



Tempe Ceremony
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2014 - 2015

By Rob Hopper

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Acting Zone

The Wizard of Oz

This **Jim Gradillas** original adaptation of L. Frank Baum's *The Wizard of Oz* takes us down the yellow brick road in his patented style with lots of quirky comedy and characters, enlivened by actors who get to have input into their dialogue and antics. The former Creative Stages Youth Theatre is now Acting Zone, performing in an auditorium in the Montessori in the Park school behind a restaurant in Goodyear, Arizona. It isn't the easiest to find, but the uniqueness of the program is worth the search.

Lauryn Steitz is our Dorothy Gale, bringing a nice blend of wide-eyed wonder, a bit more savvy than usual, and a sharp humor to mix it up with the array of attitudes she encounters in Oz. **Marnie Gyorrfy** animates Dorothy's friend Scarecrow with amusing expressions and a penchant for taunting apple-throwing apple trees (until one of the apples hit their mark). **Easton Dana** is a delightful ham, or perhaps Spam, as the Tin Man, telling his backstory about how he "was in love" (raising an eyebrow a couple times to the audience), slamming his axe into his tin chest repeatedly to show he doesn't have a heart there, and when sad burying his head into the neck of his can like a turtle. Just as the three of them begin worrying about "lions and tigers and hares," **Kaylee Kasper** enters as the cowardly Lion, doing a hilarious job as the classic Lion persona who starts out acting brave in the hopes of scaring them off (she threatens to turn Tin Man in for ten cents) but soon is forced to acknowledge her cowardice and wonder why the others are willing to be seen with her ("Don't you have any dignity?").

Nikki Corcoran will try to scare them all as the Wicked Witch – a wickedly hilariously physical comedian who plays it cool when Glinda exorcises her from Munchkinland ("Very well, I do have some errands to run"), struggles to predict the future with a Magic 8 Ball, and struggles to work her fire magic with a temperamental Bic lighter ("Stupid lighter!"). Countering her magic is **Grace Hughes** as Glinda with a great New York accent and New York personality (breaking the sleeping poppy spell by coming by with a bag of snow and throwing handfuls at them – including some in Tin Man's mouth for good measure), as well as the great and powerful and entertainingly melodramatic Wizard of Oz featuring **Emilio Cress**.

The ensemble also brings the comedy. There are the crazed flying monkeys led by a psychotic Nikko (**Holly Chavet**), and tons of sass emanating from Trees, Poppies, Crows, Emerald City citizens, and Munchkins that include a pretty tough Lullaby League. The Munchkins also feature humorous turns by **Will Dana** as the Mayor and **Makayla Wood** as the Coroner who doesn't bother with trickery or subtlety as she steals the dead witch's ruby slippers and puts them on Dorothy's feet (chucking Dorothy's old shoes offstage). But when Glinda tells the Wicked Witch that the ruby slippers are now on Dorothy, the Munchkins still do a big reveal with jazz hands and a chorus of "Watch-ah!" Of course, there's Toto, too. Dorothy's/Lauryn Steitz's real dog **Max** who makes his acting debut showing plenty of sass as well, especially when the Wizard accidentally trips over him and Toto barks a ferocious Shih Tzu bark and seems to be sort of pretending that his leash is the only thing holding him back from attacking the humbug behind the curtain.

Performed August 15 - 23, 2014

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Acting Zone

The Wizard of Oz (cont.)

Dorothy Gale: Lauryn Steitz
Aunt Em: Holly Chavet
Uncle Henry: Spencer Tennyson
Farmhand 1/Scarecrow: Marnie Gyorrffy
Farmhand 2/Tin Man: Easton Dana
Farmhand 3/Lion: Kaylee Kasper
Miss Almira Gultch/Wicked Witch of the West: Nikki Corcoran
Professor Chester Marvel/Wizard of Oz: Emilio Cress
Glinda: Grace Hughes
Crows:
Holly Chavet
Grace Hughes
Sydney Hall
Trees:
Spencer Tennyson
Hanna Addy
Makayla Wood
~ **Emerald City Host/Hostesses** ~
Herby: Will Dana
Evrose: Serenity Starr Foreman
Evanna: Sydney Hall
Clia: Emily Carey
~ **Munchkins** ~
Mayor: Will Dana
Coroner: Makayla Wood
Barrister: Emily Carey
Mother: Hannah Addy
Girl Munchkin: Julia Strick
~ **Lullaby League** ~
Lily: Serenity Starr Foreman
Milly: Emma Tennyson
Joy: Lauren Strick
Emerald City Guard: Lauren Strick
Winkie General: Makayla Wood
~ **Winkies** ~
Omby: Julia Strick
Tollydiggle: Will Dana
Busby: Spencer Tennyson
Jinniky: Grace Hughes
Nikko: Holly Chavet
~ **Flying Monkeys** ~
Monkey: Sydney Hall
Lilibeth: Emily Carey
Kloey: Emma Tennyson
Leeza: Hannah Addy
~ **Poppys** ~
Ariel: Serenity Starr Foreman
Fanta: Lauren Strick
Piffle: Julia Strick
Razzly: Emma Tennyson
Writer & Director: Jim Gradillas
Assistant Director/Stage Manager: Peyton Dennis
Lighting Designer/Operator: Tammy Chavet
Hair and Make Up Design: Peyton Dennis
Fight and Dance Choreography: Peyton Dennis
Costume, Sound, Props, and Set Designer: Jim Gradillas



Acting Zone

Theatre of Screams

(1: Mom, 3: Donna, 4: Crystal, 5: Cathy, 7: Abby): Holly Chavet

Narrator: Emilio Cress

(1: Lady Craven, 3: Theresa, 4: Crazy Woman, 7: Zombie): Rachel Fitzpatrick

(1: Bianca, 2: Kris, 3: Tara, 4: Child 1, 6: Lilith, 7: Zombie): Serenity Starr Foreman

(1: Lady Raven, 3: Sally, 4: Psycho Person, 6: Mom, 7: Doc): Shaina Gilbert

(1: Sasha, 3: Lena, 5: Danielle, 7: Zombie): Liv Goodlett

(1: Loretta, 3: Jean, 4: Clown, 7: Zombie): Amber Grossenbacher

(1: Liz, 3: Figure 2, 4: Felicia, 7: Zombie): Sydney Hall

(1: Jenny, 2: Tina, 4: Child 2, 7: Zombie): Victoria Kapusta

(1: T-Buz, 2: Amy, 3: Ethel Goodman, 4: Scary Old Hag, 5: Hallory, 7: Michelle): Kaylee Kasper

(1: Dennis, 3: Van Horn, 4: Child 4, 7: Zombie): Noah Munoz

(1: Tony, 3: Steve, 6: Kid 1, 7: Jeff): Anthony Neal

(1: Franklin, 3: Charlie, 4: Derek, 7: Zombie): Jacob Ramirez

(1: Laura, 3: Figure 1, 4: Amber, 7: Zombie): Bethany Reeves

(1: Angela, 2: Jennifer, 3: Mrs. Brand, 5: Hannah, 6: Kid 2, 7: Lena): Lauryn Steitz

(1: Director, 2: Dia, 3: Nina, 4: Child 3, 6: Delany, 7: Zombie): Julia Stick

(1: Mary, 4: Child 5, 7: Zombie): Lauren Strick

(1: Melanie, 2: Lisa, 3: Sandy, 4: Vampira, 7: Zombie): Zoe Tanton

1. *Theatre of Screams*

Writer/Director: Jim Gradillas

2. *Sis*

Writer: Jim Gradillas

Director: Ashlyn Torman

3. *Monsters are Due on Maple Street*

(Adapted from the Twilight Zone Episode Written by Rod Sterling)

Writer/Director: Jim Gradillas

4. *Derek's Demons*

Writer/Director: Jim Gradillas

5. *Mr. Rahlo*

Writer/Director: Jim Gradillas

6. *Lilith*

Writer/Director: Shaina Gilbert

7. *Doc of the Undead*

Writer/Director: Jim Gradillas

Choreographer: Ashlyn Torman

Lighting Designer: Tammy Chavet

Costume Designer: Trixie Wilmott

Hair & Makeup Designer: Cate Pinckney

Sound Designer/Set Designer/Scenic Painter: Gim Gradillas

Acting Zone

Clean Up on Aisle Five!



Chaparral High School

See How They Run

Photos by Dan Rosenberg

Ida (a Maid): Katie Polcyn
Miss Skillon: Kendall Schaub
The Reverend Lionel Toop: Peter Martineau
Penelope Toop (his wife): Indigo Zuber
Corporal Clive Winton: Ethan Smart
The Intruder: Raphael Tomany
The Bishop of Lax: Matt Merritt
The Reverend Arthur Humphrey: Karl Pederson
Sergeant Towers: Cameron McAllister
Willie Briggs (Voice): Eric Flayton
Female understudy: Iris Loret
Male understudy: Mike Wifler

Director: Ed Como

Costumes:

Ruthie Byrnes

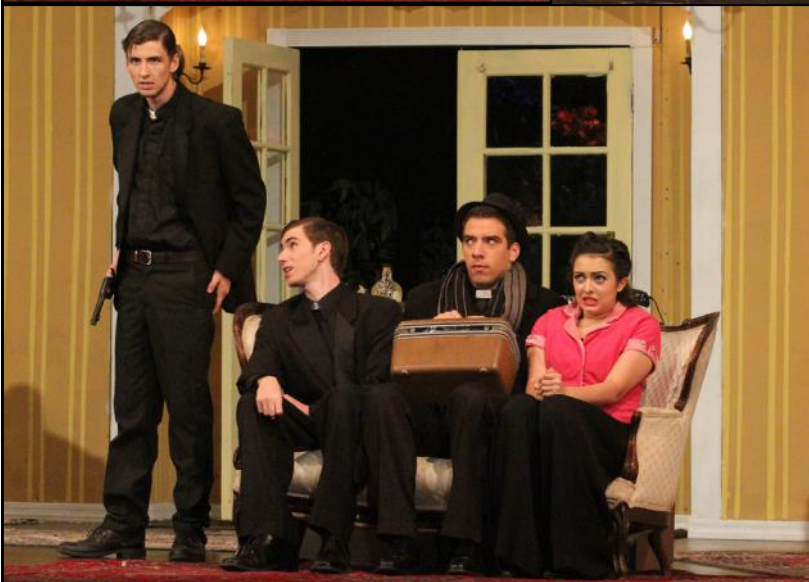
Mallory Gibson

Hair & Makeup: Mackenzie Zitzer

Lighting Designer: Taylor Barbera

Props Designer: Gabby Ullman

Sound Designer: Tyler Tignini



Chaparral High School

Cinderella

Photos by Dan Rosenberg

Cinderella: Alexa Agostinelli
Prince: Ian Biggane
King: Peter Martineau
Queen: Katie Polcyn
Stepmother: Adam Hays
Portia: Julia Gellman
Joy: Indigo Zuber
Godmother: Kansas Callaway
Herald: Matt Merritt
Royal Chef: Sam Ducey
Royal Steward: Damien Beal
Footmen: David Schaub, Aaron Jenkins
Clumsy Man: Karl Pederson
Royal Guards: Ellie Hoffman, Yung-Shin Chang
Minister: Aaron Jenkins
Royal Coachman: Kristin Kinney
Ensemble:
Taylor Alphabet
Damien Beal
Annalise Cavender
Layne Ceotto
Yung-Shin Chang
Ellie Domb
Mitchell Drewson
Sam Ducey
Alex Dugan
Parker Ellison
Dominick Fischer
Maddy Froelich
Mallory Gibson
Kimberly Gilette
Ellie Hoffman
Aaron Jenkins
Katelin Nestor
Julie Oommen
Karl Pederson
Sofia Rakicevic
Abigail Runyon
David Schaub
Austin Sloan
Ethan Smart
Aaron Solod
Rebecca Steiner
Alyssa Swain
Josh Swain
Alexandra Wagner
Moorea Walker
Tatiana Walker
Jack Whisler
Adele Weibke
Mike Wifler
Elisha Xiao-Kim
Andrea Yang
Mackenzie Zitzer



Chaparral High School

Cinderella

Director: Sandy Flayton
Musical Director: Wayne Tarter
Choreographer: Emily Starrett
Technical Director: Ed Como
Costume Designer: Mallory Gibson
Hair & Makeup: Kansas Callaway
Lighting Designer: Taylor Barbera
Sound Designer: Tyler Tignini



Chaparral High School

Crimes of the Heart

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Lenny Magrath: Kendall Schaub
Chick Boyle: Jade Price
Doc Porter: Ethan Smart
Meg Magrath: Indigo Zuber
Babe Botrelle: Annalise Cavender
Barnette Lloyd: Mat Merritt

Director: Ed Como
Costume Designer: Sara Harpeneau
Hair/Makeup Designer: Mariah Gill
Lighting Designer: Mack Woods
Sound Designer: Jordan Rowey
Props Designer: Gabby Ullman



Desert Foothills Theater

Anything Goes

Reno: Kat Bailes
Hope: Kim Cooper-Schmidt
Billy: Andy Albrecht
Moonface: Glenn Parker
Sir Evelyn: Matthew Harris
Bonnie: Jacqui Notorio
Mrs. Harcourt: Sue Stegemoller
Captain: Douglas Edwards
Purser: Peter Strupp
Whitney: Randy Warren
Steward: Christina Robinson

Angles:

Sedona Tracey
Celine Sanel
Chloe Otsot
Nicole Tibbits
Adult Ensemble:
Abby Brandt
Gabrielle LaMountain
Megan Kennedy
Bryan Rosen
Mason Reeves
Jacob Nalley
Zack Mattocks

Teen Ensemble:
Olivia Palmer
Leanne Brodie
Mackenzie Moller
Josie Brzenk

Youth Ensemble:

Bronte Bowling
Drea Metger
Katherine Baier
Makayla Kovac
Sienna Armstrong

Director: Sara Bernstein
Music Director: Dan Kurek
Hair & Makeup Designer: Jacob Hamilton
Technical Director: Dillon Girgenti
Scenic Designer: Dillon Girgenti
Choreographer: Mary Lee Baker
Lighting Designer: Dale Nakagawa
Sound Designer: Toby Payne
Costume Designer: Mickey Courtney



Desert Foothills Theater

Dreamgirls

Effie Melody White: Chanel Bragg
Deena Jones: Krystal Pope
Lorrell Robinson: Jacqueline Rushing
Curtis Taylor Jr.: Miguel Jackson
James "Thunder" Early: Ivan Thompson
C.C. White: Matravius Avent
Michelle Morris/Stepp Sister: Ebony Green
Marty Madison: Dejean Brown
Stepp Sister/Les Style/Ensemble: Tyra Young
The M.C./Five Tuxedo/Jerry/Ensemble: Michael Leeth
Charlene/Les Style/Stage Manager/Ensemble: Marjani Hing-Glover
Wayne/Tru-Tone/Tuxedo/James Early Band/Ensemble: Mason Reeves
Dave/Film Executive/Frank/James Early Band/Ensemble: Mathew Harris
Dwight/Mr. Morgan/Tru-Tone/Tuxedo/Ensemble: Saint Ranson
Carl/Tuxedo/James Early Band/Ensemble: Greg Plaza
The Sweethearts/Vogue Staff/Les Style/Ensemble: Angela Ramirez-Poole
Joanne/Les Style/Ensemble: Felicia Penza
Stepp Sister/Les Style/Ensemble: Anne-Lise Koybe
Stepp Sister/Les Style/Ensemble: Arona Spader
Tiny Joe Dixon/Ensemble: Demari Thompson

Director: Damon J. Bolling
Music Direction by Dan Kurek
Scenic Designer: Dillon Girgenti
Choreographer: Lynzee 4Man
Lighting Designer: Dale Nakagawa
Sound Designer: Toby Payne
Costume Designer: Lauri Mershon
Hair & Makeup Designer: Jacob Hamilton



Desert Foothills Theater

The Dracula Rock Show

Zombies: Caitlin Argabright, Sienna Armstrong

Lead Zombie: Makena Hutcheson

Narrator Zombie: Tilda Hanlon-McGregor

Vampire: Hannah Lewis

Lead Vampire: Taylor Wright

Vampire Narrator: Ella Grace North

Dracula: Finn Smith

Shirley Holmes: Brittany Whalen

Watson: Emily Knappe

Policemen:

Caitlin Argabright

Sienna Armstrong

Makena Hutchison

Taylor Wright

Mrs. Peterson: Abby Cummings

Quasi Modo: Joseph Sidoti

Big Time Brenda: Hannah Rudee

Barbara Bell: Meagan Molitor

Steroid Stan: Adrian Bahnerth

Moriarity: Tawny Audi

Blood Sisters:

Lillian Brenters

Maya Holling

Destiny Spencer-Trienon

Cher: Nicolette Sciortino

Director: Lizzie Baggleman

Music Direction: Darlene Duffy

Costume Designer: Aurelie Flores

Properties Designer: Kate Horner

Set Designer: Dillon Girgenti

Lighting Designer: Travis Jauregui

Sound Designer: Jeremy Kozura

Hair & Makeup Designer:

Sydney Smith



Desert Foothills Theater

Hairspray

THE SHOW:

Music by Marc Shaiman, Lyrics by Scott Wittman and Marc Shaiman, and a book by Mark O'Donnell and Thomas Meehan. Based on the 1988 John Waters film Hairspray.

Big hair, big dreams, and big belly laughs collide in *Hairspray* – an outrageously funny and at times powerful musical that won a whopping eight Tony Awards in 2003 including Best Musical. One of the few musicals that truly succeeds at all levels with great music, dancing, and both a fun and inspiring story. It's a story set in Baltimore during the early 1960s and centered on Tracy Turnblad, a teenage girl who dreams of dancing on *The Corny Collins Show*, Baltimore's own television dance show. But she's meeting some resistance from a mom-and-daughter prima donna pair who poke fun at Tracy's weight. And she's getting even stiffer resistance when she wants to integrate the television show, eliminating the one-day-a-month "Negro Day" and making every day "Negro Day."

THE PRODUCTION:

Desert Foothills Theater welcomes us to 2015 with a terrific blast back to the Sixties. It's directed by **Chris Hamby** who has great vision and touches for the show. It features a four-piece live band, fun choreography by **Kat Bailes** and **Paul Pedersen**, some swell period costumes by **Landis York**, a couple whimsical building facades on either side of the stage, classic hair and wig stylings by **Jacob Hamilton**, and a cast of youth actors and a handful of adults who packed in sold-out houses throughout their run.

Eighth grader **Lily Castle** is their remarkably talented Tracy with a huge vocal range and always just a natural acting style from infectious enthusiasm for her hometown of Baltimore, a determination to stand up for what's right, great comedy, and an unstoppable need to dance. As well as a hilariously unstoppable desire for teen star Link Larkin as **Spencer Claus** smoothly croons out *It Takes Two*. Spencer also does especially well being a little uncomfortable on the other side of town and joining with Lily in creating an exceptionally poignant scene as a conflicted Link lets Tracy down by not joining her movement for equality.

Tracy's lovable parents are played by adults – **Ken Bailes** as sentimental jokester Wilbur and **Matthew Harris** as the singular Edna Turnblad who is strong and funny. They work great together, including a delightful *Timeless to Me*. Tracy's lovable best friend Penny is played by **Hannah Rose**, and she is a riot with her expressions, body language, voice, and ditziness whether she's marveling over mysterious bell ringers, the miracle of television, or the guy who could transform her into a "checkerboard chick." That would be Tracy's new detention/dance friend Seaweed starring **Mason Reeves** who dazzles with his dancing, humor, and personality all highlighted by his lead in *Run and Tell That*. He also makes his peace with the cougar advances of his potential mother-in-law (**Christina Robinson**) as he shrugs, smiles, and puts his arm around both of them. As Seaweed's mother Motormouth Maybelle, **Tyra Young** knocks it out with *Big, Blonde, and Beautiful* and brings down the house with a powerful *I Know Where I've Been*.

The impressive cast also includes **Emily McAtee** as an amusingly entitled Amber Von Tussle who can't believe people are liking Tracy. **Kathleen Berger** plays her entertainingly evil mother Velma who lords over *The Corny Collins Show*, trying to keep things very white and very thin, using hand signals to guide Amber as she plugs herself on television while also using hand signals to flirt with every male from older bosses to younger dancers. **Alex Martinez** is



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Hairspray (cont.)

terrific as the suave Corny Collins who confidently emcees the show and knows how to take it to the top. **Kiara Adams** is a fun and spunky cute Lil' Inez. While the talented ensemble shines in their numbers including the lively *Nicest Kids in Town*, the mystical *I Can Hear the Bells*, the groovy *Run and Tell That* and *Welcome to the Sixties*, and closing it out with their big *You Can't Stop the Beat* finale.

Performed January 9 - 18, 2015

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Tracy Turnblad: Lily Castle
Penny Pingleton: Hannah Rose
Amber Von Tussel: Emily McAtee
Link Larkin: Spencer Claus
Seaweed J. Crabs: Mason Reeves
Lil' Inez: Kiara Adams
Nicest Kids in Town:
Emily Temple
Julia Horner
Samantha Isley
Hollis Johnson
Karson Cook
Cody Seaver
Alex Tuchi
Zach Zupke
Edna Turnblad: Matthew Harris
Corny Collins: Alex Martinez
Prudy Pingelton: Christina Robinson
Female Dancing Ensemble:
Greta Perlmutter, Maddie Lever,
Celine Sanel, Tara Prager
Gym Teacher/Prison Matron: Sarah Link
Male Authority Figure: David Horowitz
Wilbur Turnblad: Ken Bailes
Velma Von Tussel: Kathleen Berger
Motormouth Maybelle: Tyra Young
Dynamites: Aaliyah Perry, Mattea Reeves,
Audrey Peevyhouse
Teen Ensemble: Mayanna Edwards,
Amir Scott, Amaiya Scott, Greg Plaza,
Alisha Perry

Director: Chris Hamby
Stage Manager: Sarah Downey
Music Direction: Dan Kurek
Properties Design: Heidi Horner
Technical Director: Dillon Girgenti
Choreography: Kat Bailes and Paul Pedersen
Hair & Makeup Design: Jacob Hamilton
Managing Director: Meribeth Reeves
Lighting Design: Wes Sullivan
Sound Design: Toby Payne
Costume Design: Landis York
Production Manager: Kelly Weigel



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The Wizard of Oz

Dorothy: Kayla Dobbs
Scarecrow/Hunk: Curtis Horger
Tinman/Hickory: John Newell
Lion/Zeke: Zack Zupke
Wicked Witch/Gultch: Hannah Rose
Glinda: Nicole Tibbets
Uncle Henry/Guard: Amir Scott
Aunt Emily: Tara Prager
Oz/Professor Marvel: Alexander Yedor
Toto: Oz Evers-House

Tucka Evers-House

Munchkin Mayor: Gabe Ozaki
Munchkin Barrister: Christian Bader
Munchkin Coroner: Jeremy Treinen

Lullaby League:

Sienna Armstrong
Presslie Hughes
Emily Knape
Taylor Wright

Lollipop Guild:

Harrison Lowe
Belize Ellis
Caitlin Argabright
Adrian Bahnorth

Jitterbugs:

Maya Schulder
Chloe Ostot
Natalie Brothen
Natalie Moyer
Gabrielle LaMountain
Noelani Enlow
Estee Oglesbee
Claire Faulkner
Tara Prager

Flying Monkeys:

Harrison Lowe
Adrian Bahnorth
Emily Knape
Caitlin Argabright
Ariana Lloyd
Aubrey Ozaki
Mia Dyvbig-Pawelko
Scout Holland

Winkies:

Jeremy Treinen
Gabe Ozaki
Christian Bader
Taylor Wright
Makayla Kovac
Sienna Armstrong
Belize Ellis

Munchkins:

Presslie Hughes
Caitlin Argabright
Ariana Lloyd



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Belize Ellis
Mia Dyvbig-Pawelko
Makayla Kovac
Adrian Bahnorth
Harrison Lowe
Aubrey Ozaki
Scout Holland
Taylor Wright
Emily Knape
Sienna Armstrong

Ozians:

Katherine Baier
Natalie Brothern
Chloe Otsot
Maya Schulder
Gabbrielle LaMountain
Natalie Moyer
Noelani Enlow
Hailie Elliott
Estee Oglesbee
Megan Molitor
Nicolette Sciortino
Ella North
Brittany Whalen
Tawny Audi

Director: Mark Clemente

Musical Director: Dan Kurek

Choreographer: Mary Lee Baker

Scenic Designer: Marty Treinen

Costume Designer: Richard Courtney

Lighting Designer: Dillon Girgenti

Hair & Makeup Designers: Sydney Smith, Jacob Hamilton

Sound Designer: Jeremy Kozura



Desert Mountain High School

Footloose

Photos by Dan Rosenberg

Ren McCormack: Jeremy Yampolsky
Ariel Moore: Alana Doyle
Rusty: Marni Balamut
Urleen: Julia Goldstein
Wendy Jo: Natalie Noriega
Chuck Cranston: Tony Julian
Lyle: Austin Cahoon
Travis: Davey Mancuso
Willard Hewitt: Hayden Burke
Jeter: Ruben Fernandez
Bickle/Boy 2: Max Courval
Garvin/Boy 1: Jesus Lopez
"Boy" 1/Kid Ensemble: Rayne Apodaca
"Boy" 2: Ashleigh Thomas
"Boy" 3: Reagan Burows
Cowgirl: Kelly Paschall
Ethel McCormack: Ciara Walker
Reverend Shaw Moore: Nicholas Hambruch
Vi Moore: Aubrey Cole
Lulu Warnicker: Caroline Carriere
Wes Warnicker: Yezen Jaber
Coach Dunbar: Michael Holte
Eleanor Dunbar: Kat Pastuszak
Cop: Zoe Sarrett
Betty Blast: Brenna Kayce
Principal "Harriet" Clark: Kristen Matta
Cowboy Bob/"Kid" Ensemble: Drew Fellows
Band Member #1/Choir Singer: Erin Griffith
Band Member #2/Choir Singer: Delaney Guffey
Band Member #3/Choir Singer: Rachel Larson
Council Members: Jamiee Andreotti,
Ally Hubbard, Emma Sadiasa
Choir Singers:
Elizabeth Beard
Madison Elsner
Meagan Hart
Kasey Kingsley
Adele Morris
Grace Petro
Tatum Sorrelman
Additional Adult Ensemble:
Jenna Mazel
Emma Sadiasa
Paige Duhon
Anna Vitale
Sarah Wells
Additional Kid Ensemble:
Abby Hudson
Peyton Flint
Jennifer Kreisman
Sabrina Kraut
Hannah Nielson
Anjali Ramohalli
Aira Sadiasa



Desert Stages Theatre

Alice in Wonderland

THE SHOW:

Based on the books "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" and "Through the Looking-Glass" by Lewis Carroll.

