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Book and Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN 2nd

with

ANNE JAMES — ALEX ROSS — PAMELA BULL

Musical Director: REG MANUS
Costumes: MARY EPSOM
Choreography: JAYNE CRADDOCK

The entire production under the Direction of ROBERT YOUNG

Assisted by BRYAN EPSOM

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT 1

ACT 2

SCENE	SCENE		
I The Front of Laurey's Farmhouse.	I The Skidmore Ranch.		
II The Smoke House.	II The Skidmore's Kitchen Porch.		
III A Grove on Laurey's Farms.	III The Back of Laurey's Farmhouse.		
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Time: Just after the turn of the century.

Place: Indian Territory (Now Oklahoma).

INTERVAL OF 15 MINUTES BETWEEN THE ACTS

OKLA

CHARACTERS in

Music by RICHARD ROGERS

 Aunt Eller
 DOROTHY PATIENCE

 Curly
 ALEX ROSS

 Laurey
 ANNE JAMES

 Ike Skidmore
 FRANK MERCIER

 Slim
 DOUGLAS PREVETT

 Will Parker
 JACK HIGHAM

Cord Elam

Principal Dancers:

JAYNE CRADDOCK

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Ladies of the Chorus

Helen Bowyer, Dorothy Gibbs, Epp Sundstrom, Chantal de Chazal, Carolyn Davies,
Barbara Taylor, Doris Gardner, Joanna Dudley Rollinson, Margaret Ladden,
Sonia Molveg, Lesley Jeffreys, Deborah Blackman, Lindy Blackman,
Sylvia Thorner, Mary Thornton, Maureen Deacon.

DAN

Joyce Mills, Sandra Bird, Sheila McKnight, Louise Bosch,
Jane McNaughton, Esme da Costa, Maureen Deacon.

Musical Director: REG MANUS

Directed by Roassistant Director

Madame de Haaff Limiter

HOMA!

Book and Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN 2nd

in order of appearance

DENIS PATIENCE

ANNE PRICE * MEL McCAW * JEREMY HURLES

CHORUS

Gentlemen of the Chorus

Walter Gardner, Peter Clarke, Kenneth Latham, Douglas Gorton, Hamish Ure, Chris Cawthorne, Nigel Henzell-Thomas, Roger Hawkins, Charles Hooker.

DANCERS

Mike Herbert, Richard Davies, Don Schramm, John Peter,

David Viljoen, Ali Abubaker, Roger Hawkins.

ROBERT YOUNG

ctor: BRYAN EPSOM

Chcreographer: JAYNE CRADDOCK

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The Theatre Group for loan of tights.

Michael Hall, Kathleen Maskell and Madeleine Hawkins for their untiring work as rehearsal pianists.

Geoffrey Knight for his invaluable assistance at chorus rehearsals.

To the members of the cast, their relatives and friends and the many other willing helpers who have assisted in so many ways in the production.

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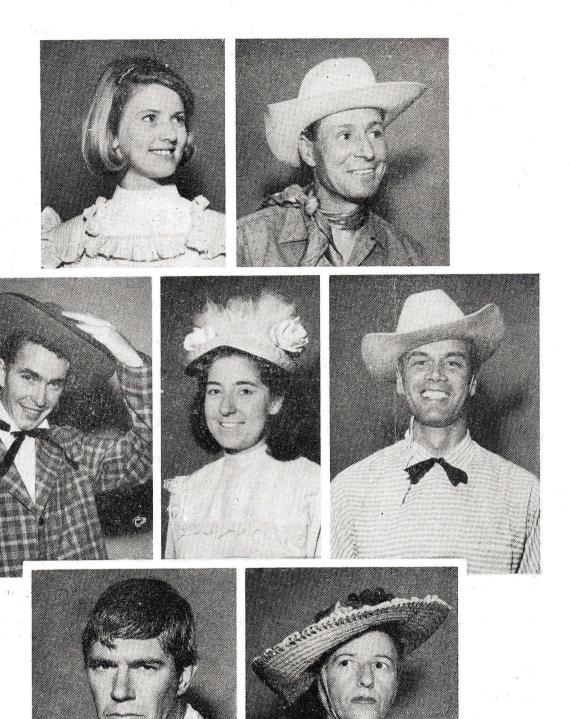
	Stage Manag	ger		• • •			Mac Spence.
	Assistant St	age Man	agers		·		Fred Veal, Ted Downer.
	Property Mi	stress		assisted		• • • •	Kathleen Veal Marianne Stevenson.
	Costumes	***	***	assisted	by		Mary Epsom. Marilyn Conway-Shepherd and Marianne Stevenson.
	Set Designer						Meryl Evans.
Painted by Meryl Evans, Penny Kirton, Wendy Aves, John Hayward and Jenny O'Toole. Assisted by Kathleen Veal, Christine Lincoln and Mary Campbe'l. Sets built by Fred Veal.							
		by Den to De Sil		ience, J	ack	Longford	l, Ted Downer, Chalky White and
	Packstage 7	Team:—C	hristin	e Lincol	ln, '	Wendy .	Aves, Anne Keighley-Bell, Daphne

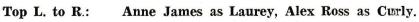
Packstage Team:—Christine Lincoln, Wendy Aves, Anne Keighley-Bell, Daphne Deakin, Jack Longford, Chalky White, Alan Taylor, Ron Gray, Andrew Warwick, Adrian Larkins, William Whiston and Hugh Epsom.

