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MAY 10TH, 11TH, 12TH AT 7 PM
MAY 12TH, 13TH AT 2 PM

MAY 17, 18, 19TH AT 7 PM
MAY 19TH, 20TH AT 2 PM

Young Actors' Theatre
PRESENTS
THE LION KING JR

Music by
Elton John & Tim Rice

Addition Lyrics by
Lebo M, Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin & Will Van Dyke

Book by
Roger Allers and Irene Mecchi

DIRECTED BY
KIM HENDRIX-RACINE

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SONGS

Act I

Circle of Life with Nants' Ingonyama	Rafiki, Ensemble
Grasslands Chant	Grassland Ensemble
The Lioness Hunt	Lionesses
I Just Can't Wait to Be King	Young Simba, Young Nala, Zazu, Ensemble
Be Prepared	Scar, Shenzi, Banzai, Ed, Hyenas
They Live in You	Mufasa, Forefathers, Lionesses, Ensemble
The Stampede	Ensemble
The Mourning	Rafiki, Lionesses, Hyenas

Act II

Hakuna Matata (Pt 1)	Timon, Pumbaa, Young Simba, Ensemble
Hakuna Matata (Pt 2)	Timon, Pumbaa, Simba, Ensemble
Shadowland	Nala, Rafiki, Lionesses
Can You Feel the Love Tonight	Timon, Pumbaa, Simba, Nala, Ensemble
He Lives in You	Rafiki, Forefathers, Lionesses, Ensemble
Luau Hawaiian Treat	Timon, Pumbaa
Finale	Full Cast/Ensemble



CAST

Cast Members

Rafiki	Catherine Tarlov
Mufasa	Adizen Hull
Zazu	Jamie Kramer
Scar	Blake Brown
Young Simba	Nicholas Haney
Simba/Grassland	Damon Ojeda
Young Nala	Lily Hobson
Nala/Lioness/Wildebeest	Mia Jativa
Sarabi	Katie Racine
Sarafina/Wildebeest	Ashley Trachta
Banzai/Zebra/Forefather	Miles Reed
Shenzi/Giraffe	Ella Crook
Ed/Elephant/Grassland	Jackson Muns
Timon/Bird/Grassland	Dylan Masis Thomas
Pumbaa/Zebra	Kate Marshall
Lioness	Cassidy Walters
Lioness/Bird	Abigail Lemkau
Lioness/Bird/Grassland/Wildebeest	Kate Park
Lioness/Elephant	Anna Furlong
Lioness/Elephant	Cadence Grosch
Lioness/Giraffe/Wildebeest	Kaylee Fuller
Lioness/Giraffe/Wildebeest	Mandy Keller
Lioness/Grassland	Mairin Furlong
Lioness/Grassland/Wildebeest	Bridget Wilson
Lioness/Wildebeest	Ezri Alvarez
Lioness/Wildebeest	Brookelyn Rene Isackson
Lioness/Wildebeest	Sarah Niskey
Lion	Tabitha Deuel
Cub/Bird/Grassland/Zebra/Antelope/Bones	
Lion Cub/Grassland/Bird/Water	Juliet Jativa

CAST

Cast Members (continued)

Lion Cub/Grassland/Tree/Water	Neil Perkins
Lion Cub/Grassland/Zebra/Water	Violet Lott
Hyena/Grassland/Giraffe/Forefather/Buzzard/Hippo	Elyssa Spate
Hyena/Grassland/Elephant/Forefather/Flower	Aubrey O'Brien
Hyena/Grassland/Log	Griffin Howe
Hyena/Grassland/Log/Bones	Eligh Hernandez
Bird/Hyena/Log/Bones	Mason Lemkau
Bird/Lion Cub/Grassland/Antelope/Water	Averie Phillips
Bird/Lion Cub/Grassland/Elephant/Shrub	Roan Furlong
Bird/Lion Cub/Grassland/Gazelle/Antelope	Sam Racine
Bird/Lion Cub/Grassland/Tree/Flower/Bones	Maya Sinado
Bird/Lion Cub/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Log	Nate Worlie
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Flower	Penny Bur-Min Estigoy
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Shrub	Jessica Day
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Tree	Soumaya Voinnov
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Water	Zoe Cable
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Water	Kenna Hayden
Zebra/Hyena/Grassland/Antelope/Cheetah	Tatum Winkler
Zebra/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Flower	Madison Shehee

