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MOZART + STAMITZ CONCERT. Figaro overture,

Haffner symphony, 2 clarinet concerto. Oxford

Studio Orchestra. Mansfield College Chapel. 15:30

THE STORYTELLING CIRCLE OF OXTALES will meet

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OPERA REVIEW

The Marriage Of Figaro

As pre-taster to the show I caught a mini per-

formance that some of the cast were doing in the

covered market. In the short scene that I saw, both

the Count and Countess stood out as particularly

good. Their strong and beautiful voices easily held

the audience's attention, whilst their physical move-

ment and facial expressions added the depth to the

The show is certainly a long one, but if it all lives

An opera fan, 07/06/06

up to this high standard then I'm sure it will be very

FESTIVALS

Sat 10th

JERICHO STREET FAIR / 50 market stalls, arts & crafts, bric-a-

brac, gorgeous food, local real ales & cider, live music, dancing, Punch & Judy, kids' sumo, bouncy castle / 12-4.30pm / Canal Street, by St Barnabas Church, Jericho

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characters that is so necessary in opera.

good. I can't wait to see it!

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Sunday June 11th. £5.

Sat 10th-Mon 12th June 2006 (7-8th Week)

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Sun June 11th, 11.15am

Daniel Debora (piano) Schumann: Sinfonic Etudes Haydn: Sonata in C minor hob XV1 20 Beethoven / Bach Tickets: Playhouse 01865 305305 / 07976 740024

CHRIS PATTEN (Rt Hon Christopher Patten, Chancellor of the University of Oxford)

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inking disaster escape drama thingie. Prolonged peril, and all that. THE DAVINCI CODE [12A]

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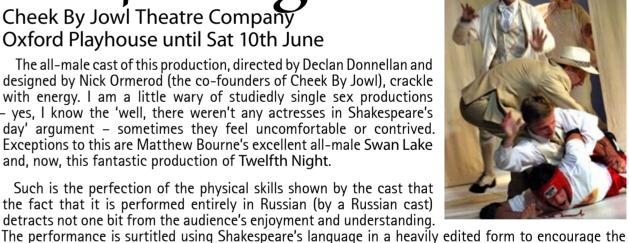
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THEATRE REVIEWS

Twelfth Night Cheek By Jowl Theatre Company Oxford Playhouse until Sat 10th June

The all-male cast of this production, directed by Declan Donnellan and designed by Nick Ormerod (the co-founders of Cheek By Jowl), crackle with energy. I am a little wary of studiedly single sex productions yes, I know the 'well, there weren't any actresses in Shakespeare's day' argument - sometimes they feel uncomfortable or contrived. Exceptions to this are Matthew Bourne's excellent all-male Swan Lake and, now, this fantastic production of Twelfth Night.

Such is the perfection of the physical skills shown by the cast that the fact that it is performed entirely in Russian (by a Russian cast) detracts not one bit from the audience's enjoyment and understanding.



Design is simple and effective – a virtually bare stage, elegant costume and subtle lighting – throwing the weight of the performance's success onto the skills of the cast. Particular mention must be made of the three female characters: Olivia, Viola and Maria who were played brilliantly by Alexey Dadonov, Andrey Kuzichev and Ilia Ilyin respectively. All three gave sympathetic performances that captured the essence of their characters without evoking 'but that's a bloke' feelings. Especially effective was Andrey Kuzichev as Viola pretending to be Cesario; making Olivia's confusion over Viola and her brother Sebastian all the more believable.

A real stand out for me was the extraordinarily adept clowning of Alexander Feklistov as Sir Toby Belch and Igor Yasulovich as Feste (who also sang excellently). They made much of the drunken and fight scenes with their younger companion Sir Andrew Aguecheek, played by Dmitry Diuzhev, wringing laughter from the audience with gesture, facial expression and splendid comic timing.

The rest of the cast were just as strong and the ensemble musical interludes were a real treat – most especially the final dance to celebrate the multiple weddings and betrothals. If you have to kill to get a ticket – do so! This really is an excellent production.

Simon Berry, 07/06/06

The performances are enthusiastic and always clearly

Buskins Theatre Company Worcester College Gardens until Sat 10th June

"Can this cockpit hold the vasty fields of France?" demands the Chorus (Tommy Seddon) in this play's opening lines. Within a half-circle of chairs on the lawns of Worcester College, can Buskins Theatre Company recreate the events of Henry V's French war? It's a risky question to ask. This is the Shakespearean

equivalent of a blockbuster movie: a romp with lots of war, impressive speeches and not that much introspection, which seems to demand a big SFX budget. But the Chorus, veering between gravity and inspired glee, seems filled with conviction. And despite a few shaky moments, the rest of the company don't let him down – not by striving to create cast-of-thousands heroics, but by keeping everything on a smaller, more personal scale. The costumes and props are unobtrusive; aside from the

odd breastplate and helmet, dress is modern-day (linen suits and dresses for the upper class, sportswear for the commoners). Topically, with the World Cup coming up, a parallel is being drawn between war and football. The footsoldiers wear England jerseys and there's a feeling of football hooliganism to their scenes with French soldiers, mocking their speech and threatening them with pocket knives.

audible, which can't be said of a good many much largerbudget productions. King Henry (Rafi Martina) is a fiery orator, but avoids falling into Shakespearean-actor cliché. He delivers an oddly intimate and low-key version of the St Crispin's Day speech which packs a serious punch. As befits the personal, non-heroic feel of this production, the French aren't portrayed as the evil enemy but as quirky individuals, like the neurotic, twitchy King Charles VI (lan Runacres) and his contrastingly cocky, insouciant Dauphin The common soldiers Pistol, Nym and Bardolph (Ben

shoes, seemed somewhat lacking in real street aggression in their early fight scene, but relaxed into their scrapping, beer-glugging parts later. The play's moments of absurd humour – more than you might expect from a history play - mostly involved them, notably Fluellen (a very funny Jess Goodman) beating the anti-Welsh Pistol with a leek. Though a little rough around the edges at times, this

Carson, Patrick Pitcaithly and Alex Bartho), with a sulky

Mistress Quickly (Flora Herries) in teetering platform

was a very entertaining production, full of energy, in a beautiful setting – a great way to spend a summer evening. Deirdre Ruane, 07/06/06



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