

# Thrapston Plaza Opera 2023

## Manon by Jules Massenet

### Performance Dates

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023 with Dress Rehearsal on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Performances to take place in Thrapston Plaza, Cosy Nook, Thrapston, Northamptonshire NN14 4PS

Rehearsals starting Tuesday September 20<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm – 9.30pm, St James Church Hall, Church Walk, Thrapston NN14 4NP

Auditions will take place in Thrapston Plaza on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022 from 2.00pm - 5.00pm.

### Audition requirements

You are invited to audition for the following parts:

#### **Manon:- soprano**

Act 1, p44 - 49: "I've seen so much that amazes me"

Act 3, p209 - 211: 'Gavotte'

#### **Chevalier Des Grieux:- tenor**

Act 3 sc2, p258 - 262: "I am alone . . . Leave me now"

Act 1, p81 - 84: "I should be starting on my way"

#### **Guillot:- tenor/high baritone**

Act 1, p5 - 7: "Hola, hey"

Act 3 sc1, p197: "Dig a dig a don!"

**Count Des Grieux:- bass**

Act 3 sc1, p224 - 228: (Piu lento) "You are asking more than I can tell you" (excerpts of duet with Manon)

Act 4, p340 - 341: "Oh my son" (plus optional extension into ensemble to p345)

**Lescaut:- baritone**

Act 1, p27 - 30: "Is this the Inn"

Act 1, p70 - 74 (top line) "Look me in the eye"

Optional extra or alternative:

Act 2, p137 - 139: "For men like us" (Duet with Bretigny)

**Bretigny:- baritone**

Act 3 sc1, p215 - 216: "But when you go away"

Act 2, p137 -139: "For men like us" (Duet with Lescaut)

**Pousette:- soprano**

Act 1, p8 - 13: "The devil take him" (Ensemble)

Act 1, p62 - 64: "Come away Guillot"

Act 3 sc1, p179 - 183: "What a charming place"

**Javotte & Rosette:-** both mezzo-soprano  
Choice of any voice parts from the Pousette ensemble numbers above.

**Other rôles - Innkeeper, Guardsmen, Seminary Porter, Sergeant, Maid - to be sung by members of the Chorus.**

Please prepare the pieces listed for your chosen part.

All page references refer to the Schirmer edition which is readily available for purchase: ISBN 978-0-7935-2547-8 £29.99 from [musicroom.com](http://musicroom.com)

(Three copies currently on eBay at c£24 postage free)

Our accompanist will be available on the day.

Please e-mail [thrapstonplazaopera@gmail.com](mailto:thrapstonplazaopera@gmail.com) to register your interest by Friday 10th June stating if you require a specific time to attend.

If you have any questions please contact us as soon as possible either by e-mail - [thrapstonplazaopera@gmail.com](mailto:thrapstonplazaopera@gmail.com), via the website [www.thrapstonplazaopera.com](http://www.thrapstonplazaopera.com) or by phone 01832 733586.

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