ARTISTIC TEAM

Crew Members

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Music Director Jerrica Stone

Choreographer Wilfred Paloma

Stage Manager Astrid Pett

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THANK YOU TO OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

WE HAVE NOTHING BUT APPRECIATION FOR ALL OF THE AMAZING PEOPLE
WHO VOLUNTEERED FOR YAT'S PRODUCTION OF LION KING!

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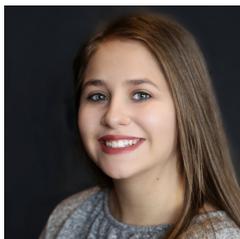
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WHO'S WHO



Catherine Tarlov

as Rafiki

Catherine is 14 years old and is a freshman in high school. She is thrilled to be playing Rafiki in this incredible show. Past favorite roles include Boylan Sister (Annie), The Cat (Honk), Bird Girl (Seussical), and Lucy (13, the Musical). Catherine would like to thank the artistic team for giving her the opportunity to play this dream role, and her family for their unending support.



Adizen Hull

as Mufasa

Adizen has been performing for many years, many of which have been here at YAT. She loves to sing and recently took up piano. She plans on being in the theatre when she gets older. Her favorite role was when she was the lead in HONK.



Jamie Kramer

as Zazu

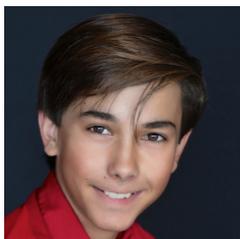
Jamie is an energetic young actor. He loves all things Hamilton and Harry Potter. His favorite roles have been Marionette (My Son Pinocchio Jr.), Micheal (Peter Pan) and The Fiddler (Fiddler on the Roof). He is excited to return to YAT for The Lion King, Jr.



Blake Brown

as Scar

Blake is in 8th grade. He started performing in 5th grade at YAT and he hasn't stopped. His first role was the Croc in Peter Pan. Currently, he is teaching himself the keyboard and adapting books to musicals. He appreciates Ms. Kim and the Artistic Staff for giving him the opportunity to "get into his character." He anticipates and looks forward to being "booed" as he plays "Uncle Scar."



Nicholas Haney

as Young Simba

The Lion King, jr. will be Nick's 8th production with Young Actors' Theatre since March 2017. Nick loves his YAT family and feels at home on stage with the many friends and mentors he has worked with. He is excited about working with a new director and all of the members of the artistic team.

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Damon Ojeda

as Simba/Grassland

Damon is 14 years old and in 8th grade. He will be starting high school next year. His favorite roles have been Cinderella's prince (Into The Woods), Troy Bolton (High School Musical) and is excited to play Simba. He would like to thank his family, friends and YAT for giving him this wonderful opportunity.



Lily Hobson

as Young Nala

Lily is 10 years old and is excited to be performing in her first theater production with YAT. In her spare time, Lily enjoys gymnastics and playing video games, and of course, singing! She would like to thank her parents for all their love and support, as well as the YAT artistic team.



Mia Jativa

as Nala/Lioness/Wildebeest

Mia is 15 and in 9th grade. This is her 6th show at YAT and she's excited to have the privilege of being Nala in The Lion King, jr. Some other favorite roles include, Featured Soloist (Beauty) Bagheera (Jungle Book) and Gabriella (High School Musical) She'd like to thank her family and friends for their love and support and the artistic team for all of the opportunities they have given her!