On the happy summer day of July 4, 1862, Charles Dodgson took Alice Liddell and her two sisters Lorna and Edith on a fateful boat trip along the Thames. The children asked him for a story full of "nonsense." And so Charles began a tale about a girl named Alice who follows a waistcoat-wearing white rabbit down a wondrous rabbit hole. He would eventually refine that story and publish it in book form under the pen name Lewis Carroll – an author whose works, nonsense or not, would soon be quoted more than any other save Shakespeare and the Bible.



The stories and its iconic characters such as the crazy, tea-partying Mad Hatter, the mysterious and disappearing/reappearing Cheshire Cat, and the head-hunting Queen of Hearts would also inspire the creation of many other fantasies to come, including this quirky stage adaptation by Desert Stages Theatre's co-founder Gerry Cullity.

THE PRODUCTION:

Desert Stages Theatre helps take us down the rabbit hole with a great-looking set and wall painting designed by **Paul Filan**, **Lindsey Ihrig**, and the director, **Lisa Barton**. The in-the-round theater space features a pink and purple chessboard stage centered by a diamond-shaped platform, the upper corners include a house, a bird's nest, and the top of a mushroom, while the painted walls drop us into the forests and flowers of Wonderland. **Kristin Barton** and **Stephanie Yampolsky**'s creative costumes complement the show's fun and funky tone.

You wouldn't have wanted to be late to the production's final Saturday night, which was filled with a full house. The show is a quick one at just over an hour, and the audience brimming with young kids was clearly caught up in the fantasy and crazy characters.

The show has four different casts, with this night having **Natasha Milligan** as Alice, her vocals sterling and her personality a nice blend of curiosity, wonder, and humor as she runs into the many locals. These include **Erin Tarkington** as a completely lovable Cheshire Cat with an irrepressible grin and charisma. **Matthew Villarreal** has a great Mad Hatter voice and, along with **Tabitha Momeyer** as the March Hare and little **Josephine Raia** as the Dormouse, serve up a whimsically mad tea party. **Jaxon Wilcox** and **Allie Rose** are a hoot as Tweedle

Dee and Tweedle Dum who help take us through the tale of the Walrus (**Style Ranger**) and the Carpenter (**Kellyn Broerman**). **Haley Hanni** gets the madness rolling as the neurotic White Rabbit, **Zoe Campbell** is a cool Caterpillar, while reigning over the land is a memorable couple of **Austin Kaye** as the eager-to-please King of Hearts and **Shilah Groff** as his amusingly easy-to-rile Queen of Hearts.

And that's all just a small sampling of the countless eccentric characters in this fast-moving trip through Wonderland. The entire cast keeps things zany and hip and high



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Alice in Wonderland (cont.)

energy throughout the show and its multiple musical numbers, dancing to **Erin Tarkington** and **Cate Carlino**'s entertaining choreography set the eclectic mix of music by Gerry Cullity.

Performed August 22 - September 21, 2014

Photos by Mick Milligan

Rob Hopper
Executive Director

Narrators: Grace Allen, Olivia Hizme

Alice: Natasha Milligan / Peyton Woolf

Jane: Allison Duck

Dinah: Berkeley Butler / Petra Danek

White Rabbit: Haley Hanni / Jamie Villarreal

The Mouse: Hudson Wilcox

Dodo Bird: Sierra Smith

Eaglet: Sam Hizme

Fury: Devyn Wallace

Pat the Rabbit: Ashlee Kaye

Bill the Rabbit: Kylee Novack

Talking Trees: Lauren Butler, Lexi Collins,
Jordan Hill, Ceili Olney

Jabberwock: Luke Olney

Battling Squire: Nathan Sullivan

Caterpillar: Zoe Campbell / Katrina Butler

Pigeon: Lauren Allmeyer

Duchess: Sydney Wolfert

Baby: Luke Olney

Cook: Christopher Cason / Austin Kaye

Cheshire Cat: Erin Tarkington / Cate Carlino

Tweedle Dee: Jaxon Wilcox / Style Ranger

Tweedle Dum: Allie Rose / Kellyn Broerman

Walrus: Style Ranger / Jaxon Wilcox

Carpenter: Kellyn Broerman / Allie Rose

Mad Hatter: Austin Butler / Matthew Villarreal

March Hare: Tabitha Momeyer / Ashley Rhoads

Dormouse: Josephine Raia

Rose: Brianna Mickelson

Lily: Sam Hizme

Daisy: Petra Danek / Berkeley Butler

Mother: Veronica Fedri

Seven of Hearts: Jenna Hops

Five of Hearts: Claire Duck

Queen of Hearts: Shilah Groff / Niamh Murphy

Guard: Nathan Sullivan

King of Hearts: Austin Kaye / Christopher Cason

Juror: Carter Hurlburt

The Knave: Matthew Villarreal / Austin Butler

Director: Lisa Barton

Co-Choreographers: Erin Tarkington, Cate Carlino

Set Design: Lisa Barton, Paul Filan, Lindsey Ihrig

Lighting and Sound Design: Lindsey Ihrig

Costume Designers: Kristin Barton, Stephanie Yampolsky

Make-up/Hair Design: Misty Magnuson & Company

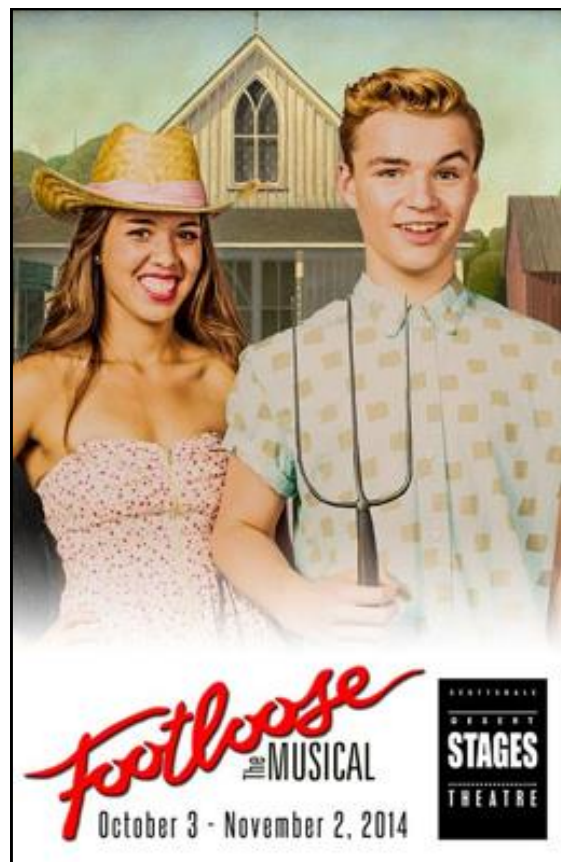


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Footloose

Ren: Spencer Claus
Ariel: Anissa Greigo
Rusty: Harley Barton
Wendy Jo: Dani Topel
Urleen: Alana Doyle
Willard: Christopher Cason
Vi: Skylar Ryan
Shaw: Colter Ray
Ethel: Alyssa Armstrong
Chuck: Hayden Burke
Uncle Wes/Cop/Principal Clark: Zack Pepe
Betty Blast/Irene: Kaycee Krell
Coach Dunbar: Austin Kreitler
Lyle: Peter Showerman
Travis: Matthew Villarreal
Lulu: Cate Carlino
Eleanor: Vanessa Benjamin
Students & Townspeople:
Lizzie Davis
Caitlyn Freeman
Hannah Jarvis
Diana Meyer
Emily Pawluk
Ashley Rhoads
Kathryn Robinson
Allie Rose

Artistic Director: Laurie Cullity
Director: Rick Davis
Musical Director: Elizabeth Spencer
Choreographer: Genesis Cuen
Set Designer: Brent Coatney
Lighting & Sound Designer: Lindsey Ihrig
Costume Designer: Tamara Treat
Hair & Makeup Designer: Virginia Olivieri



Desert Stages Theatre

The Wizard of Oz

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Dorothy: Taylor Davis/Tatum Grell/Libby Stiles/Cate Carlino

Scarecrow: Grace Helenic/Jamie Villarreal/Erin Tarkington/Austin Butler

Tinman: Chantal Frankson/Matthew Villarreal/Allie Rose/Hannah Novack

Lion: Jaden Yonover/Nora Palermo/Jeremy Yampolsky/Jack Yampolsky

Glinda: Olivia La Porte/Paige Gehringer/Natasha Milligan/Alexandra Rahman

Wicked Witch: Rachel Berry/Sophia Vanella/Leah Miller/Katrina Butler

Toto: Olivia Feldman/Sinclair Galakatos/Petra Danek/Tea Pagano

Auntie Em: Caroline Moriarty/Amanda Norris/Katherine Tanner/Talia Novack

Uncle Henry: Sebastian Jablonski/Cameron Grove/Hudson Wilcox/Jack O'Brasky

Mrs. Gulch: Annabella Rosciglione/Julia Ostash/Taryn Beldt/Caitlyn Freeman

Wizard: Zachary Astrowsky/Wyatt Eastman/Matthew Villarreal/Style Ranger

Mayor: Johnny Bianchi/Ella Eastman/Avery Beckman/Carter Hurlburt

Barrister: Stephanie Burger/Catherine Campagnolo/Walter Hall/Bo O'Brasky

Coroner: Marissa Berry/Rachel Nathan/Sam Markson

Jitterbugs:

Paige Gehringer

Emjay Graves

Tatum Grell

Jamie Villarreal

Sarah Astrowsky

Taylor Davis

Chantal Frankson

Grace Helenic

Jaden Yonover

Katrina Butler

Cate Carlino

Hannah Novack

Alexandra Rahman

Allie Rose

Jack Yampolsky

Natasha Milligan

Libby Stiles

Erin Tarkington

Jeremy Yampolsky

Austin Butler

Talia Novack Caitlyn Freeman

Munchkin #1: Sarah Astrowsky/Emma DelGhiaccio/Gabriela Griep/Grace Allen

Munchkin #2: Grace Bianchi/Mimi Yonover/Ashlyn Beckman/Brianna Mickleson

Apple Tree #1: Natalie/Blum/Abby Bare

Apple Tree #2: Ava Sandifer/Mia Snyder

Apple Tree #3: Jenna Hollerbach/Alexa White

Nikko: Johnny Bianchi/Walter Hall

Guard/Doorman: Sebastian Jablonski/Cameron Grove/Hudson Wilcox/Jack O'Brasky

Winkie Guards:

Natalie Blum

Abby Gier

Zak Habul

Jenna Hollerbach

Sarah Kropik

Ava Sandifer

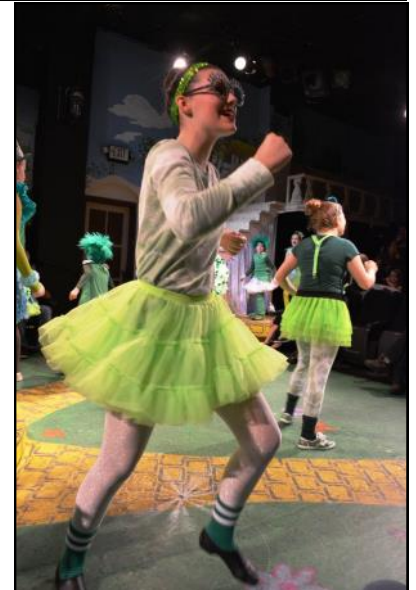
Lauren Reilly

Abby Bare

Parris Griffin

Camille Keenan

Amanda Ortega



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Mia Snyder
Alexa White

Tough Guys:

Jake Brovitz
Emerson Diller
Audrey Farrell
Freya Karve
Sydney Hassler
Kerah Rusting
Dash Tagge

Crows:

Gabby Astrowsky
Ainsley Farrell
Adia Gleave
Darlington Guess
Scout Holland
Autumn Jongert
Olivia Jongert
Lauren Kort
Sophie Nelson
Maxie Brinkmeyer
Kylee Novack
Ariana Rodriguez
Audrey Schaub
Sydney Wolfert

Tots/Munchkins/Emerald City Citizens:

Zoie Alexander
Caylee Brovitz
Madison Crespo
Breana Giordano
Zana Habul
Bridget Hartstein
Arielle Kutz
Caitlin McDowell
Ellie McGrady
Kayla Merkell
Daniele Radichkova
Melanie Reed Quayle
Gabrielle Smith
Tara Nedwetzky
Berkeley Butler
Drew Flanagan
Dayna Hall
Petra Danek
Tea Pagano

Director: Lisa Barton

Artistic Director: Laurie Cullity

Co-Choreographers: Erin Tarkington, Cate Carlino

Set Designers: Lisa Barton, Laurie Cullity

Scenic Artists: Michelle Cohn, Claire Manning, Phil Manning

Lighting Designers: Lindsey Ihrig, Drake Dole

Sound Designer: Lindsey Ihrig

Costume Designer: Stephanie Yampolsky

Props Designer: Michael Brandt

Makeup Designer: Angela Kriese



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Beauty and the Beast

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Belle: Taylor Davis/Kendra Richards/Camden Wawro/Alana Doyle
Beast/Prince: Matthew Villarreal/Nick Hambruch/Austin Butler/Noah Coe
Gaston: Nick Hambruch/Jared Lara/Jeremy Yampolsky/Tony Julian
Lumiere: Jamie Villarreal/Haley Hanni/Vaibhavi Mohan/Jeremy Yampolsky
Mrs. Potts: Aubrey Cole/Olivia LaPorte/Natasha Milligan/Emerson Wilcox
Cogsworth: Dana Butcher/Zachary Astrowsky/Katrina Butler/Hanna Novack
Maurice: Wyatt Eastman/Sebastian Jablonski/Austin Kaye/Hudson Wilcox
Lefou: Nico Lanese/Grace Helenic/Jack Yampolsky/Talia Novack
Chip: Macie Wilbur/Emma DelGhiaccio/Kasey Swartz/Josephine Raia
Babette: Kathryn Robinson/Hannah Jarvis/Erin Tarkington/Cate Carlino
Madame de la Grande Bouche: Leah Miller/Sophia Vanella/Tabitha Momeyer/Caitlyn Freeman
Silly Girl 1: Tatum Grell/Chantel Frankson/Kellyn Broerman/Allie Rose
Silly Girl 2: Jaden Yanover/Sarah Astrowsky/Ashley Rhoads/Lizzie Davis
Silly Girl 3: Ally Koeppel/Gabriella Griep/Helena Dorris/Sadie Krotonsky
Silly Girls: Jenna Hollerbach, Caroline Moriarty, Rachel Nathan, Julia Ostash, Eden Tornquist, Quinlyn Ashlock, Emily Pawluk
Monsieur D'Arque: Sam Markson/Jordan Lara/Spencer Shockness
Bookseller: Jordan Lara/Sam Markson/Spencer Shockness
Enchantress: Tatum Grell/Chantal Frankson/Cate Carlino/Erin Tarkington
Narrator 1: Olivia Hizme/Nora Palermo/Katelyn Karcher/Brianna Mickleson
Narrator 2: Megan Yarnall/Naomi Jarvis/Ashley Kaye/Cameron Grove
Narrator 3: Katie Calderone/Gabby Astrowsky/Lauren Butler/Grace Allen
Narrator 4: Amanda Norris/Ainsley Farrell/Lauren AllMeyer

Featured Villagers:

Marissa Berry
Grace Bianchi
Johnny Bianchi
Autumn Jongert
Olivia Jongert
Macie Logan
Bo O'Brasky
Lauren Reilly
Ava Sandifer
Maxie Brinkmeyer
MarySue Dickson
Sydney Hassler
Walter Hall Jr.
Carter Hurlburt
Sydney Marcou
Ryan Morales
Ryan Parker
Nathan Sullivan
Sydney Wolfert
Villagers:
Darale Bedrick
Gemma Booker
Caylee Brovitz
Jake Brovitz
Aria Bunce
Jenna Daughetee
Tori Daughetee
Lily Davis
Emerson Diller
Daniella Gorny
Zohar Gorny



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Sam Hizme
Cate Johnson
Sarah Kropik
Caitlin McDowell
Emma Modrich
Tara Nedwetzky
Dominique Nesland
Dalia Perrone
Paige Presley
Justin Reed Quale'
Melanie Reed Quale'
Lauren Rowland
Alexa Simpson
Stella Steele
Lanie Witman
Tessa Dwer-Kim
Isabela Farmer-Bonilla
Cailynn Keenan
Ava Maloney
Aaliyah Mixon
Kaydence Murphy
Anna Parker
Eden Rothblum
Eva Sher
Katelyn Sullivan
Village Children:
Zoie Alexander
Madison Crespo
Audrey Farrell
Olivia Feldman
Breana Giordano
Scout Holland
Sophie Nelson
Kaylin Sherrill
Hudson Wilbur
Petra Danek
Dayna Hall
Griffin Raia
Sophie Swingler

Director: Lisa Barton

Artistic Director: Laurie Cullity

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Set Designer: Lisa Barton, Laurie Cullity

Scenic Artists: Phil Manning, Paul Filan

Lighting Designer: Drake Dole

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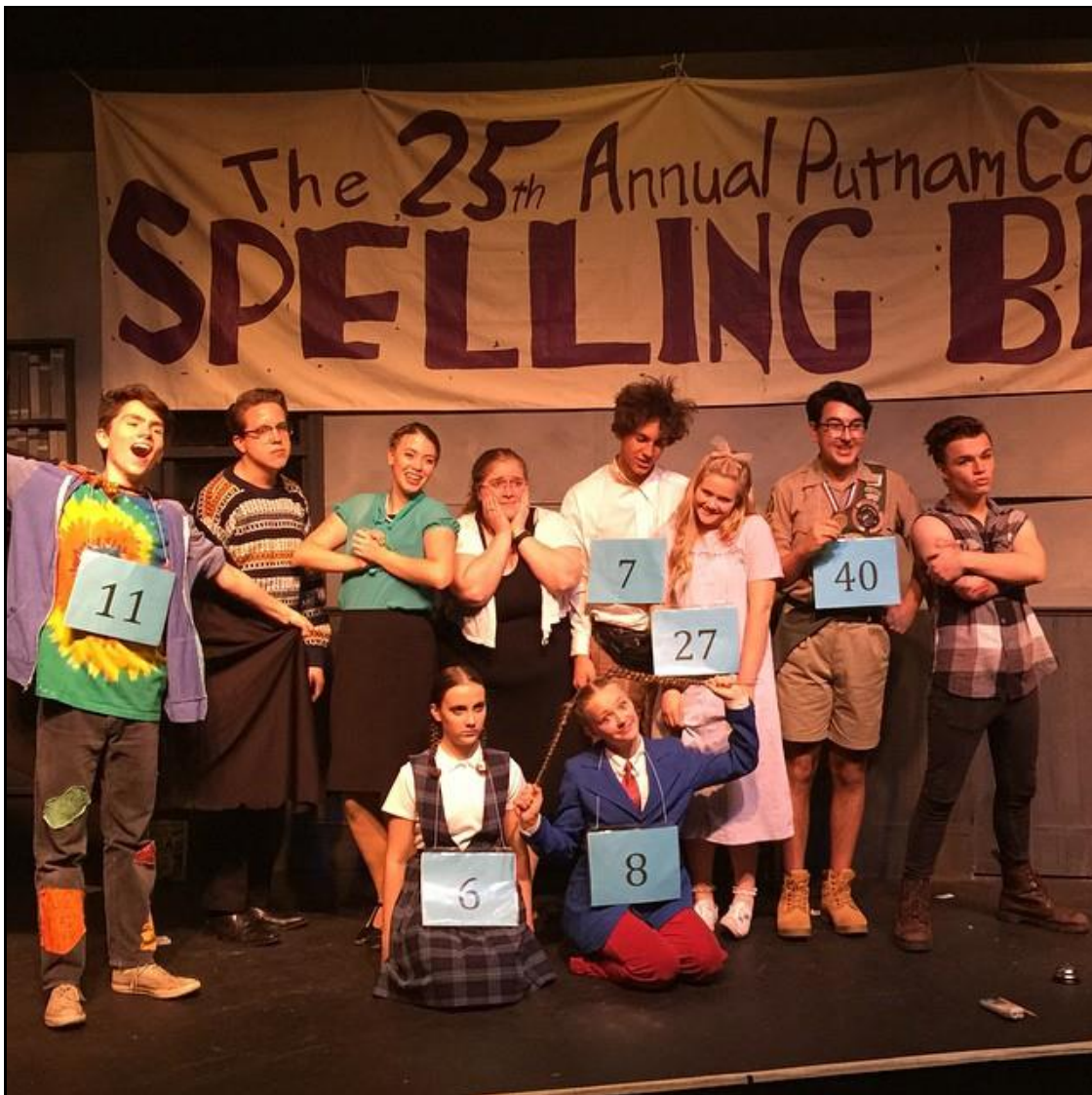
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The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Chip Tolentino: Elias Sabbagh
Logainne Schwartzandgrubenniere: Peyton Woolf
Leaf Coneybear: Stokely Berg
William Barfee: Patrick Steward
Marcy Park: Kendra Richards
Olive Ostrovsky: Elyssa Blonder
Rona Lisa Perretti: Greta Perlmutter
Vice Principal Douglas Panch: Austin Kreitler
Mitch Mahoney: Spencer Claus



