

Feel good factor

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COLE PORTER'S sophisticated, feel good musical *Anything Goes* has it all.

Unforgettable songs, heady romance and dance numbers galore add up to great fun, with director Jeremy Tustin adding his personal stage magic to the production at Chelmsford's Civic Theatre later this month.

The songs include the title number, *You're The Top*, *It's De-Lovely*, *I Get A Kick Out Of You* and of course the upbeat, toe tapping *Blow Gabriel Blow*.

The cast features an unusual group of transatlantic passengers including gangster Moonface Martin, debutant Hope Harcourt, her aristocratic fiancé, wealthy businessman

Elisha Whitney, and Billy Crocker his stowaway assistant, plus Kirstie Wooldridge's sexy, ex-evangelist turned nightclub singer Reno Sweeney and her not so angelic angels – Purity, Chastity, Charity and Virtue.

All in all this is a show to raise your spirits and Chelmsford Operatic and Dramatic Society have been putting their all into getting everything just right for opening night.

There is a captioned performance on September 25, a signed one on September 24 and an audio described one on September 27 at 3pm. Please state if you are specifically booking for these.

■ *Anything Goes*. CAODS. September 23-27, 7.30pm; Sat mat 3pm. Civic Theatre, Chelmsford. Tickets £11-£14 depending on performance. Bookings 01245 606505.



DE-LOVELY CAST: Ben Martins, Kirstie Wooldridge and Tom Harper star in *Anything Goes* in Chelmsford.