Katie Racine

as Sarabi

Katie is happy to be Sarabi in the "Lion King, jr." This is her second show at YAT. She performed in the Adult Ensemble in "Annie," and she has been in several school shows. Katie is 12 and in 7th grade. She'd like to thank her friends and family for all the love and support they've given her. She would also like to thank the amazing artistic team for putting on this great show. Enjoy the show!

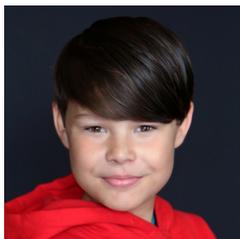


Ashley Trachta

as Sarafina/Wildebeest

Ashley will be turning 12 years old during the show, and is in 6th grade. Lion King, jr. will be her 5th show with YAT. Most recently she was a Wickersham Sister in Seussical. In her off time she enjoys reading, singing, hiking and playing with her adorable dog, Sahara. Ashley would like to thank her family and friends for their support, and to the artist team for this amazing opportunity!

WHO'S WHO



Miles Reed

as Banzai/Zebra/Forefather

Miles is 11 years old and in the 5th Grade. This is his 15th production with YAT. Some of his favorite roles have been Cowardly Lion (Wizard of Oz), Ugly (Honk), Grandpa Joe (Willy Wonka) and Little Boy (Ragtime). He loves to dance, sing, take photos, play video games and make people smile. He'd like to thank his family, friends and the artistic team for their support.



Ella Crook

as Shenzi/Giraffe

Ella is 11 years old and in the 5th grade. This is her 2nd production with YAT. Her favorite role was Munchkin Mayor (Wizard of Oz). Some previous shows she has done outside of YAT are Lion King, and Seussical. She likes to sing, laugh, and have fun. She would like to thank her mom and dad for letting her have some great experiences with YAT.



Jackson Muns

as Ed/Elephant/Grassland

The Lion King Jr, will be Jackson's 5th performance with the Young Actors' Theatre. He is looking forward to working with this talented group of actors and directors. Jackson is in 6th grade and enjoys acting, singing, art and writing. Jackson wants to continue to study the arts in middle and high school and is thrilled to have the chance to work with this artist team and cast.



Dylan Masis Thomas

as Timon/Bird/Grassland

Dylan is 11 and he's happy to be in his 13th show with YAT. He's been performing live since he was 6 and considers YAT his 2nd home. He's also had experience working in commercials and loves to be in front of the camera. He has studied Jazz, Hip Hop, Lyrical, Tap and Ballet. He loves to sing, spend time with his friends, do acrobatics and watch his favorite shows Glee and Pitch Perfect.



Kate Marshall

as Pumbaa/Zebra

Kate is 13 and loves performing, whether it be dancing, singing, or acting. This is Kate's 4th YAT performance and she is excited to work with these amazing people. Kate has been in multiple other performances at other studios. She also plays the guitar, takes voice lessons, and dances competitively. Kate would like to thank the YAT artistic team and cast for their support.

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Cassidy Walters

as Lioness

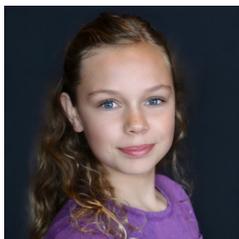
Cassidy is 12 years old and is excited to return to YAT for her 5th production. Some of her previous roles include: featured soloist as Preamble (Schoolhouse Rock) and “Janis Joplin”-like camera operator and featured dancer (Willy Wonka). In her spare time Cassidy likes to dance, do makeup, hang out with friends and go to the theater. She would like to thank the artistic team and director for all the effort put towards the show.



Abigail Lemkau

as Lioness/Bird

Abigail is 11 and in 6th grade. This is her 9th production with YAT. She also participates in her school's Drama Club. Some past shows include Peter Pan, Willy Wonka, Lion King Jr., School House Rocks and My Son Pinocchio. She enjoys singing and playing the piano. She is excited to be a part of YAT's rendition of The Lion King Jr. She is grateful to her friends and family for coming to the show!



