



# SHOESTRING OPERA

## Synopsis

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### *Dear Friends and Supporters of Shoestring Opera:*

Shoestring Opera is celebrating 10 seasons of touring! We have just finished one of our busiest years ever. As well as performing **THE SCHOOLYARD CARMEN** and **THE SHOESTRING MAGIC FLUTE** we have been developing our new project, Shoestring Opera's **Hansel and Gretel**. Advanced bookings for this new show are already starting to pour in!

The success of this project, which will tour next season, still needs funding to create two essential elements—the gingerbread house and the witch's cauldron. Please help by sending your donations to: Shoestring Opera, 61 The Kingsway, Toronto, ON M8X 2T3. We will send you a receipt for income tax purposes.

*Thank you!*

*Anne Rankin, Executive Producer and Cellist*



Cast from left: Anne Rankin, Alastair Smyth, Gillian Grossman  
Photographer: Bruce Peters

### STUDENT QUOTE

"Actually, I feel sorry for the witch. She's just hungry. It's not her fault that all she can eat is little children."

—Spencer, age 9



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### *Announcing a breakthrough for Shoestring:*

Our Executive Producer, *Anne Rankin*, steps away from her music stand, straps her cello to her chest in order to play, sing and dance the great role of the Witch. Just watch her, she's a triple threat!



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