MANSFIELD PARK

AT HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE, BALLARAT

Mansfield Park
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CREATIVE TEAM

Conductor Phoebe Briggs
Director Stuart Maunder
Set & Costume Designer Louisa Fitzgerald
Lighting Designer Robert Brown

CAST

Fanny Price Jessica Aszodi
Lady Bertram Dimity Shepherd
Sir Thomas Bertram Christopher Hillier
Maria Bertram Alessia Pintabona**
Julia Bertram Olivia Federow-Yemm
Edmund Bertram Bailey Montgomerie*
Aunt Norris Natalie Jones
Mary Crawford Rachael Joyce*
Henry Crawford Douglas Kelly
Mr Rushworth Joshua Morton-Galea

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VICTORIAN OPERA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Piano Tom Griffiths

Violin 1 Kyla Matsuura-Miller

Violin 2 Natasha Conrau

Viola Suying Aw

Cello Nils Hobiger

Bass Nic Synot

Flute/Piccolo Chelsea Foord

Oboe/Cor anglais Rachel Curkpatrick

Clarinet Natasha Fearnside

Bassoon Stephanie Sheridan

Horn 1 Anton Schroeder

Horn 2 Phoebe Smithies

Percussion Kaylie Melville

PRODUCTION

Stage Manager Finlay Pedler

Assistant Stage Manager Annabelle Rossi

Props Alex Donnelly

Set Construction Jesse Chabrier, Tiernan Maclaren

Head Electrician Jamie Turner

LX Programmer & Operator Jack Willis-Hall

Systems Engineer Daniel O'Callaghan

Costume & Wigs Manager Mel Serjeant

Wardrobe Supervisor Becky Silveira

Costumiers Simon Doe, Jemma Eton, Bianka Gunay,

Liz Gooden, Cortnee Jarvis, Xander Reichard,

Becky Silveira

Wig Builder Deb Müller

Orchestra Manager Jenny Le

Surtitle Operator Shakira Dugan

PRESENTING PARTNER





SYNOPSIS

ACT 1

Chapter One: The Bertrams Observed
In which we meet the inhabitants of Mansfield
Park.

Chapter Two: First Impressions
In which we discover that Miss Mary Crawford has twenty thousand pounds and that Mr
Henry Crawford is not handsome.

Chapter Three: Sir Thomas Bertram's Farewell

In which Sir Thomas Bertram leaves for Antigua.

Chapter Four: Landscape Gardening
In which Mr Rushworth proposes a trip to
Sotherton, his estate.

Chapter Five: In the Wilderness In which the estate is explored.

Chapter Six: Music and Astronomy
In which songs are sung and stars observed.

Chapter Seven: Lovers' Vows
In which Amateur Theatricals are undertaken.

Chapter Eight: Persuasion
In which Edmund's resolution is tested.

Chapter Nine: The Rehearsal Interrupted In which Sir Thomas returns.

Chapter Ten: Independence and Splendour, Or Twelve Thousand a Year In which happiness is defined. Chapter Eleven: A View of a Wedding, seen from the Shrubbery at Mansfield

In which a wedding is celebrated, a honeymoon begun, a revelation made and plot hatched.

ACT 2

VOLUME 2

Chapter One: Preparations for a Ball In which Miss Fanny Price accepts a present from Miss Mary Crawford.

Chapter Two: A Ball In which partners are chosen.

Chapter Three: A Proposal
In which the Bertram family are variously surprised, delighted, disappointed, confused, and outraged.

Chapter Four: Some Correspondence In which much ink is spilt.

Chapter Five: Follies and Grottoes In which the Rushworths meet an old acquaintance.

Chapter Six: A Newspaper Paragraph In which occurs a matrimonial fracas.

Chapter The Last

In which Mr Edmund Bertram declares his feelings to his future bride.

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