Kate Park

as Lioness/Bird/Grassland/Wildebeest

Kate is 11 years old. Her previous performances include: Ensemble (The Wizard of Oz-YAT), Elephant and Mother Wolf (The Jungle Book), and Head Lost boy (Peter Pan). Kate received a nomination for "SPARK" Award for The Wizard of Oz and is very excited to perform in her 2nd production at YAT. Kate loves a challenge and is hardworking and dedicated. She aspires to become a veterinarian.



Anna Furlong

as Lioness/Elephant

Anna is a 13 year old veteran of the YAT stage. She is a world traveler, but feels happiest at home or hanging out with her friends. When not at rehearsal she enjoys playing with her dog, Winnie, and creating her own drama. Anna is thrilled to be a part of the Lion King jr. ensemble with some good YAT friends. She'd like to thank her family, friends and especially Grammy for coming to the show.



Cadence Grosch

as Lioness/Elephant

Cadence is 10 years old and she loves all things theater since her first play, Willy Wonka. Her favorite roles so far have been Jungle Singer (Jungle Book) Young Kangaroo (Seussical), which was her first lead role and Barrister Poppy Jitterbug and Ozian (The Wizard of Oz). She has met so many fantastic people at YAT and she would like to thank everyone for making it such a great experience.

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Kaylee Fuller

as Lioness/Giraffe/Wildebeest

This is Kaylee's 16th show with YAT. She absolutely loves the artistic team involved in this production. She feels that the cast has put in so much hard work and effort and hopes that you enjoy the show.



Mandy Keller

as Lioness/Giraffe/Wildebeest

Mandy is 12 and this is her 18th performance with YAT. Her past favorite roles include Gertrude McFuzz (Seussical), Blue Fairy (My Son Pinocchio), Kaa (Jungle Book), Little Girl (Ragtime), and Violet Beauregarde (Willy Wonka). When not at the theater she enjoys playing the piano and gymnastics. She'd like to thank Kim, Wilfred, and Jerrica for this amazing opportunity. Enjoy the show!



Mairin Furlong

as Lioness/Grassland

Mairin is a 11 year old actress who likes the costuming and make-up best about this production. She was co-creator for the hyena costumes. When Mairin is not in the theater she rides horses, enjoys reading and would like to be an author some day. She is happy to be a part of the Lion king ensemble as a lioness. Shout outs to Grammy for coming all the way from Florida to see the show!



Bridget Wilson

as Lioness/Grassland/Wildebeest

Bridget is very excited to be in her 2nd YAT show! She has performed in 2 previous productions including Jungle Book (YAT) and Frog and Toad (OB Playhouse) and in many camps and classes. Also including school plays and choirs. She would like to thank the artistic team for this opportunity.



Ezri Alvarez

as Lioness/Wildebeest

Ezri is happy to be returning to YAT, after last being seen in Seussical. Performing arts have always been a love of Ezri's, whether acting, singing or dancing. "Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this show a success, and a Huge THANK YOU to Kim, Jerrica & Wilfred for all your time & support". Mom, Dad, Naiya thank you for being so wonderful! Now, sit back and enjoy the show!

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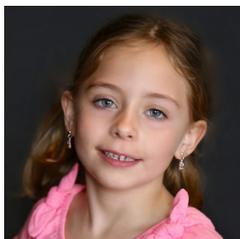
Brookelyn Rene Isackson *as Lioness/Wildebeest*

Brookelyn is 12 years old and she is excited to be performing in The Lion King, jr. Some of her favorite roles include Jetsam (The Little Mermaid), Carbucketty (Cats) and July (Annie). She enjoys her part in her schools ensemble group. She would like to thank YAT for this amazing opportunity.



Sarah Niskey *as Lioness/Wildebeest*

Sarah is 13 years old and is excited to be in The Lion King, Jr! She has had roles in My Fair Lady as well as being cast as a Pick-a-Little-Lady in a recent production of The Music Man. She enjoys dancing, playing water polo, soccer, and loves to travel. She is appreciative of her family and the artistic team at YAT for making this such a fun experience!



