



Pirates of Penzance

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2006 started off with a bang, having auditions for our traditional Gilbert and Sullivan annual starting almost immediately in the new term. The eager members of the cast were allocated to their groups and roles, and rehearsals started shortly afterwards. We had the privilege of two Girls High girls: Katia da Ponte and Jodi Nagel, joining us to play the romantic lead, Mabel, and they fitted in very well. Others were: the Major General played by Tannah Matus and the Pirate King played by Nick Jordaan.

There was a great sense of camaraderie between everyone and the very patient production staff did

a terrific job at taming and training the boys! Staff members from all departments teamed up with a number of parents to contribute to everything from make-up to the set design to the costumes. Ultimately this led to the show being a great success.

The show ran from the 15th to the 19th of May and before we knew it, our five-month project was already over. It was a very memorable experience, and for that time, all involved witnessed the very magic that is Boys High.

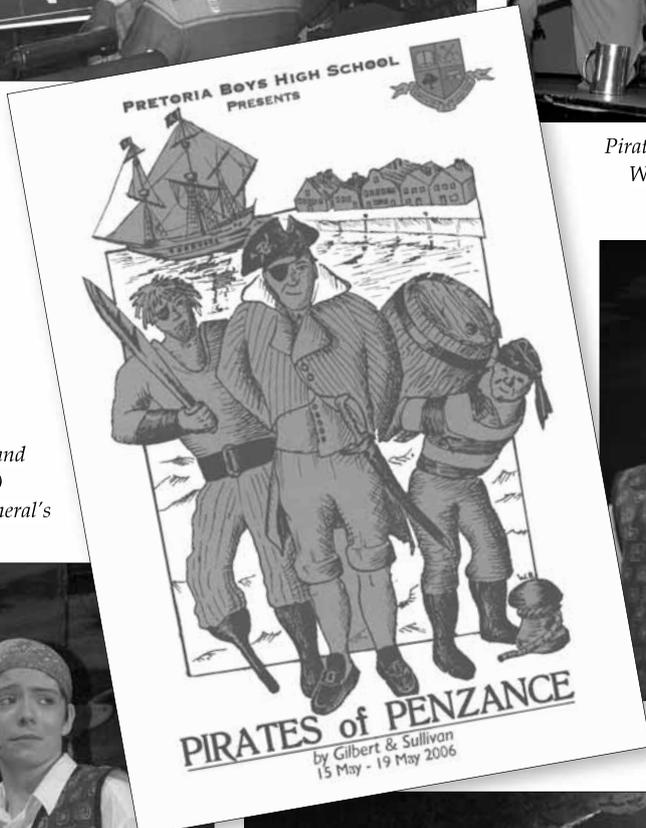
Chad Zerf



Even the orchestra is beautiful.



Pirates (Kai-Jen Tsai, Cuan Young, Justin Solyom and Willem Potgieter) doing what pirates do best: Drink and Gamble.



Sam (John Leonard) and Frederick (Chad Zerf) eyeing the Major-General's beautiful daughters.



The Pirate King (Nic Jordaan) is unimpressed with the 'deserter', Frederick (Chad Zerf).



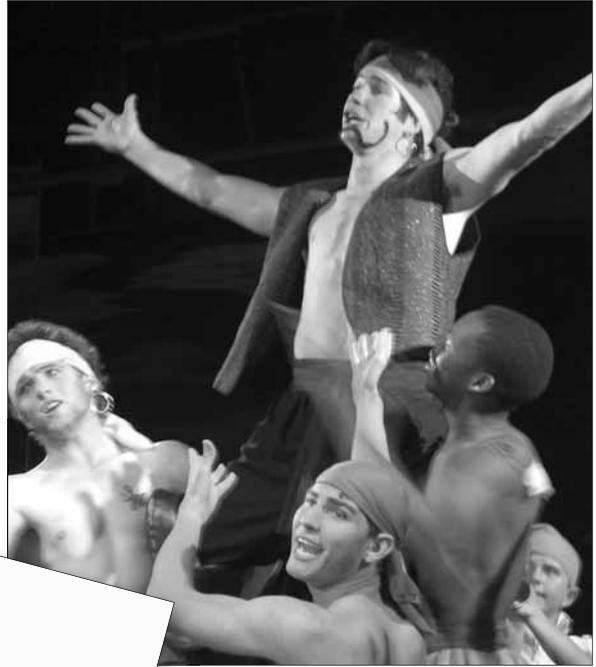
Little pirates practising in the background to be big pirates, beer mugs in hand.

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Ruth (Michael Ferguson) begs Frederick (Chad Zerf) to take her with him when he leaves the pirates.



'It's a wonderful thing to be a Pirate King' sings the Pirate King (Nic Jordaan).



Ruth (Michael Ferguson) has almost convinced Frederick (Chad Zerf) that she is a good catch.



All the pretty young maidens having a wonderful time on the beach.



The pretty young maidens being 'assaulted' by pirates starved of female company.



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Maidens and pirates saddened by the Major-General's claim to be a poor orphan boy.



The 'young maidens' before costumes, wigs and make-up worked it's miracle.



Frederick (Chad Zerff) is disgusted with Ruth's (Michael Ferguson) claim that she is a 'fine woman' after having seen the young maidens.



Love at first sight and happily ever after. Mabel (Katia da Ponte) and Frederick (Chad Zerff).



Major-General (Tannah Matus) and the Pirate King (Nic Jordaan).



Dumb, Dumber and Dummet. The Royal Police Force in all their glory!