Business Manager ... Bryan Epsom.

Publicity and Programme ... Leonard Pierrepoint.

Production Secretary ... Chris Ainsworth.





Centre L. to R.: Frank Horley as Ali Hakim, Pamela Bull as Ado Annie and Jack Higham as Will.

Bottom L. to R.: Bill Godden as Jud Fry and Dorothy Patience as Aunt Eller.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

OVERTURE

Act I

Sc. I. "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin" Curly. "The Surrey With the Fringe on Top" Curly, Laurey and Aunt Eller. "Kansas City" Will, Aunt Eller and the boys. "I Caint' Say No" Ado Annie. "Many a New Day" Laurey and the girls. "It's a Scandal! It's an Outrage" Ali Hakim with the girls and boys. "People Will Say We're in Love" Curly and Laurey. Sc. II. "Pore Jud is Daid" Curly and Jud. "Lonely Room" Jud. Sc. III. "Out of My Dreams"

The Dream Ballet

Laurey and the girls.

ACT II

Carnes, Aunt Eller, Curly, Will, Ado Annie, Junior, Ike, Slim and the boys and girls. Sc. I. "The Farmer and the Cowman" "All er Nuthin" Ado Annie, Will and the dancing girls. Sc. II. Reprise. "People Will Say We're in Love" Curly and Laurey. Sc. III. "Oklahoma" Curly, Laurey, Aunt Eller, Carnes, Ike, Junior, Cord Elam & ensemble "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin" Laurey, Curly and ensemble. Finale Entire company.

ORCHESTRA

Violins

Douglas Rice Alan Mills Luis Pires Walter Fernandes

Cello

David Filmer

Bass

Jan Filmer

Flutes

Paddy Walsh Hugh Woolf

Oboe

Tony Noronha

Clarinets

Douglas Turner Julia Gaitskell

Trumpets

Richard Peifer Derek Haylock

Saxophone

Arthur Sutton

Organ

Michael Hall

Piano

Geoffrey Knight/Kathleen Maskell

Percussion

Leo Pardo

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....ABOUT THE SHOW

"Oklahoma! "is our 36th production and our 5th full scale musical. During the 1940's this play made box-office history, running on Broadway for almost six years, and in London established the longest run in the 300 year history of the Drury Lane Theatre

Strangely enough, it suffered many trials and tribulations before it reached its premiere in New York. Few people had confidence in it, and financial backing was only obtained by the Theatre Guild through their many friends and allies. Even these sponsors thought they were throwing their money away. "Oklahoma!" might be good art they opined, but it would be poison at the box-office.

For "Oklahoma!" set a new fashion in musical comedy. It abandoned the old routines and production numbers which had become the tradition of musical comedy; it dispensed with the sex appeal of chorus girls in flimsy attire and strayed into realism and tragedy, leaning heavily upon American folk-ballet. This was indeed a new formula for a musical comedy presentation. No wonder the critics expressed their doubts.

When "Oklahoma!" opened up-country, the scouts sent back the succinct message: "No Girls, No Gags, No Chance". After the New York opening, the line was revised to read: "No Girls, No Gags, No Tickets". For at that opening performance the beauty, freshness, imagination and magic of this musical play held the audience spellbound. The critics vied for superlatives, one described it as "folk opera".

That was 21 years ago. "Oklahoma!" has now come of age and has proved its worth. Today, we are privileged to bring this show to Nairobi theatre-goers.

We hope that you will enjoy it.

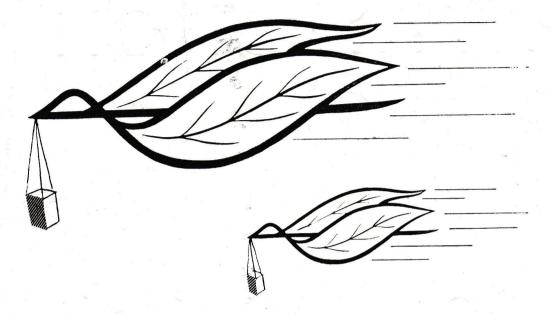
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