

# Just maid for the stage!

A LIFE as a professional actress and singer is beckoning for Dunfermline's Fiona Main. The 21-year-old is currently playing one of the three little maids in the Dunfermline Gilbert & Sullivan Society's production of "The Mikado."

And now the Edinburgh University graduate (pictured, front right) is celebrating her success in clinching a cabaret part at Edinburgh's Carlton Highland Hotel.

Fiona, whose ambition is to go professional, will play the lady in the Scottish cabaret which starts in May. She told the Press it had been "great" to get the part. "It will help me to get my Equity card so I can apply for professional work."

Fiona is currently playing Pitti-Sing in "The Mikado," which ends its run at Dunfermline's Carnegie Hall tomorrow (Saturday).

However, she will not have much time to put her feet up before she is back trodding the boards again in Lochgelly Amateur Musical Association's "Showboat."

She plays the lead part of Magnolia in the musical, which starts its run in April. And the following month she will start her cabaret run at the Carlton Highland Hotel – as well as singing in Dunfermline Musical Theatre Company's choir in a show planned for the same month.

Fiona is pictured with the cast of "The Mikado," the society's 25th anniversary production.

Next to her are the other two sisters, Liz Hutchings as Peep-Bo (left) and Jacqueline Kerr as Yum-Yum (centre), with Jo Clifton (Katisha) seated.

The male principals are (second row, left to right): Jim Etheridge (Pooh-Bah), Roger Clifton (Pish-Tush), Sid Jane (The Mikado), Andrew Sim (Nanki-Poo) and Robin Ozog (Ko-Ko).

"The Mikado", Gilbert and Sullivan's most popular and most often performed work, features many well-known tunes – and was also the society's first production back in 1971.

☆ Winners in the recent Press competition to win "Mikado" tickets were: Adults – Mrs G. Meldrum, Mr J. Lamb, Mrs Lonie and Mrs Anderson; children's voucher – Rachel Morrison.

