NOTE: The prose comedy Sappho and Phao, normally considered to be John Lyly's second play, was performed at the English court on 3rd March, 1584; the character of Sappho, which bears little relation to that of her namesake, the Greek poetess, is clearly designed as a compliment to Queen Elizabeth. It is one of the plays specially written for performance by the professional company of boy actors at the Blackfriar's Theatre.
cast in order of appearance

Musicians

Carol Angas
George Browne
Tim Jones
Geoff Wood

Suzanne Goldsworthy
Kim Dalton

Eugene Ragghianti
Michelle Langman
Andrew Miles
Mike Reynolds

Michael Strokowsky
Michael Clifton
Buzz Leeson

Carol Tilbrook
Linda Brotherton
Catherine Thiem
Frances Howley
Cathy Short
Jenny Manders
Trevor Dodd
Angela Moore
Colleen Daniell
Rodney Bain
David Stocker

Prologue and epilogue

Phao, a ferryman

Venus

Cupid

Trachinus, a courtier

Criticus, his servant

Pandion, a scholar

Molus, his servant

Miletia

Lamia

Favilla Sappho's ladies

Eugenua

Canope

Ismena

Phao transformed

Sybilla, a prophetess

Sappho, Princess of Syracuse

Calypho, a cyclops

Vulcan

The play is set in Sicily, in and around Syracuse. There will be two intervals of fifteen minutes each.
Director
Murray Copland
Designer
Angela Moore
Music composed and arranged by
Carol Angas and Geoff Wood
Stage Manager
David Hourigan
Assisted by
Ann Browning
Lighting
Andrew Doman
Properties
Richard Hibbard
Costumes made by
Gwyneth Phillips
Assisted by
Marisa Bellini
Gaye Grosvenor
Beryl Lokan
Set built in Flinders Theatre workshop by
Anton Holzner
Production consultant
Justin McDonnell
Production Manager
Alison Isaac
Production Secretary
Debbie Sandow
Continuity
Madeleine Davis
Publicity
Colleen Daniell
Poster designed by
Debbie Sandow
Front of House
Michael Pearce
Sybilla's poncho kindly lent by
David Tiley
Prue Medlin
This production of Sappho and Phao has already been presented at the Matthew Flinders Theatre on August 5th - 7th and in Canberra at the Inter-Varsity Drama Festival on August 10th.

For the Sheridan Theatre performances:

STAGE MANAGER

DEBBIE SANDOW

LIGHTING

JOHN NAYLOR

WARDROBE ASSISTANT

LINDA BROTHERTON