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TOMFOOLERY

Loaded Productions

La Bohème

Until 9 Mar 2008

Review by Fran Edwards

A production of 'Tomfoolery' will always draw Tom Lehrer fans out of the woodwork, and this one is no exception. The scary thing is that most of his songs still have a strange sort of relevance even though they were written almost 50 years ago.

This really talented cast makes the most of many of the numbers with a few being standouts. Catherine Campbell does the best rendition yet of "The Irish Ballad" (with enthusiastic backing) and Sean Weatherly has done his homework on "The Elements"!

All the favourites are there from "Pigeons" to "Pollution", from the "Vatican Rag" (with Rap thrown in) to "We Will All Go Together". A few of the updating comments don't work (Tom said it better) but others highlight the relevance to us and our world.

Overall this is a great night out with good singers singing great songs, which make you laugh and make you think.

Rating: 4.5 stars (out of 5)