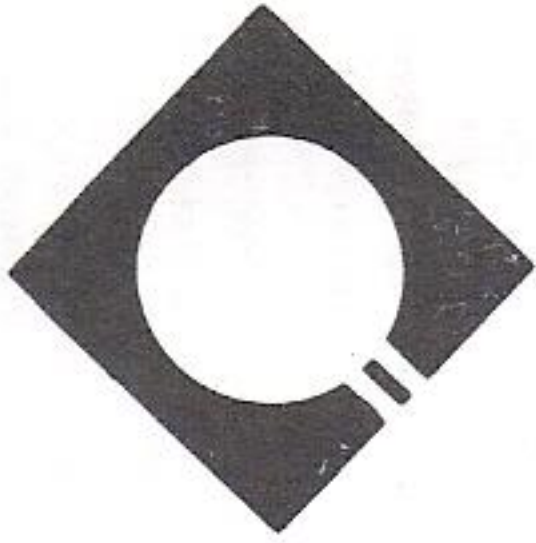


 THE QUESTORS THEATRE



**OLD KING
COLE**

**BY
KEN CAMPBELL**



THE QUESTORS THEATRE COMPANY

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First performance: 21 December 1986

OLD KING COLE

by

Ken Campbell

THE CAST

(in order of appearance)

The Amazing Faz ROGER LEWIS
Two, *his feeble-minded*
Assistant PADDY O'CONNOR
Baron Wadd (*the weediest*
man in the world) KENNETH RATCLIFFE
Sports Commentator MIKE ROBOTHAM
Cyril the Fiddler GAVIN McQUEEN
Old King Cole (*A Merry Old Soul*) JOHN KELLY
Old Queen Cole OENONE GRANT
Princess Daphne FIONA NICHOLSON
Rehearsal Understudy .. SATVINDER SINGH DUHRA

SCENES

Act One, Scene One FAZ'S OFFICE
Act One, Scene Two ... WEMBLEY SPORTS STADIUM

Interval of 15 minutes

Act Two BUCKINGHAM PALACE

TOP SECRET

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE AUDIENCE

Hello Everyone!

There are three bits in the play when you have to shout at the actors and do silly things.

Faz will rehearse you later on, but meanwhile here's the plan. Only DON'T TELL THE BARON OR CYRIL because IT'S A SECRET!

IN THE FIRST SCENE

1. *The Sausage Trap*

When Faz and Twoo hide behind the table and the Baron comes on:

All those on the RIGHT of the stage
WAVE THINGS AT THE REST OF THE AUDIENCE

Then:

All the rest of the audience shout
GO SAUSAGE STRING!

2. *The Song*

Old King Cole was a merry soul
and a merry old soul was he;
He called for his pipe and he
called for his bowl
And he called for his fiddlers three;
Now every fiddler had a fiddle
And a very fine fiddle had he
Twee-tweedle-dee-tweedle-dee
went the fiddlers
Merry merry men are we
O there's none so rare
As can compare
With King Cole and his fiddlers three.

AFTER THE INTERVAL

3. *The Messy Clothes Wag Trap*

When Cyril comes on:

All those on the LEFT shout "HOY CYRIL!" and pull
funny faces.

Then:

All those on the RIGHT, blow Cyril over.

Then:

All those in the MIDDLE shout "HOY CYRIL! YOUR
CLOTHES IS ALL MESSY! STICK 'EM IN THE
WASHER!"

Got that? Great! If you've got a grown-up with you, make sure they understand this and tell them you've all got to SHOUT VERY LOUD!

That's all folks! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and we all hope you soon recover from our production of *Old King Cole*.

JEFFREY.

OTHER PEOPLE WHO HELPED

Refereeing Rehearsals	: JEFFREY SMITH
Working Out the Scenery with some help from her friends	: BETH CROWLEY : KEN JOSH GERRY BLAKE
Inventing the Costumes	: SARAH ANDREWS
Making them	: ANNE TURNER LOUISE ANDREWS SAMANTHA TURNER STELLA BOND ANNE GILMOUR BARBARA HOWE
Thinking where the lights should be and arranging for the bangs	: JAMES LINEHAN FRANCIS STEVENSON
Switching the lights up and down and letting off the bangs	: PAUL DAVIS PAUL WILLEN
Getting all the Music and Funny Noises in the right order and playing them	: PETE and SUE KENDRICK
Telling people behind the scenes what to do	: BRON BECKFORD JANE BLACKWELL ALEC ATCHISON
Doing it	: HARRIET SIMON YVONNE DONLAN RICHARD EGAN RONA CHRISTIE SATVINDER SINGH DUHRA
Getting Actors their props with help from	: SYLVIA WALL : SUE FERGUSON RONA CHRISTIE
Helping Actors who forget their words	: BRIDGET STREVENS
Making things go up and down	: MEMBERS OF THE FLYING DEPARTMENT
Making up Actors' faces and dressing their hair	: JULIA CRUTTENDEN : and MEMBERS OF GREASEPAINT
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IN THE PLAYHOUSE

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PRODUCTION OF *OLD KING COLE*

24 — 31 January

BLOOD WEDDING by Federico García Lorca
translated by Alan Chambers

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

ROGER LEWIS (Faz) last appeared in *Destiny*. After playing Faz he will be taking a long rest! His favourite pudding is SAUSAGES. The person he most admires is ERROL THE HAMSTER and when he grows up he wants to be a wheel clamber.

PADDY O'CONNOR (Twoo) last appeared in *Whose Life is it Anyway?* He likes taking pianos to bits and riding fast motorbikes.

KEN RATCLIFFE (Baron Wadd) last appeared in *Destiny* and will be playing CLEANTE in *Tartuffe*. His favourite sweet is bread and butter pudding.

GAVIN McQUEEN (Cyril the Fiddler) last appeared in *Bartholomew Fair*. The person he most admires is Judge Dredd and his pet hate is old ladies with lots of shopping who block up the pavement.

MIKE ROBOTHAM (Sports Commentator) last appeared in *Bartholomew Fair*. His favourite sweet is marmalade and baked beans and he would like to go to Mars for his holidays.

JOHN KELLY (Old King Cole) last appeared in *Destiny* and will be playing in *Blood Wedding*. Two weeks ago he fell off his horse in Hyde Park and the person he most admires is Rambo.

OENONE GRANT (Old Queen Cole) last appeared in *Misalliance*. Her hobbies are playing the guitar and practising juggling and her favourite film is *The Great Dictator*.

FIONA NICHOLSON (Princess Daphne) last appeared in *Black Comedy*. The person she most admires is Dennis the Menace and she was once kept in after school for blowing bubbles in English.

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE QUESTORS?

Application Forms are available in the Upper and Lower Foyers. The Membership Secretary will be pleased to give details if you call at the main office between 10am and 5pm Monday to Friday or telephone 567 0011.

NEW AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS evenings are held every WEDNESDAY, commencing at 7.45pm in the Grapevine bar. Included in the programme will be a comprehensive tour of the acting areas, workshops, wardrobe and rehearsal space.