

# GILROY COMMUNITY THEATRE

presents

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S

# Oklahoma.

DIRECTED BY PHIL SKIVER

MUSIC DIRECTED BY RICHARD NELSON

CHOREOGRAPHED BY DAVID YANEZ

July 23, 24, 30, 31 and August 6, 7, 1982

**GAVILAN COLLEGE THEATER • 8:00 PM** 

A Garlic Festival Event

# CAST OF CHARACTERS

(in order of appearance)

CURLY McLAINFrank VanellaLAUREY WILLIAMSShelly AndrewsIKE SKIDMORELee KrähenbühlSLIMJack RayWILL PARKERDonald WaltonJUD FRYRod PintelloADO ANNIE CARNESPeggy FischerALI HAKIMBob FairlessGERTIE CUMMINGS*Lorrie MertzCARNESMike SmurthwaiteCORD ELAME. John Mondo	AUNT ELLER	Muriel Brem
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	GERTIE CUMMINGS	*Lorrie Mertz
CORD ELAM E. John Mondo	CARNES	Mike Smurthwaite
	CORD ELAM	E. John Mondo

#### **MEN'S CHORUS**

*Kirby A	Anderson
Chris	Balbas

- \*Mark Benthimer
- \*Iim Calbreath
- \*Rob Castro \*Ed Echevarria
- \*Darin Kerby
- †\*Lance La Shelle \*John Prichett
- \*Noe Velasco
- \*Bob Vasquez
- \*Eric Vianelle

#### **WOMEN'S CHORUS**

\*Leslie Allen Katie Amstutz Virginia Benche Torie Berger Suzie Chastang Betty Cooper Cindy Davis \*Lisa Hawkes

- †\*Kathy Hoggan \*Terri Koehn
- \*Janet McAllister Lisa Mertz

\*\*Ruth E. Mullins
Anah Ordiniza
Ann Scowden
Joy Smurthwaite
\*Sherri Smurthwaite

\*Tracy Steele
\*Mary Spencer
Tina Vandenberg
Lori Victorino
\*Sharon White

\* Dancers

† Dance Captains

\*\* Laurey Understudy

#### **CHILDREN'S CHORUS**

Amy Allen Mary Margaret Bruegmann Holly Chadd Melanie Nelson Chris Orr Kevin Fallis John Haro Scott Lai Jeff Nelson Jonathon Smurthwaite

#### **ORCHESTRA**

CONDUCTOR	Richard Nelson
VIOLIN Jewell Pr	ray (Concertmistress)
	John Steffen
VIOLA	Ernest Gonzales
CELLO	Sally French
FLUTE	Gloria Ruiz
OBOE	Don de France
BASSOON	Susan Ober
CLARINETS	Colleen McMillin
	Chuck Myer

TRUMPET	Joe Ostenson
	Steve Livorsi
TROMBONE	Mike Ransom
	Sally Rawson
HORN	
GUITAR	
BASS	Mike Morgan
DRUMS	Scott Dinn
PIANO	Richard Burdick

# SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

Time: just after the turn of the century. Place: Indian Territory (now Oklahoma).

#### **ACT I**

OVERTURE	Orchestra
Scene 1	
In Front of Laurey's Farm House OH, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MORNIN'	Curly
THE SURREY WITH THE FRINGE ON THE TOP	
KANSAS CITY	Will, Eller, Men
I CAIN'T SAY NO	Ado Annie
Inside Laurey's Farm House MANY A NEW DAY	Laurey
In Front of Laurey's Farm House	
IT'S A SCANDAL, IT'S AN OUTRAGE	
PEOPLE WILL SAY WE'RE IN LOVE	Curly, Laurey
Scene 2	
The Smoke House PORE JUD	
LONELY ROOM	
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A Grove on Laurey's Farm	
OUT OF MY DREAMS/DREAM BALLET	Laurey, Eller, Women
ACT II	
Scene 1	
Section 1	
The Skidmore Ranch	
THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN	
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THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN  ALL ER NOTHIN'  Scene 2  The Skidmore Kitchen Porch	Will, Ado Annie
THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN	Will, Ado Annie
THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN	Will, Ado Annie
THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN	Will, Ado AnnieLaurey, Curly
THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN  ALL ER NOTHIN'  Scene 2  The Skidmore Kitchen Porch PEOPLE WILL SAY WE'RE IN LOVE (REPRISE)  Scene 3  In Back of Laurey's Farm House OKLAHOMA!	Laurey, CurlyCurly, Chorus
THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN	

