Jones in CATS  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Jesus Christ Superstar  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Judas Iscariot in Jesus Christ  
 Superstar  
**Hobbies:**

Gaming, singing  
**Favourite Millie Moment:**  
 Will has enjoyed learning  
 Mandarin for the show!

**Hattie Phillips - 13**  
**Muzzy Van Hossmere**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 CATS  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**

The final curtain call for  
 CATS will always be a very  
 special moment  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Les Misérables  
**Hobbies:**

Baking, art, piano  
**Training:**  
 I attend Aspire Dance  
 Academy and Tomorrow's  
 Talent

**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Mrs Meers



Mia Nichols - 14

Miss Flannery

First WOW! Show:

Half a Sixpence

Past Roles:

Young Anne in Half a Sixpence, Exotica in CATS

Favourite Musical:

A Chorus Line

Training:

Currently studying GCSE Dance alongside French, History and Business Studies

Favourite Song in Millie:

Forget About the Boy as it represents girl power!

Favourite Character in Millie:

Muzzy because she is so glamorous!

Georgina Hackett - 14

Gloria/Tapper

First WOW! Show:

CATS

Past Roles:

Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz, Cassandra in CATS

Favourite Musical:

Heathers

Dream Musical Role:

Rizzo in Grease

Plans for the Future:

To go to college to study musical theatre and work in the West End

Favourite Millie Song:

They Don't Know

Favourite Millie Character:

Ching Ho & Bun Foo

Emily Birt - 17

Alice/Tapper

First WOW! Show:

Our House

Favourite WOW! Memory:

The last night of CATS

Favourite Musical:

The Book of Mormon

Hobbies:

Reading and sloth appreciation

Plans for the Future:

Perhaps some youthful gallivanting before settling into my true form as a crazy cat lady!

Favourite Song in Millie:

I really enjoy dancing in The Nutty Cracker Suite

Poppy Taylor - 11

Ruth/Tapper

First WOW! Show:

Thoroughly Modern Millie

Favourite WOW! Memory:

Costume fittings and making new friends

Past Roles:

Duffy in Annie, Alice in Alice in Wonderland

Favourite Musical:

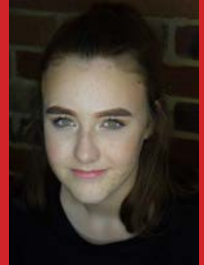
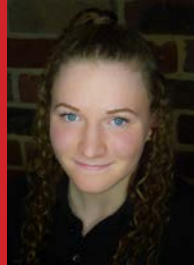
Les Misérables

Dream Musical Role:

Eponine from Les Misérables

Hobbies:

Dance, drama, netball, singing, comedy, painting  
Favourite Song in Millie:  
How the Other Half Lives



Lily Follett - 16

Ethel Peas/Ensemble

First WOW! Show:

Thoroughly Modern Millie

Favourite WOW! Memory:

The 1st audition workshop - everyone was so welcoming!

Favourite Musical:

Come From Away

Dream Musical Role:

Anastasia in Anastasia

Hobbies:

Cooking, eating out

Training:

Theatre Train, Ballet and studying Drama A Level

Plans for the Future:

To hopefully go to drama school

Jenni Hunt - 16

Rita/Tapper

First WOW! Show:

Grease

Favourite WOW! Memory:

Screaming at the end of Rum Tum Tugger in CATS

Favourite Musical:

Hairspray or Waitress

Dream Musical Role:

Dawn in Waitress

Hobbies:

Dance, watching Netflix

Training:

BTEC Dance, GCSE Drama & LAMDA Exams

Favourite Song in Millie:

Forget About the Boy

Grace Puckey - 13

Cora

First WOW! Show:

Thoroughly Modern Millie

Favourite WOW! Memory:

WOW! summer school 2017

Favourite Musical:

Wicked

Dream Musical Role:

The Narrator in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Hobbies:

Playing hockey

Plans for the Future:

To become an actor

Favourite Millie Character:

Mrs Meers

Hannah Ireland - 14

Lucille

First WOW! Show:

CATS

Favourite WOW! Memory:

Doing my first show and meeting everyone!