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Willy Wonka

Early Cast

Ashlyn Beckman: Grandma Josephina/Oompa Loompa
Avery Beckman: Grandma Georgina/Oompa Loompa
Natalie Blum: Mrs. Bucket/Oompa Loompa
Gemma Booker: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Stephanie Burger: Grandpa George/Oompa Loompa
Kate Corpstein: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Jacoby Dee: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Grace Dimond: Willy Wonka & Candy Man
Wyatt Eastman: Grandpa Joe
Chantel Frankson: Ms. Beauregrade (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Adelina Grotenhuis: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Zak Habul: Augustus Gloop (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Zana Habul: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Olivia Hizme: Veruca Salt (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Jenna Hollerbach: Ms. Teavee (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Sebastian Jablonski: Augustus Gloop (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Ally Koepfel: Veruca Salt (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Macey Logan: Phineous Trout/Oompa Loompa
Ava Maloney: Mrs. Gloop
Sydney Mishkin: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Rachel Nathan: Violet Beauregrade (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Amanda Norris: Ms. Teavee (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Brynlee Nowack: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Bo O'Brasky: Mike Teavee
Te'a Pagano: Matilda/Squirrel
Nora Palermo: Violet Beauregrade (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Elle Paterson: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Emily Pawluk: Mrs. Salt
Paige Presley: Jamie/Oompa Loompa
Emily Ref: Charlie Bucket (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Lauren Reilly: Ms. Beauregrade (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Kali Lev Shaham: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Katelyn Sullivan: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Isaac Speyer: Charlie Bucket (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Nathan Sullivan: Mr. Bucket/Oompa Loompa

Late Cast

Rehearsal from 6-8pm & Performing Saturday Nights and Sundays
Grace Allen: Phineous Trout (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Abby Bare: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Lauren Bulter: Mrs. Salt (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Austin Butler: Willy Wonka (Opening Cast)/Grandpa Joe (Closing Cast)
Katrina Butler: Mrs. Gloop (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Kelly Ciardullo: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Petra Danek: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Helena Dorris: Ms. Teavee (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Abigail Fadeley: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Lillian Fadeley: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Isabela Farmer-Bonilla: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Drew Flanagan: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Dayna Hall: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Walter Hall: Mike Teavee (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Amarayah Hare: Grandma Georgina (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Sydney Hassler: Matilda (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Carter Hurlburt: Grandpa George (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)

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Caitlyn Keenan: Ms. Teavee (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Camille Keenan: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Sadie Krotonsky: Violet Beauregrade (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Jared Lara: Ausgustus Gloop (Opening Cast)/Willy Wonka (Closing Cast)
Jordan Lara: Grandpa George (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Sam Markson: Mike Teavee (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Hunter Martoccia: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Hallie Merrill: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Brianna Mickelson: Grandma Josephina (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Tabitha Momeyer: Mrs. Gloop (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Ryan Morales: James/Oompa Loompa
Niamh Murphy: Ms. Beauregrade (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Kylee Novack: Matilda (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Ceili Olney: Phineous Trout (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Luke Olney: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Amanda Ortega: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Grace Pham: Ms. Beauregrade (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Griffin Raia: Candy Kid/Squirrel
Josephine Raia: Grandma Josephina (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Style Ranger: Mr. Bucket
Ashley Rhoads: Mrs. Bucket
Ariana Rodriguez: Grandma Georgina (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Annabella Rosciglione: Mrs. Salt (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Allie Rose: Grandpa Joe (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Jamie Villarreal: Veruca Salt (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Devyn Wallace: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Macie Wilbur: Violet Beauregrade (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Hudson Wilcox: Augustus Gloop (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Jaxon Wilcox: Charlie Bucket (Closing Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Opening Cast)
Sydney Wolfert: Candy Kids/Oompa Loompa
Jack Yampolsky: Charlie Bucket (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)
Jaden Yonover: Veruca Salt (Opening Cast)/Candy Kid & Oompa Loompa (Closing Cast)



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Into the Woods

THE SHOW:

Life is full of trips into the woods – dangerous places where there are no sure-and-fast answers, confronting challenges that will define us and make us stronger. If they don't kill us. This story follows a Baker and his wife attempting to have a child by removing the witch's curse. The Witch requires four items in order to have the curse reversed – a cloak as red as blood (like Little Red Ridinghood might wear), a cow as white as milk (Jack may sell his bovine best friend for beans), hair as gold as corn (see Rapunzel), and a slipper pure as gold (*a la* Cinderella). Thus a Grimm scavenger hunt ensues, affecting the adventures of all the characters as they brave the woods.



Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine's musical uses the power of fairy tales brilliantly, weaving the first act into a happy-ever-after ending with familiar moral teachings, and then delving into new moral ambiguity and uncertainty in the second act as we explore what happens *after* happily ever after.

THE PRODUCTION:

Greasepaint Youtheatre restages this one just months before the highly anticipated Disney film version is released, and they whet the appetite further with a strong production. Director **Ross Collins** has a great vision for the show and the moments in the woods. Visual touches are highlighted by some good costumes from **Benjamin Bozovich**, **Dale Nakagawa**'s lighting penetrating through the trees, and **Eric Beeck**'s gorgeous scenic design that features detailed homes of the main characters, a cool-looking stone tower for Rapunzel, and magnificent trees towering above out of sight centered by the grave of Cinderella's mother. When a dramatic *thud* changes the course of all their lives with the crash of the beanstalk, autumn leaves fall from the unseen branches above.

The deeply talented cast is led by **Jacob Shore** as the Baker and **Becca Bauer** as the Baker's Wife, the twosome keeping the fairy tale grounded with their relationship and personalities, shining together in a playful *It Takes Two* number. In the second act Becca does a nice job with her *Moments in the Woods*, and Jacob delivers some powerful moments as he begs for Cinderella's help, nears his breaking point with the Mysterious Man (**Alex Tuchi**) in *No More*, and trying to be the father figure Jack desperately wants in *No One is Alone*. The role of the Witch is double-cast, with **Emily Benoit** in this cast joining adopted daughter Rapunzel (**Johnna Watson**) in a great performance of *Stay With Me*, and later Emily setting an ominous tone with the *Last Midnight*. Cinderella, also double-cast, had **Celine Sanel** this night, performing with easy, nicely subtle comedy in the first act and excelling in the more dramatic moments whether reacting to a slap in the face or letting go of a dream for which she no longer wished.

The last double-cast role featured **Caroline Noonan** with a fantastic performance as Little Red, whether being humorously bloodthirsty or bratty, or frightened and sad when things are at their darkest. **Andrey Lull** is likewise amazing as a sensitive, devoted, at times excited (especially at the prospect of a pet piggy), and a little dumb as young Jack who can seriously frustrate his weary mother (**Macy Wood**). **Jacob Emmett** and **Hale Stewart** make a great team as Cinderella's and Rapunzel's charming and quirky princes whose dating lives leave them in *Agony*, the charismatic **Tony Julian** is amusing with a huge, creepy fake grin as a wolf in Granny's clothing, **Cami Benton** is our tour guide-ish Narrator, and **Patrick Steward** plays his namesake role as the uppity and dangerously staff-wielding Prince's Steward. Cinderella's family is a mean but particularly funny lot with **Sarah Linck** as



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the wicked Stepmother, **Sophia Drapeau** and **Anna Sera** as the ugly stepsisters, and **Thomas Stewart** as the paternally useless biological father as opposed to the gentle spirit of her mother, **Katie Rodin**. And master puppeteer **Lexa Rose** works a full-body cow puppet as an endearing and hopelessly romantic Milky White.

The entire cast works together extremely well through the show's comedy and drama and challenging Sondheim music, combining for a memorable journey through the woods.

Performed September 12 - 21, 2014

Photos by Barry Smith

Rob Hopper
Executive Director
National Youth Arts

Baker: Jacob Shore
Baker's Wife: Becca Bauer
Cinderella's Prince: Jacob Emmett
Rapunzel's Prince: Hale Stewart
Wolf: Tony Julian
Jack: Andrey Lull
Mysterious Man: Alex Tuchi
Prince's Steward: Patrick Stewart
Cinderella's Father: Thomas Stewart
Narrator: Cami Benton
Witch: Bailey Smith / Emily Benoit
Rapunzel: Johnna Watson
Cinderella: Alyssa Gonzales / Celine Sanel
Cinderella's Mother: Katie Rodin
Cinderella's Stepmother: Sarah Linck
Stepsister Florinda: Sophia Drapeau
Stepsister Lucinda: Anna Sera
Jack's Mother: Macy Wood
Little Red: Allison Stewart / Caroline Noonan
Granny/Milky White: Lexa Rose

Director: Colin Ross
Stage Manager: Rebecca Courtney
Musical Director/Orchestra Conductor:
Mary Ellen Reese Loose
Costume Designer: Benjamin Bozovich
Set Designer: Eric Beeck
Lighting Designer: Dale Nakagawa
Sound Designer: Pete Bish
Props Designer: Maureen Dias



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Seussical the Musical

Horton: Tanner Van Parys
Mayzie: Cami Benton
Cat In The Hat: Hale Stewart
Gertrude: Katy Sprowls
JoJo: Zachary Denious
Bird Girls:
Maddie Alfano
Addison Bowman
Greer Tornquist
General Schmitz: Jacob Emnett
Sour Kangaroo: Briana Fleming
Baby Kangaroo: Riley Herrera
Mayor: Kyle Hoffmaster
Mayor's Wife: Grace Elsie
Wickershams:
Patrick Steward
Keegan Luther
Jake Bonar
Grinch: Brooke Herrera
Vlad Vladikov: Olivia Parker Swenson
Yertle The Turtle: Kathrine Wilhelmsen
Baby Elephant: Lily Rusoo
Cindy Lou Who: Ellie Sachs
Who Ensemble:
Rachael Rawicz
Simone Rawicz
Matthew Steward
Owen Stewart
Sophie Swinger
Mackenzie Campbell
Kameron Cochrane
Avi Angel
London Angel
Emily Ref
Kendall Luther
Jungle Ensemble:
Becca Bauer
Gret a Perlmutter
Gage Walker Bradford
Emma Dabill
Sierra Gorla
Taylor Herrera
Elizabeth Karlsson
Bebe Katsenes
Berkeley Lock
Anna Sera
Eden Tornquist

Director: Dale Nakagawa
Musical Director: J'Ana de la Torre
Choreographer: Laurie Trygg
Set Designer: Brent Coatney
Costume Designer: Rhea & Mickey Courtney
Props Designer: Ellie Steward
Lighting Designer: Travis Juaregi
Sound Designer: Pete Bish



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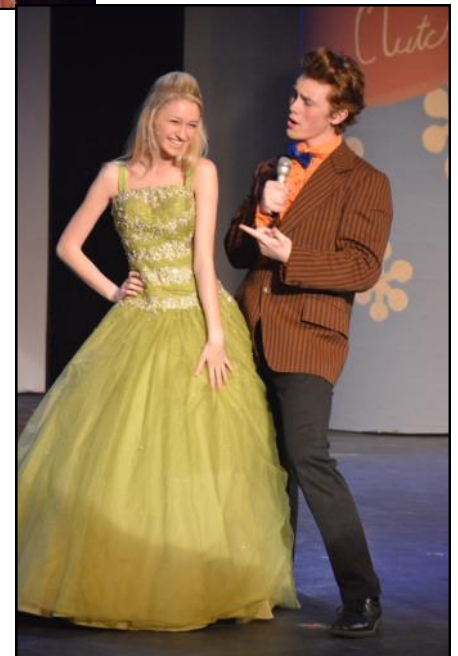


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Hairspray

Tracy Turnblad: Breagh Watson
Corny Collins: Hale Stewart
Link Larkin: Jacob Emnett
Edna Turnblad: Jack Rose
Penny Pingleton: Liz Grannis
Velma Von Tussle: Ali Getz/Cami Benton
Amber Von Tussle: Barrette Janney
Seaweed J Stubbs: Trevon Powell
Little Inez: Zoe Rollon
Motormouth Maybelle: Aneva McDaniel
Wilbur Turnblad: Thomas Steward
Prudy Pingleton/Gym Teacher/Matron: Alyssa Gonzalez
Council Members:
Tammy: Tatumn Zale
Brad: Adam Hays
Fender: Austin Kreitler
Brenda (Dance Captain): Taylor Penn
Sketch: Jefferson Yanovitch
Shelly (Dance Captain): Johnna Watson
IQ: Connor Baker
Lou Ann: Paige Michelet
Dynamites:
TroyElan Richardson
Tiffany Gordon
Arianna Williams
Mr. Pinky: Griffin Siroky
Harriman F Spritzer: Griffin Fletcher
Gilbert: Clay Rollon
Cindy Watkins: Dynasty Raines
Lorraine: Savannah Thompson
Duane: Carlos Solano
Ensemble:
Taylor Davis
Patrick Steward
Gracie Doan
Mariah Gill
Briana Shaw
Monica Madden
Katie Rodin
Ashlyn Zale

Director: Colin Ross
Musical Director: Jenn Whiting
Choreographer: Emily Starrett
Set Designer: Larry Siroky
Costume Designer: Ben Bozovich
Lighting Designer: Dale Nakagawa
Sound Designer: Pete Bish
Props Designer: Ellie Steward



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Hairspray (cont.)



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Beauty and the Beast

Narrator: Griffin Fletcher
Beggar Woman/Enchantress: Allison Steward
Young Prince: Hayden Skaggs
Belle: Johnna Watson
Le Fou: Thomas Steward
Gaston: Keegan Luther
Maurice: Clay Rollon
Lumiere: Adam Hays
Cogsworth: Hale Stewart
Mrs. Potts: Emily Benoit
Chip: Sophie Swingler/Lilly Russo
Babette: Celine Sanel
The Beast: Zachary Guerrero
Madame La Bouche: Anna Sera
Monsieur D'Arque:
The Prince: Hank Woods

Silly Girls:

Liz Grannis
Gabi Johnson
Bebe Katsenes

Gaston's Cronies:

Zach Denious
Ben Davis
Sean Lillis
Griffin Fletcher

Village Ensemble:

Cate Labas
Zoe Rollon
Hayden Skaggs
Matthew Steward
Allison Steward
Katharine Wilhelmsen
Hank Woods

Enchanted Ensemble:

Camille Bischoff
Gracie Doan
Kyle Hoffmaster
Noelle Krugman
Sophia Penn
Raechel Rawicz
Simone Rawicz
Ellie Sachs
Aubrie Silva
Declan Skaggs
Wren Smetana
Tommy Zachar

Director: Tracy Bailey Bennett
Choreographer: Dale Nakagawa
Musical Director: Mary Ellen Reese Loose
Costume Designers: Jean Aiken, Mardi Gras
Lighting Designer: Bob Nelson
Set Designer: Jeff Sachs
Sound Designer: Pete Bish
Props Designer: Maria Amorocho



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Beauty and the Beast (cont.)



Liberty High School

[title of show]

THE SHOW:

Music and lyrics by Jeff Bowen, Book by Hunter Bell.

The “Let’s put on a show!” concept received a modern overhaul with this one-act musical that is a self-portrait of a writer and lyricist/composer friend in the act of creating this very show. The roommates, Jeff and Hunter (or *Two Nobodies in New York*), are in a rush to put something together for entry in the New York Musical Theatre Festival, and they get this idea of writing a musical about writing this musical. They recruit their two actress friends, Heidi and Susan, to help them work out and act out the show as they go along, while in the background Mary accompanies with the music that Jeff is creating. What is created is a clever musical comedy filled with situations that everyone who has dabbled in the arts will recognize all too well with numbers that include *Untitled Opening Number*, *The Tony Award Song*, *Filling Out the Form*, *Secondary Characters*, and the *Finale*.



THE PRODUCTION:

With a cast of four principals and one background actor on a piano, there aren’t many opportunities to do this one in youth theatre, but Liberty High School in Peoria staged this one directed by **Jessica Holt**. It’s a show that will only work with four terrific talents, and they have that with this collection of actors who all inhabit their characters with natural ease and impressive comedic instincts.

Phisher Ritter as writer Hunter and **Trey Degroodt** as lyricist Jeff have an effortless roommate relationship as the *Two Nobodies in New York* who quickly embrace their idea for *An Original Musical*. Their enthusiasm for their project and playful approach to it is infectious. They know their dreams for success are completely unlikely, and absolutely possible. As Susan, **Gabby Tuskan** is amazing leading the cast in a hilarious *Die Vampire, Die!*, trying to deal with insecurities, criticism, naysayers, and hoping to slay artistic self-doubt and despair. **Marley Degroodt** delivers a powerful tribute to trying to keep childhood dreams alive in *A Way Back To Then*. Together the girls are highly amusing as they size each other up in *What Kind of Girl is She?* and in trying to make the most out of their *Secondary Characters*. While **Rachel Esquibel** delivers a couple humorous moments as well as the accompanying tertiary character.

The tight ensemble plays off each other and complement each other throughout, even when they can’t stand each other during the *Awkward Photo Shoot* as relationship and professional tensions reach their climax, making the one-act fly by from the *Untitled Opening Number* to the *Finale*, and leaving you wanting more.

Performed October 2 - 4, 2014

Rob Hopper
Executive Director

Jeff: Trey DeGroodt
Hunter: Phisher Ritter
Heidi: Marley DeGroodt
Susan: Gabby Tuskan
Mary: Rachel Esquibel
Director: Jessica Holt
Set Designer: Morgan Metrailler
Lighting Designer: Daniel Dowd
Sound Designer: Jessica Holt
Costume Designer: Katie Petkowski



Liberty High School

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Marcos de Niza High School

The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens

Walter/Edward/James: TJ L'Heureux

Allegra: Carly Fiel

Tony: Dominic Bonelli

Justine: Alexandra Boles

Debra: Samantha Ryan

Roy: H-Tubtun Hernandez-Elenes

Connie: Peiton Bursh

Beatrice: Mercedes Zamora

Peggy Sue: Eliana Magallan

Lawrence: Mason Paschke

Hollister: Zack Mauck

Mrs. Vickers: Sabrina Rubio

Edith: Colleen Jacobson

Ina: Thalia Schneid

Director: Patrick McChesney

Lighting Designer: Donna Petersen

Sound Designer: Darin Shryock

Scenic Designer: Jeff Dobbs

Costume Designer: Beth Jacobson

Hair & Makeup Designer: Kleo Urbanowicz



Marcos de Niza High School

Footloose



THE SHOW:

The blockbuster 1984 movie *Footloose*, with its equally blockbuster soundtrack, were adapted for the stage by Dean Pitchford and Walter Bobbie. It's a story about the power of dance, freedom, family, and empathy, centering around high school senior Ren McCormack. When his father leaves, Ren and his mother are forced to move from the big city of Chicago to the little Podunk town of Bomont. A small town that greets outsiders with wary eyes. Especially wild, big-city, odd-named kids like Ren who like to dance – a forbidden activity since the death of a carload of teenagers following a night of dancing and drinking. And it's a prohibition that the controlling moral force in the town, Reverend Shaw Moore, is determined to enforce as if the souls of everyone, including his own, depended on it.

THE PRODUCTION:

Marcos de Niza High School turns Tempe into Bomont in part to a big assist from their remarkable scenic designer, **Jeff Dobbs**, whose many set pieces slide in and out from the sides and the rafters of their enormous theater space. The windowed-brick wall of the school hallway, the stained-glass church windows, the kitchen at Reverend Shaw's that is stuck in a more conservative era of the 50s, and an amazing bridge all combine to ground us in Ren's new town. Add to that an array of mid-80s clothes by **Beth Jacobson** (not to mention some huge, hilarious burger and hot dog hats for the fast food uniforms) and some nice lighting effects by **Donna Petersen** complete the visuals in Director **Patrick McChesney's** production.



J. Cole Shryock is Ren, increasingly frustrated with the suspicious reception he faces in Bomont, increasingly captivated by Reverend Shaw's daughter Ariel, and a charismatic leader with some dance moves in the first act finale of *I'm Free/Heaven Help Me*. **Eliana Magallan** is said Ariel with strong vocals and perfectly comfortable as the sassy and rebellious preacher's kid, but also with a very real and effective response when she's embarrassed to be surprised by her father at an awkward moment with her bad-boy boyfriend (**Ian Winters**). **H-Tubtun Hernandez-Elenes** is Reverend Shaw played as a man with anger over his devastating loss constantly simmering beneath his righteous persona, and his mix of wavering voice and stunned silence when Ren forces him to realize this is powerful.

Just a few of the other highlights include a riveting performance by Shaw's wife Vi by **Peiton Bursh** who delivers a moving *Can You Find It In Your Heart*. Vi, Ariel, and Ren's mother Ethel (**Sara Higginbotham** with an impressive performance as Mom) also sing a poignant *Learning to be Silent*. **Zach Mauck** is a hoot as Willard quoting his mama with his amusing nerd friends and learning how to dance. His potential girlfriend Rusty, **Samantha Ryan**, leads a fun *Let's Hear it for the Boy* and works great as a friend trio with **Samantha Zangari** and **Jordan Scott**. **Colleen Jacobson** has a humorous cameo as the quirky burger joint owner.

Marcos de Niza High School

Footloose (cont.)

While the cast as a whole shines as they sing and dance to the music performed by their excellent school orchestra, kicking up their feet to **Amanda Paige's** challenging, original, and fantastic choreography.

Performed March 4-7, 2015

Photos by Rick Riley

Rob Hopper
Executive Director
National Youth Arts

Ren: J. Cole Shryock
Ariel: Eliana Magallan
Willard: Zach Mauck
Rusty: Samantha Ryan
Wendi Jo: Samantha Zangari
Urleen: Jordan Scott
Chuck: Ian Winters
Travis: Joseph Powell
Lyle: Samuel De la Ossa
Jeter: Spencer Schor
Bickie: Riley Schof
Garvin: Liam Mitsis
Shaw: H-Tubtun Hernandez-Elenes
Vi: Peiton Bursh
Ethel: Sara Higginbotham
Lulu: Mercedes Zamora
Wes: Jose-Enrique Saldana
Coach: Roldano Rangel
Principal: Chase Leito
Eleanor: Sofia Reyes
Betty: Colleen Jacobson
Ensemble:
Victoria Bennett
Dominic Bonelli
Michael Cruz
Carly Fiel
Judith Gadau
Gina Hoyt
Delaney Lee
Aubrey Reynolds
Thalia Schneid
Clark Shaeffer
Rebecca Spindler
Jaylon Williams
Peter Wilson

Director: Patrick McChesney
Music Director: Darin Shryock
Pit Orchestra Conductor: Drew Erickson
Choreographer: Amanda Paige
Stage Manager: Savannah Farnsworth
Lighting Designer: Donna Petersen
Sound Designer: Darin Shryock
Scenic Designer: Jeff Dobbs



Marcos de Niza High School

Footloose (cont.)

Costume Designer: Beth Jacobson

Piano: Erik Whitehill

Clarinet: Casey Silva

Bass Clarinet: Jessica Mada

Alto Sax: Jonathan Fugate

Tenor Sax: Alayna Comer

Baritone Sax: Jessica Mada

Trombones: Diego Vasquez, Enrique Higgins

Trumpet: Laura Cheney

Bass: TJ L'Heureux

Guitar: Ariel Rendon

Percussion:

Hannah Maney

Jason George

Elijah David

Drums: TJ Miller



Musical Theatre of Anthem

The Pied Piper of Hamelin

THE SHOW:

Book and Lyrics by Evan Thompson and Joan Shepard, Music and Additional Lyrics by Joe Bousard, Based on the poem by Robert Browning.

The legend goes that in the year 1284, the German town of Hamelin was overrun by rats when the mysterious piper dressed in multi-colored clothes arrived. He claimed he could lead the rats from the village. The mayor promised the town would pay him for the service, but after the Pied Piper led the rats away by playing a magical tune, the townspeople wouldn't pay the piper. For this, the Pied Piper played his tune again and led all their children away. This new incarnation of the tale features highly entertaining comedy and characters along with a marvelous musical score that introduces us to the quirky townspeople and the mysterious piper.



