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The Old Stagers first performed in Canterbury in 1842 and have been presenting plays during Cricket Week every year (except during the two World Wars) ever since. This year's production will mark the society's 159th season.

From their earliest days, when they attracted professional actresses such as Irene Vanbrugh and Ellen Terry to perform with them, the Old Stagers have enjoyed a reputation for excellence. Over one hundred and fifty years since their beginnings, firmly established as the oldest surviving amateur dramatic group in the world, they are also acknowledged as one of the best. Their productions are often directed by professional actors or actresses, and the emphasis now is always on achieving the highest standards possible.

**HOW TO FIND THE GULBENKIAN THEATRE  
BY CAR:**

The theatre is situated on the Canterbury campus (post code: CT2 7UG). From London take the A28 to Canterbury off the A2/M2. Continue up to a large roundabout and follow the signs to "The University". When on campus, follow the signs to the Gulbenkian Theatre. Free parking after 5.00 pm.

**BY TRAIN:**

Closest train station is Canterbury West. Buses to the campus from the Westgate.

**BY BUS:**

A regular bus service operates from Canterbury City Centre to the University. Details from Travel Line on 0871 200 2223. A map can be found at:

**WWW.THEGULBENKIAN.CO.UK**

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**THE OLD STAGERS  
PRESENT**

**Lord Arthur  
Savile's Crime**



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**2ND - 7TH AUGUST 2010**



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**Monday 2nd- Thursday 5th August at 7.45 pm**  
**Friday 6th and Saturday 7th August at 7.30 pm**

Lord Arthur is engaged to be married, but his prospective mother-in-law is not so sure. She engages a palmist to explore whether there is anything in Lord Arthur's past or future to make him unsuitable for her daughter. What is discovered obliges Lord Arthur to contemplate the murder of at least three of his relatives, so that the wedding can go ahead. This delightful comedy contains an abundance of Oscar Wilde's wit and genius, as well as a plot with many twists and turns brilliantly constructed by Constance Cox.

To be followed on Friday and Saturday by a short, comic, musical revue.

### THE 159TH EPILOGUE

All Change  
Or

We Demand A Recount  
by

Jonathan Hanbury OS and Richard Ritchie OS  
with music by Richard Ritchie OS

### TICKET & THEATRE INFORMATION

MONDAY £12.00 a pair.

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY (Tuesday's performance is in aid of the Lady Mayoress of Canterbury's local charities.) £12 each, concessions & Encore! Gulbenkian £10 (concessions apply to children under 16, full time students, Registered Unemployed, Senior Citizens, Disabled people and a companion).

FRIDAY £19 each (Black Tie).

SATURDAY £15 each, concessions & Encore! Gulbenkian £12. For Group Bookings on Tuesday - Thursday, contact the Gulbenkian Theatre Booking Office for details.

#### TELEPHONE BOOKING

The Gulbenkian Theatre Booking Office 01227 769075.

#### WEBSITE & ON LINE BOOKING

[www.thegulbenkian.co.uk](http://www.thegulbenkian.co.uk)

#### IN PERSON

The Booking Office is open Monday to Saturday 11am until curtain up on show nights, otherwise until 5pm. Closed 3-3.30pm. Open Sunday 2pm until curtain up on show nights.

#### PAYMENT

By cheque made payable to UNIKENT. By card - Maestro, Solo, Visa and MasterCard. There is a £1 transaction fee on all credit and debit card bookings over £5.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPER INTERVAL

The first interval will be an extended (40 minute) supper interval for picnickers.

#### GULBENKIAN CAFÉ BAR

The Gulbenkian Café Bar offers a seasonal menu using local suppliers of quality ingredients. Reservations for pre-theatre suppers via the booking office on 01227 769075.

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