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SAN FRANCISCO, California (26 June, 2015) – Lamplighters Music Theatre has announced the return of *H.M.S. Pinafore* to their summer performance schedule, the timeless tale of a lowly sailor's love for his Captain's daughter, and their brave defiance of her arranged marriage to the haughty and buffoonish First Lord of the Admiralty. Gilbert & Sullivan's first international sensation, and one of the most popular comic operettas ever written, pokes fun at patriotism, social class snobbery, and incompetence in high places. Written over 130 years ago but still completely relevant, full of fresh humor and memorable memories, *H.M.S. Pinafore* is yet more proof that the more things change, the more they stay the same. Phil Lowery, director of the Lamplighter's recent *Candide* will stage direct and David Möschler will make his Lamplighters music directing and conducting debut.

H.M.S. Pinafore will dock at the Leshler Center in Walnut Creek, Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts in San Francisco, and at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. Full details are posted at <http://lamplighters.org/season/season.html>. For further information call 415-227-4797 or email info@lamplighters.org.

WALNUT CREEK

WHERE: Leshler Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Drive
WHEN: Friday, July 31 • 8PM, Saturday, August 1 • 2PM & 8PM, Sunday, August 2 • 2PM
TICKETS: For tickets please call 925-943-7469 or visit lesherartscenter.org

MOUNTAIN VIEW

WHERE: Mountain View Center for Performing Arts, 500 Castro Street
WHEN: Saturday, August 8 • 2PM & 8PM, Sunday, August 9 • 2PM
TICKETS: For tickets please call 650-903-6000 or visit mvcpa.com

SAN FRANCISCO

WHERE: Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, 700 Howard Street, San Francisco
WHEN: Friday, August 14 • 8PM, Saturday, August 15 • 2PM & 8PM, Sunday, August 16 • 2PM
TICKETS: For tickets please call 415-978-2787 or visit ybca.org

LIVERMORE

WHERE: Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore
WHEN: Saturday, August 22 • 2PM & 8PM, Sunday, August 23 • 2PM
TICKETS: For tickets please call 925-373-6800 or visit bankheadtheater.org

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Lamplighters Music Theatre was founded in 1952 to produce the comic operas of librettist W.S. Gilbert and composer Arthur Sullivan, and is now recognized as one of the world's pre-eminent Gilbert & Sullivan companies. The Lamplighters' repertoire includes all the surviving works of these creative geniuses, as well as a select group of comic operas and classic musicals by other composers that exemplify their artistic vision. Critically acclaimed artistic successes for the Lamplighters include honors for Best Production and Best Director at the International Gilbert & Sullivan Festival in Buxton, England and local awards in nearly every performance, direction, and design category. The hallmarks of a Lamplighters production are lavish costumes and sets, live orchestra, excellent comic acting, and gorgeous unamplified singing that showcases the beauty and purity of the human voice.