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## **2012 TULIP FESTIVAL NIGHT SHOW ANNOUNCED**

**ORANGE CITY, IA.** – The 2012 Orange City Tulip Festival Steering Committee has announced the Night Show for the 72<sup>nd</sup> annual festival will be the 1956 musical, “My Fair Lady.”

The show will be produced by Kathy Vaughn, directed by Dr. Keith Allen with help from musical director, Tom Hydeen.

Music and lyrics for “My Fair Lady” were written by Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe and are based off the book “Pygmalion.” This show was chosen as the Tulip Festival night show once before in 1984.

The story is about Eliza Doolittle, a working class London flower girl who takes speech lessons from Professor Henry Higgins. Higgins, a speech phoneticist, makes a bet that he can teach Eliza how to speak like a proper English lady in six months. According to Vaughn, “You have to see the show to see if he wins his bet!”

There are many familiar tunes from this musical such as “I Could Have Danced All Night,” “The Rain in Spain” and “Get Me to the Church on Time.”

Vaughn said, “There will be a large chorus, with dancing and beautiful costumes. I’m excited to watch the show evolve from beginning tryouts to the final performance. I am always amazed at the quality of performance and production of the Orange City Tulip Festival’s Night Show.”

Performances will take place nightly at 8 pm at the Orange City Town Hall from May 16 through May 19. Tickets go on sale at the Chamber Office on February 1.

Auditions will be held in January. Everyone from high school students to senior citizens are encouraged to try out as the musical will have a large cast.

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