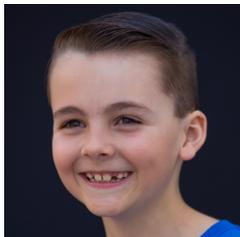
Tabitha Deuel *as Lion Cub/Bird/Grassland/Zebra/Antelope/Bones*

Tabitha is 7 years old and is excited to be in her first YAT show after years of being a faithful fan! She recently performed with her school choir in "Big Beautiful Planet". In her spare time, she loves gymnastics, crafts and playing with friends. She thanks everyone at YAT for welcoming her, the artistic team for all of their dedication and hard work, and her family for their love and support.



Juliet Jativa *as Lion Cub/Grassland/Bird/Water*

Juliet is 7 years old and is very excited to be in her first production at YAT. She is extremely energetic and loves to dance, sing and be on stage. She would like to thank her family for their love and constant support as she starts her new journey with musical theatre.



Neil Perkins *as Lion Cub/Grassland/Tree/Water*

Neil is 9 years old and in 3rd grade. He is excited to perform in this show with YAT! Neil previously performed in My Son Pinocchio Jr. (Idyllia) and Seussical with YAT, has participated in YAT camps and took classes with CYT. He is learning Mandarin, plays the piano and likes art and photography. He wants to thank his family for supporting him.

WHO'S WHO



Violet Lott

as Lion Cub/Grassland/Zebra/Water

Violet is 10 years old and she is excited to be on stage in her 2nd performance at YAT. In her spare time she enjoys gymnastics and traveling. She would like to thank the creative team and especially grandma and her parents for endless support, love, and encouragement.



Elyssa Spate

as Hyena/Grassland/Giraffe/Forefather/Buzzard/Hippo

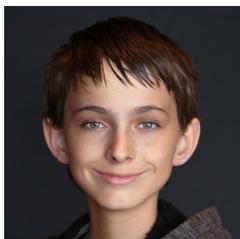
Elyssa is 11 and she's excited to be performing in The Lion King, Jr. Some favorite roles include performing in Beauty and the Beast and Hamilton during YAT's summer camps. In her spare time Elyssa enjoys dancing ballet and Jazz. She enjoys playing in her competitive soccer team and participating in her school's glee club. She is so happy to be learning from this amazing artistic team.



Aubrey O'Brien

as Hyena/Grassland/Elephant/Forefather/Flower

Aubrey is 14 and this is her 3rd show at YAT! She was previously seen as a Bird Girl (Seussical) and a Cheerleader (High School Musical) and crewed for Wizard of Oz, where she put her make-up and hair styling talents to work. She loves theater and is looking forward to being in more shows. She'd like to thank the artistic team & the cast for being so amazing and fun to work with. Enjoy the show!



Griffin Howe

as Hyena/Grassland/Log

Griffin is 12 years old, and is very excited about acting. He started out in theater as ensemble in Alice in Wonderland with Pickwick Players. He also enjoys singing Hamilton around the house, and playing video games.



Eligh Hernandez

as Hyena/Grassland/Log/Bones

Eligh is 13 years old and in the 8th grade. This is his first production and he is excited to be on stage as part of the ensemble. In his spare time he likes to listen to music, socialize and write. He'd like to thank his family for all their love and support.

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Mason Lemkau

as Bird/Hyena/Log/Bones

Mason is 10 and in 4th grade. He is excited to be a part of YAT's rendition of *The Lion King Jr.*, which is his 5th production with YAT. Previous shows include *The Lion King Jr.*, *Willy Wonka*, *Seussical*, *Jungle Book* and *My Son Pinocchio*. He loves playing with his friends, building Legos, playing ROBLOX and video games. He is grateful to his friends and family for coming to see the show.



Averie Phillips

*as Bird/Lion
Cub/Grassland/Antelope/Water*

Averie is 9 years old and in the 3rd grade. She is very excited to be performing again with YAT in this production of *The Lion King, jr.* An artist at heart, her favorite activities are singing, dancing and drawing. Averie would like to thank her parents for their support and the artistic team for this opportunity.



