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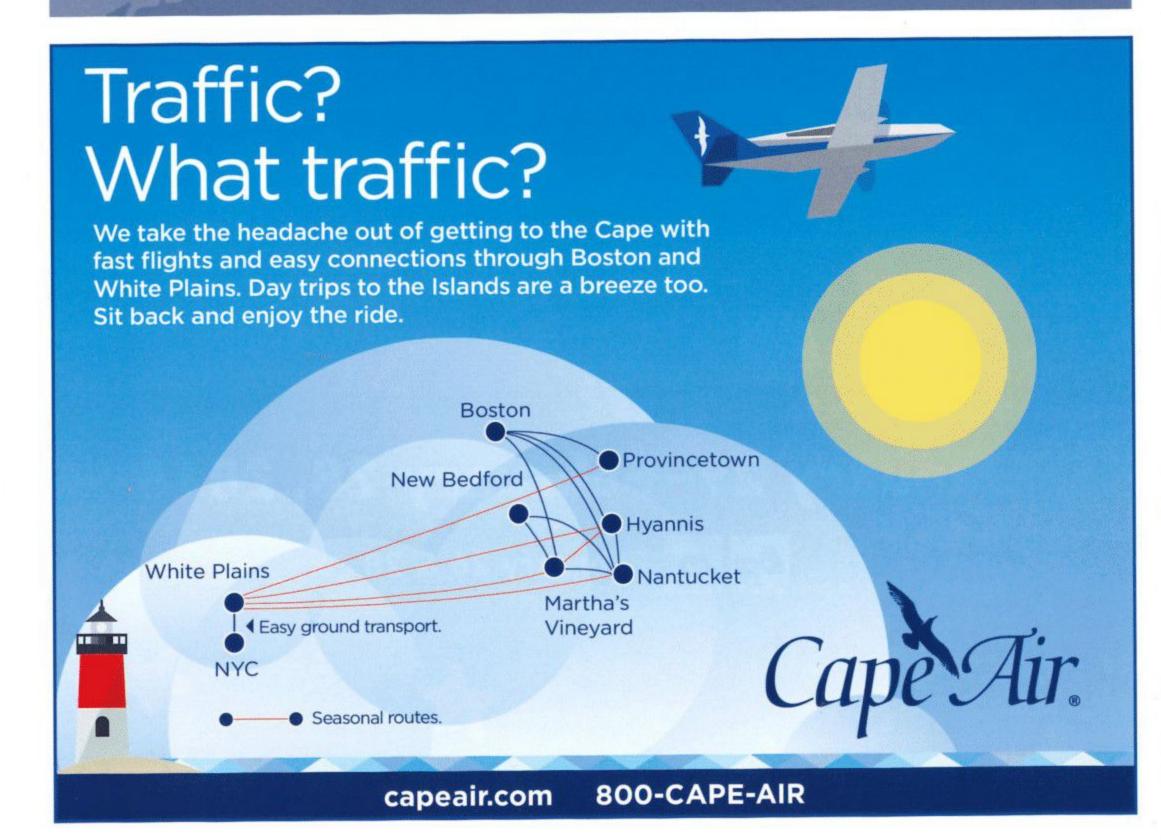




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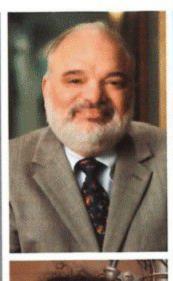
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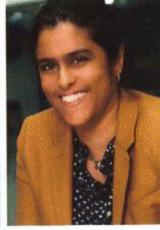
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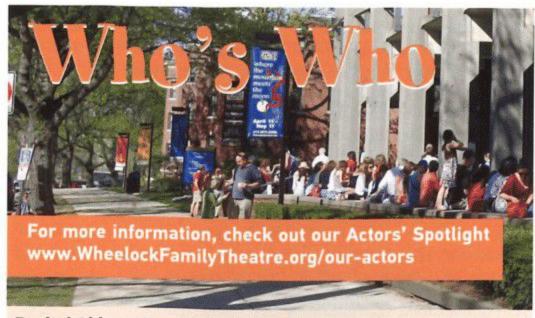






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Rachel Abbate (Ensemble) is thrilled to be making her WFT debut! She was most recently seen in 42nd Street and Guys and Dolls (Ocean State). Other regional credits include Camelot (New Rep); Oklahoma! (Berkshire); Thoroughly Modern Millie (Stoneham); and The Mikado and The Music Man (Muhlenberg). Thanks to all who have supported her over the years!