THE PRODUCTION:

Musical Theatre of Anthem gave this new show its debut, with **Laura O'Meara** directing a production that is spellbinding from start to finish. The show looks as adorable as it is with some nice backgrounds of quaint town settings, costumes by **Lorraine Bousard**, and very cute and detailed hair-braiding. And their cast of ages 6 to 13 is equally cute and detailed, putting on a remarkably polished production after just a few days of intensive summer rehearsals.

Fifth grade student **Jacob Blalack** is The Pied Piper, called to help the town through a Charm, arriving with confidence and swagger and salesmanship as he assures them he can rid their town of rats for the reward they've offered. Which indeed he does with some good singing of a mesmerizing *The Land of Anywhere*. A song he'll reprise when the town balks at paying him the promised fee – *A Thousand Guilders*.

Parker Gates shines as Peter, one of the older kids in town hobbled by a lame foot but with a sharp mind intent on helping the town and gaining the affection of Gretchen. Extremely talented **Davin Kallevig** is said Gretchen, a precocious girl who leads the effort to bring the magical piper to town with the assistance of her gorgeous singing. And the town is filled with an assortment of other colorful characters including **Lucas Kucera** as the Lord Mayer Gerhard Gseundheit, **Emma Suttell** as his amusing materialistic wife Lena who can easily breeze through a thousand guilders as she leads a memorable *Shopping* trip, the judicious Herr Ottendorfer (**Trevor Kimball**), and police chief Colonel Klaus Krankenfuss (**Garrett Hale**) whose attempt to arrest the rats goes awry.

The cast kicks it all off with a determined and amusing *Down with the Rats* choreographed by **Danielle Cicogna**, and they keep the humor and charm up right on through to *The Other Side*, all adding much personality to their various characters as desperate citizens, imaginative children, greedy townspeople, and eventually repentant townspeople who learned a few valuable lessons along the way.

Performed June 20-22, 2014

Rob Hopper
Executive Director
National Youth Arts



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The Pied Piper of Hamelin (cont.)

The Pied Piper/Carolla's Father: Jacob Blalack

Lina Gesundheit: Emma Suttell

Gerhard Gesundheit: Lucas Kucera

Peter: Parker Gates

Gretchen: Davin Kallevig

Otto Ottendorfer: Trevor Kimball

Olga Ottendorfer: Erin Burgard

Colonel Klaus Krankenfuss: Garrett Hale

Katrina Krankenfuss: KyLeigh Montgomery

Heidi: Kate Creed

Heidi's Mother: Brooke Wells

Carolla/Dance Captain: Ashley Davelaar

Carolla's Mother: Mia Maldonado

Liesel: Macy Wood

Liesel's Mother: Kathryn Maddox

Hermina: Maya Iniguez

Hermina's Mother: Miranda Monterrubio

Hilde: Mackenzie Lee

Hilde's Mother: Kaily Bauer

Suzi Krankenfuss: Julia Hughes

Hansi Krankenfuss: Noelle Hammond

Franzi Krankenfuss: Lennon Hammond

Anna Ottendorfer: Grace Waltermire

Producer: Jackie Hammond

Director: Laura O'Meara

Vocal Director and Live Accompanist: Joe Bousard

Choreographer: Danielle Cicogna

Costume Designer: Lorraine Bousard

Light Designer/Technician: Sonia Tomaso

Based on the poem by Robert Browning

Book and Lyrics: Evan Thompson and Joan Shepard

Music and Additional Lyrics: Joe Bousard



Musical Theatre of Anthem

Into the Woods

Narrator: Angel Morris
Cinderella: Julia Davis
Jack: Michael Hoover
Jack's Mother: Ann Emilie Tjorhom
Baker: Mason Reeves
Baker's Wife: Taylor Ellsworth
Cinderella's Stepmother: Mattae Kelly
Florinda: Samantha Pear
Lucinda: Jessica Kishbaugh
Cinderella's Father: DevinLeming
Little Red Ridinghood: Lily Castle
Witch: Maggie Eley
Cinderella's Mother: Sonia Tomaso
Mysterious Man: Harald Tjorhom
Cinderella's Prince/Wolf: Alex Martinez
Granny: Chassidy Daly
Rapunzel: Ashley Renee
Rapunzel's Prince: Nicholas Gearing
Steward: Tyler Adams
Giant: Jayda Mendiola
Snow White: Kalie Stone
Sleeping Beauty: Ava Tyson
Ensemble:
Holly Chavet
Taylor Church
Alek Gomez
Ollie LeClerc
Logan Peiman
Allison Ross
Tor Christian Tjorhom

Director: Jim Gradillas
Vocal Director: Cris Wo
Choreographer: Shawna Weitekamp
Lighting Designer: Tammy Chavet
Sound Designer: Brian Sosnowski
Costume Designer: Trixie Wilmott



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Into the Woods (cont.)



Musical Theatre of Anthem

Charlotte's Web

Fern Arable: Savannah Foy
John Arable: Sam Baldwin
Martha Arable: Korra Reed
Avery Arable: Brody Wurr
Homer Zuckerman: Jacob Blalack
Edith Zuckerman: Emma Suttel
Lurvy: Erik Rosenbaum
Wilbur: TJ Rossi
Templeton: Chris Poullos
Charlotte: Julia Toussaint
Goose: Erin Burgard
Gander: Garrett Hale
Sheep: Alexis Rosenbaum
Lamb: Ashley Bragg
Bat: Grace Davis
Owl: Ava Siegel
Spinnerets:
Ashley Davelaar
Camille Jones
Ava Snee
Cat: McKenna Carlson
Cows:
Amanda Brown
Emma Cureton
Chickens:
Brienne Hope
Davin Kallevig
Goats:
Corrina Tapley
Brooke Wells
Horse: Maya Galeano
Townpeople:
Rylan Anderson
Kaily Bauer
Grace Davis
Kathryn Maddox
Lexi Markoutsis
Gracie Milliken
Kyleigh Montgomery
Ava Siegel
Shea Warren
Emily Wayne
Sela Zakula
Reporter: Amanda Brown
Photographer: Emma Cureton
Barker: Maya Galeano
Concessionaire: Brooke Wells
Woman Fairgoer: Kyleigh Montgomery
Child of Woman Fairgoer: Brienne Hope
Race Sack Children:
McKenna Carlson
Davin Kallevig
1st Woman Fairgoer: Kathryn Maddox
2nd Woman Fairgoer: Sela Zakula
Girl Fairgoer: Emily Wayne
Farmer: Lexi Markoutsis



Official: Corrina Tapley
1st Spectator: Ava Siegel
2nd Spectator: Grace Davis
Judges:
Rylan Anderson
Grace Milliken
1st Fairgoer: Camille Jones
2nd Fairgoer: Ashley Davelaar
3rd Fairgoer: Ava Snee
Announcer: Kaily Bauer
Uncle: Shea Warren
1st Spider: Brienne Hope
2nd Spider: Davin Kallevig
3rd Spider: McKenna Carlson

Director: Laura O'Meara
Vocal Director: Joe Bousard
Choreographer: Sherry Henderson
Costume Designer: Karin Ikesaki
Lighting Designer: Brian Sosnowski
Sound Designer: Sonia Tomaso

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Magic Treehouse: Dinosaurs Before Dark

Red Pine/Ankylosaurus Narrator: Tatum Alford
Red Pine/Troodon: Abby Bashaar
Hemlock/Iguanodon Narrator: Alyssa Bashaar
Red Pine Ankylosaurus/Dinosaur Solo 1:
Nathaniel Below
Sapling/Protoceratops: Anastasia Besana
Hemlock/Terri: Lexirose Blanz
Red Pine/Troodon Narrator: Lizzie Bonifasi
Stump/Protoceratops: Adrianna Cioffi
Red Pine/Joan: Kate Creed
Sapling/Baby Dinosaur: Emma Daly
Annie: Mary Davis
Red Pine/Ankylosaurus: Daniela DeMarco
Otto/Ankylosaurus: Raegan Etnyre
Sapling/Baby Dinosaur: Sofia Graves
Sapling/Baby Dinosaur: Lennon Hammond
Hemlock/Gary: Noelle Hammond
Hemlock/Panoplosaurus: Inkeri Holappa
Jack: Tyler Hrabina
Red Pine/Natty: Julia Hughes
Hemlock/Larry: Libby Ikesaki
Red Pine/Troodon: JJ Kipp
Hemlock/Panoplosaurus: Bon Wyatt Lamphere
Hemlock/Iguanodon Narrator: Conor Maloney Devere
Sapling/Protoceratops: Kaili Maloney-Devere
Hemlock/Iguanodon: Isabelle McCoy
Sapling/Baby Dinosaur: Vanessa McLean
Red Pine/Ankylosaurus/Dinosaur Solo 2: Gracie Palmer
Red Pine/Susan: Sydnee Pelchat
Sapling/Baby Dinosaur: Colleen Sasser
Hemlock/Panoplosaurus Narrator: Alexis Shaw
Sapling/Protoceratops: Ayden Shaw
Sapling/Protoceratops Narrator: Rachel Stramanino
Sapling/Baby Dinosaur: Marlee Trent
Hemlock/Panoplosaurus: Paige VanDillen
Henry: Grace Waltermire
Red Pine/Troodon: Ella Westmoreland-Klidas

Director: Terri Scullin
Vocal Director: Jackie Hammond
Choreographer: Danielle Cicogna
Costume Designer: Karin Ikesaki
Lighting Designer: Sonia Tomaso
Sound Designer: Brian Sosnowski



Musical Theatre of Anthem

The Diary of Anne Frank



THE SHOW:

"For someone like me, it is a very strange habit to write in a diary. Not only that I have never written before, but it strikes me that later neither I, nor anyone else, will care for the outpouring of a thirteen-year-old schoolgirl."

For two years they lived in hiding from the Nazis, careful not to make a sound during the day when employees worked below them. One noise, one cough, one slip could give them all away. And that would mean being taken to the concentration camps, of which they'd already begun hearing about the deaths and the gas used to kill so many of their friends. Written by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett and further adapted by Wendy Kesselman, this show is a powerful stage adaptation of the diary kept by Anne Frank – a young teenage girl who in her fear found some solace in her writing, dreamt of being an author who would be useful and remembered after her death, and who, in spite of everything, managed to believe that people were really good at heart.

THE PRODUCTION:

Musical Theatre of Anthem staged a most powerful production of this show under the direction of **Laura O'Meara** with a talent-filled ensemble who make this historical event feel all too real and present from the opening moments of the show. It begins while the audience is still being seated, with their outside helpers Miep Gies (**Jessica Kishbaugh**) and Mr. Kraler (**Andre Akcelik**) making multiple trips into the hidden annex as they quietly load in the few supplies the families will need. When the lights go down there's the sound of the rain outside, and then the Frank family silently walk into what will be their home for the coming years, their sadness and fear palpable as they slowly take stock of their new world and what it means. It's a world that the performers all stayed in overnight during rehearsals, that they'll stay in silently during intermission just as they live when the office personnel work below them during the days, and where they won't leave until the show's end when they are led out by the Nazis and never return.

Zoe Tanton is an amazing Anne Frank, finding a way to break the tension as Anne did for her family with her infectious humor, optimism, and playful teasing, determined to still live and find laughter, struggling to control her sharp tongue as she grows through her teenage years, exploring romance with Peter, and facing the moments of fear. Her eyes always naturally convey so much



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The Diary of Anne Frank (cont.)

whether curled up in happiness, narrowed in anger, or wide with fear. Her monologue when woken by a nightmare of seeing her best friend Hanneli in a concentration camp is devastating. As her mother Edith Frank, **Ann Emilie Tjorhom** is rivetingly real with a shadow of fear and dread that almost never goes away, her reactions to her husband and her daughters (including Anne preferring her father's company, and Anne finally being supportive of her), and dealing with the Van Daans are always deeply felt and magnified by her constant dread. You also fear that dread with **Ava Tyson** as Anne's older sister Margot, quiet and reserved by nature, and sharing some nice moments with her sister and mother. **Nicholas Gearing**, the only adult actor in the show, is fantastic as the father, husband, and leader of the group trying to say the right things to keep them all alive. His closing monologue after the war is full of pain, shock, and irretrievable loss.



They share the annex with the Van Daans and Mr. Dussel. **Nick McHatton** and **Emily Spets** are great as Mr. and Mrs. Van Daan, Nick as a sometimes frustrated father, husband, and neighbor who nails an unspoken but seen sense of guilt when having to sell his wife's fur coat as well as the embarrassment when he is caught stealing food. Emily is hilarious with her flirting and awkward frankness, as well as touching with her fear of discovery, hurt at losing her coat, and comforting of her distraught husband. **Michael Hoover** does a nice job as the awkward Peter who slowly thaws to Anne leading to a humorous first date and later an easy friendship. **Jeremy Neiss** is the newcomer dentist who adds drama as he tells them of the horrors going on outside the annex and some humor as the gruff and sometimes grumpy dentist dealing with the talkative Anne.

The scene when they are discovered is brilliantly and heartbreakingly performed, from the easy and happy enjoyment of each other's company and the rare treat of strawberries, to their genuine terror as each reacts to the sudden arrival of the soldiers – the shock, the tearful race to follow barked orders as they rush to grab a couple belongings, and the hopelessness as they desperately try to find any comfort in each other amidst the confusion of the moment and the sense of certainty over their fate.

Performed January 8-11, 2015

Rob Hopper
Executive Director

Anne Frank: Zoe Tanton
Otto Frank: Nicholas Gearing
Edith Frank: Ann Amilie Tjorhom
Margot Frank: Ava Tyson
Miep Gies: Jessica Kishbaugh
Peter Van Daan: Michael Hoover
Mr. Kraler: Andre Akcelik
Mrs. Van Daan: Emily Spets
Mr. Van Daan: Nick McHatton
Mr. Dussel: Jeremy Neiss
First Man: Harald Tjorhom
Second Man: Keegan Hughes
Third Man: Tor Christian Tjorhom



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The Diary of Anne Frank (cont.)

Director: Laura O'Meara

Costume Designers: Mickey and Rhea Courtney

Hair and Make-up Designer: Jacob Hamilton

Light Designer/Technician/Sound: Sonia Tomaso

Sound: Dan Moses Schreier

Producer: Jackie Hammond

Production Manager: Sarah Brayer



Musical Theatre of Anthem

Disney's Sleeping Beauty

Guard: Abby Bashaar
Bunny: Abigail Patton
Fumpfel: Adrianna Cioffi
Bunny: Anna Bradford
Guard: Alexis Shaw
Goon Chorus: Anora Biggs
Lady Bug: Ayden Shaw
Featured Magic Now Dancer/Blue Mama Bird: Carys Gloeckler
Featured Frog: Colleen Sasser
Briar Rose/Princess Aurora: Ellie Kunnari
Fairy Chorus: Emily Warner
King Stefan: Erick Gates
Lady Bug: Giada Rossi
Fauna: Grace Waltermire
Goon Chorus: Gracie Palmer
Featured Magic Now Dancer/Red Mama Bird: Haley Russeth
Raccoon: Hannah Kring
Bunny: Isabelle McCoy
Frog: Jared Kipp
Stench: Kate Creed
Fairy Chorus: Kayden Solomon
Frog: Keegan Oglesby
Blue Baby Bird: Kendall Rossi
Maleficent: Keyah Lee
Young Prince Phillip/Frog: Lennon Hammond
Merryweather: Lexirose Blanz
Owl: Libby Ikesaki
Pest: Lizzie Bonifasi
Goon Chorus: Mackenzie Bailey
Red Baby Bird: Madeline Lowry-Wells
Goon Chorus: Madison Angelo
Fairy Chorus: Marlee Trent
Bumble Bee: Marlie Torres
Guard: McCartney Weisensee
Blather: Nathaniel Below
King Hubert: Nick Angelo
Flora: Noelle Hammond
Bumble Bee: Paige VanDillen
Yellow Baby Bird: Paloma Iniguez
Queen Stephanie: Raegan Etnyre
Guard: Riley Newcum
Featured Magic Now Dancer/Skunk: Sage Sollars
Lady Bug: Sierra Cowan
Featured Magic Now Dancer/Yellow Mama Bird: Sydnee Pelchat
Prince Phillip: Tyler Hrabina
Fairy Chorus: Vanessa Hughes
Fairy Chorus: Vanessa McLean
Raccoon: Veronica DeLaRosa
Director: Cydney Trent
Vocal Director: Ginette Rossi
Choreographer: Sarah Brayer
Costume Designers: Peggy Sullivan, Alissa Hurst
Lighting Designer: Sonia Tomaso
Sound Designer: Brian Sosnowski
Scenic Designer: John Trent



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CATS

Alonzo: Samantha Kunselman
Bill Bailey: Sonia Tomaso
Bombalurina: Maggie Eley
Bustopher Jones/Pouncival: Michael Hoover
Carbucketty: Julia Toussaint
Cassandra: Sarah Brayer
Coricopat/Ghengis: Samantha Pear
Demeter: Taylor Ellsworth
Electra: Daniella Smith
Etcetera: Emma Ribadeneira
Exotica: Mattea Kelly
George: Jessica Kishbaugh
Grizabella: Jayda Mendiola
Gus/Growltiger/Tumblebrutus: Nick McHatton
Jellylorum/Griddlebone: Julia Davis
Jemima: Grace Davis
Jennyanydots (Gumbie Cat): Deserae McCall
Macavity/Acrocat: Brianna Novicki
Mister Mistoffelees: Jose Soto
Mungojerrie: Brody Wurr
Munkustrap: Jacob Hamilton
Old Deuteronomy: Alex Martinez
Plato: Erin Burgard
Quaxo: Jeremy Neiss
Rum Rum Tugger: Rick Grimes
Rumpleteazer: Savannah Foy
Rumpus/Admetus: Lyndsie Clymer
Sillabub: Delaney McHatton
Skimbleshanks: Jacob Meyer
Tantomile: Ava Tyson
Victor: Alexis Rosenbaum
Victoria: Nicole Koster

Crew:

Jessica Kishbaugh
Sammi Kunselman
Rick Grimes
Jacob Hamilton
Nick McHatton
Jacob Meyer
Jeremy Neiss
Michael Hoover
Brody Wurr
Siamese Cats:
Juliet Besana
McKenna Carlson
Emma Cureton
Ashley Davelaar
Mary Davis
Garrett Hale
Molly Henderson
Julia Hughes
Maya Iniguez
Camille Jones
Sydney Pelchat
Christopher Poullos
Josie Sand



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CATS (cont.)

Madison Rossi

Featured Cats:

Haylye Antala

Vanessa Barajas

Annaliese Barlow

Alyssa Bashaar

Amanda Brown

Addi Drew

Ashley Drowne

Delanee Ehmann

Eva Fellner

Maya Galeano

Lindsey Hoover

Brienne Hope

Maygen Houghton

Skye Huff

Tami Jewell

Ashlyn Leming

Jaryn Leming

Regina Kipp

Caitlin McAndrew

Lexi Markoutsis

Gracie Milliken

Miranda Monterrubio

KyLeigh Montgomery

Haley Olson

Savannah Olson

Rebecca O'Neill

Logan Peiman

Sage Raczka

Korra Reed

Olivia Reidinger

Ava Siegel

Tatum Sosnowski

Emma Suttell

Corinna Tapley

Nicole Tkachuk

Summer Welsh

Kelly Williams

Sela Zakula

Director: Sherry Henderson

Co-Vocal Director: Jackie Hammond

Co-Vocal Director: Shawna Weitekamp

Choreographer: Sherry Henderson

Costume Designer: Karin Ikesaki

Lighting Designer: Daniel Kersh

Hair & Makeup Designer: Jacob Hamilton

Sound Designer: Brian Sosnowski



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CATS (cont.)



Musical Theatre of Anthem

The Wizard of Oz

Dorothy Gale: Julia Toussaint/Savannah Foy
Scarecrow/Hunk: Grace Davis/Erin Burgard
Tinman/Hickory: Corbin Blair/Ava Siegel
Cowardly Lion/Zeke: T.J. Rossi/Brody Wurr
Glinda (Good Witch): Alexis Rosenbaum/Carly Jacobs
Almira Gulch/Wicked Witch: Korra Reed/Tatum Sosnowski
Professor Marvel/Wizard of Oz: Jacob Blalack/Emma Suttell
Aunt Em: Grace Martinez/Avery Linder
Uncle Henry: Sam Baldwin/Garrett Hale
Mayor (Munchkin): Ellie Kunnari/Tyler Hrabina
Coroner (Munchkin)/Snowman (in Poppies): Noelle Hammond/Lexirose Blanz
Barrister (Munchkin): Vanessa Hughes/Anora Biggs
3 City Fathers (Munchkins):
1 Riley Newcum/Nicole Tkachuk
2 Marlee Trent/Anna Bradford
3 Emma Daly/Mcartney Weisensee
Lullaby League, Munchkins:
Kendall Rossi/Rileigh McDonough
Marlowe Dockter/Kylee Pelchat
Colleen Sasser/Paloma Iniguez
Lollipop Guild, Munchkins:
Lennon Hammond/Vanessa McLean
Cash Jones/Nathaniel Below
Conor Maloney-Devere/Ian McHatton
Fiddler (Munchkin): Ava Snee/Sydnee Pelchat
Braggart (Munchkin): Hannah Kring
2 School Teachers (Munchkins):
Amelia Champion/Kayden Solomon
Kate Crampton/Sage Sollars
Munchkins:
Ella Newcum/Veronica De La Rosa
Abigail Patton/Daniela DeMarco
Madison Lovell/Ava Jasper
Giada Rossi/ Jenna Trautman
Joslyn Momeyer/Addison Kuret
Kendalyn Cook
Kaili Maloney-Devere
Ryah Zakula
Olivia Borg
JJ Kipp
Marlie Torres
Oz Guard: Chris Poullos/Ian McHatton
Ozian Beauticians in Merry Old Land of Oz:
Mia Maldonado/Lyleigh Montgomery
Kate Crampton/Emily Warner
Julia Hughes/Elia Horine
Bailey Brown/Sage Sollars
Helena Honnen
Ozian Manicurists in Merry Old Land of Oz:
Amelia Champion/Ashley Bragg
Marlowe Dockter/Kayden Solomon
Grace Martinez/Rileigh McDonough
Jacquelyn Cook/Avery Linder
Ozian Polishers in Merry Old Land of Oz:
Hannah Baldwin/Grace Ostaff
Kyle Thompson/Kylee Pelchat



Musical Theatre of Anthem

The Wizard of Oz

Kendall Rossi/Paloma Iniguez
Vanessa Hughes/Ruby Carter
Kate Creed

Ozian in Balloon Ascension:

Ella Newcum/Veronica De La Rosa
Abigail Patton/Daniela DeMarco
Madison Lovell/Ava Jasper
Giada Rossi/Jenna Trautman
Joslyn Momeyer/Addison Kuret
Kendalyn Cook/Emily Warner
Kaili Maloney-Devere/Elia Horine
Ryah Zakula/Sage Sollars
Olivia Borg/Ashley Bragg
Marlie Torres/Grace Ostaff
/Ruby Carter

Winkie General: Adrianna Cioffi/Alexis Shaw

Winkies:

Hannah Kring/Paige Van Dillen
Sela Zakula/Cambri Craner
Regina Kipp/Allie Andrejev
Libby Monson/Lizzie Bonifasi
Mackenzie Bailey/Haylye Antala
Sam Baldwin/Jade Antala
Conor Maloney-Devere/Ava Deuel
/Garrett Hale

Nikko (Flying Monkey): Erik Rosenbaum/Emma Cureton

Flying Monkeys:

