

ADVANCE NOTICE

There will be a FISH Minibus trip to The Watermill Theatre (near Newbury) on

Thursday 5th September

for a matinee performance of

Kiss Me, Kate

Music and lyrics by Cole Porter Book by Sam & Bella Spewack

When ego-centric actor-manager Fred Graham and his fiery ex-wife Lilli Vanessi find themselves starring opposite each other in a musical version of Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*, sparks begin to fly.



Meanwhile in another corner of Ford's Theatre, Baltimore, Fred's current flame and rising star Lois Lane attempts to tame her gambler boyfriend only to be thwarted by the arrival of a couple of gangsters who somehow find themselves centre stage!

Despite chaos reigning on and offstage, the show must go on! Will the cast make it to curtain up or will they literally bring the house down?

Showbiz shenanigans together with Cole Porter's jazz-inflected score form a sparkling tribute to theatre in all its greasepaint and glory. *Kiss Me, Kate's* iconic music and razor-sharp wit are catapulted into the limelight by a cast of actor-musicians performing showstopping numbers including *Too Darn Hot*, *Another Op'nin' Another Show*, *Brush Up Your Shakespeare* and *So in Love*.

The theatre seats booked are in the circle facing the stage. The cost of the trip including theatre ticket and bus fare (but not lunch) is £30.00

All bookings must be made in advance at the FISH Office with full payment by cash or cheque (made payable to FISH Volunteer Centre) by:

Friday 7th June

The FISH bus will depart from the Village Hall at 11.45 am and arrive at The Watermill in time for lunch in their Restaurant and Bar before the performance.

Please note: This trip requires a minimum of 10 people and if this number is not achieved by the closing date of Friday 7th June then all monies received will be refunded in full.