



Despite Oscar Wilde's script being written over 100 years ago, the humor behind the male/female relationship holds as true today as it did back in 1895. The amusing story, told through the cast of characters from the Zurich Comedy Club, will keep you entertained and chuckling through the 2.5 hour rendition of Oscar Wilde's infamous play, *An Ideal Husband*.

As the curtains open, you're introduced to the stage beautifully set in dainty English charm. And while a few set pieces are on loan from the Opera House, much of the scenery was put together by the cast and crew themselves. For example, the gorgeous chandelier twinkling throughout the show took hours to assemble after arriving in a box filled with nothing but many pieces and illegible instructions!

The show opens on an English gathering with exquisitely dressed ladies and gentlemen in their finest attire. The costumes are simply stunning and you might for a second feel like you are peeking into a royal wedding with their elaborate headdresses and sparkling jewels.

Thanks to the clever writing of Mr Wilde, every few lines provide a chuckle for their shrewd quirkiness. This is, of course, complimented by the delivery from the talented Zurich Comedy Club cast members. Zuri Girl loves the battle of the red vixen, Lady Cheveley, whose villainous eyes tempt us to adore her as we admire how she battles with the lovely, angelic Lady Chiltern in the ole familiar, but never stale good verse evil theme. We also love the charm and pizzazz of Lord Goring – you can't help but laugh each time he straightens his lapel or meanders through his 1800's style bachelor pad. The entire cast add their own charm...even the butlers will have you giggling with their witty walk!

And we are amazed at how they do it. The cast, a melting pot of nationalities, have been dedicating 2 – 3 nights per week for 5 months to perfecting their lines. Many work in theatre related industries, but many purely love the theatre so much, they add onto their 40-hour corporate work life with evening rehearsals. The entire cast and crew are 100% volunteers and the club relies purely on ticket sales to subset their costs. Any remaining funds are donated to charity. In fact, over the last 50 years, the Zurich Comedy Club has given over a quarter of a million francs to charity.

If we haven't convinced you to purchase one of the last remaining tickets, below are a few of Zuri Girl's favorite quotes from *An Ideal Husband* to give you an idea of the laughs awaiting you:

- “The only good thing to do with good advice is pass it on; it is never of any use to oneself.”
- “Morality is simply the attitude we adopt towards people we personally dislike.”
- “To love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance.”

*PS. If you have a friend in theatre, be sure to say “toi, toi, toi”. This is the Swiss way of saying “Break a Leg”. And while at first it sounds much more positive than “Break a Leg” it actually refers to spitting 3 times. Go figure!*

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## Event Details

**What:** Zurich Comedy Club presents *An Ideal Husband*

**When:** 2 May – 5 May & 8 May – 12 May Saturday performances begin at 17.00 / all others begin at 19.30

**Where:** Theater im Seefeld, Seefeldstrasse 91, 8008 Zurich ([map](#))

**Cost:** CHF 28 and CHF 35

**Additional Details:** Visit the [Home Page](#)

**Zuri Girl Tip:** Be sure to pick up a program for an inside look at the making of *An Ideal Husband* with photographs and details on both the set and costume designs.