#### From the Director's notes . . . . .

That the Thais kept their independence during the 18 & 1900's was due to the extraordinary foresight and judgement of King Mongkut, who acceded to the throne in 1851 and reigned 17 years.

Far from being a barbarian, King Mongkut knew at least 10 ancient and modern languages and was an accomplished astronomer and historian. From the age of 20, he had spent his life as a Buddhist monk, learning the arts of meditation, studying with an insatiable curiosity, and meeting Thais of all social strata — a rare advantage for a future king.

Mongkut was convinced that the Thais' only hope of political salvation lay through European-style reforms. His programme of changes was far-reaching. He established a Royal Mint in the Grand Palace for issuance of coinage to replace what was then in use. He discouraged the use of the old forced labor system, and he set up a printing press. He formed a steam-propelled merchant fleet, and he overhauled the legal system issuing 500 new laws. Mongkut altered his own position by gradually whittling away at the taboos still surrounding the monarchy, restoring the right of royal redress and appearing in person each week to receive his subjects.

Mongkut's most dramatic break with the past was his policy of collaboration with the West. Believing that the best way of keeping western predators at bay was to give them all a stake in the kingdom, Mongkut signed treaties with England, France and the United States.

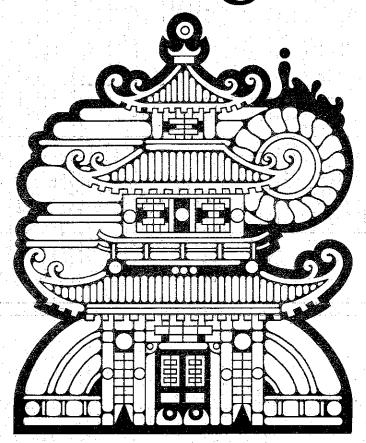
Before he could accomplish all he wished, he contracted a fatal fever. Like Buddha, Mongkut passed away on his birthday.

It is unfortunate that this outstanding monarch became best known in the West through Anna Owens' memoirs. Much of what Anna wrote was untrue. It is best to enjoy "The King and I" as a wonderful, but fictionalized story based on the fact that an English woman taught in the Royal Palace for three years.

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Jefferson College's Theatre After Dark presents

# The King & I



Music by RICHARD RODGERS
Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II

8:30 p.m., June 27-29, Outdoor Theatre

Produced by special arrangement with Rodgers & Hammerstein Library.

# Rodgers and Hammerstein's THE KING AND I

Based on "Anna & The King of Siam" by Margaret Landon

The action passes in and around the King's Palace, Bangkok, Siam in the early 1860's.

# **ACT ONE**

Scene 1: Deck of the Chow Phya in the Gulf of Siam

Scene 2: The Throne Room of The Royal Palace a few weeks later

Scene 3: Outside the schoolroom of the Royal Palace, months later

Scene 4: The schoolroom, a few moments later

Scene 5: Anna's room, later that night

Scene 6: The King's Library, around 2:00 a.m.

# INTERMISSION\*

#### **ACT TWO**

Scene 1: A reception room in The Palace

Scene 2: Outside the Royal Theatre

Scene 3: The Theatre Pavilion

Scene 4: A reception room after dinner

Along a street in Bangkok, months later

Scene 5: A room in Anna's House

Scene 6: The King's Library, immediately following

The taking of pictures during the production is expressly forbidden by our contract.

\*Refreshments available at Fine Arts West Amphitheatre sponsored by Friends of Jefferson College

# **MUSICIANS**

Flutes
Mary Wilson, Lisa Torrence, Sandy Wheeler
Clarinets Debbie Hunt, Annette Mathes
Bass Clarinet
Trumpets Steve Thompson, Darrell Kraus, Paul Walstrom
Trombones Jeff Buckner, Dwight Kraus
Bassoon
String Bass Chris Church
Percussion
Connie Kraus (Xylophone & Bells)
Piano
PRODUCTION CREW
Master Electrician
Property Mistress
Master Carpenter
Scenic Artist Lisa Gish
Set Construction Mark Dvorsky, Linda Menkhaus, Bev Eimer
Squeak Henderson, Rena Blechle, Steve Stokes
Dottie Ganey, Don Damouth, Mike Nash, Holly Richardson
Linda Kennedy, Wes Robertson, Dave English, Mike Minor, Lisa Gish
Light Crew Squeak Henderson, Linda Menkhaus, Don Damouth
Mike Nash, Christy Franken, Rena Blechle
Follow Spots Lisa Gish, Bev Eimer
Key Grip
Running Crew Kim Morris, Judy Phelps, Dottie Ganey
Ushers Wilma Richardson, Kathy Dawson, Angela Fach,
Helen Peterson, Bob Johnson
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# CAST

Captain Orton
Louis Leonowens
Anna Leonowens
Phra Alack
Kralahome
King of Siam
Lun Tha Jeff Sturms
Tuptim
Lady Thiang
Prince Chululongkorn
Sir Edward Ramsay
Favored Wives of the King Anita Witte, Pat Bender, Becky Parker, Merri Richardson,
Debbie Arnold, Cathy Kennedy, Laura Ernst, Julie Christopher, Anita Campbell
Amazons and Singers
Dancers Sue Bahr, Alane Dent, Julie Ganey, Johnna Kauffman, Kelley Russell,
Melaney Waltersheid, Kathy Waltersheid, Jan Laiben, Laura Stahl, Kris Rickenbaugh
Guards, Dancers
Philip Houser, John Stansfield
Deck Hands Bryant Minor, Mike Minor, Steve Stokes
Royal Princes and Princesses William Houser, Angel Davis, Tracey Zellich,
Ryan Stockbarger, Jimmy Peterson, Jim Cook, Robert Stiles, Kristi Stiles,
Melody Sims, Patricia Schlorke, Kim Fach, Toni Schaetzke
PRODUCTION STAFF
Director Deborah Robertson
Assistants Linda Menkhaus, Christi Franken
Musical Director

Musical Director	Andrea Kraus
Choreographer	John McDaniel
Technical Director	Joe Thierjung
Costume Construction	
Costume Design	Deborah Robertson, Debbie Schaetzke, Steve Stokes

.Linda Menkhaus

Stage Manager . .

# **MUSICAL NUMBERS**

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Overture

Scene 1: I Whistle a Happy Tune/Anna, Louis

Scene 2: My Lord and Master/Tuptim

Scene 3: Hello Young Lovers/Anna

The March of The Siamese Children/The Royal Princes and Princesses

Scene 3: Home Sweet Home/Chant - Royal Children and Guards

A Puzzlement/King

Scene 4: Getting to Know You/Anna, Company

We Kiss in a Shadow/Tuptim, Lun Tha
Reprise: A Puzzlement/Louis, Prince Chululongkorn

Scene 5: Something Wonderful/Lady Thiang

Scene 6: Finale Act I/King, Anna, Company

#### ACT TWO

Entr'act

Scene 1: Dance of Anna & Sir Edward

Scene 2: I Have Dreamed/Tuptim, Lun Tha

Scene 3: The Small House of Uncle Thomas (Ballet)/Tuptim, Singing Ladies

Scene 4: Shall We Dance/Anna, The King Processional

Scene 5: Polka Doloroso

Scene 6: Finale Ultimo