Ellie Kunnari/Lexirose Blanz
Colleen Sasser/Tyler Hrabina
Noelle Hammond/Anora Biggs
Riley Newcum/Nicole Tkachuk
Marlee Trent/Anna Bradford
Emma Daly/Mcartney Weisense
Cash Jones/Vanessa McLean
Lennon Hammond/Nathaniel Below
JJ Kipp

Lead Jitterbug: Camille Jones/Ashley Davelaar

Jitterbug Dancers:

Mary Davis/Libby Ikesaki
Molly Henderson/McKenna Carlson
Madison Rossi/Skye Huff
Ava Snee/Sydnee Pelchat
Delaney Yule/Samantha McLean

Three Crows:

1 Mary Davis/Libby Ikesaki
2 Molly Henderson/Skye Huff
3 Madison Rossi/McKenna Carlson

Three Trees:

1 Julia Hughes/Kyleigh Montgomery
2 Mia Maldonado/Emily Warner
3 Kate Creed/Ashley Bragg

Poppies:

Jacquelyn Cook/Cambri Craner
Sela Zakula/Elia Horine
Regina Kipp/Ruby Carter
Hannah Baldwin/Grace Ostaff



Musical Theatre of Anthem

The Wizard of Oz

Bailey Brown/Haylye Antala
Mackenzie Bailey/Jade Antala
Tornado Dancers in Cyclone:
Camille Jones/Ashley Davelaar
Mary Davis/Kyleigh Montgomery
Madison Rossi/Samantha McLean
Molly Henderson/Sydnee Pelchat
Delaney Yule/Skye Huff
Helena Honnen/Ian McHatton

Farmhands:

Chris Poullos/Alexis Shaw
Adrianna Cioffi/Emma Cureton
Kyle Thompson/Lizzie Bonifasi
Libby Monson/Ava Deuel
Erik Rosenbaum/Allie Andrejev

Co-Directors: Sarah Brayer, Lynzee Foreman

Vocal Directors: Karen Blanz, Ginette Rossi

Choreographer: Sherry Henderson

Lighting Designers: Daniel Kersh, Sonia Tomaso

Sound Designer: Brian Sosnowski

Costume Designer: Peggy Sullivan

Hair & Makeup Designer: Jacob Hamilton

Set Designer: Maureen Sollars



Musical Theatre of Anthem

Les Miserables

Jean Valjean: Mat Newhard
Javert: Brad Rupp
Thenardier: Michael Stewart
Madame Thenardier: Tina Khalil
Enjolras: Mychal Leverage
Marius: Nathan Sheppard
Fantine: Jackie Hammond
Eponine: Rachael Grantham
Cosette: Julia Davis
Bishop of Digne: Peter Wilson
Gavroche: Christopher Poullos
Little Cosette: Noelle Hammond
Little Eponine: Marlee Trent
Chain Gang:
Peter Wilson
James Wilson
Nick McHatton
Nick Gearing
Alex Martinez
Ryan Hood
Farmer: Jeff Viso
Laborer: James Wilson
Innkeeper: Phil Wurr
Innkeeper's Wife: Jessica Kishbaugh
Constables: Glenn Parker
Jacob Hamilton
Judge: Nick McHatton
Mistaken Valjean: Nick Gearing
Foreman: Nick Gearing
Factory Girl: Ann Emilie Tjorhom
Factory Workers:
Jayda Mendiola
Maggie Eley
Jessica Kishbaugh
Ava Tyson
Sailors:
Jacob Hamilton
Nick McHatton
Devin Little
Army Officer: Cris Wo
Old Women: Mattea Kelly
Ann Emilie Tjorhom
Pimp: Glenn Parker
Whores:
Maggie Eley
Maddison Lopez
Sarah Brayer
Mattea Kelly
Jessica Kishbaugh
Delaney McHatton
Emily Spets
Kelly Williams
Bamatabois: Nick Gearing
Fauchelevant: Alex Martinez



MICHELE CELENTANO
portrait artist

Musical Theatre of Anthem

Les Miserables

Diners/Drinkers:

Mattea Kelly
Ann Emilie Tjorhom
Emily Spets
Jessica Rowe
Bri Bramanti
Jessica Kishbaugh
Maggie Eley
Sarah Brayer
Ryan Hood
Kexi Kuchar
Ollie LeClerc
Devin Little
Alex Martinez
Jeff Viso
Autumn Webb
James Wilson
Peter Wilson

ABC Society:

Combeferre: Nick McHatton
Feuilly: Nick Gearing
Courfeirac: Jacob Hamilton
Joly: Ryan Hood
Prouvaire: James Wilson
Lesegles: Devin Little
Grantaire: Alex Martinez

Thenardier's Gang of Thieves:

Brujon: Peter Wilson
Babet: Glenn Parker
Claquesous: Phil Wurr
Montparnasse: Ryan Hood
Major Domo: Glenn Parker

Wedding Guests:

Nick Gearing
Sarah Brayer
Nick McHatton
Delaney McHatton
Jacob Hamilton
Maggie Eley
Alex Martinez
Kelly Williams

Director: Phillip Fazio

Vocal Director: Cris Wo

Choreographer: Shawna Weitekamp

Costumer Designer: Trixie Wilmott

Hair and Makeup Designer: Jacob Hamilton

Lighting Designer: Wes Sullivan

Sound Designer: Daniel Kersh



MICHELE CELENTANO
DIRECTOR OF ART



Notre Dame Prep

The Addams Family

Gomez Addams: Hale Stewart
Morticia Addams: Lauren Lord/Olivia Twiford
Lurch: Grant Roberts
Uncle Fester: Baylen Haxel
Grandma: Ellee DeGhetto/Haley Acord
Wednesday Addams: Emma Nowicki/Anna Sera
Pugsley Addams: Ben Lyons/Jessica Egan
Mal Beineke: Keegan Luther
Alice Beineke: Emily Temple/Alyssa Williams
Lucas Beineke: Nate Franzke/Eric LeVally

Ensemble:

Ancestors:

Ben Davis
Gracie Doan
Sydney Egan
Caroline Orson
Bianca Torres
Josh Valbuena
Tayler Smith
Eric LeVally

Anna Sera
Olivia Twiford
Jessica Egan
Haley Acord
Alyssa Williams
Nate Franzke
Emma Nowicki
Lauren Lord
Ben Lyons

Dancestors:

Avery Cartwright
Sarah Erickson
Gabi Johnson
Grace Parsons
Claire Marr
Marisa Mariscal
Sean Lillis

Moon Ballerina: Lexie Yunger

Director: Mrs. Bonnie Wilson

Musical Director: Dr. Adam Thome'

Choreographer: Mrs. Frances Goudelis

Costume Designer: Mrs. Sonya Parsons

Technical Director: Mr. Ken Wilson

Makeup Designer: Bianca Torres

Scenic Designer: Mr. Sid Kramer

Set Designer: Mr. Ken Wilson

Lighting Designer: Mr. Ken Wilson

Sound Designer: Jack Donat



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

The Wizard of Oz

Dorothy: Natalie Brothen/Renee Pierson

Scarecrow: Nico Lanese/Ryan Breuer

Tin Man: George Dillon/Katie Keating

Lion: Foster Sluga/John Hurry

Wicked Witch: Claire Faulkner/Jamie Villarreal

Glinda: Marcella Anglim

Professor Oz/Wizard: Elijah Contu-Owen/Oliver Kedish

Toto: Joaquin Weise

Auntie Em: Danielle Fisher

Uncle Henry: TJ DeHart

Hunk: Tim Cody

Hickory: Santiago Stewart

Zeke: Chandler Buchanan

Miss Gulch: Sara Filler/Rachel Arabia

Scratch (Crow): Sophie Ohanian

Patch: Camille Bischoff

Vito (Owl): Matthew Steward

Vinnie: Leah Fraher

Scurry (Mouse): Jordan Hurry

Squeek: Natalie Siller

Flying Monkeys: James Leibmann, Jacob Paxson, Charlie Pescatore, Jack Flaherty, Fletcher Kedish, Jack Kireopoulos, Liam Terris

Emerald City Girls: Grace Cromey, Reva Francis, Destiny Martin, Alexis Olivo, Sophia Van Vleet, Lilly Sutton

Mayor: Camdyn Rael

Doorman: John Hurry/Foster Sluga

Coroner: Brandi Wenzl

City Council: Paola Colon, Annie Donovan, Marlis Minero

Lullaby League: Catherine DeGroot, Sydney Steele, Kendall Kief, Isabel Venteicher, Paige Roberts, Breanna Tyau, Isabella Plumb, Lauren Schillig

Lollipop Guild: Logan Alvarado, Kevin Cody, Mitchell Hoyle, Matthew Lahr, Collin Maddock, Ian Tuft, Joseph Contadino, Evan Covert

Oz Guards: Daniel Breuer, James Hurry, Carey Halpin, Alex Matura

Dancers: Elle Jameson, Isabella Estes, Samantha Gburek, Savannah Gay, Dana Governale, Megan Gleason

Citizens: Sara Liburdi, Catherine Ourso, Emma Caruso, Sydney Bishop, Quinlan Cejka, Ana Prado, Maddie Wall, Ansley Britton, Peyton Felix, Annie Sifert, Sophia Plumb

Munchkins: Meghan Ellis, John McFall, Kolbe Morgan, Ava de Souza, Tess Matura, Nadia Grunwald, Avery Heetland, Annalise Halpin, Rylee Hewitt, Sienna Lee, Maleah McDonald, Charlotte Noel, Ruth Tuft, Natalie Bishop, Maddox Conner, Lauryn Davenport, Ava DeRuvo, Brishen Ehmann, Noah Fagan, Ava Gregg, Emmy Hoyle, Aliah Perez, Isabella Brodeur, Ally Colman, Olivia Cromey, Grace de Souza, Amore Lanese, Emily Alaimo, Indiana Ewell, Sadie Ford, Julie Tipsord, Payton Wright, Reese Brown, Kennedy Buchanan, Christina Cervi, Kathryn Faulkner, Grace Morgan, Catherine Pipitone, Isabelle Roberts, Rylie Wood, Caroline Cody, Chloe Davenport, Ella Lahr, Kaitlyn Matura, Bridget McFall, Sophia Perez, Sophie Saia, Catherine Alaimo, Sydney Carnie, Jocey Ford, Neveen Francis, Katie Morgan, London Wood, Mary Catherine Ellis, Olivia Lanning, Kathleen McMahon, Grace Ortiz, Jane Pierson, Olivia Venteicher, Grace Montes, Mercedes Heetland, Halla Terris

Director: Terry Temple

Choreographer: Tiffany Atkinson

Set Designers:

Shellean Roberts

Emily Heetland

Katie Kuhl

Hair & Makeup Designer: Kameron Hinksi

Costume Designer: Jean Cody



Sandra Day O'Connor High School

A Midsummer Night's Dream

The Royalty:

Theseus: Reid Zalewski

Hippolyta Fairy: Rylee Hopson

Egeus/Fairy: Kailee Murray

Hermia: Lissie Hoover/Arielle Amrien

Lysander: Christian Taillon/Stephen White

Demetrius: Nathan Sheppard

Helena: Alexanthe Kane/Symphony Steckman

The Players:

Nick Bottom: Nathan Crowell

Peter Quince: Jayce Hale

Francis Flute: Austin Valenti

Robin Starveling: Beckett Holden

Tom Snout: Jared Taillon

Snug: Alex Dominguez

The Fairies:

Oberon: Alex Kennedy

Titania: Kayla Guzek/Melanie Ceh

Puck: Kebra Laidlaw/Delaney Bever

Peaseblossom: Alyssa Salvaggio

Cobweb: Emilie Salazar

Moth: Alessandra Brown

Mustardseed: Morgann Hopson

Fairy: Sarah Scholl

Fairy/Philostrate: Addison Kritkauskay

Fairy: Katelyn Nellis

Director: Toni Fioramoni

Tech Director: Darrell M. Hudson, Jr.

Interior Design Director: Lauren Fetkenhier

Set Designers:

Danielle Furtmann

Jayden Child

Jaedelyn Austin

Emma Copeland

Morgan Huey

Beatrice Sfarcioc

Bernice Sfarcioc

Guadalupe Vasquez

Caitlin Covaciu

Lighting Designers:

Nick Ackerman

Chris Ackerman

Sound Designers:

Bella Fels

Ryan Clark

Holli Cole

Costumer Designers: The actors themselves

Costume Head: Tori Niemec



Sandra Day O'Connor High School

Shrek the Musical

Shrek: Brandon Smith
Fiona: Arielle Amrein
Donkey: Ryan Ardelt/Stephen White
Lord Farquaad: Stephen White/Alex Dominguez
Teen Fiona/Ogre Fiona: Alexanthe Kane
Young Fiona: Alivia Desmarteau
Young Shrek: Moises Ramos
Fairy Tale Creatures:
Pinocchio: Jared Taillon
Gingy/Sugar Plum Fairy: Sophia Chavez
Mama Ogre/Mama Bear: Santana Ramos
Papa Ogre/Pig #1: Christian Taillon
Pig #2: Melanie Ceh
Pig #3: Rebekah Preston
Papa Bear: Alex Dominguez/Joe Egen
Baby Bear: Andrea Savu
Wicked Witch: Delaney Bever
Shoemaker's Elf: Holli Cole
Big Bad Wolf: Nathan Crowell
Fairy Godmother: Lissie Hoover
White Rabbit: Jacob Shaffer
Mad Hatter: Ellis Tmlak
Tweedle: Morgann Hopson/Emilie Salazar
Ugly Duckling: Hanna Shaffer
Dragon's Lair:
Dragon/Humpty Dumpty: Madison Cichon
Dragonette/Blind Mice #1/Blue Bird: Kirie Taillon
Dragonette/Blind Mice #2: Jasmine Welch
Dragonette/Blind Mice #3: Helen Soko/Malika Saroya
Lord Farquaad's Men:
Thelonius: Beckett Holden
Head Knight: Brett Angwin
Knights:
Blake Lister
Nick Leach
Zack Bingham
Jessy Richards
Chris Ackerman
Dancers:
Peter Pan/Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Tapping Rat: Ryan Clark
Queen Lillian/Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Tapping Rat: Kristi Hawkesworth
King Harold/Duloc Dancer: Bryce Craig
Pied Piper/Duloc Dancer/Skeleton: Lizzie Codina
Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Tapping Rat: Jenn Butkiewicz
Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Tapping Rat: Kayla Guzek
Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Tapping Rat: Emily Burns
Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Mob Member: Sarah Scholl
Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Mob Member: Kebra Laidlaw
Duloc Dancer/Skeleton/Mob Member: Kristen Chancellor
Duloc Dancer/Mob Member: Makenna Cain
Bishop/Duloc Dancer/Prisoner: Riley Clark
Mob Members:
Brenna Kottmann
Malika Saroya
Ashlee Davis
Emilie Salazar



Sandra Day O'Connor High School

Shrek the Musical

Olivia Hsu
Joe Eagen
Chris Ackerman
Riley Clark
Swings/Understudies:
Chris Ackerman
Alexanthe Kane
Madison Cichon
Andrea Savu
Blake Lister
Brett Angwin
Malkia Saroya
Joe Eagen
Riley Clark
Olivia Hsu
Emily Burns

Director & Choreographer: Toni Fioramonti
Technical Director: Darrell M. Hudson, Jr.
Musical Director: Angela Yates
Tap Choreographer: Kristen Lucero

Set Designers:
Toni Fioramonti
Darrell Hudson
Tori Niemiec
Ryan Clark

Costume Designers:
Toni Fioramonti
Tori Niemiec
Katie Chard
Beckett Holden

Sound Designers:
Bella Felz
Symphony Steckman
Christina Genarro

Makeup Designers:
Toni Fioramonti
Tori Niemiec
Basia Gilles

Lighting Designers:
Darrell Hudson
Nick Ackerman
Chris Ackerman



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Rugrats

THE SHOW:

The *Rugrats* made their Nickelodeon debut in 1991 and ended up running for thirteen years, the animated series revealing the world as seen by a group of toddlers from one to three years old where mundane experiences in the adult world became imaginative adventures to the little rugrats. And now the animated series has a live adventure! This musical stage production has super-smart baby Tommy trying to save his super-scared two-year-old friend Chuckie from his constant fears and make him feel safe. But Tommy's new invention called the People-ator, which brings inanimate objects to life, may backfire when the toy dinosaur becomes the live monster

Reptar and the invention gets taken by the troublemaking three-year-old Angelica who has her sights set on world domination. What follows is a pretty entertaining little show with a good mix of song types, a bit of audience interaction, and characters and circumstances that kids will likely enjoy no matter how well they know, or don't yet know, the *Rugrats*.



THE PRODUCTION:

This area premier of the show at Spotlight Youth Theatre in Glendale does a terrific job of visually bringing the cartoon to life. The sets are dominated by several movable panels designed and painted by **Bobby Sample** and **Taylor Bader** to depict the background of the rugrats' homes, and do so with impressive detail. Fun costumes by **Naomi Jordon** and **Andi Jordon**, and hair and makeup by **Trey DeGroodt**, help complete the visuals. While Director **Kenny Grossman's** cast, most of whom hadn't seen the cartoon before starting work on the show, skillfully and amusingly animate the characters.

Diaper-clad **Garrett Armstrong** does a nice job as our young, precocious Tommy, sympathetic to his friend's many plights and determined to help. **Carolyn Heinzer** is hilarious as the perpetually nervous Chuckie, using her voice and expressions to great effect throughout whether in terror of monstrous Reptars (**Tanya Whitten**) or in terror of riding back and forth on the vacuum cleaner. And **Cate Labas** is delightfully obnoxious as the naughty and self-centered Angelica who may just succeed in becoming the princess of the world.

Elsewhere, **Amy Fishencord** and **Zoey Waller** are Phil and Lil, somewhat creepy fraternal twins who bring big laughs with every verbal and non-verbal reaction to the events around them. **Bella Swope** as Susie leads the cast in a well-staged number *Everybody Say*, **Lily Swope** joins Angelica as the Torch Singer in Angelica's anthem *I've Been A Bad, Bad Girl*, **Kayla Stillman** ends the first act in a big way as an Opera Diva with the opera classic *You Are My Dinosaur*, and **Kayla Dobbs** as a recently animated flashlight leads the ensemble in the encouraging *Shine Your Light*. **David Samson** as fellow inventor dad Stu and **Isabella Armstrong** as Didi are good as the occasionally seen parental units, with Stu helping inspire Tommy with *A Great Idea Can Change The World*. And Grandpa Lou (**Philip Amerine** filling in for **Trey DeGroodt** this particular night) comes on stage to fall promptly to sleep, content to leave the bulk of the adventures to the young.

Performed September 5 - 21, 2014

Rob Hopper
Executive Director



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Rugrats (cont.)

Tommy: Garrett Armstrong
Chuckie: Carolyn Heinzer
Angelica: Cate Labas
Phil: Amy Fishencord
Lil: Zoey Waller
Susie: Bella Swope
Stu: David Samson
Didi: Isabella Armstrong
Grandpa Lou: Philip Amerine / Trey DeGroodt
Lori/Opera Diva: Kayla Stillman
Astoria: Jessica Dolyniuk
Stevie: Hannah Montano
Spike: Madison Pierce
Ms. Falshlight: Kayla Dobbs
Torch Singer: Lily Swope
Reptar: Tanya Whitten
Radio Announcer: Delaney Fowler

Ensemble:

Brooke Gillaspy
Collin Gillaspy
Beth Amerine
Corynn Gates
Paige Mayo
Hannah Pohlmeier
Chloe Wedge
Tino DeAngelis
Michael Podlesnik
Delaney Fowler
Lily Swope
Tanya Whitten

Director: Kenny Grossman
Musical Director: Heather Walker
Choreographer: Michelle Chin
Hair and Make-up: Trey DeGroodt
Set and Prop Design/Artisans: Bobby Sample and Taylor Bader
Costume Design: Naomi Jordan and Andi Jordon
Photography: Alayne Vogel



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Annie Get Your Gun

Annie Oakley: Carly Makani Copp
Frank Butler: Michael Schulz
Buffalo Bill Cody: David Samson
Charlie Davenport: Taylor Bader
Dolly Tate: Lyssa Horney
Winnie Tate: Ali Whitwell
Tommy Keeler: Jacob Herrera
Chief Sitting Bull: Alex Demski
Foster Wilson: Philip Amerine
Pawnee Bill: Christian Bader
Jessie Oakley: Sophia Matin
Nellie Oakley: Kiera Crouch
Little Jake Oakley: Garrett Armstrong
Running Deer: Phoenix Briggs
Eagle Feather: Alex Acosta
Mac: Megan Montoya
Waiter: Ali Giordano
Porter: Tanya Whitten
Band Leader: Hannah Pohlmeier
Mrs. Adams: Kira Kadel
Mrs. Potter-Porter: Camden Wawro
Ensemble:
Christian Bader
Phoenix Briggs
Philip Amerine
Alex Acosta
Ali Giordano
Kira Kadel
Megan Montoya
Camden Wawro
Hannah Pohlmeier
Tanya Whitten

Director: Kenny Grossman
Musical Director: Mark Foreman
Choreographer: Madison MacDonald
Hair/Asst. Director: Angel DeMichael
Costume Design: Laurie Mershon
Make-up: Alex Acosta
Set Design: Mike Armstrong & Bobby Sample



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Rent



THE SHOW:

Music and lyrics by Jonathan Larson, loosely based on Giacomo Puccini's opera "La bohème." 1996 Tony Award for Best Musical.

It's the rock musical of young bohemians and art and dreams, sickness and death, tolerance and making the most out of each year we have. Each season of love. It's Jonathan Larson's hit *Rent*, offering a glimpse into the lives of young twentysomething friends at a New York City skid row apartment during the late 1990s. The story tackles such mature subjects as drugs, AIDS, and sexuality. At the heart of it all are Roger and Mimi, both suffering from AIDS, Mimi still struggling with a drug addiction, Roger struggling to live while knowing how short his time may be.

THE PRODUCTION:

They've definitely put something special together at Spotlight Youth Theatre with this production. This is the full production of *Rent* rather than the student version, and they don't hold back in the spirit of the show or in the telling of it. Director **Kenny Grossman** knows how to stage a rock musical while simultaneously coaxing out terrific characters and storytelling. And the cast he uses is a grouping of absolute all-stars.

Jeremy Yampolsky and **Trey DeGroodt** ground the story as best friends/roommates Mark and Roger, kicking the show off by leading the strong opening numbers and delivering an especially compelling scene as they part ways, accusing each other of failing in their ideals while visibly regretting their hurtful words. **Mariella DeAngelis** is a stunning Mimi with fantastic vocals and dancing, playful (*Light My Candle*) and bold (*Out Tonight*) in her memorable duets with Trey DeGroodt, as well as vulnerable physically with disease and drugs, and mentally vulnerable with her feelings for Roger and her friends (*Without You*).

Spotlight Youth Theatre

Rent (cont.)

Carly Nicole Grossman rocks it as fun, wild, and passionate Maureen Johnson including lots of creativity in her signature *Over the Moon*. While **Ali Whitwell** shines as Maureen's lawyer girlfriend Joanne Jefferson, doing an impressive tango with Maureen's ex-lover Mark in *Tango Maureen* and igniting the stage with Maureen herself in *Take Me or Leave Me*. **Alex Acosta** is a charismatic and lovable Angel who leads a nicely staged *Today For You* dressed up in a cool, unique 18th-century-ish Christmas-esque outfit (**Naomi Jordon** and **Andi Marie Jordon** as costume designers). **Michael Schulz** nails his role as Tom Collins as new boyfriend of Angel and old chums with Mark and Roger, including some deep-voiced vocals, an easy romantic relationship with Angel, and a powerful reprise of *I'll Cover You*.

