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# GILBERT and SULLIVAN

## Iolanthe

Iolanthe ..... Ann Drummond-Grant  
 The Lord Chancellor ..... Martyn Green  
 Earl Tolloller ..... Leonard Osborn  
 Earl of Mountararat ..... Eric Thornton  
 Private Willis ..... Fisher Morgan  
 Strephon ..... Alan Styler  
 Queen of the Fairies ..... Ella Halman  
 Celia ..... Joyce Hill  
 Leila ..... Yvonne Dean  
 Phyllis ..... Margaret Mitchell

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The D'Oyly Carte Opera Chorus and Orchestra  
 conducted by Isidore Godfrey

After already parodying holders of high office in *Pinafore*, *Patience* and *Trial by Jury*, in *Iolanthe* Gilbert caricatures the British peerage, transferring the House of Lords to fairyland. The result was a new kind of *féerie* opera made more atmospheric by the use of electric light. *Iolanthe* was the first G&S work to be staged in the newly-built Savoy Theatre in 1882, and is one of the most musically integrated and fluent of the Savoy opera scores in its use and development of recurring musical themes.

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1 Overture  
 2-13 Act I

58:34

7:18

51:16

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1-12 Act II

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