Past Roles:

Coricopat in CATS

Favourite Musical:

Heathers

Plans for the Future:

I'd like to go in to special effects make up - although I do love performing!

Favourite Song in Millie:

They Don't Know

Favourite Millie Character:

Dorothy - she's so positive!



**Bethany Bird - 13**  
**Pearl Lady/Principal Dancer**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 Meeting everyone for the first time at pre-auditions  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 42nd Street  
**Training:**  
 Currently training at Complete Dance & White Court Dance  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 To study performing arts at college  
**Favourite Millie Song:**  
 The Speed Test



**Sophie Hill - 15**  
**Dancer/Tapper**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 CATS  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 Listening and dancing to music with everyone whilst getting ready for the show  
**Past Roles:**  
 Mr Mistoffelees in CATS  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Everybody's Talking About Jamie  
**Training:**  
 Currently training at White Court Dance  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 To attend dance college



**Fraser McLauchlan - 14**  
**Dancer/Tapper**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Half a Sixpence  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 CATS  
**Past Roles:**  
 Kurt in The Sound of Music, Pugsley in The Addams Family, Huey in Loserville, Skimbleshanks in CATS, Fyedka in Fiddler on the Roof  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 The Addams Family  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Tevye in Fiddler on the Roof  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 The Chinese brothers



**Emily McNeill - 14**  
**Dancer/Tapper**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Loserville  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 Getting to know the new cast members  
**Past Roles:**  
 Pepper in Annie, Dancer in Pirates of Penzance, Orphan in Oliver!, Chorus in Loserville, Rumbleteaser in CATS  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Glinda in Wicked  
**Favourite Song in Millie:**  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Ching Ho & Bun Foo



**Ben Rolph - 16**  
**Dancer/Tapper**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Grease  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 Performing Mungojerry & Rumbleteaser in CATS  
**Past Roles:**  
 Mungojerry in CATS, Ensemble in Grease, Our House & Loserville  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Les Misérables  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Marius in Les Misérables  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 To be a personal trainer  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Ching Ho & Bun Foo



**Louisa Turnbull - 17**  
**Dancer/Tapper**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Half a Sixpence  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 Playing Patrice in 13 at the WOW! summer school  
**Past Roles:**  
 Etcetera in CATS, Sprintze in Fiddler on the Roof  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Les Misérables  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Eponine in Les Misérables  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 To direct theatre shows  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Miss Dorothy



**Alex Cheek - 11**  
**Ensemble**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
**Past Roles:**  
 Ensemble in Les Misérables, Oliver! & Peter Pan  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Wicked  
**Dream Musical Role:**  
 Fagin in Oliver!  
**Hobbies:**  
 St John's Ambulance, trampolining & I love animals!  
**Plans for the Future:**  
 To be a paramedic  
**Favourite Millie Song:**  
 Dorothy, she's so caring!



**Felicity Doran - 11**  
**Ensemble/Tapper**  
**First WOW! Show:**  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
**Favourite WOW! Memory:**  
 Performing a song from Hairspray at the WOW! summer school  
**Past Roles:**  
 Blue Caterpillar in Alice in Wonderland  
**Favourite Musical:**  
 Les Misérables  
**Hobbies:**  
 Horse riding, cooking  
**Favourite Song in Millie:**  
 The Speed Test  
**Favourite Millie Character:**  
 Mrs Meers



Anna Escott - 16  
 Ensemble  
 First WOW! Show:  
 CATS  
 Favourite WOW! Memory:  
 Being backstage with  
 everyone before the shows  
 Past Roles:  
 Veternum in CATS  
 Favourite Musical:  
 Mamma Mia!  
 Hobbies:  
 Acting, dance,  
 media, music  
 Plans for the Future:  
 To study musical theatre at  
 university  
 Favourite Millie Character:  
 Miss Flannery



Ruby Rose McKay - 12  
 Ensemble  
 First WOW! Show:  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
 Favourite WOW! Memory:  
 Ryan's audition as it was  
 really good and very funny!  
 Favourite Musical:  
 Legally Blonde, Dreamgirls,  
 Wicked, 42nd Street  
 Hobbies:  
 Contortion, dance and  
 WOW!  
 Training:  
 Dance and singing lessons  
 Plans for the Future:  
 To be Serena in Legally  
 Blonde on Broadway!