# PRODUCTION STAFF

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PRODUCERS	
	Debbie Nelson
CHOREOGRAPHER	David Yanez
TECHNICAL DIRECTOR	
STAGE MANAGER	John Berger
LIGHTING DESIGN	
LIGHT CREW	
	Jacqueline James
COSTUME DESIGN	Bonnie Mertz
COSTUME CREW	Pauline Tahara, Lori Castro, Judy White,
	Kris Lopez, Georgette Ghielmetti,
	Mary Kay Spencer and Melanie Fallis
SET DESIGN	Joe Cardinalli
HOUSE MANAGER	Mary Ann Bruegmann
REHEARSAL SECRETARY	
PRESALETICKETS	Mary Ann Bruegmann
	Chuck Myer
	Richard Burdick
	Pauline Tahara
	Carol Maya, Carol Dodge
	Kai S. Lai
STACE CREW	Mark Masoni, Bill Bennecke, Joey Navas,
31/10L CIXLYY	Mike O'Connor, Tim Skiver, Gina Vanella,
	Sharon Berger and Carl Kraul

#### **APPRENTICE PROGRAM**

During the production of *Oklahoma!*, GCT established an apprentice program to provide training in technical areas of theater, to provide a means to expand community involvement, and to stress the importance of technical involvement in community theater work. The following persons have actively participated in the program by fulfilling the duties assigned in their field of responsibility:

MUSICAL DIRECTOR	Richard Burdick
TECHNICAL DIRECTOR	Bill Bennecke
	Tim Skiver
STAGE MANAGER	Mark Masoni
LIGHTING DESIGN	
COSTUME DESIGN	
	Jane Blissett
PROPERTIES	
PRESALE TICKETS	
	Frank Flores

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OTTER BOTTE TILETIBLICATION	Betsy Andrade, Al Bloom, Georgette Ghielmetti, Jean Koehn,
	Bonnie Mertz, Debbie Nelson,
	Rod Pintello, Sandra Rapazzini
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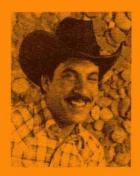
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#### WHO'S WHO

**FRANK VANELLA** (Curly) - Raised in the Morgan Hill area, Frank's musical comedy career started as Harold Hill in the 1974 Live Oak High production of *The Music Man*. His GCT credits include the MC in *Cabaret*, the Caliph in *Kismet*, Don Quixote in *Man of la Mancha*, and *Rodgers & Hart*, and he sang at the recent GCT benefit concert. His other work includes an appearance as Skip Hampton in *LuAnn Hampton* at SJSU last year.





SHELLY ANDREWS (Laurey) - A dramatic arts major at UC Davis, Shelly is having a busy summer: she is also assistant to the director and musical director for the Young Performer Theatre Festival's summer production of Once Upon a Mattress. She held the same positions for last summer's Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Her prior GCT appearances include The Sound of Music (nun), Two by Two (Rachel), Man of la Mancha (Antonia), The Garden, and Kismet. Other Gilroy performances include her portrayal of Dorothy in The Wizard of Oz, and Francine in The Ghosts of Mrs. Winchester.

**DONALD WALTON** (Will Parker) - Donald is making his GCT debut in *Oklahoma!* Although he is a natural on stage, his only other stage experience was earned in this year's Gavilan production of *Romeo and Juliet*. Relatively new to the South County area, Donald has been spending the summer earning a living as a house painter.





**PEGGY FISCHER** (Ado Annie) - Peggy is no stranger to GCT audiences, although it has been eight years (and three kids) since her last appearance. Peggy appeared in GCT's early productions, such as *Guys and Dolls, My Fair Lady,* and *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* (as Heddy LaRue). She played Ado Annie for the Gavilan production of *Oklahoma!* in 1972. Peggy is "Aunt Eller's" true-to-life daughter.