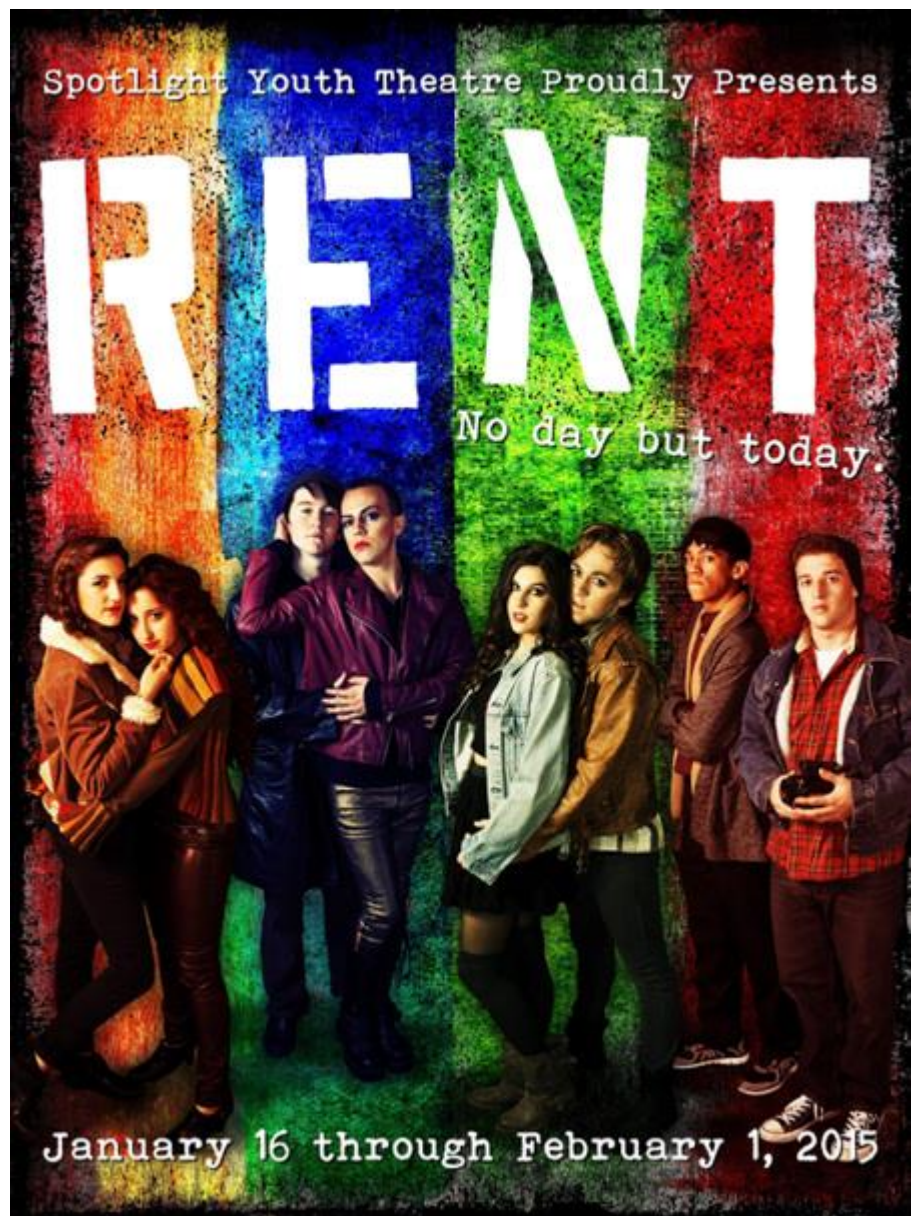
A crack four-piece band saturates the intimate theater space with perfect instrumentals that don't overpower the vocals. That theater space hosts a well-designed stage by **Bobby Sample** and **Clancy DeGroodt** that includes fire escape balconies and glimpses of brick alleyway. Within that stage the entire cast of triple threats wows throughout, ensemble members always adding much to the show whether in the limelight or in the background, uninhibited and working in unison for the vision of the musical including powerful moments like the *Support Group*, *Will I*, and a funeral, a celebration of life while taunting wet blankets like their old friend and troublesome landlord Benny (excellent, genuine performance by **John Batchan**) with an amazing *La Vie Boheme*, and a gorgeous rendition of *Seasons of Love*.

Performed January 16 - February 1, 2015

Rob Hopper
Executive Director
National Youth Arts

Mark: Jeremy Yampolsky
Roger: Trey Degroodt
Mimi: Mariella De Angelis
Benny: John Batchan
Maureen: Carly Grossman
Joanne: Ali Whitwell
Collins: Michael Schulz
Angel: Alex Acosta
Ensemble:
Payton Bioletto
Carly Makani Copp
Marley DeGroodt
Ally Landsdowne
Phoenix Briggs
Brandon Reyes
Eddie Tellez
Maggie Waller

Director: Kenny Grossman
Music Director: Mark 4Man
Choreographer: Lynzee 4Man
Costume Design: Naomi Jordon and Andi Marie Jordon
Hair and Make-Up Design: Angel DeMichael and Jacob Hamilton
Set Design: Bobby Sample and Clancy DeGroodt



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Ramona Quimby

Ramona Quimby: Sophia Matin
Beezus Quimby: Julia Burks
Dorothy Quimby: Kia Kadel
Bob Quimby: Taylor Bader
Aunt Bea: Tatum DeMichael
Uncle Hobart: Levi Hoover
Howie Kemp: Josh Pike
Susan: Kiera Crouch
Mrs. Kemp: Cate Labas
Mrs. Griggs: Samantha Locklear
Whopperburger Waitress, Tammy: Kayla Stillman
Whopperburger Hostess: Hannah Pohlmeier
Selma: Ali Giordano
Mr. Frost: Logan Prescott
Old Man: Cartier Del Castillo
Minister/Doctor: Zoey Waller
Whopperburger Kid: Kendra Goodenberger
Whopperburger Kid: Callista Walker
Commercial Mother: Hannah Pohlmeier
Commercial Daughter: Chloe Landos
Director: Amy Fishencord
Elephant: Kai Nunziato-Cruz
Camera Operator: Meagan Locklear
Sponsor: Iyla Feist
Brownie Leader: Brooke Gillaspay
Cub Scout Leader: Mitra Matin

Brownies:
Grace Sweir
Ava Newton
Chloe Wedge
Kiera Couch
Zoey Waller
Chloe Landos
Amy Fishencord
Cub Scouts:
Forest Wedge
Logan Prescott
Cartier Del Castillo
Iyla Feist
Kai Nunziato-Cruz
Kendra Goodenberger
Callista Walker

Glenwood School Teachers:
Kayla Stillman, Ali Giordano,
Hannah Pohlmeier, Megan Locklear,
Cate Labas

Director: Brenda Goodenberger
Sound Designer: Brenda Goodenberger
Set Designer: Bobby Sample
Choreographer: Katie Czajkowski
Property Designer: Taylor Bader
Costume Designer: Angel DeMichael
Hair & Makeup Designer: Angel DeMichael
Technical Director: Clancy DeGroodt
Lighting Designer: Kenny Grossman



Spotlight Youth Theatre

The Wedding Singer

Robbie Hart: Mason Reeves
Sammy: David Samson
George: Karson Cook
Julia Sullivan: Ali Whitwell
Holly: Marley DeGroot
Glen Guglia: Trey DeGroot
Rosie: Maggie Waller
Linda: Payton Bioletto
Angie: Addison Bowman
Ensemble, Bum, David, Ronald Reagan: Michael Schulz
Ensemble, Slim Jim, Slick Ricky, Billy Idol: Daniel Lyons
Ensemble, Agent, Mookie: Jacob Herrera
Ensemble, Crystal, Tina Turner, Dance Captain: Katie Czajkowski
Ensemble, Cyndi Lauper, Tiffany: Ally Lansdowne
Ensemble, Donny, Mr. T: Alex Partida
Ensemble, Imelda Marcos, Donatella: Megan Montoya
Ensemble, Shane: Nate Barry
Ensemble:
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Cate Carlino
Jessica Dolyniuk
Ryan Ferree
Levi Hoover

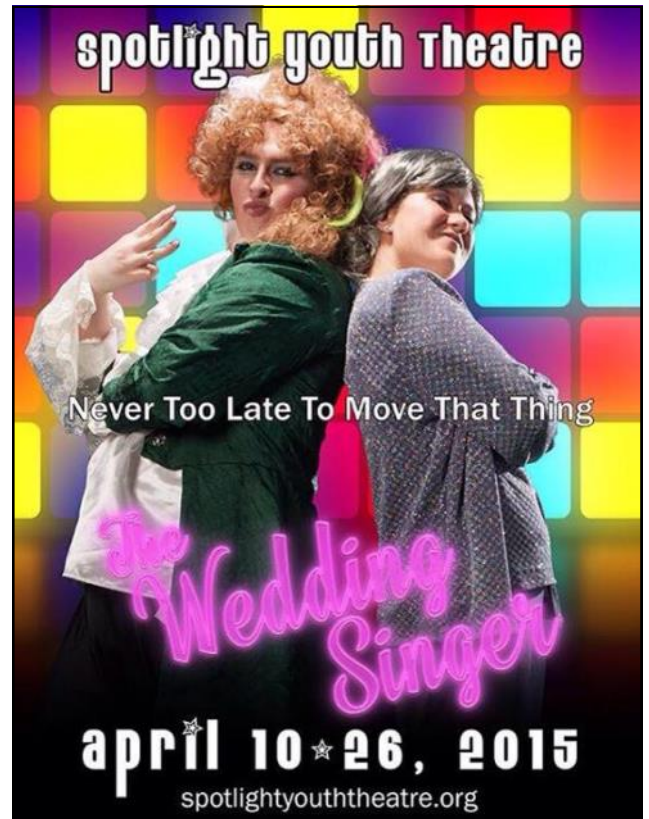
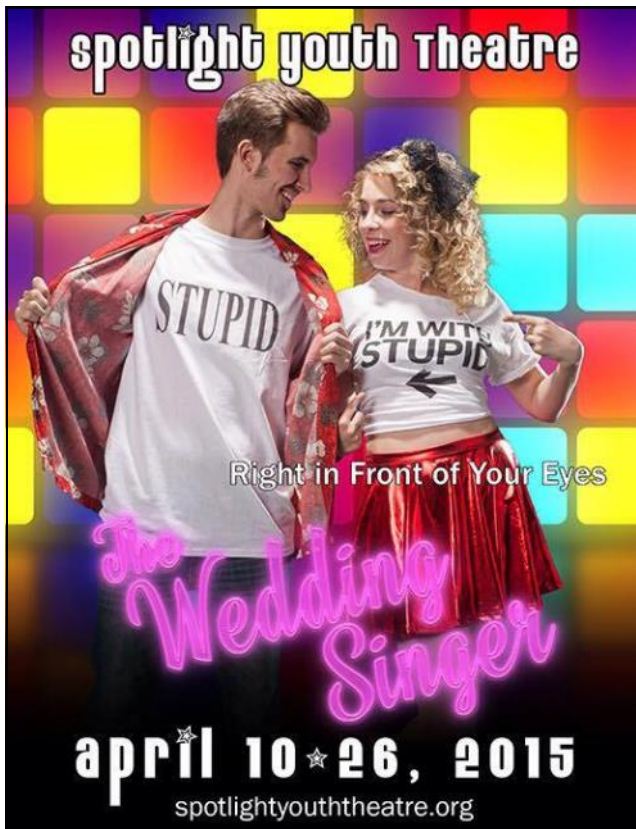


Co-Directors: Mark & Lynzee 4man
Musical Director: Mark 4man
Choreographer: Lynzee 4man
Set Designer: Michael Armstrong
Property Designer: Taylor Bader
Costume Designer: Lisa DeGroot
Lighting Designer: Daniel Kersh
Hair & Makeup Designer: Trey DeGroot
Sound Designer: Kenny Grossman



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The Wedding Singer (cont.)



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Honk!

Ugly: Chris Cason
Ida: Camden Wawro
Cat: Ali Giordano
Drake: David Samson
Maureen: Thea Eigo
The Turkey: Cadence Miller
Ducklings:
Kai Nunziato-Cruz
Callista Walker
Zoey Waller
Kiera Crouch
Grace: Tanya Whitten
Henrietta: Katrina Arden
Bullfrog: Kayla Stillman
Greylag: Josh Pike
Dot: Amy Fishencord
Geese: Lily Swope, Tanya Whitten
Father Swan: Foster Hilding
Mother Swan: Megan Locklear
Penny: Bella Swope
Bewick: Cate Labas
Farmer: Michael Podlesnik
Jay Bird: Sabrina Kiepe
Ensemble:
Beth Amerine
Brylynn Hughes
Mia Hurley
Chloe Leigh Landos
Paige Mayo
Ava Newton
Kyra Samson
Kayla Faith Trevino

Director: Bobby Sample
Musical Director: Heather Walker
Choreographer: Katie Czajkowski



Spotlight Youth Theatre

Honk! (cont.)



Starlight Community Theater

Beauty and the Beast

THE SHOW:

Music by Alan Menken, Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Tim Rice, Book by Linda Woolverton. Adapted from Disney's 1991 animated film and based on the fairy tale by Jeanne-Marie Le Prince de Beaumont.

Disney's hugely successful film became the first animated film to be nominated for a Best Picture Oscar, and just three years later became the first Disney animated film to be turned into a Broadway musical. The tale as old as time features a prince who has been transformed into a beast by a curse, punishing him for his coldness to a stranger in need. The only way to break the curse is for him to fall in love, and earn her love in return. Secluded in his now enchanted castle where all the residents are turning into "things," the beauty Belle arrives just as the deadline to reverse the curse is approaching. But he'll have to transform his personality, and Belle will have to learn to love a beast, before an enchanted rose's last petal falls. The magical score includes songs written for the stage including *Home* and *If I Can't Love Her*, and classics from the movie including the title song and *Be Our Guest*.

THE PRODUCTION:

It's a big show for a small stage, but Starlight Community Theater has a knack for pulling those off in their great little space in northern Phoenix. **Lauren Michaud** is their beauty Belle, bringing excellent vocals and genuine heart to the role. Opposite her is **Denim Glasheen** whose head is completely covered by a large Beast mask, doing well bringing his character to life with his voice and movements. The two are terrific as they are nervously excited on their first date. Gaston/**Griffin LeBlanc** is amusingly brash and full of himself even when down in the dumps, and **Josh Pike** idolizes him as an enthusiastic sidekick Lefou, assisted by three fantastically determined Silly Girls (**Rachel Prickett**, **Chelsea Carll**, and **Lilly LeBlanc**).

The enchanted objects include **Caitlyn Martinez** as a fun and lively Lumiere. Fourth grader **Calista Quint** is an expressible Cogsworth whose pragmatic exterior gives way to wiping away a tear while watching Beast and Belle find romance. **Savoy Graca** is a funny and flirty feather duster, **Holly Erickson** an operatic diva wardrobe, and **Kayla Dewees** a motherly Mrs. Potts to her adorable Chip (**Malena Martinez**). This junior version of the show gets narrated nicely by the trio of **Jesse Pike**, **Kate Jolley**, and **Hayden Miller**. And the cast shines as the nosy villagers in the big opening number, happy bar patrons in *Gaston*, and as the many enchanted objects inviting us to *Be Our Guest*.

Peter Wilson directs the show, with **Nathalie Velasquez** expertly choreographing such numbers as *Be Our Guest* and *Gaston* for the small stage. **Mike Rippenkroeger's** set uses every nook and cranny for the many different settings, aided by a projector and a few rolling multi-sided panels for backdrops. **Sam Utpadel** handled the costumes and **Geri Horacek** some nice hair and makeup.

It all looked good, and on opening night indirectly added more to the show than planned with some very funny live theatre moments and opportunities for adlibs. When kindly father **Steven Bunting** as crazy, old Maurice sneezed, his wig flew off his head. Chip's cup handle got wedged in the tight space trying to exit the stage during *Be Our Guest* and, after quickly assessing the situation, Chip got a humorous little shove from behind to poke him through. And in the scene immediately following the *Be Our Guest* dinner show, when a round white couch set piece rolled unexpectedly



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Beauty and the Beast (cont.)

from the side back into the scene, **Caitlyn Martinez** as Lumiere stayed in character to take charge – pushing the couch back where it came from while admonishing the enchanted set piece by telling it, “Oh my goodness! We’re done with the show!”

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Narrator/Lady with a knife: Jesse Pike
Narrator/Lady with a cane: Kate Jolley
Narrator/Fish Man: Hayden Miller
Narrator/Lady with a baby/A Mother: Harleigh Irizarry
Beast/Prince: Denim Glasheen
Enchantress/Hat Seller/Servant: Ria Vir
Belle: Lauren Michaud
Aristocratic Lady/Servant: Addi Drew
Egg Man/Servant: Eddie Novicki
Sausage Curl Girl/Dessert: Anna Kerr
Sausage Curl Boy/Wolf/Dessert: Coli Martinez
Sausage Curl Father/Guard: Houson Ortloff
Monsieur D’Arque: Will Rippenkroeger
Baker/Servant: Jessica Reed
Marie/Dessert: Shayna Weiss
Candle Man/Wolf/Servant: David Wilson
Milkmaid/Dessert: Brylynn Hughes
Shepherd Boy/Wolf/Servant: Caden Johnston
Bookseller/Servant: Calvin Novicki
Gaston: Griffin LeBlanc
Lefou: Josh Pike
Silly Girl/Servant: Rachel Prickett
Silly Girl/Servant: Chelsea Carll
Silly Girl/Servant: Lilly LeBlanc
Maurice/Servant: Steven Bunting
Cogsworth: Calista Quint
Lumiere: Caitlyn Martinez
Babette: Savoy Graca
Mrs. Potts: Kayla Dewees
Chip: Malena Martinez
Madame de la Grande Bouche: Holly Erickson

Director: Peter Wilson
Assistant Director: Lindsey Martinez
Musical Director: Raquel L Jarvill
Choreographer: Nathalie Velasquez

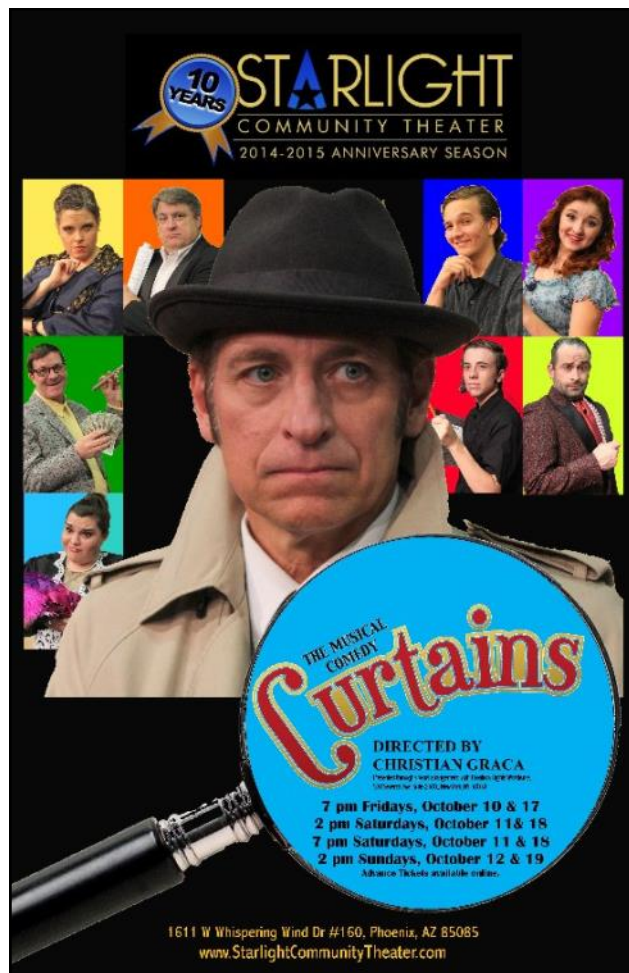


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Curtains

Lt. Frank Cioffi: Scott Sims
Niki Harris: Savoy Graca
Georgia Hendricks: Savannah Wilson
Carmen Bernstein: Susan Gibson
Aaron Fox: Eric Gibson
Sidney Bernstein: Mike Rippenkroeger
Christopher Belling: Chris Martinez
Bambi Berniet: Kaitlyn Stark
Daryl Grady: Eric Olsen
Johnny Harmon: Will Rippenkroeger
Oscar Shapiro: Thomas Graca
Bobby Pepper: Derick Haenitsch
Jessica Cranshaw: Nena Rippenkroeger
Sasha Iljinsky: Glenn Graca/Nat Washburn
Roberta: Meg Monteith
Ensemble:
Meg Monteith
Steven Bunting
Denim Glasheen
Griffin LeBlanc
Lilly LeBlanc
Alison Nguyen
Calvin Novicki
Houston Ortoff
Jesse Pike
Judy Shreve
Megan Stark
Noah Washburn

Director: Christian Graca
Assistant Director/Choreographer: Nathalie Velasquez
Musical Director: Susan Washburn
Set Designer: Mike Rippenkroeger
Costume Designer: Thomas F. Graca
Makeup & Hair Designer: Savoy Graca
Lighting Designer: Susan Gibson
Sound Designer: Thomas & Christian Graca



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Alice in Americaland

Alice: Caitlyn Martinez
Announcer/Pitchman: Eddie Novicki
White Rabbit: Calvin Novicki
Mock Turtle/Tweedledee: Chelsea Carl
Caterpillar: Denim Glasheen
Mouse/White Queen: Emily Burns
Dodo: Harleigh Irizarry
Eagle/White Knight: Justin Carey
Duke/Humpty Dumpty: Hayden Miller
Duchess: Savoy Graca
Cheshire Cat: Molly Jimmerson
March Hare: James Wilson
Hatter/Gentleman in White Paper: Will Rippenkroeger
King: David Wilson
Queen/Pitchwoman: Kira Dean
PR (Wo)Man/Woman 1: Eleanor Parrish
Stenographer/Woman 2: Ashtyn Grogan
Red Queen: Megan Stark
Tweedledum/Arab: Brittany Dresevic

Director: Janette Wyatt
Assistant Director: Lindsey Martinez
Set Designer: Gabi Schassler, Michelle Johnston
Costume Designer: Nathalie Velasquez, Janette Wyatt
Makeup & Hair Design: Nathalie Velasquez
Lighting and Sound Designer: Phil Novicki



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Miracle on 34th Street

Doris Walker: Lindsey Martinez
Susan Walker: Jessica Reed
Fred Gailey: Jeff Jones
Kris Kringle: Ian Kerr
Marvin Shellhammer: Scott Sims
R.H. Macy/Drunk Santa: Thomas Graca
Mrs. Sawyer/Clerk/Clara/Ensemble: Erin Johnson
Miss Crookshank/Governor/Thompson/Ensemble: Christian Graca
Judge Group/Henrika's Mother/Ensemble: Lauren Michaud
Tammany O'Halloran/Balloon Vendor/Clerk/Ensemble: Savannah Wilson
District Attorney/Clerk/Ensemble: April Rideout
Alvin/Bailiff/Clerk/Policeman/Ensemble: Houston Ortloff
Whitey/Clerk/Mr. Gimbel/Ensemble: Derick Haenitsch
Climber: Eric Gibson
Miss Sims/Miss Muffet/Clerk/Ensemble: Caitlyn Martinez
Harry Finfer/Aviator/Ensemble: Parker Jones
Mrs. Finfer/Mayor/Ensemble: Sue Becker
Henrika/Pogo Stick/Ensemble: Carolyn Heinzer
Mailman/Ensemble: Judy Shreve
Tommy Mara/Reindeer/Toy Soldier/Ensemble: Colin Martinez
Majorette/Clerk/Doll/Ensemble: Allison Weston
Reindeer/Girl Scout/Ensemble: Calista Quint
Clerk/Ensemble: Makinlee Wright
Reindeer/Toy Soldier/Ensemble: Divya Dabholkar
Reindeer/Toy Soldier/Ensemble: Brannae Capasso
Ensemble: Allison Belsan
Reindeer/Toy Soldier/Ensemble: Shayna Weiss
Reindeer/Toy Soldier/Ensemble: Niah Nieuwenhuis

Co-Directors: Susan Gibson and Eric Gibson
Musical Director: Susan Washburn
Choreographer: Nathalie Velasquez
Set Designer: Glenda Maston
Costume Designer: Sam Utpadel
Hair & Makeup Designer: Geri Horacek
Lighting Designer: Phil & Calvin Novicki
Sound Designer: Susan Gibson



Starlight Community Theater

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

THE SHOW:

Lyrics and Music by Clark Gesner, based on the characters created by cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, debuted on Broadway in 1967

For more than sixty years Charles Schultz's *Peanuts* comic strip, and the beloved animated television specials it spawned, have made us all commiserate and find comfort in the lovable loser who keeps trying to kick that football no matter how many times Lucy pulls it away. Clark Gesner's musical adaptation of the comic strip allows the characters to come to life on the stage in a series of monologues, scenes, and musical numbers that remind us just how hard it is to face the challenges of growing up...especially if you're named Charlie Brown.

