

Theatre Trip

March – September 2011



[Andrew Lloyd Webber](#)'s forthcoming revival of *The Wizard of Oz*, will star the winner of his current BBC One competition *Over the Rainbow* and will follow *Sister Act* into the London Palladium, where it is due to start performances on 29 March 2011.

The stage musical version, adapted by John Kane from the Warner Bros movie, was premiered by the Royal Shakespeare Company at the Barbican in 1987 and has music and lyrics by Harold Arlen and EY Harburg.

The Wizard of Oz is expected to be directed by *The Sound of Music*'s [Jeremy Sams](#) and choreographed by [Arlene Phillips](#), with some new songs especially written for it by Lloyd Webber and lyricist [Glenn Slater](#).

Following the formula of *How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria?*, *Any Dream Will Do* and *I'd Do Anything - Over the Rainbow* has been searching for Dorothy (and Toto) for *The Wizard of Oz* since 26 March. The winner will be crowned at the end of May.

Dorothy, a young girl rendered unconscious in a whirlwind, awakens in Munchkinland to meet a Scarecrow, a Tin Man and a Cowardly Lion. Together, they follow the Yellow-brick Road in search of the famous Wizard of Oz who may grant them their deepest wishes. On the way they encounter Good and Evil which help and hinder their search. Eventually, they reach the Wizard (who proves something of a surprise) and all their wishes are granted.

As soon as the tickets are released we will secure an allocation for 2011. Let me know if you would be interested in seeing *The Wizard of Oz*. If the previous shows cast in this manner are anything to go by, demand is likely to be very high so get in touch soon.

Offer Price Only £55.00

per person to include return coach and top price theatre ticket.

Pick-up 5pm

Location: Friends Provident, Dorking

To register your interest e-mail Neil Edeson now at neiledeson@aol.com