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Special events

The George Edwardes Musical Comedy Society's

Lily Elsie Celebration Day

Wednesday 18 May, 10.00am - 4.30pm

Lily Elsie was a major musical stage actress at Daly's theatre during the first decade of the twentieth century.

The day's programme will include presentations by Steve Bartlett who has written numerous articles on Edwardian actresses for Picture Postcard Monthly.

Ken Reeves will provide an illustrated and musical presentation with the aim of giving the audience an impression of the experiences which would have been associated with visits to the theatre by patrons of Lily Elsie's musicals.

There will also be a mini audience-participation presentation (dialogue & songs) of 'Lady Madcap', the first of the musicals under the management of George Edwardes in which Lily Elsie appeared on the London Stage.

The day will end with a presentation of the film 'Comradeship', a silent movie in which Lily Elsie appeared in 1918.

Admission is free but a donation of £5.00 per person is suggested.

Lunch - please make your own arrangements ie: bring a packed lunch or eat out locally.

To book, email: referencelibrarywc2@westminster.gov.uk or telephone 020 7641 5250

