

Thrapston Plaza Opera 2023

Manon by Jules Massenet

Performance Dates

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

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

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

Auditions will take place in Thrapston Plaza on Sunday 12th 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

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

Our accompanist will be available on the day.

Please e-mail 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, via the website www.thrapstonplazaopera.com or by phone 01832 733586.

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