Roan Furlong

*as Bird/Lion
Cub/Grassland/Elephant/Shrub*

Roan is a 9 year old triple threat: athlete, actor and annoying...JK, so says his sisters. Roan also loves to be on the soccer and baseball fields. Shout out to any *Savage Cabbages* in the audience! Roan loves being a part of the *Lion King* ensemble as a lion cub, elephant, bird and he can't be missed as a shrub #2. Thanks to Grammy for coming to witness his this magical performance.



Sam Racine *as Bird/Lion Cub/Grassland/Gazelle/Antelope*

Sam is very excited to be in her first show ever! She is doing her best, and is so happy to have this experience. She would like to thank her mom for encouraging her to do this.

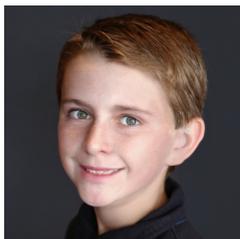


Maya Sinado

*as Bird/Lion
Cub/Grassland/Tree/Flower/Bones*

Maya is 7 years old and is passionate about music and everything theater! Her most recent role was Tessie in *Annie Jr.*, and she performs Broadway musicals every chance she gets. She would like to thank her family for their unconditional support and her mom for introducing her to musical theatre!

WHO'S WHO



**Nate
Worlie**

*as Bird/Lion
Cub/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Log*

Nate is an enthusiastic 4th grader who is just beginning his musical theatre career after years of singing in the car with his mom and performing shows at home with his brother and cousins. Nate also plays piano and tennis and loves animals (real and stuffed). He has probably watched The Lion King movie 100 times since deciding to audition for this show.



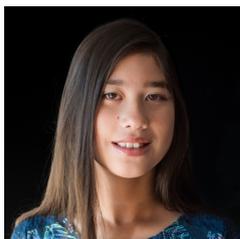
**Penny Bur-
Min Estigoy** *as
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Flower*

Penny is 12 years old and in 7th grade. The Lion King Jr. is her second show at YAT, while her first was Wizard of Oz as ensemble. She currently studies Dance, Choir, and Fine Art. She would like to thank her friends and family, especially her grandmothers for their extra support.



**Jessica
Day** *as
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Shrub*

Jessica day is 11 years old and she is excited to be performing in The Lion King, jr., which is her 2nd show at YAT! She likes horror movies, skydiving, snowboarding and she really likes reptiles! She hopes you enjoy the show!



**Soumaya
Voinov** *as
Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Tree*

Soumaya is 11 years old and excited to be in The Lion King, Jr. This is Soumaya's second show at YAT. Recently she was Cindy Lou Who in Seussical. Soumaya would like to thank her parents for supporting her, and the artistic team for working so hard to make the show a success.



Zoe Cable *as Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Water*

Zoe is a 12 year old girl who loves to dance and sing. She has been dancing for 6 years. She takes Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop and more! This is her second show with YAT and she is so excited!

WHO'S WHO



Kenna Hayden

as Gazelle/Hyena/Grassland/Water

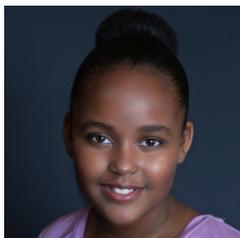
Kenna is excited to be a part of the Lion King, Jr. production at YAT. Especially since this is her first show! She plans on continuing to improve her acting ability and be a part of YAT. She would like to thank everyone at YAT and the performers for this great show. Also, she would like to thank her parents for their continued support.



Tatum Winkler

as Zebra/Hyena/Grassland/Antelope/Cheetah

Tatum is 11 and is excited to be part of the dramatic dances in The Lion King, Jr. Tatum has been dancing for 2 years and has studied guitar, piano and art. This is her second year and third show at YAT. When off stage, Tatum likes to play soccer, video games, craft and spend time with her friends. She would like to thank the cast and crew for such a fun experience.