Lizzy Mills - 13  
 Ensemble  
 First WOW! Show:  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
 Favourite Musical:  
 School of Rock or Hairspray  
 Dream Musical Role:  
 Katie in School of Rock  
 Hobbies:  
 Playing bass guitar  
 Plans for the Future:  
 To go on tour with my band  
 across the world!  
 Favourite Song in Millie:  
 They Don't Know



Izzy Roberts - 14  
 Ensemble  
 First WOW! Show:  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
 Favourite Musical:  
 Legally Blonde  
 Dream Musical Role:  
 Elle Woods in Legally Blonde  
 Hobbies:  
 Horse riding, drama,  
 dancing  
 Favourite Song in Millie:  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
 Favourite Millie Character:  
 Mrs Meers



Lily Rodgers - 16  
 Ensemble  
 First WOW! Show:  
 Thoroughly Modern Millie  
 Favourite Musical:  
 The Rocky Horror Picture  
 Show  
 Dream Musical Role:  
 Sister Mary Roberts in  
 Sister Act  
 Training:  
 Currently studying Musical  
 Theatre at Colchester  
 Institute  
 Favourite Song in Millie:  
 Mugin  
 Favourite Millie Character:  
 Miss Dorothy



Maddie Smith - 14  
 Ensemble  
 First WOW! Show:  
 Loserville  
 Past Roles:  
 Ensemble in Loserville & 13  
 Favourite WOW! Memory:  
 The show week for  
 Loserville  
 Favourite Musical:  
 Everybody's Talking About  
 Jamie  
 Hobbies:  
 Ice-skating, basketball  
 Favourite Song in Millie:  
 Muzzie's Party  
 Favourite Millie Character:  
 Mrs Meers



# Creative Team



## Claire Carr - Director/Choreographer

Dancing from the age of 3, Claire has been actively involved in dance and musical theatre all her life - both on and off stage as part of the creative production teams. Claire is delighted to be working with WOW! for the first time with these talented kids and the most supportive and hard-working adults making everything work behind the scenes.

After completing a Dance Studies degree in London, Claire joined Chelmsford society CAODS and has been fortunate to play many lead and dancing roles over the last 20 years. She has assisted professional directors for many productions, taking the helm to direct the 2013 CAODS concert 'From Stage And Screen', and choreographing their 2017 production of the toe-tapping 'Anything Goes'. Claire has recently directed and choreographed both 'Return To The Forbidden Planet' and Rodgers & Hammerstein's 'Cinderella' for WOW!'s adult society, WAOS, which was a real privilege.

Being part of the team at WOW! has been a wonderful experience and Claire is thrilled to have such a fun, talented and hard-working cast to work with on this huge production. From explosive tap numbers to dancing on a window ledge and, for some, learning Mandarin, this show has definitely challenged our performers' dancing, acting and comedy skills. Claire would like to say a huge thank you to the entire production team and crew for their hard work during this process, making her vision come to life. Special thanks must go to her assistant, Olivia Bentley, to Sue and Anne who have worked tirelessly on her huge costume plot, to Dave, Graham and Steve who have built the set, and to everyone else who has worked on the show. Massive thanks to Susannah Edom as MD, a real pleasure to work with on the very big score. Claire hopes you enjoy the show!



## Susannah Edom - Musical Director

Susannah lives near Witham and is CEO of Attain Multi Academy Trust and Director of the Chelmsford Teaching Schools Alliance, working with many local schools. Susannah works regularly with Barnardo's as conductor for their Young Supporters Concerts at the Royal Albert Hall, Royal Festival Hall, Barbican and at Wembley. She is also involved with the Annual National Choral Competition as an adjudicator. She continues to work with young people and adults regularly both as a conductor, pianist and adjudicator and is an official accompanist for the Chelmsford Music Festival.

