

BOWLER HAT THEATRE COMPANY

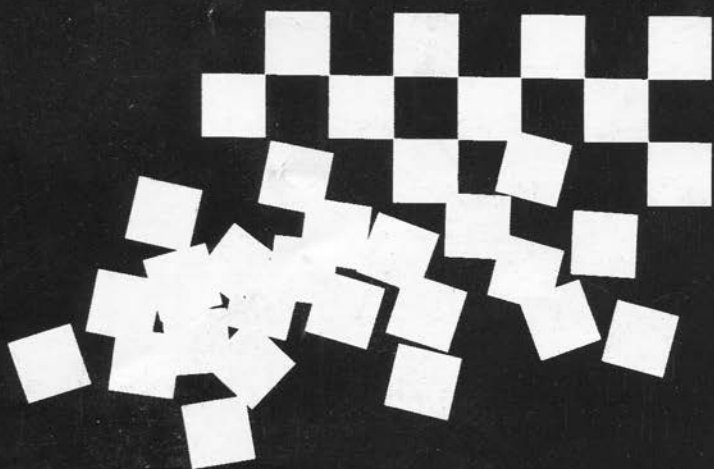
proudly presents

THE IRISH PREMIERE

of

CHESS
in Concert

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Theatre Royal

WATERFORD

Souvenir
Programme

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LYRICS: Tim Rice

MUSIC: Benny Andersson . Bjorn Ulvaeus



Bowler Hat Theatre Company

Bowler Hat Theatre Company was established only last year, 2001, with a view to staging not only non-mainstream theatre, but also mainstream drama and musical presentations. With its inaugural production of "Assassins" at Garter Lane in Autumn 2001, it hit the stage of the South East with a BANG!

Founded by Liam Butler and Michael Power, it has enlisted the talent of many locals, and no one more talented than this year's Musical Director and joint pioneer of "Chess- in Concert", Damien O' Brien. Damien brings with him his highly acclaimed choral group, Lumen, who perpetually thrill audiences with their repertoire of musical numbers. Bowler Hat and Lumen, who have just staged "Musical II" "Lumen"ation" at the final night of the Waterford Light Opera Festival, return to the Theatre Royal this evening for what is sure to be a concert that will reach the *borders that lie around your heart!*

Committee Members

Managing Director	Michael Power
Artistic Director	Liam Butler
Musical Director	Damien O' Brien
Administrative Director	Alan Shanahan
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Sub-Committee	Suzanne Kavanagh
.....	Therese Kennedy
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Chess- The Story

The World Chess Championship is taking place in Merano. The players are Frederick Trumper (USA) and his opponent Anatoly Sergeievsky (USSR). Frederick is flamboyant, but aggressive and unpleasant. His entourage includes his manager and Hungarian-American girlfriend, Florence Vassy. Anatoly has a larger following, headed by his manager, the dishonest, scheming, Molokov, who intends to ensure that his client wins by fair means or foul. the judge, or Arbiter, is meant to be impartial- but who is he?

Musical Numbers

Act I

Overture - Orchestra
The Story of Chess - Lumen
Merano - Lumen & Freddie
Anatoly / Molokov
Where I Want to be - Anatoly
Delegates - Lumen
The Arbiter - The Chess Singers
Hymn - Lumen
Chess Game (Instrumental) - Orchestra & de Braam Dancers
Quartet - Molokov, Florence, Arbiter & Anatoly
Nobody's Side - Florence & The Chess Singers
Mountain Duet - Florence & Anatoly
Someone Else's Story - Florence
Florence Quits - Freddie & Florence
Pity the Child - Freddie
Anthem - Anatoly

Act II

One Night in Bangkok - Freddie & The Chess Singers
Soviet Machine - Molokov & Choir
The Deal - Anatoly, Arbiter, Freddie, Florence,
Molokov, Svetlana & Walter
I Know Him So Well - Florence & Svetlana
Endgame - Company
You & I - Florence & Anatoly
Heaven Help My Heart - Florence
Anthem - Company



CAST

Anatoly	David Flynn
Arbiter	Jamie Murphy
Florence	Irene Malone
Freddie	Liam Butler
Molokov	Michael Quinlan
Svetlana	Gabrielle Cummins
Walter	Tobie Hickey

LUMEN

Fergal Blanchfield, Imelda Butler, Julie Butler, Aoife Carmody, Ann Cody, Claire Cully, Liam Daly, Adrian Dower, Sonia Fox, Andrew Holden, Suzanne Kavanagh, Stephen Kent, Denis Leamy, Trisha Lyons, Truda Merriman, David Murray, Damien O'Brien, Niamh O'Brien, Gerry O'Keefe, Patricia Orpen, Lynsey Penkert, Bernadette Power, Michael Power, Caroline Reid O'Brien, Denise Roche, Claire Rush, Joanne Walsh, Freda Mooney.

THE CHESS SINGERS

Claire Rush, Fergal Blanchfield, Julie Butler & Sandra Power

BALLET

de Braam Dancers

ORCHESTRA

Conductor	Damien O' Brien
Percussion	Alan Shanahan
Guitar	Paul Kavanagh
Bass Guitar	Keith McDonald
Clarinet	Stephen Mackey
Keyboards	Pamela Harrison & Wayne Brown
Flute	Áine McCarthy Kent
Trumpet	Mark FitzGerald
Violin	Therese Costello, Patricia Cuddihy, Deirdre Scanlon & Emer Heaney
Cello	Maeve McEvoy

PRODUCTION TEAM

Musical Director	Damien O' Brien
Director	Liam Butler
Ballet Choreographer	Natalie Van de Braam
Stage Manager	Brian Collins
Stage Crew	Jason Shore & Pat Hennessy
Lighting	Paul Brown
Sound	Star Systems
Front of House	Theatre Royal

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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THE CHESS SINGERS



**Sandra
Power**

Claire Rush

**Fergal
Blanchfield**



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