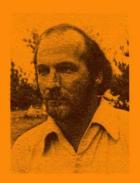
MURIEL BREM (Aunt Eller) - Muriel, along with her daughter Peggy, also appeared in many of GCT's first musicals. GCT audiences will remember her as our first Golde in the 1972 production of Fiddler on the Roof, as well as in other character roles such as Mrs. Jones in How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, Mrs. Pearce in My Fair Lady, and General Cartwright in Guys and Dolls. She and Peggy decided to make a "dual comeback" in Oklahoma!



#### **WHO'S WHO**

**BOB FAIRLESS** (Ali Hakim) - Bob was most recently seen by GCT audiences in a variety of roles in last summer's *Sweet Charity*. He has many credits with the Gavilan College Drama Department, including Officer Krupke in *West Side Story*, and as Mitch in *Streetcar Named Desire*. He also appeared in *Romeo and Juliet* this spring.





**ROD PINTELLO** (Jud Fry) - Rod got the theater bug earlier this year when he made his stage debut as Annas in GCT's Jesus Christ Superstar. Trained in Business Administration and Law Enforcement, Rod once served as a Russian interpreter for the Air Force before taking his present job as an administrator at Hazel Hawkins Hospital in Hollister, where he resides with his wife and two children.

**RICHARD NELSON** (Musical Director) - A professional musician and conductor, Richard is serving both as vocal director and orchestra conductor for *Oklahoma!* A music instructor at the college level, Richard has served as a musical director at San Jose Civic Light Opera for two decades. With his wife, Debbie (*Oklahoma!* co-producer), he operates the Academy for the Performing Arts in San Jose. Their two children, Melanie and Jeff, also appear in *Oklahoma!* 



**DAVID YANEZ** (Choreographer) - Although he has extensive training in dance, this is David's debut as a choreographer for GCT. His dancing has been featured in *Fiddler on the Roof, Sweet Charity,* and, most recently, as Judas in *Jesus Christ Superstar.* He also has experience with the Gavilan College Drama Department, appearing as Doc in *Red Dawg* and Steve in *Streetcar Named Desire.* He choreographed *On Broadway* for the Gilroy Parks and Recreation Department in 1980.



**PHIL SKIVER** (Director) - Character roles in fifty-six different plays and musicals helped prepare Phil for his directorial debut with GCT. His previous credits with GCT include Jesus Christ Superstar (Pilate) and the title role in Charley's Aunt, and Gilroy audiences also remember his appearances at Center Stage in The Fantasticks, and No Sex Please, We're British. His technical theater credits include three productions in the stage crew at San Jose Civic Light Opera, and experience as a stunt man in the Los Angeles area.



#### **WOMEN'S CHORUS**

Top row: (clockwise) Lorrie Mertz, Anah Ordiniza, Lisa Mertz, Kathy Hoggan, Suzie Chastang. 2nd row: (L to R) Lisa Hawkes, Virginia Benche, Terri Koehn, Ann Scowden, Betty Cooper, Amy Allen, Katie Amstutz, Ruth E. Mullins. 3rd row: Sharon White, Joy Smurthwaite, Torie Berger. Last row: Janet McAllister, Tina Vandenberg, Tracy Steele, Mary Spencer, Lori Victorino, Leslie Allen. Not pictured: Mary Margaret Bruegmann, Holly Chadd, Cindy Davis, Melanie Nelson, Sherri Smurthwaite.



#### **MEN'S CHORUS**

Top row: (clockwise) John Prichett, Bob Vasquez, Chris Balbas. 2nd row: (L to R) Darin Kerby, E. John Mondo, Jack Ray, Mark Benthimer, Kirby Anderson, Rob Castro, Jim Calbreath, Ed Echevarria, Noe Velasco, Eric Vianelle. 3rd row: Lee Krähenbühl, Mike Smurthwaite, Lance La Shelle, Jeff Nelson. Front row: Jonathon Smurthwaite, Scott Lai, Chris Orr, Kevin Fallis. Not pictured: John Haro.

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