Madison Shehee

as Zebra/Hyena/Grassland/Forefather/Flower

Madison is in the 5th grade and this is her first play at YAT. She loves all things Disney and was inspired to try out for The Lion King, Jr after enrolling in YAT acting classes last fall. Madison is a light that shines wherever she goes. Her family is extremely proud to watch her perform and be apart of this amazing production led by professional, experienced staff who encourage her to be great!

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AND MANY MORE!

ARTISTIC TEAM WHO'S WHO



Kim Hendrix-Racine

Director

Kim is so excited to be directing "The Lion King jr" at YAT. This is her first time directing here, having previously performed as Miss Hannigan in "Annie," and Emma Goldman in "Ragtime." She lived and worked for many years in New York, and has performed and taught all over the country. Some favorite roles include: Jennyanydots in "Cats," Kate in "Kiss Me, Kate," Frankie in "Frankie and Johnny at the Clair de Lune," and Josie in "A Moon for the Misbegotten." Thanks to YAT for all their support!



Jerrica Stone

Music Director

Jerrica began playing the piano at age 4 and it quickly became her life passion. She studied music at Grossmont College and San Diego State University. In high school and college she began to pick up other instruments; strings, reeds, and voice. She plays and sings in musical ensembles around San Diego. She played in the orchestra for YAT'S production of Beauty and the Beast and Ragtime, and was previously the Music Director of YAT's Thoroughly Modern Millie, Into the Woods and My Son Pinocchio, Jr. as well as stage managing Peter and the Starcatcher, Wizard of Oz, Annie and Seussical. Jerrica is very excited to get back to musical directing with Lion King, Jr!



Wilfred Paloma

Choreographer

Wilfred is a California based artist finishing his M.A. in Theatre Arts: Dramaturgy and K-12 Education at San Diego State University where he holds a B.A. in Theatre Performance: Acting and Musical Theatre. Wilfred trains at MCIT Studio (Meisner and Chekhov technique). He works as a teaching artist with Playwright's Project. Past: CYT, COSA (guest artist), Chaparral High School, and the Sweetwater Union High School District. Most recently, Wilfred performed at SeaWorld San Diego in the original west coast cast of "O Wondrous Night". Other credits include Playwright's Project, Coronado Playhouse, OnStage Playhouse, Patio Playhouse, and university stages at UCSD, SDSU, Southwestern College, and San Diego City College. Listen to him on Spotify and iTunes on the original cast recording of the musical The Things We Never Say featured on the track "Coronado Lights".

ARTISTIC TEAM WHO'S WHO



Astrid Pett

Stage Manager

Before transitioning to musical theatre, Astrid studied ballet for 8 years, performing at various venues around San Diego county. She has since performed in 12 shows at YAT since 2014, including Grandma Addams (The Addams Family), Queen Aggravain (Once Upon a Mattress), Olive (Spelling Bee), Miss Flannery (Thoroughly Modern Millie), and most recently as Black Stache (Peter & The Starcatcher). Next year she will be attending college to pursue a degree in Theatre Arts. She was previously the Stage Manager for The Jungle Book, High School Musical and Assistant Director for Seussical.



Luis Sherlinee

Assistant Stage Manager

Luis has been in Theatre since 2014. He has previously been in shows at SD junior theatre, SD SCPA, CYT, City College, and Jcompany. Shows include The Addams Family (Gomez) and Les Misérables (Jean Valjean). He is currently attending city college to pursue a degree in Dramatic Arts. This will be his first time working with YAT! He is very excited to be a part of the team as the ASM!

