

MYPT's 2020 Production



TRIAL BY JURY

For the 2020 season, the Methuen Young People's Theatre, unable to perform live due to the coronavirus emergency, will produce a virtual show, a one act courtroom musical comedy – Gilbert & Sullivan's "Trial By Jury." The fair Angelina has charged her former beau, Edwin, with breach of promise after he forsook her for another. The jury, admonished to be impartial, finds Angelina captivating – as does the judge as well. Edwin's plea that he simply fell in love with another finds no sympathy. He offers to marry Angelina today and then marry his new sweetheart tomorrow. When informed the law does not allow this, he argues that he should not marry Angelina because he would mistreat her when drunk. The judge proposes that Edwin be made drunk to test this, but Angelina's lawyer objects. The dispute is resolved when the judge, disgusted with the proceedings and eager to get away, decides to marry Angelina himself – thus overruling all objections!

Regrettably, there will be no live performances of *Trial By Jury*.

It is anticipated that the recorded production will be shown over YouTube or other venues.

Further information will be posted giving details of how the show may be viewed.



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