THE PRODUCTION:

The opening monologues begin in Starlight's darkened theater with a spotlight moving from one familiar *Peanuts* face to another, the faces painted on large blocks that each respective but unseen actor stands upon, the cartoon characters speaking to us until the last opening monologue of Charlie Brown when the spotlight slowly rises to reveal the actor. That's just the first of countless touches by Director **Christian Graca** and her group as they brilliantly bring to life the *Peanuts* gang in all their comic and touching genius in this heartfelt, shouldn't-be-missed homage to the mind of Charles Schultz.



At the heart of it all is **Skylar Washburn** as Charlie Brown, his humor natural, his loneliness and heartbreak palpable, his quickness to renewed hope inspiring. A couple highlights include his tortured lunchtime as he pines to be noticed by the Little Red-Haired Girl (silent but delightful reactions by **Allison Weston**) and Charlie Brown's rollercoaster of a kite-flying attempt (cool kite props for the whole cast) that ends tragically in the branches of a tree (**Hanna Grossenbacher** as the "Kite-eating Tree" who grabs his kite with her branches, stares at Charlie for a moment, and then happily, coldly crumples his kite). **Brandon Brown** shines as Charlie's lovable dog Snoopy, with Brandon bringing humor, personality, and charisma as he melodramatically fights off the Red Red Baron (in a doghouse that magically rises up into the air while his scarf streams out behind him) and celebrates *Suppertime* with a magnificent song-and-dance, always closely accompanied by his hilarious silent comedy partner in Woodstock (**Molly Jimmerson**).

Savoy Graca is a riot as a quintessential Lucy, strong and dominating and relishing the chance to torment Charlie Brown, in this production teaching an eager and gullible Rerun (**Will Rippenkroeger**) questionable facts, and also sharing an unusually nice moment with her little brother as getting to know herself during a crabbiness survey hits hard. **Dylan Rinehart** is said little brother Linus, delivering a terrific performance in just his second theatrical role as he deals sensibly with a temperamental sister and deals emotionally with a serious blanket addiction that plays out in a great *My Blanket and Me* scene featuring a charming dancing blanket by **Chelsea Carll**. **Griffin LeBlanc** is an amusing Schroeder trying his best not to lead on Lucy, getting lost in a book report, and leading a lively celebration of *Beethoven Day*. While the highly expressible **Lilly LeBlanc** is a hit as Charlie's baby sister Sally, portraying a struggling student artist, a groundbreaking philosopher, and a sprinkling of borderline personality disorder.

Elsewhere are strong performances by **Quincy Janisse** and **Jesse Pike** as duo Peppermint Patty and Marcie, often hanging out at their desks underneath the silhouettes of their comic strip personas above them. Those set pieces of character silhouettes along the back walls (**Mike Rippenkroeger** and **Glenda**



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You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown (cont.)

Matson on sets) work beautifully with their characters living right beneath them. Together that cast of characters work like a team with each member of the ensemble adding much, whether in the baseball game or an outrageous rabbit hunt choreographed by **Nathalie Velasquez** (throwing in a few over-the-top classical musical dance snippets). It all ends on a warm, powerful note as the characters sing of the things that bring them *Happiness*, each going into the audience to draw up to the stage a family member or friend – “those who sing with you” and have brought happiness to their lives.

Performed January 30 - February 14, 2015

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Linus: Dylan Rinehart
Charlie Brown: Skyler Washburn
Sally: Lilly LeBlanc
Schroeder: Griffin LeBlanc
Snoopy: Brandon Brown
Lucy: Savoy Graca
Violet: Caitlyn Martinez
Frieda: Chelsea Carl
Peppermint Patty: Quincy Janisse
Marcie: Jesse Pike
Rerun: Will Rippenkroeger
Woodstock: Molly Jimmerson
Little Red Haired Girl: Allison Weston
Lucinda: Hanna Grossenbacher
Rabbits:
Hanna Grossenbacher
Caitlyn Martinez
Jesse Pike
Allison Weston
Dancing Blanket: Chelsea Carl
Kite-eating Tree: Hanna Grossenbacher

Director: Christian Graca
Musical Director: Thomas Graca
Choreographer: Nathalie Velasquez
Stage Manager: Rick Tejera
Properties: Susan Tejera
Set Design & Painter: Glenda Matson
Set Design & Builder: Mike Rippenkroeger
Costume: Dorann Matson



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The Curious Savage

The Guests:

Fairy May: Abigail Marshall

Mrs. Paddy: Becky Bell

Florence: Cassie Ellis

Jeffrey: Scott Sims

Hannibal: Thomas Graca

The Family:

Titus: Edmund Worden

Samuel: Eric-Lee Olsen

Lily Belle: Jenna Spets

Mrs. Savage: Pat Drapac

The Staff:

Dr. Emmett: Christopher Martinez

Miss Willie: Paula Frank

Director: Barbara L. Surloff

Co-Director: Janette Wyatt

Costume Designer: Christa Leone

Hair/Makeup Designer: Margaret Leone

Set Designers: Mike Rippenkroeger, Michelle Johnston

Sound Designers: Christian Graca, Thomas Graca

Lighting Designer: Will Rippenkroger



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Peter Pan and Wendy

Mrs. Mary Darling: Madison Lusk

Mr. George Darling: Dylan Rinehart

Wendy Darling: Kayla DeWees

John Darling: Drake Current

Michael Darling: Parker Jones

Nana: Ada Sivey

Liza/Jane: Julia Burks

Old Wendy: Kirsten Orrahood

The Lost Boys:

Peter Pan: Derick Haenitsch

Tootles: Calista Quint

Nibs: Jessica Reed

Slightly: Eddie Novicki

Curly: Hayden Miller

Twin 1: Rylee Segersten

Twin 2: Claudia Pollack

Additional Lost Boys:

Caden Johnston

Niah Nieuwenhuis

Ada Sivey

The Pirates:

Captain Hook: William Rippenkroeger

Smee: Jesse Pike

Cecca, the Lass: Allison Weston

Skylights: Harleigh Irizarry

Bill Jukes: Jonathan Fay

Noodler: Calvin Novicki

Mermaids and Natives:

Tiger Lily: Caitlyn Martinez

Gret Big Little Panther: Dylan Rinehart

Floating Bird: Malena Martinez

Lotus Blossom: Niah Nieuwenhuis

Willow Walk: Ada Sivey

Lean Wolf: Caden Johnston

Kalliope: Madison Lusk

Isis: Julia Burks

Phaidra: Kirsten Orrahood

Director: Eric Gibson

Co-Director: Susan Gibson

Costume Designer:

Janette Wyatt

Set Designers:

Mike Rippenkroeger

Glenda Matson

Dorann Matson

Properties Designers:

Eric Gibson

Laura Carroll

Makeup & Hair Designer:

Geri Horacek

Sound Designer: Thomas Graca

Lighting Designer:

Christian Graca



Theater Works

The Tales from the Arabian Nights

THE SHOW:

The sultan Shahriar has spread terror through his land, marrying a new young woman each night and executing her in the morning with a demonic scimitar. When the Grand Vizier's intelligent and brave daughter Scheherazade volunteers in the place of her sister Dunyazad, she has a plan. A gifted storyteller, she tells the sultan a compelling story each night. But she leaves it at a cliffhanger. If Shahriar wants to know how the stories end, he'll have to let her live another day. And for 1,001 nights, she buys herself another reprieve with each tale. Tales that in this adaptation by Michael Bigelow Dixon include *The Fisherman and the Bottle*, *The Snake Charmer and His Wife*, *Shukat and the Princess Ming*, and *Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves*. But as the bitter and bloodthirsty demonic voices of the scimitar warn a frightened Scheherazade, eventually she'll run out of stories.

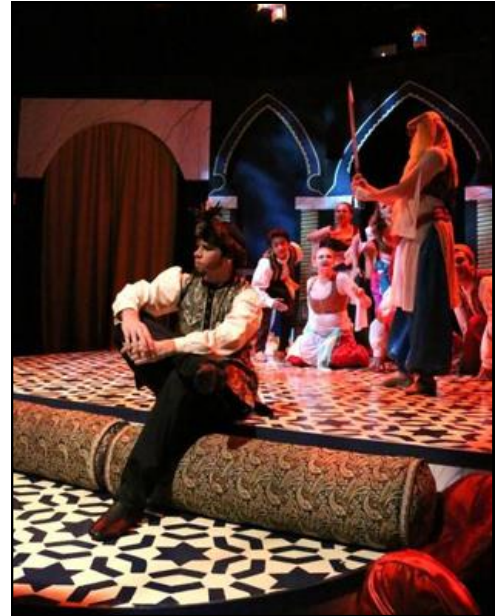
THE PRODUCTION:

Director **Chris Hamby** and his Theater Works team immerses us into the Arabian Nights from the moment we walk into the gorgeously designed set (**Michael Armstrong**) that includes a beautiful tiled stage surrounded by floor pillows, stylish entryways, and a well-used trapdoor that helps the magic happen. Great costumes by **Cari Smith**, props by **Jason Washburn**, lighting touches by **Daniel Davisson**, as well as lovely hairstyling (**Jean Tanton**) and makeup (**Cate Pinckney**) add much to the visuals. As does **Paul Pedersen's** choreography and added music by locals **Joshua Vern** and **Skylar Washburn**, all combining to complete the magical transportation to medieval Samarkand.

The stories are staged creatively with a strong ensemble of a little more than a dozen actors who seem to feed off each other as they work as a tight team, all of them transitioning easily between countless roles from the comedic to the dark. **Quincy Anntinette Janisse** shines as the devious Dalila who helps set the stage for the tales and as a clever fisherman. The tale of the fisherman and the genie segues into *Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves* with **Skylar Washburn** playing a consummate everyman with his Ali Baba who, with the help of his brilliant and devoted servant **Madison Butler**, takes on forty thieves more successfully than did Ali Baba's extremely greedy brother Kassim (**Hannah Grossenbacher**), and includes a great death scene by Captain **Taylor Lawritson**.

The second act kicks off with the snake charmer Mohammed (**Drake Ethan Current**) and his too curious wife Zubaida (**Hahnna Christianson**), both very funny and featuring a melodramatic climax with lights going on and off to reveal brief melodramatic scenes. Scheherazade runs out of tales with *Shukat and the Princess Ming*, with **Dylan Kurtz** and **Kelly Samson** as pen pals whose attempt to meet gets sabotaged by an enchanted oasis – a story filled with great comedic performances by the lovers as well as the troublesome Goblin, Imp, and Demon (**Skylar Washburn**, **Madison Butler**, and **Autumn Froitland**).

At the center of it all, the newlyweds **Ellis Tendlak** as Shahriar and **Claudia Pollack** give exceptional performances – Ellis as the moody sultan who slowly



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The Tales from the Arabian Nights (cont.)

becomes as mesmerized by the stories as with his scimitar, and Claudia as she uses her storytelling charms and faces her fears, battling for her life and the lives of the women who would follow if on one night she fails.

Performed September 12 - 28, 2014

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Scheherazade: Claudia Pollack
Ali Baba/Goblin: Skyler Washburn
Shukat: Dylan Kurtz
Zubaida: Hahnna Christianson
Grand Vizier/Captain: Taylor Lawritson
Shahriar: Ellis Temlak
Ming: Kelly Samson
Mohammed: Drake Ethan Current
Morgiana/Imp: Madison Butler
Dunyazad: Safiya Valenzuela
Fatimah/Demon: Autumn Froitland
Thief: Max Mendoza
Dalila/Khalifah: Quincy Anntinette Janisse
Speedy: Corrine Seaver
Mustafa/Kassim: Hanna Grossenbacher
Omar: Emilio Cress

Director: Chris Hamby
Music Director: Jennifer Whiting
Choreographer: Paul Pedersen
Stage Manager: Tammy Gilbert
Scenic Design: Michael Armstrong
Costume Designer: Cari Smith
Prop Designer: Jason Washburn
Media Design: Julaine Stark
Sound Design: Chris Hamby & Stephen Christensen
Hair Design: Jean Tanton
Makeup Design: Cate Pinckney
Lighting Design: Daniel Davisson



Theater Works

Night of the Living Dead



Theater Works

13 the Musical



THE SHOW:

Music and Lyrics by Jason Robert Brown, Book by Dan Elish, Robert Horn as co-librettist.

Thirteen. It's a number with many negative connotations. Possibly none more negative than being thirteen years old. Puberty, acne, peer pressure, junior high. Good times only compounded for Evan when his parents get divorced and he is moved from the bright lights of New York City to the Dairy Queens of Appleton, Indiana. Perhaps things can get a little better in "The Lamest Place in the World" if he can make some new cool friends at his new school named after Indiana's favorite son (Dan Quayle Junior High) and get them to his upcoming Bar Mitzvah. But will he lose his new real friends in the process?

THE PRODUCTION:

All hail Theater Works with their cast and team directed by **Johanna Carlisle** who opened their run of *13 the Musical* with an impressive opening night at the Peoria Center for the Performing Arts. It looks good with New York iconic signs being switched out with Appleton iconic signs (Scenic Designer **M'Liss Tolman**), **Tamara Treat's** costumes that mesh with the various characters' personalities, and good choreography by **Lynzee 4Man**. In those costumes and doing those dance moves is a largely pre-high school cast featuring many of the greatest young talents from all around the valley.

Leading it is **Sam Primack** who was born to play Evan. He's thirteen and just had his Bar Mitzvah last May, and he's a fantastic performer whether at ease with his real friends, straining to impress the cool kids, or grooving to his own jig amongst the frozen bodies of all the other kids as his mind is racing from one fanciful plan to another in *All Hail The Brain*. Sixteen-year-old **Olivia Watters** is his new best friend and would-be girlfriend Patrice, giving a beautiful performance both in her singing and in her deeply authentic performance, trying to fight back tears as the years of bullying begin anew with the first day



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13 the Musical (cont.)

of school, and as she tries to hold out hope with the new boy coming to *The Lamest Place in the World*. Her powerful parting from Evan in *Good Enough* is painfully real. Completing the trio of friends is thirteen-year-old **Emilio Cress** who's charming as Archie, making the best of his situation and joining Sam Primack in a memorable song-and-dance to *No One Says No to a Boy with a Terminal Illness*.

Eighth grader **Addison Bowman** isn't at all charming, but she is super talented as mean girl Lucy who ruthlessly connives to get to the jock's tongue before her "best friend" and fellow cheerleader Kendra gets there. **Gabby Vatistas** delivers a strong, amusing performance as the ditzy Kendra, also shining with a very nice singing voice. **Jacob Herrera** is her match as the highly entertaining dumb jock who nevertheless is quite skilled at taking notes on subjects of interest. He works well as a team with his four buddies (**Christian Bader**, **Sam Brown**, **Henry Brown**, and **Charlie Siegal**) who draw some of the biggest laughs and highest notes as they help him woo Kendra and try to help him escape Lucy.



But Lucy won't go down without a fight, leading a great gossip quartet with **Alex Kirby**, **Jessica Dolyniuk** and **Jasmine Bassham** – Jasmine also working it throughout as the dance captain. The impressive ensemble adds much to the show with their dancing, singing, and acting, in everything from the hip New York kids, the hip rabbis led by the humorous **Ethan Shanker**, a horrified movie audience, peer pressuring junior high students, and eventually reflective junior high students in their strong finale of *A Little More Homework* to do.

Performed January 16 - February 1, 2015

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Evan: Sam Primack
Archie: Emilio Cress
Brett: Jacob Herrera
Patrice: Olivia Watters
Lucy: Addison Bowman
Kendra: Gabby Vatistas
Cassie: Alex Kirby
Charlotte/Dance Captain: Jasmine Bassham
Molly: Jessica Dolyniuk
Richie: Christian Bader
Malcolm: Sam Brown
Eddie: Henry Brown
Simon: Charlie Siegal
Head Rabbi/Ensemble: Ethan Shanker
~ Ensemble ~
Featured Dancer: Kayla Stillman
Featured Dancer: Alyssa Armstong
Featured Dancer: Sarah Pansing
Featured Dancer: Katie Calderone



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Denim Glasheen
AJ Palubinskas
Sara Matin
Carly Jacobs
Abby Prusinski
Ali Giordano
Autumn Froitland
Maggie McNeil
Kayla Dobbs
Noa Gauthier

Director: Johanna Carlisle
Musical Director: Mark 4Man
Choreographer: Lynzee 4Man
Stage Manager: Kendra Schroeder
Costume Designer: Tamara Treat
Scenic Designer: M'liss Tolman
Prop Designer: Leigh Treat
Lighting Designer: JJ Hansen
Sound Designer: Alex Cozza

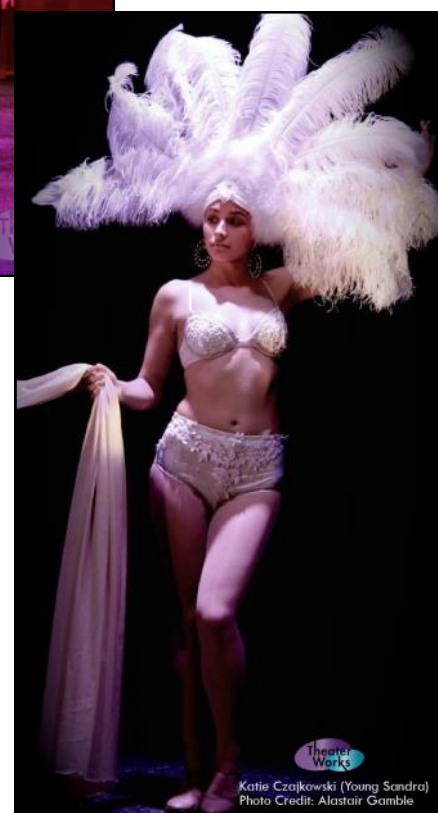
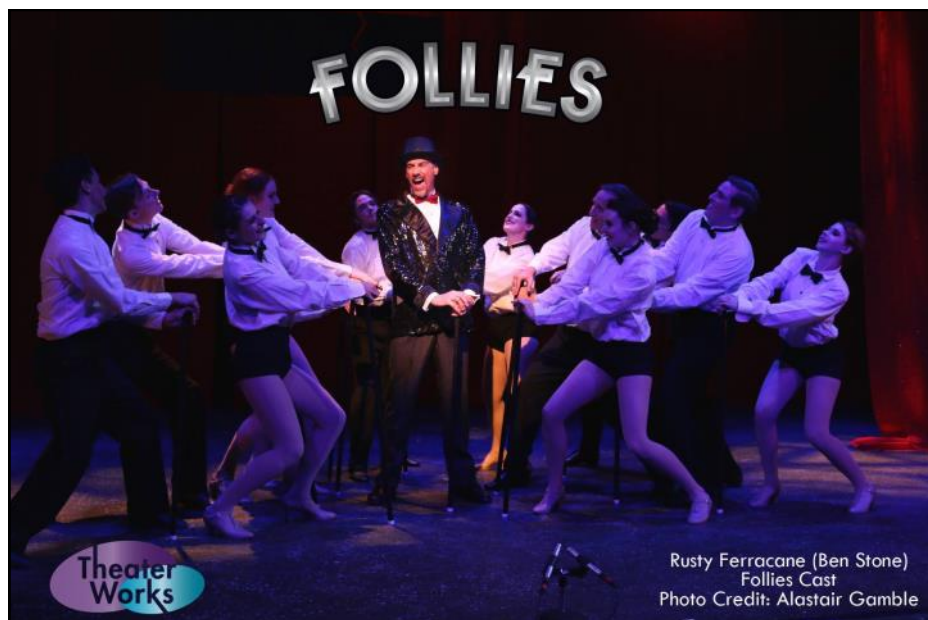


Theater Works

Follies

Young Sandra: Katie Czajkowski
Young Carlotta: Marissa Cordova
Young Stella: Sydnie Greger
Young Heidi: Laura Pyper
Young Emily: Ariel Hastings
Young Solange: Elizateth Schmitt
Young Hattie: Veronica Ancona
Young Dee Dee/Margie: Megan Farinella
Young Theodore: Jonathan Ramirez
Major Domo: Tony Blosser
Young Buddy: Lee Pitts
Young Ben: Joshua Vern
Young Phyllis: Jacqui Notorio
Young Sally: Brandi Bigley
Sally Durant Plummer: Beth Ann Johnson
Solange La Fitte: Kathleen Berger
Dee Dee West: Marie Gouba
Sandra Crane: Crystal Steenhoek
Hattie Walker: Patti Davis Suarez
Carlotta Campion: Kelli James
Stella Deems: Heather Fallon
Max Deems: David Heap
Emily Whitman: Hilary Hirsch
Theodore Whitman: Jeffrey Middleton
Heidi Schiller: Cynthia Elek
Phyllis Rogers Stone: Shari Watts
Ben Stone: Rusty Ferracane
Buddy Plummer: Scott Hyder
Dimitri Weismann: Marty Berger
Roscoe: Ken Goodenberger
Kevin: Sam Wilkes
Male Ensemble:
Andy Albrecht
Karson Cook
Sky Donovan
Michael Schwenke
Cody Seaver

Director: Phillip Fazio
Musical Director: Steve Hilderbrand
Choreographer: Misha Shields
Technical Director/Properties Designer: Brett Aiken
Assisant Technical Director/Sound Designer: Matthew Sanders
Lighting Designer: Daniel Davisson
Costume Designer: Tamara Treat
Hair Designer: Jean Tanton
Makeup Designer: Courtney Greger



Theater Works

A Year with Frog and Toad

Wrapping up the 2014-15 YouthWorks Season, Theater Works at the Peoria Center for the Performing Arts (PCPA) presents a bright and lively production. *A Year With Frog and Toad* opens on May 8th and runs through May 24th.

A Year With Frog and Toad celebrates true friendship and how it develops through the years,” says Director, Chris Hamby. “Its brilliant writers use seasons to represent this. No matter what we encounter in life, we should remain true to our friends because they are the ones who know all about us and love us just the same.”

“The themes of this production are played out in such a way that appeal to both children and adults,” continues Hamby. “This is not a ‘kiddy’ show. It’s a lighthearted, imaginative, colorful musical that teaches valuable lessons about respect, friendship and loyalty - themes that resonate with everyone and remain relevant and timeless.”

A Year With Frog and Toad is based on Arnold Lobel’s award-winning books. Tried and true friends Frog and Toad navigate through an adventure-filled year and are joined by some colorful companions along the way as they ponder being alone, bathing suits and spoiling Christmas. With songs like “Seeds,” “Alone” and “Merry Almost Christmas,” audiences will witness an unlikely friendship blossom and grow as Frog and Toad go sledding together, bake cookies and tell each other scary stories.

A Year With Frog and Toad features a large cast of 25 remarkable young performers from the local theater community. Returning to the TW stage to play the role of buoyantly cheerful “Frog” is Tyler (Ty) Lewis. Ty last appeared at PCPA’s as the lead in *High School Musical* in 2014. He has also been seen in *The Flying Trunk* and *My Son Pinocchio* at Spotlight Youth Theater. Playing the role of worrisome, fussbudget “Toad” is Skyler Washburn. Skyler has appeared at Theater Works in several productions including: *Beauty and the Beast*, *Little Shop of Horrors* and most recently *Tales from the Arabian Nights*.

