Opera in an Hour

Die Fledermaus - Johann Strauss Jr.

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Adele (Kojelyté Johnson), Chamber maid to the Eisensteins, receives a letter inviting her to the Orlofsky Villa for a wonderful party!



Adele hides the letter and prepares to beg her mistress for the night off!



Adele uses her acting skills to get Rosalinda to give her the night off, but no luck!





Rosalinda

(Michelle Gliottoni-Rodriguez)
thinks she has heard
the wonderful tenor
voice of her old lover,
Alfred, and ignores
Adele's emotional
pleas for the night off!



Rosalinda tells Adele that she can't possibly have the night off because her husband must begin serving his jail sentence right after dinner!



Enter
 Gabriel von Eisenstein
 (Thomas McNichols),
 definitely not pleased
 about his prison
 sentence for
 insubordination in
 court!

To the rescue! He tries to convince Eisenstein to go to the Orlofsky party, and forget about jail until tomorrow morning!





It seems as though Dr. Falke is succeeding!

If Eisenstein's "little mouskin" wife finds out, he can always win her over with words!



Eisenstein shows Dr. Falke the "charming little pocket watch" with which he plans to woo the lovely ladies at the Orlofsky party.



It seems that Dr. Falke has convinced Eisenstein, as they practice their dancing!





Apparently, Eisenstein won't need the old clothes that Rosalinda found for him to wear in jail!

And now, Rosalinda and Eisenstein bid each other a fond farewell!







Adele and Dr. Falke can't wait for Rosalinda and Eisenstein to finish their farewell so they can get to the party!

Act II - Die Fledermaus The Orlofsky Villa





At the party,
 Eisenstein meets his
 host, Prince Alexander
 Orlofsky (Andrea Caruso),
 and fears he has met
 his match!



Eisenstein thinks he recognizes his chambermaid, Adele at the party, and in his wife's dress! Orlofsky doesn't seem bored now!

Adele convinces
 Eisenstein that she
 is NOT his
 chambermaid, but
 Miss Olga, the sister
 of a ballet dancer,
 Ida, who is also at
 the party.



Adele enjoys a dance with Prince Orlofsky!



Eisenstein enjoys a dance with ballet dancer, Ida
 (Dorothy Hill). He doesn't realize she is Adele's sister!



Orlfosky announces the entrance of a masked guest - a Hungarian Countess, who wishes to attend the party anonymously! (Of course we know, it is Rosalinda!)





The countess sings a czardas to prove to the guests that she is indeed a Hungarian countess!

Eisenstein decides to pursue the countess with his "charming little pocket watch!" Perhaps not such a good idea!







The countess steals Eisenstein's watch!





She seems quite pleased with herself! Look out Eisenstein!



Prince Orlofsky has had quite enough of this!
The party seems to be over!

Orlofsky offers a final toast for the evening!



Act III - Die Fledermaus The Jail and The Warden!



Frank, the Warden (Lee Van Sickle), masquerading as the Marquis de Renard, returns to the jail following the party!









Prison Warden
Frank seems to be
having a little
trouble staying
awake, until



Ida and Olga (Adele) arrive at the jail!







Olga (Adele) would like to be "developed" for the theatre, but does she have any talent?



It appears that she does!



When Eisenstein arrives at the jail, he learns that someone was arrested, while masquerading as him, and is in Cell # 12





Rosalinda arrives at the jail, and hopes to get rid of Alfred before her husband arrives, but...

.... she was a little too late. But she does have his watch!







Of course, all is forgiven.

Everyone toasts to Champagne, the King of Celebration!