**Nicky Carbone** (*Production Stage Manager*) is very happy to be on the WFT team in its 35th season. Nicky has spent the last six years as the technical designer for the Canton Elementary Schools and the past two years as the technical director and stage manager for the Canton Public School system, helping introduce children and teens to the theatrical arts. Favorite stage management credits include *The Mystery of Irma Vep* and *She Loves Me* (MMAS); *Eurydice* and *Our Town* (ACT); *August: Osage County* (CCT); and *The Trumpet of the Swan* (ASM, WFT). Thanks to Mom, Dad, and C for all their love and support. Always.

**Will Christmann** (Ensemble) is ecstatic to be in his sixth WFT production! A junior at Arlington High School, he is in his fourth year of training with the Cambridge Youth Dance Program (CYDP) under the direction of Deborah Mason. Big thanks to his family, the cast and crew of Mary Poppins, and all his teachers at CYDP!

Katie Anne Clark ((Katie Nanna, Dance Captain, Ensemble) is making her WFT debut! Her credits include Creative License (NYCFringe) and the national tour of The Music Man. Regional credits are Big Fish (SpeakEasy), Camelot (New Rep), Wonderful Town (Reagle), and Guys and Dolls and The Addams Family (Ocean State). Upcoming for Katie: Queenie in The Wild Party with Moonbox. Proud member of Actor's Equity. Huge thanks to Russell and the entire cast and crew! 143

Cori Couture (Audio Describer) has described content for WGBH's Descriptive Video Service, WFT, the Huntington, Open Door Theater, and Liars and Believers. She teaches for WFT and creates "Social Stories" to help patrons on the autism spectrum prepare for coming to the theatre. Also, as the Theatre's Education Support Specialist, she provides individualized attention to WFT students and parents, and supports WFT faculty.

Laura D. DeGiacomo (Winifred Banks) has been seen in the national tours of Grease (Sandy and Patty u/s) and Showboat (Kim) and the European tour of Ken Hill's Phantom of the Opera (Jammes). Boston area credits include: A Christmas Carol (Hanover); Sisters of Swing, The Good War, and The Who's Tommy (Stoneham); Marty (Huntington); Better Off Dead (Village Theater Project, BCA); and The Will Rogers Follies (WFT). Regional credits include Fiddler on the Roof (Artpark), Anything Goes!, and Babes in Toyland (Shawnee). A WFT teaching-artist, she has also choreographed for Stonehill College, the Freelance Players, and Littleton High School. She holds a BFA in Musical Theatre from Emerson. Laura sends a special thanks to her real life "Banks family" for all of their love and support—her husband, Michael; daughter, Isabella; and Mom, Joanne.

Steven Del Col (Herr Von Hussler, Ensemble, u/s Bert) is making his WFT debut! Regional credits include Tony Williams' Urban Nutcracker (Nut Head); Grease (Ensemble), Paper Mill Playhouse; Mary Poppins (Northbrook/Ensemble), New Bedford Festival; and

A Chorus Line (Mike), FUSE. Steven is currently pursuing a BFA in Musical Theatre at the Boston Conservatory, where he has performed in Chicago, On the Town, Hai, and Oklahoma! Huge thanks to Russell, and friends and family for their continued support!

Shana Dirik (Miss Andrew, Miss Lark) is excited to be making her WFT debut. She can be seen next as Dolores in Moonbox's The Wild Party. Shana's credits include Ursula (Little Mermaid); Witch (Into the Woods, 2015 NHTA nom); Maria (Tenor); Jeanette (Full Monty); Princess (Minchen, IRNE nom); Debra (Kimberly Akimbo); Melpomone (Xanadu, IRNE nom); Mama (Chicago); Rona (Spelling Bee); Norma (Sunset Blvd); Mother Superior (Nunsense); Charlotte (Night Music, IRNE); Mrs. Lovett (Sweeney Todd, IRNE); Anna (King and I); Kate (Kiss Me, Kate); Sally (Cabaret); and Eva (Evita). Thanks to Russell and Shelley for the lovely journey! www.shanadirik.com

