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B. Iden Payne Awards

Last night, September 29, the hard work of our *Pirates* company was rewarded by three B. Iden Payne Awards:

Jeffrey Jones-Ragona for Outstanding Music Director

Holton Harrison Johnson for Outstanding Actor in a Musical

Claire Vangelisti for Outstanding Actress in a Musical

We were honored with other nominations: **Ralph MacPhail, Jr.**, as Outstanding Director of a Musical, **Russell Gregory** as Outstanding Actor in a Musical, and *The Pirates of Penzance* as Outstanding Production of a Musical, but none won awards. Needless to say, Russell, Rafe, and *Pirates* itself were wonderful, as was the entire company; so to Jeffrey, Holton, Claire, Russell, Rafe, and everyone:

CONGRATULATIONS

The Austin Circle of Theaters put on a great party to celebrate theater in Austin. The Society was well represented by a shortened version of "Ah, leave me not to pine" and "Oh, here is love" sung by Claire and Holton with Gloria Kim at the piano. Supporting The Society by their presence were Tom & Kristin Burritt, Arthur DiBianca, Len & Reba Gillman, Bill & Nan Hatcher, Brad & Laura Merrell, Larry Shepley, Dan Smith, and Libby Weed.



Claire Vangelisti as Mabel and Holton Johnson as Frederic in *The Pirates of Penzance*, June 2003 Photo by Steve Schwartzman

Contributors to Pirates 2003

The success of *The Pirates of Penzance* was due in great part to the your generous contributions. Please continue to support The Gilbert & Sullivan Society with your membership and donations. Call us at 472-4772 for donor levels and privileges.

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Jeffrey Jones-Ragona

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B. IDEN PAYNE NOMINATIONS

Outstanding Production of a Musical

Outstanding Director of a Musical: **Rafe MacPhail**

Outstanding Musical Director: ***Jeffrey Jones-Ragona***

Outstanding Actor in a Musical: **Russell Gregory**

Holton Johnson

Outstanding Actress in a Musical: ***Claire Vangelisti***

WOW!

WE WON!

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Or, The Peer and the Peri

Concert Version by **Brad Merrell**,
Kristin Burritt, and **Art DiBianca**

Gala dinner/fundraiser Sunday October 12 at 6:00 pm,
\$35/plate, at La Madeleine 3418 N. Lamar. Call Kristin
Burritt 528-8352 for tickets by Thursday October 9.

Other performances Monday October 13 and Friday
October 17 at 7:30 pm, at Westminster Manor 4100
Jackson Ave., \$5 admission at the door, residents free.

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