



Dear Clarkson Music Theatre member:

Clarkson Music Theatre is entering its 65<sup>th</sup> year of providing quality musical theatre to Mississauga and the neighbouring environs.

To commemorate this achievement, CMT is proudly returning to its roots with a production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Gondoliers*. The show is set in Venice in the 1750s and involves the young queen of Baratavia who has come to claim her long-lost husband – to whom she was betrothed when both were but children. Unfortunately, the king's identity is unknown as he was brought up by a drunken gondolier who mixed up the young prince with his own son. Who is the rightful king: Giuseppe or Marco? Not surprisingly, mayhem ensues as this age-old story of romance and confusion unravels under the direction of Joe Gomes, the music direction of Ruth McDonald and the choreography of Julie Gallie.

To further celebrate this milestone, we are hosting a gala on opening night and we would love for you to attend – assuming you're not already in the show! ☺ We have invited some local dignitaries. (Her Worship Mayor Hazel McCallion has indicated her willingness to participate and address the audience.) There will be a video retrospective of Clarkson's sixty-five year history playing before and after the show. Refreshments (coffee, tea and cake) will be served post-show, during which you can mingle with old and new members alike. (We are inviting all former members of Clarkson, too, so if you are in contact with any, please, by all means, invite them. The more, the merrier.)

The details of the night are as follow:

Date: Friday, November 19, 2010.  
Speeches: 8:00 pm  
Curtain: 8:15 pm  
Location: Meadowvale Theatre  
6315 Montevideo Road  
Mississauga, Ontario, L5N 4G7  
Tickets: \$26 for adults  
\$24 for seniors and students  
On-line Orders: [www.meadowvaletheatre.ca](http://www.meadowvaletheatre.ca); available now  
Phone Orders: 905-615-4720; available in September

For more details on the show itself, check out the CMT website at [www.clarksonmusictheatre.com](http://www.clarksonmusictheatre.com). **Note, due to subscription ticket sales, many of the Gala night tickets are already pre-sold. So, to avoid disappointment, order your tickets on-line sooner rather than later.**

Hope to see you there!

The Gala Committee