

Starlight Children's Theatre "The Gondoliers"

Girl's Costume, Hair and Makeup Guidelines

Costume elements that you need to provide (and keep after the show). We will provide the rest of the costume.

The Chorus of Contadine (Girls), Fiametta, Vittoria, Giulia, Tessa, and Gianetta

- Plain white short-sleeved peasant top.
- White tights (check early for comfort and fit)
- Black shoes (dress shoes or ballerinas with strap to keep them on; no athletic shoes)

Casilda and the Duchess of Plaza-Toro

- Costumes needs will depend on the actresses cast for these roles.

Hair/Makeup Guidelines—The skin fades under the intense light of the stage. The guidelines below should help you enhance your child's natural features.

Please make sure that the make-up looks natural! We want to bring out the children's pure features--we don't want painted ladies and gentlemen! Do your best to prepare them before dress rehearsals and performances, but don't worry, we will conduct a make-up check during dress rehearsal.

1. Hair—The Chorus of Contadine, Fiametta, Vittoria, Giulia, Tessa, and Gianetta will wear wreaths of flowers in their hair (we will provide them). Make sure that the hair will stay out of her face. Use Bobby pins to keep the hair out of the face, if necessary, and to keep the wreath on the head. If possible, please curl her hair in small ringlets.

2. Hair—Casilda and The Duchess of Plaza-Toro Hairstyle details for these two characters will depend upon the actresses chosen for these roles. For now, make sure that her hair will stay out of her face—use Bobby pins, if necessary. For now, plan to curl her hair and pull it back, off of her face.

3. Makeup—All Girls—Foundation one shade darker than natural skin tone.

- VERY light blush—Pink-to-peach shades—She should not look like she is wearing makeup. To apply blush, pucker up the lips and follow the natural diagonal line downward from the cheekbone; do not go below the nose.
- Clear light pink lips w/ gloss—No dark colors. Women of this time period did not wear dramatic makeup.
- Thin eyeliner and mascara.
- Eyebrow pencil—ONLY if advised (during make-up check) to use it.