Other lively woodland creatures include: Cody Seaver as “Lizard” and Karson Cook as “Snail”. Cody and Karson have been in many productions and both recently performed in the Theater Works’ highly acclaimed production of *Follies*.

Returning for her fourth YouthWorks production is fourteen year-old Autumn Froitland (Mouse) who was in *High School Musical*, *Tales for the Arabian Nights*, and *13 the Musical*. She is also a member of Stardust, a Theater Works advanced program for performers ages thirteen to nineteen, who travel throughout the Valley entertaining audiences through various genres of music. Rounding out the cast of Frog and Toad are many talented, up and coming entertainers from around the Valley playing birds, moles, squirrels and more.



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Outstanding Production:

CATS (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Hairspray (Greasepaint Youth theatre)
Rent (Spotlight Youth Theatre)

Artist of the Year:

Julia Davis (MTA's *CATS*, *Into the Woods* & *Les Miserables*)
Mason Reeves (DFT's *Dreamgirls* & *Hairspray*, MTA's *Into the Woods*, Spotlight's *The Wedding Singer*)
Michael Schulz (Spotlight's *Annie Get Your Gun*, *Rent* & *The Wedding Singer*, VYT's *West Side Story*)
Hale Stewart (Notre Dame's *The Addams Family*, Greasepaint's *Hairspray*, *Into the Woods* & *Seussical*)
Jeremy Yampolsky (DST's *Beauty and the Beast* and *The Wizard of Oz*, Desert Mountain's *Footloose*, Spotlight's *Rent*)

The Audrey Award for Volunteer Service to Youth Arts:

Toni Spets

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Musical:

Ryan Ardel as Donkey in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Trey Degroodt as Roger in *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Trey Degroodt as Jeff in *[title of show]* (Liberty High School)
Zachary Guerrero as The Beast in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youth theatre)
Jacob Shore as Baker in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youth theatre)
J.Cole Shryock as Ren in *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Brandon Smith as Shrek in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Patrick Steward as William Barfee in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Skyler Washburn as Charlie Brown in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)
Skyler Washburn as Toad in *A Year with Frog and Toad* (Theater Works)

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Musical:

Arielle Amrein as Fiona in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Carly Makani Copp as Annie Oakley in *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Mariella DeAngelis as Mimi Marquez in *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Alana Doyle as Ariel Moore in *Footloose* (Desert Mountain High School)
Johnna Watson as Belle in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youth theatre)
Olivia Watters as Patrice in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Ali Whitwell as Julia Sullivan in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Play:

Seth Copeland as Reggie in *Hello, My Name Is...* (Acting Zone)
TJ L'Heureux as Walter/Edward/James in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Play:

Kendall Schaub as Lenny Magrath in *Crimes of the Heart* (Chaparral High School)
Zoe Tanton as Anne Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Lead Actor (Junior Division):

Sam Primack as Evan in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Jack Yampolsky as Charlie Bucket in *Willy Wonka* (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Lead Actress (Junior Division):

Lily Castle as Tracy Turnblad in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Kayla Dobbs as Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Foothills Youth Theater)

Outstanding Lead Actor (College Division):

Tanner Van Parys as Horton in *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youth theatre)

Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Musical:

Brandon Brown as Snoopy in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)
Adam Hays as Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youth theatre)
Adam Hays as Stepmother in *Cinderella* (Chaparral High School)

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Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Musical (cont.):

Andrey Lull as Jack in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Alex Martinez as Corny Collins in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Alex Martinez as Cinderella's Prince/Wolf in *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Jack Rose as Edna in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Nathan Sheppard as Marius in *Les Miserables* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Thomas Steward as Wilbur Turnblad in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Stephen White as Lord Farquaad in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Musical:

Payton Bioletto as Linda in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Aubrey Cole as Vi Moore in *Footloose* (Desert Mountain High School)
Marley Degroodt as Heidi in *[title of show]* (Liberty High School)
Maggie Eley as Witch in *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Ali Giordano as The Cat in *HONK!* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Liz Grannis as Penny Pingleton in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Carly Nicole Grossman as Maureen Johnson in *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Lilly LeBlanc as Sally in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)
Aneva McDaniel as Motormouth Maybelle in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Hannah Rose as Penny Pingleton in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Hannah Rose as Wicked Witch/Gultch in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Foothills Youth Theater)
Emily Temple as Alice Beineke in *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Peyton Woolf as Logainne Schwartzandgrubbeniere in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Supporting Actor (Junior Division):

T.J. Rossi as Cowardly Lion/Zeke in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Play:

Carly Fiel as Allegra in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Sydnie Greger as Mom/Mrs. Overlook in *Still Life with Iris* (Mountain Ridge High School)
Eliana Magallan as Peggy Sue in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Indigo Zuber as Meg Magrath in *Crimes of the Heart* (Chaparral High School)

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Musical:

Jacob Emmett as General Schmitz in *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Mychal Leverage as Enjolras in *Les Miserables* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Ensemble:

13 the Musical (Theater Works)
The Addams Family (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Beauty and the Beast (Desert Stages Theatre)
Beauty and the Beast (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Footloose (Marcos de Niza High School)
Hairspray (Desert Foothills Theater)
Into the Woods (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Shrek the Musical (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
The Wedding Singer (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown (Starlight Community Theater)

Outstanding Ensemble (Junior Division):

The Wizard of Oz (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
The Wizard of Oz (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

Outstanding Costume Design:

Cari Smith for *A Year with Frog and Toad* (Theater Works)

Outstanding Set Design:

Jeff Dobbs for *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)

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Outstanding Choreography:

Sherry Henderson for *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Hair/Makeup Design:

Jacob Hamilton for *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Jacob Hamilton for *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)

Outstanding Musical Direction:

Jackie Hammond and Shawna Weitekamp for *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Direction:

Christian Graca for *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)

Chris Hamby for *A Year with Frog and Toad* (Theater Works)

Outstanding New Play:

Jim Gradillas and Michelle Marie for *Hello, My Name Is...* (Acting Zone)

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Outstanding Production:

13 the Musical (Theater Works)
The Addams Family (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Annie Get Your Gun (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Beauty and the Beast (Desert Stages Theatre)
Beauty and the Beast (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Clean Up on Aisle 5 (Acting Zone)
The Diary of Anne Frank (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
The Good Doctor (Chaparral High School)
Hairspray (Desert Foothills Theater)
Hello, My Name Is... (Acting Zone)
Into the Woods (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Into the Woods (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
A Midsummer Night's Dream (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens (Marcos de Niza High School)
Seussical (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Shrek the Musical (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown (Starlight Community Theater)

Outstanding Dance Production:

Broadway Under the Stars (Horizon High School)

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Musical:

Austin Butler as Beast/Prince in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Spencer Claus as Ren in *Footloose* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Jared Lara as Willy Wonka in *Willy Wonka* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Phisher Ritter as Hunter in *[title of show]* (Liberty High School)
Jacob Shore as Nathan Detroit in *Guys and Dolls* (Horizon High School)

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Musical:

Alexa Agostinelli as Cinderella in *Cinderella* (Chaparral High School)
Becca Bauer as Baker's Wife in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Allyse Bridges as Adelaide in *Guys and Dolls* (Horizon High School)
Cate Carlino as Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Taylor Ellsworth as Baker's Wife in *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Anissa Greigo as Ariel in *Footloose* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Lauren Lord as Morticia Addams in *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Eliana Magallan as Ariel in *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Lauren Michaud as Belle in *Beauty and the Beast* (Starlight Community Theater)
Emma Nowicki as Wednesday Addams in *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Anna Sera as Wednesday Addams in *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Libby Stiles as Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Olivia Twiford as Morticia Addams in *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Breagh Watson as Tracy Turnblad in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Camden Wawro as Belle in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Camden Wawro as Ida in *HONK!* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)

Outstanding Lead Actor in a Play:

Derick Haenitsch as Peter in *Peter Pan and Wendy* (Starlight Community Theater)
Mychal Leverage as Grotto Good in *Still Life with Iris* (Mountain Ridge High School)
Samuel Tinlin as Ichabod Crane in *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)

Outstanding Lead Actress in a Play:

Hayley Acord as Mrs. Savage in *The Curious Savage* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Shaina Gilbert as Sam in *Hello, My Name Is...* (Acting Zone)
Kaylee Maxwell as Iris in *Still Life with Iris* (Mountain Ridge High School)
Claudia Pollack as Scheherazade in *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Lauryn Steitz as Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz* (Acting Zone)

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Outstanding Lead Actor (Junior Division):

Jacob Blalack as The Pied Piper in *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Chris Cason as Ugly in *HONK!* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Zachary Denious as JoJo in *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Noah Munoz as Prince in *Snow White* (Acting Zone)
TJ Rossi as Wilbur in *Charlotte's Web* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Lead Actress (Junior Division):

Natalie Brothen as Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz* (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Julia Burks as Beezus Quimby in *Ramona Quimby* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Savannah Foy as Dorothy Gale in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Davin Kallevig as Gretchen in *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Sophia Martin as Ramona Quimby in *Ramona Quimby* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Cambria Maynard as Snow White in *Snow White* (Acting Zone)
Julia Toussaint as Dorothy Gale in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Guest Actor:

Nicholas Gearing as Otto Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Nicholas Gearing as Rapunzel's Prince in *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Reginald Graham as Donkey in *Shrek the Musical* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Matthew Harris as Edna Turnblad in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Jose Soto as Mister Mistoffelees in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Guest Actress:

Sonia Rodriguez Wood as Dragon/Mother Goose in *Shrek the Musical* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Tyra Young as Motormouth Maybelle in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)

Outstanding Lead Actor (College Division):

James D. Gish as Lord Farquaad in *Shrek the Musical* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Tyler Lewis as Frog in *A Year with Frog and Toad* (Theater Works)

Outstanding Lead Actress (College Division):

Elyssa Blonder as Olive Ostrovsky in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Brandy Reed as Princess Fiona in *Shrek the Musical* (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Supporting Actor (College Division):

Alex Acosta as Angel Schunard in *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
John Batchan as Benjamin Coffin III in *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Karson Cook as Snail in *A Year with Frog and Toad* (Theater Works)
Karson Cook as George in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Jacob Hamilton as Munkustrap in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Alex Martinez as Old Deuteronomy in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Musical:

Taylor Bader as Charlie Davenport in *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Henry Brown as Eddie in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Hayden Burke as Willard Hewitt in *Footloose* (Desert Mountain High School)
Spencer Claus as Link Larkin in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Trey DeGroodt as Glen Guglia in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Jacob Emnett as Cinderella's Prince in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Jacob Emnett as Link Larkin in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Rick Grimes as Rum Tum Tugger in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Nicholas Hambruch as Reverend Shaw Moore in *Footloose* (Desert Mountain High School)
H-Tubtun Hernandez-Elenes as Shaw in *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Michael Hoover as Bustopher Jones in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Michael Hoover as Jack in *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Curtis Horger as Scarecrow/Hunk in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Foothills Youth Theater)
Griffin LeBlanc as Schroeder in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)

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Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Musical (cont.):

Keegan Luther as Mal Beineke in *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Keegan Luther as Gaston in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Zach Mauck as Willard in *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Nick McHatton as Gus/Growltiger/Tumblebrutus in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Jacob Meyer as Skimbleshanks in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Vaibhavi Mohan as Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
John Newell as Tinman/Hickory in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Foothills Youth Theater)
David Samson as Buffalo Bill in *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
David Samson as Drake in *HONK!* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Jared Taillon as Pinocchio in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Matthew Villarreal as Mad Hatter in *Alice in Wonderland* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Stephen White as Donkey in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Musical:

Harley Barton as Rusty in *Footloose* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Emily Benoit as Mrs. Potts in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Cami Benton as Mayzie in *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Peiton Bursh as Vi in *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Katrina Butler as Cogsworth in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Marley DeGroodt as Holly in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Maggie Eley as Bombalurina in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Julia Gellman as Portia in *Cinderella* (Chaparral High School)
Ali Getz as Velma Von Tussle in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Savoy Graca as Lucy in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)
Lyssa Horney as Dolly Tate in *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Barrette Janney as Amber in *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Alexanthe Kane as Teen Fiona/Ogre Fiona in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Emily McAtee as Amber Von Tussle in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Jayda Mendiola as Grizabella in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Natasha Milligan as Mrs. Potts in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Caroline Noonan as Little Red in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Brianna Novicki as Macavity/Acrocat in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Greta Perlmutter as Rona Lisa Perretti in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Katie Polcyn as Queen in *Cinderella* (Chaparral High School)
Lexa Rose as Granny/Milky White in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Bailey Smith as Witch in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Katy Sprowls as Gertrude in *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Kaitlyn Stark as Bambi in *Curtains* (Starlight Community Theater)
Allison Steward as Little Red in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Erin Tarkington as Cheshire Cat in *Alice in Wonderland* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Erin Tarkington as Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Gabby Tuskan as Susan in *[title of show]* (Liberty High School)
Gabby Vatisas as Kendra in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Maggie Waller as Rosie in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Ali Whitwell as Joanne Jefferson in *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Ali Whitwell as Winnie in *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Indigo Zuber as Joy in *Cinderella* (Chaparral High School)

Outstanding Supporting Actor (Junior Division):

Corbin Blair as Tinman/Hickory in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Emilio Cress as Professor Marvel/Wizard of Oz in *The Wizard of Oz* (Acting Zone)
Emilio Cress as Archie in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Easton Dana as Tin Man in *The Wizard of Oz* (Acting Zone)
George Dillon as Tin Man in *The Wizard of Oz* (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Nico Lanese as Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz* (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Josh Pike as Boy in *The Quiltmaker's Gift* (Theater Works)
Chris Poulos as Templeton in *Charlotte's Web* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

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Outstanding Supporting Actor (Junior Division) (cont.):

Brody Wurr as Cowardly Lion/Zeke in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Brody Wurr as Avery Arable in *Charlotte's Web* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Brody Wurr as Mungojerrie in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Jack Yampolsky as Lefou in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Jack Yampolsky as Lion in *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Supporting Actress (Junior Division):

Marcella Anglim as Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz* (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Tawny Audi as Moriarity in *The Dracula Rock Show* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Addison Bowman as Lucy in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Addison Bowman as Angie in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Erin Burgard as Scarecrow/Hunk in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Lily Castle as Little Red Ridinghood in *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Grace Davis as Scarecrow/Hunk in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Claire Faulkner as Wicked Witch in *The Wizard of Oz* (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Savannah Foy as Rumpleteazer in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Savannah Foy as Fern Arable in *Charlotte's Web* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Carolyn Heinzer as Chuckie in *Rugrats: A Live Adventure* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Grace Hughes as Evil Queen/Old Hag/Ribbon Lady in *Snow White* (Acting Zone)
Grace Hughes as Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz* (Acting Zone)
Quincy Anntinette Janisse as Dalila/Khalifah in *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Kaylee Kasper as Lion in *The Wizard of Oz* (Acting Zone)
Nicole Koster as Victoria in *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Calista Quint as Cogsworth in *Beauty and the Beast* (Starlight Community Theater)
Jessica Reed as Susan Walker in *Miracle on 34th Street* (Starlight Community Theater)
Kendra Richards as Marcy Park in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Alexis Rosenbaum as Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Nicolette Sciortino as Cher in *The Dracula Rock Show* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Ava Siegel as Tinman/Hickory in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Tatum Sosnowski as Almira Gulch/Wicked Witch in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Emma Suttell as Lina Gesundheit in *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Julia Toussaint as Charlotte in *Charlotte's Web* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Talia Vovack as Lefou in *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Play:

Christopher Bennett as Captain Also in *Still Life with Iris* (Mountain Ridge High School)
Nathan Crowell as Nick Bottom in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Nick Hambruch as Roger Hopewell in *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940* (Desert Mountain High School)
H-Tubtun Hernandez-Elenes as Roy in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Alex Kennedy as Oberon in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Dylan Kurtz as Shukat in *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Zack Mauck as Hollister in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Nick McHatton as Mr. Van Daan in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Matt Merritt as Barnette Lloyd in *Crimes of the Heart* (Chaparral High School)
Mason Paschke as Lawrence in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Karl Pederson as The Reverend Arthur Humphrey in *See How They Run* (Chaparral High School)
Taylor Raine Updegraff as Ben in *Night of the Living Dead* (Theater Works)
Will Rippenkroeger as Captain James Hook in *Peter Pan and Wendy* (Starlight Community Theater)

Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Play:

Rachel Adams as Kris in *Hello, My Name Is...* (Acting Zone)
Alexandra Boles as Justine in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Peiton Bursh as Connie in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Madison Butler as Morgiana/Imp in *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Annalise Cavender as Babe Botrelle in *Crimes of the Heart* (Chaparral High School)
Holly Chavet as Christina/Claire in *Clean Up on Aisle 5* (Acting Zone)
Nikki Corcoran as Wicked Witch in *The Wizard of Oz* (Acting Zone)

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Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Play (cont.):

Colleen Jacobson as Edith in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Gabi Johnson as Miss Wilhelmina in *The Curious Savage* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Alexanthe Kane as Helena in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Kaylee Kasper as Aboo in *Clean Up on Aisle 5* (Acting Zone)
Abigail Marshall as Fairy May in *The Curious Savage* (Starlight Community Theater)
Tori Niemic as Grandmother in *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Jesse Pike as Smee in *Peter Pan and Wendy* (Starlight Community Theater)
Emily Spets as Mrs. Van Daan in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Zoe Tanton as Melanie, Lisa, Sandy, Vampira in *Theatre of Screams* (Acting Zone)
Ann Emilie Tjorhom as Edith Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Ava Tyson as Margot Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Makinlee Wright as Tinkerbell in *Peter Pan and Wendy* (Starlight Community Theater)
Mercedes Zamora as Beatrice in *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Musical:

Spencer Claus as Mitch Mahoney in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Tony Julian as Chuck Cranston in *Footloose* (Desert Mountain High School)
Tony Julian as Wolf in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Thomas Steward as Le Fou in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Musical (College Division):

Philip Amerine as Foster Wilson in *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)

Outstanding Featured Actress in a Musical:

Molly Jimmerson as Woodstock in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)
Ally Lansdowne as Ensemble, Cyndi Lauper, Tiffany in *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Celine Sanel as Babette in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Anna Sera as Madame La Bouche in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Johnna Watson as Rapunzel in *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Play:

Jayce Hale as Peter Quince in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Beckett Holden as Robin Starveling in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Jared Taillon as Tom Snout in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Austin Valenti as Francis Flute in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)

Outstanding Featured Actress in a Play:

Jade Price as Chick Boyle in *Crimes of the Heart* (Chaparral High School)
Sarah Scholl as Fairy in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)

Outstanding Featured Actress (Junior Division):

Kiara Adams as Li'l Inez in *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Jasmine Bassham as Charlotte/Dance Captain in *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Sydney DeFosse as Young Fiona in *Shrek the Musical* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Alivia Desmarteau as Young Fiona in *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Noelle Hammond as Little Cosette in *Les Miserables* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Riley Herrera as Baby Kangaroo in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Ellie Kunnari as Munchkin Mayor in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Featured Actor (Junior Division):

Kyle Hoffmaster as Mayor in *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Christopher Poullos as Gavroche in *Les Miserables* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Chris Poullos as Oz Guard in *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Ensemble:

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Desert Stages Theatre)
Annie Get Your Gun (Spotlight Youth Theatre)

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Outstanding Ensemble (cont.):

CATS (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Cinderella (Chaparral High School)
Crimes of the Heart (Chaparral High School)
The Diary of Anne Frank (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Footloose (Desert Mountain High School)
Hairspray (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
HONK! (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Into the Woods (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
A Midsummer Night's Dream (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens (Marcos de Niza High School)
Rent (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Seussical (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
The Tales from the Arabian Nights (Theater Works)
The Wizard of Oz (Acting Zone)
The Wizard of Oz (Desert Stages Theatre)
A Year with Frog and Toad (Theater Works)

Outstanding Ensemble (Junior Division):

The Pied Piper of Hamelin (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Snow White (Acting Zone)
Willy Wonka (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Costume Design:

Kristin Barton and Stephanie Yampolsky for *Alice in Wonderland* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Spencer Borschel for *Still Life with Iris* (Mountain Ridge High School)
Jean Cody for *The Wizard of Oz* (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Karin Ikesaki for *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Beth Jacobson for *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Naomi Jordan and Andi Jordan for *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Sonya Parsons for *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)
Shrek the Musical (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Cari Smith for *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Peggy Sullivan for *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Stephanie Yampolsky for *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)

Outstanding Lighting Design:

Daniel Davisson for *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Daniel Kersh for *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Donna Petersen for *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)

Outstanding Set Design:

Michael Armstrong for *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Lisa Barton, Paul Filan, Lindsey Ihrig for *Alice in Wonderland* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Lisa Barton and Laurie Cullity for *Beauty and the Beast* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Eric Beeck for *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Dori Brown for *A Year with Frog and Toad* (Theater Works)
CATS (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Brent Coatney for *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Jeff Dobbs for *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Lindsey Ihrig for *The Wizard of Oz* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Mike Rippenkroeger, Glenda & Dorann Matson for *Peter Pan and Wendy* (Starlight Community Theater)
Bobby Sample for *Ramona Quimby* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Bobby Sample and Taylor Bader for *Rugrats: A Live Adventure* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Bobby Sample and Clancy DeGroodt for *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Shrek the Musical (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Ken Wilson for *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)

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Outstanding Choreography:

Lynzee 4Man for *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Lynzee 4Man for *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Lynzee 4man for *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Kat Bailes and Paul Pedersen for *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Toni Fioramonti for *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Sherry Henderson for *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Dale Nakagawa for *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Elizabeth Orr for *Guys and Dolls* (Horizon High School)
Amanda Paige for *Footloose* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Paul Pedersen for *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Emily Starett for *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Laurie Trygg for *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Nathalie Velasquez for *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Starlight Community Theater)

Outstanding Sound Design/Original Music:

Peter Bish for *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Peter Bish for *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Jim Gradillas for *Theatre of Screams* (Acting Zone)
Chris Hamby and Stephen Christensen for *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)

Outstanding Hair/Makeup Design:

Trey DeGroodt for *The Wedding Singer* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Angel DeMichael and Jacob Hamilton for *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)

Outstanding Youth Orchestra:

Footloose (Desert Mountain High School)

Outstanding Musical Direction:

Mark 4Man for *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Mark 4Man for *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
J'Ana De La Torre for *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Dan Kurek for *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Mary Ellen Reese Loose for *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Cris Wo for *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

Outstanding Direction:

Tracy Bailey Bennett for *Beauty and the Beast* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Lisa Barton for *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Desert Stages Theatre)
Sarah Brayer and Lynzee Foreman for *The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Johanna Carlisle for *13 the Musical* (Theater Works)
Ed Como for *The Good Doctor* (Chaparral High School)
Toni Fioramonti for *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Toni Fioramonti for *Shrek the Musical* (Sandra Day O'Connor High School)
Brenda Goodenberger for *Ramona Quimby* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Jim Gradillas for *Hello, My Name Is...* (Acting Zone)
Jim Gradillas for *Into the Woods* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Kenny Grossman for *Annie Get Your Gun* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Kenny Grossman for *Rent* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Chris Hamby for *Hairspray* (Desert Foothills Theater)
Chris Hamby for *The Tales from the Arabian Nights* (Theater Works)
Sherry Henderson for *CATS* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Jessica Holt for *[title of show]* (Liberty High School)
Patrick McChesney for *The Plot, Like Gravy, Thickens* (Marcos de Niza High School)
Dale Nakagawa for *Seussical* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Laura O'Meara for *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)
Colin Ross for *Hairspray* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Colin Ross for *Into the Woods* (Greasepaint Youtheatre)
Bobby Sample for *HONK!* (Spotlight Youth Theatre)
Bonnie Wilson for *The Addams Family* (Notre Dame Prep Players)

Outstanding New Works:

Evan Thompson, Joan Shepard, and Joe Bousard for *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* (Musical Theatre of Anthem)

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