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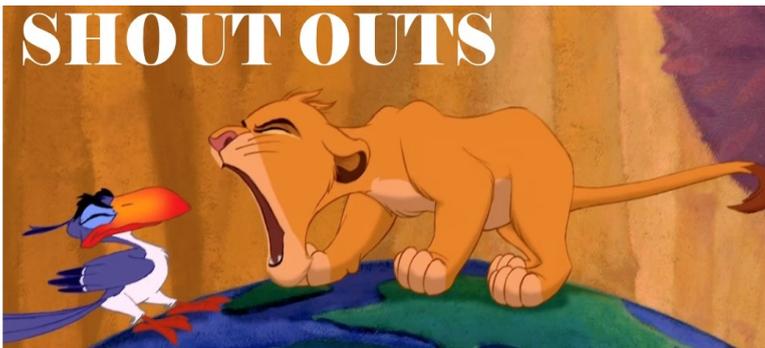
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Cassidy, We love watching you shine on stage and seeing your confidence grow with each show is such a joy! Love always, Mom & Dad

Tabitha, it's so exciting to see you on stage! We love to see how much fun you have singing and dancing! Love, Mommy and Daddy

To Lorelei, our favorite techie, we are so proud of you! Hope you had fun up in the booth!
Love, Mom and Dad

Awesome work Sarah! We love watching you on the stage! Love, Mom, Dad, Jacob, Malcom, Grandma & Papa Doug

Lily, we are so proud of you! You will always be our little star! Xoxo Mom & Dad

Sarah , Congratulations on completing your first YAT show. We hope to see you and that beautiful smile in many more. Ms Hannah and Bob

Blake, we hope we're not as scary as "Uncle Scar." Good job buddy. Uncle Jamie and Uncle Cory

Blake, you make a very good Scar. You make me want to "Boo You" but I just can't. I love you.
Gramma

Nate the Great! Congrats on your first show - definitely not the last! We love you!
XO - Mom, Dad and Jack

Congratulations Zoe on another great show! We are so proud of you! Love you! Daddy & Mommy

Averie Tatum, Congratulations on all your hard work. We are so proud of you and excited to see you on stage! Love, Mommy, Daddy and Drew

Thank you, thank you to the Artistic Team and all the volunteers who make YAT such a great place. Blake Brown

Thank you to my amazing costume team for all your hard work! I couldn't have done it without you! Xoxo, Dena

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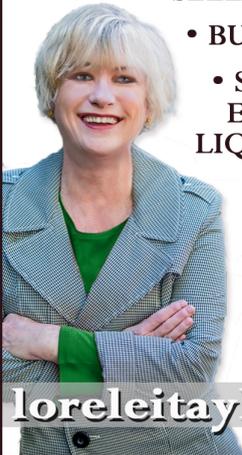
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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

"Remember who you are."

This is my favorite quote from the show. It has always been my motto, and I am trying to instill it in my children, and all of our children.

I have been struck by the depth in this show. I saw the original version on Broadway and it was visually stunning, but it overshadowed the music and message of the play. It is only now that I have discovered the amazing music, and the life lessons that are so important. It deals with life, love and loss. It is the journey from childhood to adulthood, suffering great loss, denial, growing up, and finally learning our worth, doing what is right, and seeing our true strength over life's adversities. It is everyone's journey.

I am so proud of this cast. We have asked them to go above and beyond, and they have conquered! Enjoy the beauty and the art that you are creating! Stand tall, and be proud of all you have accomplished!

Wilfred and Jerrica - I am beyond grateful for all your brilliance! I cannot have imagined this journey without you. I have learned so much from both of you. Thanks for being my teammates and my friends. I love you!

Astrid - thank you for always having my back and for making this production a reality. You rock! Luis - Thanks for being a part of the team! It was lovely working with you.

Jamie and Jess - there are never enough words to say thank you.

Dena, Melissa, John, and all of the committees - THANK YOU! This is a show unlike any other. You have made my rambling visions reality. I am in awe of all you have done to make this show a success.

Jason and John - Thanks for helping me make my visions reality with your artistry.

A special shout out to my fabulous husband, Tom Racine, for designing all the shields, cut-outs, and animals. You are amazing! Thanks for putting up with my craziness all these years. I love you.

Thanks to YAT for inviting me to be a part of this wonderful organization. I admire the creativity, inclusiveness, and educational opportunities you give to all of our children. I love the community that you have created.





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