Susannah studied music at Bulmershe College, Reading receiving piano tuition under Eric Parkin and singing in the internationally renowned Girls Choir under Gwyn Arch. She also worked as a choral specialist at the County Music School which led to involvement in the National Festival of Music for Youth and the Aldeburgh Festival as conductor.

Susannah has wide experience of musical theatre as Musical Director of societies locally. Susannah particularly enjoys working with the talented youngsters in WOW! and wishes them a wonderful production of Thoroughly Modern Millie.



## Olivia Bentley - Assistant to the Director

Olivia lives in Witham and is involved in a number of local societies. Having been a member of both WOW! and WAOS, Olivia has a lot of great experience so was a perfect fit for helping the cast with everything from ensemble dancing to one on one assistance. For WOW! and WAOS, Olivia performed in High School Musical, Footloose and The Producers amongst many others. Olivia has a passion for all things dance, particularly tap, and she most recently performed in Top Hat at the Chelmsford Civic Theatre. When Olivia is not performing, she is a committee member for WOW!, helps with the publicity team and, during show week, will be found backstage doing makeup for the cast. Olivia has thoroughly enjoyed her first experience as part of the production team and cannot wait for the curtain to go up on this talented group of young performers!

Good luck everyone!

# Act 1

Scene 1 - 1922 Manhattan

*Not for the Life of Me*  
*Thoroughly Modern Millie*

Millie  
Millie & Company

Scene 2 - Lobby of the Hotel Priscilla

*Not for the Life of Me Reprise*  
*How the Other Half Lives*

Millie, Lucille, Rita, Alice, Cora, Gloria & Ruth  
Millie & Miss Dorothy

Scene 3 - Laundry Room of the Hotel Priscilla

*Not for the Life of Me Reprise*

Ching Ho & Bun Foo

Scene 4 - Sincere Trust Insurance Company

*The Speed Test*

Trevor, Millie, Miss Flannery & Tappers

Scene 5 - 12th Floor of the Hotel Priscilla

*They Don't Know*

Mrs Meers

Scene 6 - A Street in New York & a Speakeasy Club

*The Nutty Cracker Suite*

Jimmy, Millie, Miss Dorothy, Priscilla Girls  
& Company

Scene 7 - A New York Police Station

Scene 8 - Jail Cells at the Police Station

*What Do I Need With Love?*

Jimmy

Scene 9 - 12th Floor of the Hotel Priscilla

Scene 10 - The Penthouse of Muzzy Van Hossmere

*Only in New York*

Muzzy

Scene 11 - The Terrace of Muzzy's Apartment

*Jimmy*

Millie

Scene 12 - 12th Floor of the Hotel Priscilla



# Act 2

Scene 1 - Sincere Trust Insurance Company

*Forget About the Boy*

*Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life/*

*I'm Falling in Love with Someone*

Millie, Miss Flannery & Tappers

Trevor & Miss Dorothy

Scene 2 - Window Ledge Outside Millie's Office

*I Turned the Corner*

*Falling in Love Reprise*

Jimmy & Millie

Millie, Jimmy, Trevor & Miss Dorothy

Scene 3 - 12th Floor of the Hotel Priscilla

*Mugin*

Mrs Meers, Bun Foo & Ching Ho

Scene 4 - The Floorshow at the Café Society

*Long as I'm Here with You*

Muzzy & Dancers

Scene 5 - Muzzy's Dressing Room

*Gimme Gimme*

Millie

Scene 6 - Dining Room of the Café Society

Scene 7 - Lobby of the Hotel Priscilla

Scene 8 - Laundry Room of the Hotel Priscilla

*The Speed Test Reprise*

*Ah! Sweet Mystery Reprise*

Millie, Trevor, Muzzy & Jimmy

Miss Dorothy & Ching Ho

Scene 9 - Manhattan

*Finale*

Full Company



# Cast

Yasmin Sharp  
Ben Collins  
Poppy Fisher  
Tom Nicoll  
Lily Downes  
Ryan Wuyts  
William Hackett  
Hattie Phillips  
Mia Nichols  
Georgina Hackett  
Emily Birt  
Poppy Taylor  
Lily Follett  
Jenni Hunt  
Grace Puckey  
Hannah Ireland  
Bethany Bird  
Sophie Hill  
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Jimmy Smith  
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Trevor Graydon  
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Ching Ho  
Bun Foo  
Muzzy Van Hossmere  
Miss Flannery  
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Alice/Tapper  
Ruth/Tapper  
Ethel Peas/Ensemble  
Rita/Tapper  
Cora  
Lucille  
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# Bar

