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GEORGE ORWELL'S
1984
THE THEATRE ADAPTATION
31ST MAR – 2ND APR
2011

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Chorlton Players are a non-profit making theatre group based, oddly enough, in Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester.

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Chorlton
Players
present
their 2011
pantomime...

*Sleeping
Beauty*



20th-22nd Jan
7.30pm

(Doors open 7.10pm)

Saturday
matinee

22nd Jan, 2.00pm
(Doors open 1.30pm)

The Church Hall,
St Werburgh's Road,
Chorlton M21 0TL

Tickets: £6.00
(£4.00 conc)



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INTRODUCTION

“...deeper meaning lies in the fairy tales of my childhood than in the truth that life teaches.”— Friedrich Schiller (poet, philosopher, playwright)

Hello and welcome to the Kingdom of Astoria for this year's Chorlton Players pantomime: *Sleeping Beauty*. With its roots in classical folklore, it is a tale that has been told and re-told so many times that it is probably now familiar to us all. The story of an innocent young girl condemned to sleep for a hundred years after a fairy Godmother is accidentally spurned contains all the elements of a great fairy tale. The magical quest of the handsome prince and the time-honoured struggle between good and evil are played out in a fantasy land that will appeal to anybody with an active imagination. Although more often associated with children, tales of this sort were originally intended for people of all ages and it is to people of all ages that we direct our show. We bid you to look carefully and to think.

For beneath the light and cheerful exterior provided by the songs, the messing about and the (sometimes slightly risqué) jokes, lies something deep, dark and fundamentally human. Shadow, fear and self doubt are the backdrop to an internal struggle from which we must all learn. Would we risk our kingdom for the sake of our children, make huge sacrifices for our friends or go to any lengths to pursue love? Could we go into a haunted forest to battle our demons? Of course we could, couldn't we? Because we're brave, aren't we? And we're not afraid of the dark.....

But enough, we say. Please laugh, shout, boo, sing along and get involved because panto is about one thing more than any other and that is having fun. We hope you enjoy watching today's show as much as we have enjoyed making it.

Tony Morgan (Producer)

CAST

Sleeping Beauty
Prince Charming
Nannie Annie
Pip
Fairy Gwendolen
Fairy Lila
Fairy Silvana
Carabosse
King of Astoria
Queen of Astoria
Lord Sebastian
Bitz
Bobz
Demon

Caroline Yorke
Laura Kelly
Andy O'Brien
Anthony Howarth
Jo Bryan
Angela Cromack
Heather Lee
Jean Hall
Darren Evans
Annie Wallace
Rohan Shenoy
Heidi Knight
Simon Parkin
Antonio Di Angeles

Demons/fairies/villagers: Daniel Kaczurynski; Ellis Hempsall; Abby O'Brien; Isabel McLennan; Rosie O'Brien; Oonagh McLennan; Emma McGagh; Phoebe McGagh; Josie-May Kelly; Lily Kaczurynski; Rosa Pearks; Rowena Salmon; Ellie Seed

CREW

Director
Producer
Costume
Set Design

Jonathan King
Anthony Morgan
Victoria Searle
Juliet Ashton; Susan Hennessey;
Lauren Ashton

Stage Manager
Sound and Lighting Tech
Stage Crew

Simon Butler
Annie Wallace
Rebecca Hodges; Jennifer Archer;
Eleanor Lynch; Juliette Ashton

Props
Seamstress
Sound

Claire Marshall
Marian Daintree
Adam Ion

Lighting
Make-up
Back-stage
Front of House

Barry Pritchard
Victoria Searle; Jean Hall
Helen Branton; Jane Cheshire
Matron et al

Publicity
Photographer
Children's direction

Jon Clark
Jon Beresford
Rhiannon Clarke; Bethan Syddall;
Zoe Birkett; Lara Daintree;
Sue Broughton

Plus 1001 other tasks

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