



# Pastiche Penguin Pack

Welcome to our Penguin family!

**Pastiche is a fun and very friendly small amateur musical theatre company. We love musicals and performing on stage! We are also passionate about raising money for charity, we support a different charity for each show and have so far raised over £63,000 since we began in 1997 - something we are very proud of :-)**

As a new member there are some things that you will want to know...

## Rehearsals

**When?** Wednesdays 8pm -10pm and most Sundays 2 - 5pm.

**Where?** At Meadow High School, Royal Lane, Hillingdon UB8 3QU. There is ample parking within the school car park.

**New Members:** Each new member can attend up to **3 free rehearsals** so we can get to know each other and you can get to know how we do things. **After 3 rehearsals you will be asked to decide whether you would like to join at that point you will need to pay show levy fees.** Hopefully, you like us and want to join, however, if Pastiche is not for you then you must return all rehearsal materials given out and you will not be able to attend any more rehearsals.

## Shows

**When?** Twice a year. We have a main show in Spring and a concert in Autumn.

### Spring Main Show

Our main show is usually around Easter time and runs for 5 performances, an evening performance on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and two performances on a Saturday, a matinee and an evening performance.

This is the production of a whole show with allocated roles for each cast member and includes lead roles, supporting roles and chorus.

### Autumn Concert

Our Concert is usually in the Autumn and runs for 4 performances, an evening performance on a Thursday and Friday and two performances on a Saturday, a matinee and an evening performance.

Our concerts comprise of different numbers from whole cast performances to solos, duets, trios. These can be dancing, singing, sketches or a combinations of these.

Our concerts are for everyone to get the chance to shine as individuals and perform on their own or with others in a smaller group if they want to.

### Show week

During show week, it is all hands on deck as rehearsals increase and we are in the theatre. We have a whole cast call on the Sunday before the show. This is 'get in' day, where we get used to the stage and run through numbers as required, On Monday, Tuesday (and Wednesday evening for the concert) we rehearse each evening running through each number, finalising costumes, lighting, positions, entrances, band and so on.

Then it is show time! We've done all the hard work and we thrill our audiences with our performances. Once each show is finished and we are out of costume we meet and greet audience members in the foyer.

After the last show and once we have said our hello's to the audience, we all help with the 'get out', tidying the dressing rooms, gathering costumes, helping with scenery if required and then...it's the after show party when all the cast, crew and musicians get together to celebrate another amazing show!

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### Compass Theatre

Compass Theatre, Glebe Avenue, Ickenham, UB10 8PD

We hold our shows here because the stage is the perfect size for our company. It is a lovely, local theatre with a seating capacity of 158 seats. It has a bar at show times which is run by volunteers. The Compass is easy to get to by car with a car park and is also very accessible by public transport (Ickenham and West Ruislip Underground stations and bus routes).

There are three dressing rooms, one for women, one for men and a green room for all the younger members under 16 years. Younger members have to be chaperoned at all times by an appropriate adult whilst on the Compass premises.



### Membership Subscription

After your first show when you decide to join us for more shows then company membership is required to continue with us as well as the show levy.

Our membership subscription year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 31<sup>st</sup> August and consists of two elements:

**Company Membership** This is paid by everyone annually. This allows us to pay for fixed running costs such as insurance, storage and our website.

Company Membership	£30 (Adult)	£15 (Under 16's)
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**Show Levy** This is paid per show and it varies depending on whether it is a main show or a concert. The levy covers show specific costs such as hire of the theatre, musicians, stagehands, costumes, advertising, music, rights for show/numbers and so on.

The show levy's are:

Main show	£40 (Adult)	£20 (Under 16's)
Concert	£30 (Adult)	£15 (Under 16's)

### Methods of Payment

#### Direct bank transfer

#### Monthly standing order/direct debit (monthly payments)

Annual subscription	£2.50 (Adult)	£1.25 (Under 16's)
Annual subs plus concert	£5 (Adult)	£2.50 (Under 16's)
Annual subs plus both shows	£8.33 (Adult)	£4.16 (Under 16's)

### Pastiche Bank details: Barclays Bank

**Account Name** Pastiche Theatre Group

**Sort Code** 208916

**Account No.** 10234567

**Reference** Always use your name as your reference, so we can confirm you have paid.

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## **Website, social media, advertising, photographs, audio/video recording**

At times we take audio and video recordings and photographs during rehearsals and shows which are used for both our own practicing requirements and for advertising and social media purposes. By joining you agree to us using this material for these purposes only.

## **Advertising**

We ask all members to help promote our shows by helping distribute flyers and business cards in the local area. If you are on social media we also ask that you like and share our posts. This all helps with ticket sales and brings us to a wider audience.

## **WhatsApp**

For each show we create a WhatsApp group of all the members of that group. This group is for show information only, there is a separate social WhatsApp group for all members who wish to join it.

## **Social events and fundraising**

Occasionally we have social events for the company, their family and friends. We also run fundraising events to raise money for the company.

## **Contact Details**

When you join we will need your contact details which we will only use in matters relating to Pastiche according to our privacy policy (See our website for our Privacy Policy).

## **Want more information? Get in touch via**

**Our website:** [www.pastichemusicaltheatre.com](http://www.pastichemusicaltheatre.com) - a contact form is located on our *Perform with Us* page  
or

**email:** [info@pastichemusicaltheatre.com](mailto:info@pastichemusicaltheatre.com)