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# LY MODERN LIFE

A New Musical



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## Production Team

Director/Choreographer  
Assistant to the Director  
Production Manager  
Stage Manager  
Assistant Stage Manager  
Stage Crew

Claire Carr  
Olivia Bentley  
Kathryn Adkins  
David Hunt  
Graham Green  
Dean Hirst, Jeremy Lee, Keith Radley,  
Ben Sawyer, Georgina Sawyer,  
Darryl Warnaar

Scenery  
Lighting Designer  
Lighting Operator  
Followspot Operators  
Sound  
Properties Managers  
Properties Assistants

David Hunt, Graham Green, friends of WOW!  
Jeremy Naunton  
Constance Lawton  
Rhuddian Davies, Anne Dyster, Jack Joslin  
Event Sound & Light, Paul Galley, Jason Fenn  
Annette Maguire, Denise Scrivener  
Elizabeth Chapman, Anita Goold, Charli Piper,  
Anne Wilson

Wardrobe Team

Sue Rogers, Anne Howe, Debbie Stirling,  
Alison Carlyle, Tracey Hackett

Make Up Team

Liz Watson, Olivia Bentley, Matilda Bourne,  
Leonie Bradford-Doig, Shelley Moore

Wigs  
Box Office Manager  
Front of House Manager  
Publicity Manager  
Publicity Team

Patsy Page  
Janice Hawkes  
Debbie Rolph  
Rhianna Howard  
Olivia Bentley, Matilda Bourne,  
Donna Goddard, Tracey Hackett,

Photography  
Programme  
Bar Manager

Michael Watling  
Matilda Bourne  
Rhianna Howard  
Ron Howe

nd  
Musical Director  
Woodwind  
First Trumpet  
Second Trumpet  
French Horn  
Trombone  
Keyboards  
Cello  
Bass  
Guitar  
Drums





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### Tuesday - Sunday

Lunchtime Service: 12pm Until 2:30pm

Dinner Service: 5:30pm - 10:30pm

Please note, during bank holidays the restaurant is open (including bank holiday Mondays)

## Takeaway Menu

**PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR TAKEAWAY MENU IS COLLECTION ONLY**

**Order online and collect your food 30 minutes later.**



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# The Helen Temperley Award

After the Saturday night performance we shall be awarding one of our cast members the Helen Temperley Memorial Award. The award was first presented in 2013 after being created in Helen's memory. The winner will be the member of WOW! who embodies the positive qualities that Helen exhibited, namely loyalty, hard work and selfless commitment while maintaining a great sense of fun and enjoyment.

Previous Winners:

2013 - Michael Watling

2015 - Ed Tunningley

2017 - Faye Broadbent

2014 - Charlotte Watling

2016 - Charlotte Tofts

2018 - Ciaran Brewer & Christopher Tierney

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## About Us!

Witham Operatic Workshop! is an award-winning musical youth theatre group based in Witham, Essex. Our talented & enthusiastic performers' ages range from 11 to 21. WOW! is the junior section of Witham Amateur Operatic Society (WAOS, registered charity number 265029) & has been performing a variety of challenging & outstanding musical theatre productions every year since 1996. WOW! was founded by Nicholas Clough after the huge success of WAOS' Oliver! that saw over 90 children audition. He concluded that there was a demand for a theatre group for young people in Witham & set about making it a success! Nick sadly passed away in 2015 but his legacy lives on through the passion seen in all of WOW!'s members and those that work tirelessly behind the scenes.

