

MYPT's 2023 Production



THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE

For the 2023 season, the Methuen Young People's Theatre will produce Gilbert & Sullivan's very popular operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance". The enjoyable comedy, wonderful music and romantic entanglements open with Frederic, a dutiful young man, yearning to leave a pirate's life. Apprenticed by mistake years ago to a band of pirates, he has served them well but is eager to turn 21, to be free of his indentures and to lead a respectable life. His hopes are thwarted when it is learned he is bound until his 21st *birthday*, of which he has had only 5 as he was born on February 29 in a leap year. Complications ensue, with the fates of Frederic and the pirate band intertwining with those of a modern Major General whose knowledge extends to everything but military strategy, the Major General's large family of beautiful, unwed daughters, and a less than courageous local constabulary. All is resolved in the end in typical Gilbert & Sullivan fashion – and in Queen Victoria's name!

Performances for the 2023 season:

Friday, Sept. 8 7:30 pm
Saturday, Sept. 9 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 10 3:00 pm.

Ticket prices: \$15.00 over 12 years old
\$5.00 children 12 or under

Location: Methuen Memorial Music Hall
192 Broadway (Route 28)
Methuen, MA

