

# PORGY and BESS

Based on the play "PORGY" by  
DUBOSE & DOROTHY HEYWARD

Music by  
GEORGE GERSHWIN

Lyrics by  
DUBOSE HEYWARD & IRA GERSHWIN

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

Sunday, 2nd November 1980 at 7.15 p.m

## CAST

PORGY	a cripple	✓	ANTHONY JACKMAN
BESS	Crown's wife	Ⓢ	JOAN ROGERS *
CROWN	a stevedore	✓	PAUL TURNER *
SERENA	Robbin's wife	✓	CLAIRE MOORE *
CLARA	Jake's wife	✓	JANE EAGLEN *
MARIA	Keeper of bookshop	✓	VIVIENNE WHITING *
JAKE	a fisherman	✓	IAN PLATT *
SPORTING LIFE	a dope peddler	✓	BARRY BANKS *
ROBBINS	a neighbour	✓	GARETH ROBERTS *

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MINGO	ALAN MELLOR
CRAP SHOOTER	DAN DAVIES
PETER	MARTIN DOWD
LILY	NORMA HARTLEY
JIM	TONY JOY
DETECTIVE	DAVID BAIRD
POLICEMAN	WILLIAM ENGLISH
UNDERTAKER	FRED JONES
ANNIE	NANCY MURPHY
FRAZIER	WILFRED MURPHY
MR. ARCHDALE	JOHN PRICE

*Soloist*

*Betsy Jeffrey*

PIANISTS: DAVID DUBERY | SYLVIA HOARE  
 PERCUSSION: KEVIN MALPAS  
 OLDHAM CHORAL SOCIETY  
 Conductor:  
 JOHN BETHELL

PLACE: Charleston, South Carolina  
 TIME: The recent Past

ACT 1.	Scene 1.	CATFISH ROW	A summer evening.
	Scene 2.	SERENA'S ROOM	The following night.
		<b>INTERVAL</b>	<b>10 minutes</b>
ACT 2.	Scene 1.	CATFISH ROW	A month later.
	Scene 2.	KITTIWAH ISLAND	Evening, the same day.
	Scene 3.	CATFISH ROW	Before dawn, a week later.
	Scene 4.	SERENA'S ROOM	Dawn, the following day.
		<b>INTERVAL</b>	<b>15 minutes</b>
ACT 3.	Scene 1.	CATFISH ROW	The next night.
	Scene 2.	CATFISH ROW	The next afternoon.
	Scene 3.	CATFISH ROW	A week later.

\*\*\*\*\* THE PERFORMANCE IS TIME TO FINISH AT 9.50 p.m. \*\*\*\*\*

'Porgy and Bess' was presented on October 10th 1935 at  
 The Theatre Guild, in the Alvin Theatre, New York City.

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