WOW! is committed to ensuring that our productions are accessible for as many young people as possible and our audition panel all agree to cast as diversely and inclusively as they can.

We perform one full length show a year & we hope you will join us for our 2020 offering 'Legally Blonde'!

Prospective members are warmly welcomed at our spring & summer workshops, our summer school weeks (5th - 9th August for 8-13s, 12th-16th August for 13-21s) & for auditions in September each year. If you'd like any further information please contact Steve Rogers our Chairman (contact details on the back cover).

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## National Operatic & Dramatic Association

WOW! is proud to be affiliated with NODA. Founded in 1899, NODA is the leading representative body for amateur theatre in the UK. The Association has a membership of approximately 2400 amateur theatre groups and over 2000 individual members staging musicals, operas, plays, concerts and pantomimes in a wide variety of venues ranging from the country's leading professional theatres to village halls. NODA Aims: To give a shared voice to amateur theatre; to help societies and individuals achieve the highest standard of best practice and performance; to provide leadership and advice to enable amateur theatre to tackle the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. WOW! was most recently awarded the Best Youth Production Award 2017 for 'Loserville' (District 11, NODA East). WOW!'s 2018 production of 'CATS' has nominations for Best Youth Production and Best Young Performer for Cerys Wilkin who played Grizabella, the winners will be announced at the NODA East Awards in May.

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## North Essex Theatre Guild

WOW! is also a long standing member of NETG. NETG aim to help amateur dramatic groups in Essex by adjudicating shows to give professional comments on the quality of local shows. They also stage a One Act Play festival to encourage group integration and host an annual Awards evening to credit exceptional performances throughout the year. The last awards evening took place in September and WOW! received 6 nominations for our 2018 show 'CATS'. On the night we took home the Adjudicator's Award for Choreography & Make-Up.



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# The Society's grateful thanks are extended to:

- Those involved with box office, stewarding, programme and raffle ticket selling
- Those involved with the bar
- Those involved with chaperoning
- Those involved with dressing
- Those involved backstage and with transportation
- Those who have helped to build the scenery
- Those who have helped with publicity banners and boards
- Spotlight Productions, Dressing Up Box, CAODS Costume Department, Springers Costume Department, members and friends of WAOS for supplying costumes
- David Mitchell, Ed Montgomery & Emma Nash for their musical assistance
- Janet Hawkes for helping to source props
- Solopress for printing the publicity material and programmes
- Essex Sign & Print for producing the publicity banners & Montrose TC Ltd for producing the publicity boards
- Witham Art & Framing Centre for printing the display photos
- Witham Dramatic Club for the use of the raised seating
- Spring Lodge and the Witham Public Hall for the use of their rehearsal facilities
- All those who helped in the supply of props
- Chelmsford Library, Witham Tourist Information Centre & Witham Library for permission to display photographs
- Cofunds, The Railway Tavern and the Witham Public Hall for allowing us to display banners
- Those who have freely donated window space for the display of our posters
- St John Ambulance service for being on hand at all shows to provide assistance when needed

Anyone else who has contributed in any way to the preparation and production of this show!

## Previous Productions

1996 - Joseph and the Amazing

Technicolor Dreamcoat

1997 - West Side Story

1998 - Annie

1999 - The Boy Friend

2000 - 42nd Street

2001 - The Wiz

2002 - Bugsy Malone

2003 - Oliver!

2004 - Crazy For You

2005 - Little Shop of Horrors

2006 - Fame

2007 - A Knight to Remember

2008 - High School Musical

2009 - Les Misérables

2010 - Hot Mikado

2011 - West Side Story

2012 - Footloose

2013 - The Boy Friend

2014 - Grease

2015 - Our House

2016 - Half a Sixpence

2017 - Loserville

2018 - CATS

## WOW! Committee

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Chairman

Production Manager

Secretary

Treasurer

Publicity Manager

Members

Graham Green

Steve Rogers

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Please visit our website at [www.wow.org.uk](http://www.wow.org.uk) for details of upcoming workshops, summer schools and pre-audition rehearsals.

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