## TOURING PRODUCTIONS

1. FULL OF JOYS - Music Hall

This production will go out on tour after October 9 and will be available for bookings up to July 1977. It is essential that applications for bookings be made as soon as possible as the show is virtually "solid" until the New Year.

2. PRIMARY SCHOOLS TOUR, Christmas 1976
December 6 - 11

A new children's play written by our resident dramatist, James Hinkin, will be given during this week in various schools in Harlow. Only six performances are possible and early application is essential.

## 3. RECITAL PROGRAMMES

The Players have a tradition of recitals of music and verse and prose on assorted themes. These can be provided 'to order' so long as reasonable notice is given.

Full details from and enquiries for bookings to:

Yvonne Mitchley 162 Orchard Croft Harlow, Essex

Telephone: Harlow (0279) 25959

## TRAINING CLASS

This vital part of the Players' activities is open to all. Attendance does not in any way commit the student to appearing with the company, although this is a recognised method of recruitment.

The class meets on Monday evenings in Moot Hall at 8 pm and will re-commence on September 13 next, and run thereafter except on the Mondays preceding major productions.

Details from Yvonne Mitchley.

## MOOT HOUSE PLAYERS



Season 1976.77

MOOT HOUSE PLAYERS present

their Silver Jubilee Season of Plays in Moot Hall, The Stow:

COMEDY - OLD AND NEW 1976/77

Appropriately for a season celebrating 25 years of effort and some 115 major productions, the Players are offering five comedies as their major productions. In addition there will be the 12th edition of their Music Hall, a children's tour, and two Sunday nights of MERELY PLAYERS, giving opportunities to new authors and new producers. There will also be a sixth major production in the Studio Theatre at the Playhouse as an added event for the Jubilee.

Seat prices will be kept at 50 pence for adult and 25 pence for children with the aid of the Harlow Arts Council's generous grants.

The Players are also continuing to offer a FREE MAILING LIST service for patrons and full details of all productions will be circulated during the season. If your name is not already on the list please let Yvonne Mitchley have it as soon as possible at 162 Orchard Croft.

1976 October 9 - for One Night Only

The Twelfth Edition of FULL OF JOYS - Victorian Music Hall

No introduction is needed for this perennially popular entertainment which will take to the road after this opening date. Applications for bookings in 1977 should be addressed to Yvonne Mitchley at 162 Orchard Croft, Harlow (tel: 25959).

The Music Hall directed by Gordon Hewlett

November 11, 12, 13

BUTLEY by Simon Gray

A serious comedy about university and teaching life - a blistering torrent of repartee and rhetoric .. a 'Jimmy Porter type' character only possible in the 70's. Simon Gray is a new author to the Players and the play will be directed by a new producer, previously only represented in a MERELY PLAYERS programme.

The play will be directed by Michael Adamou 1977

January 27, 28, 29

FORTY YEARS ON by Alan Bennett

The famous revue type entertainment dealing with Britain between the wars seen in a public school setting. This "play-with-music" continues the Players' tradition in this field, which has included MAKE ME AN OFFER and LOCK UP YOUR DAUGHTERS. Alan Bennett has written an extremely funny commentary on manners and morals which will appeal to all ages - particularly those whose memories stretch back to the period of the events!

The play will be directed by Roger Parsley March 23, 24, 25

THE CHALK GARDEN by Enid Bagnold

Another 'serious' comedy, superbly played originally by Peggy Ashcroft and Edith Evans with one of the most famous opening lines in the modern theatre - an enquiry about dentures! Brilliant character studies, good situations - one wonders why it has not previously been seen in Harlow.

The play will be directed by Jean Walls

May 5, 6, 7

SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER by Oliver Goldsmith

A classic mistaken identity comedy which has held its place in the English Repertory for 200 years or so .. again it seem remarkable that this should be a 'new' play to Harlow, but this would appear to be the case.

The play will be directed by Kenneth Collins

June 9, 10, 11 in the Playhouse Studio
This is a special production the title
for which is still under consideration and
which may well fall outside the comedy
theme of the Moot Hall Programme. Full
details will be circulated during the
season.

The play will be directed by Christopher Childs

June 30, July 1, 2

THE KNIGHT OF THE BURNING PESTLE by John Fletcher and Francis Beaumont

Probably the most famous theatrical burlesque of all time, this merry romp has not been seen in Harlow for nearly 20 years. The Players will do their best to re-create the atmosphere of an Elizabethan playhouse, complete with audience which invades the stage.

The play will be directed by Yvonne and Jack Mitchley

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February 13 and May 23 22

MERELY PLAYERS

These Sunday night shows with new plays, mimes, discussions and cheese and wine have been very popular during the past two seasons and will be continued on the dates above.