Russell Garrett (Director/Choreographer) is so happy to make his directing debut at WFT, after performing here as The Mad Hatter in Alice and Archibald in The Secret Garden. Most recently he directed and choreographed The Drowsy Chaperone in CA, Forever Plaid in NH, and Gypsy in RI. Other NE credits include All Shook Up at NSMT; Camelot and Little Shop of Horrors at New Rep; Beehive! and Shout (Ogunquit); and several shows for Ocean State (RI), including Guys and Dolls, Legally Blonde, Hairspray, and Nine to Five. Other favorites include The Who's Tommy; Cabaret; Kiss Me, Kate; Anything Goes; and multiple productions of Chicago. Russell recently made his Off-Broadway directing debut with the musical The Love Note.

**Bransen Gates** (Ensemble), a native of Scottsdale, AZ, is making his WFT debut! Recent credits include The Threepenny Opera (Reverend Kimball) at the Boston Conservatory and Guys and Dolls (Crapshooter/Ensemble) with Reagle. Other favorite credits include Hairspray (IQ), The Wiz (Tinman), Pippin (title role), Footloose (Ren McCormack), and Spring Awakening (Ernst/AZ premiere). Proud student of Boston Conservatory. Endless love and thanks to Russell, Rob, Nicky, Shelley, Linda, the cast, his family, Damon, and, of course, Adam.

Andrew Giordano (George Banks) is pleased to be making his WFT debut! He has performed on Broadway, at Carnegie Hall, nationally, internationally, and on TV. Some credits: Edward Rutledge (1776), Javert (Les Misérables, three different productions), Trevor Graydon (Thoroughly Modern Millie, Broadway World Award, Best Actor in a Musical), Bruce Granit (On the 20th Century), Adolpho (The Drowsy Chaperone), See What I Wanna See, A Chorus Line, Into the Woods, The Little Mermaid, South Pacific, and Master Class. Through his STEP IT UP CLASSES<sup>TM</sup>, Andrew produces musical theatre audition workshops; he also owns musical act TENORS UNDERCOVER<sup>TM</sup> (tenorsundercover.com). He trained at the Boston Conservatory and Westminster Choir College and is an alumnus of the international program, Up with People®. Next: Sweet Charity (Vittorio) at Stoneham.

Beth Gotha (Mrs. Brill) is delighted to be working at WFT for the first time. Boston area credits include My Fair Lady, Into the Woods, The Importance of Being Earnest, and Sunday in the Park with George (Lyric Stage); Richard III (Publick); My Fair Lady and Beauty and the Beast (Reagle); and Beauty and the Beast and Our Town (Worcester Foothills). Beth has also performed with Merrimack Rep, Ogunquit, Súgán Theatre Company and NSMT, among others.

Janie E. Howland (Set Designer) is excited to return to WFT having designed Hairspray and The Taste of Sunrise. Recent productions include Urban Nutcracker (Tony Williams Dance), My Fair Lady (Lyric), Casa Valentina (SpeakEasy), Assassins and Millie (BCT), Clybourne Park (Northeastern), and The Edge of Peace (Central Square). Her work has been seen at CONSENSES conceived by Sally Taylor. Other venues include ASP, New Rep, Weston Playhouse, NSMT, ART Institute, Boston Conservatory, Company One, Stoneham, Seacoast Rep, Merrimack Rep, NJ Shakespeare Festival, and Huntington Studio 210. Janie is a 3-time Norton Award winner and a 4-time IRNE Award winner. Co-founder, CYCO SCENIC; adjunct faculty member, Emerson and Wellesley; MFA from Brandeis. USA Local 829. janiehowland.com

Shannon Lee Jones (Mrs. Corry, Miss Smyth) appeared on Broadway as Angelique in the original production of La Cage Aux Folles. Tours include Cassie in A Chorus Line; Hello, Dolly! with Carol Channing; Funny Girl with Juliet Prowse; and La Cage Aux Folles. Shannon's regional credits include Cabaret (Barrington Stage); Guys and Dolls (Long Wharf); and Gypsy, Anything Goes, Drowsy Chaperone, Hairspray, Mame, and I Do I Do (Coastal Carolina Arts). Boston credits include: Working (Lyric); Carnival (Gloucester); Into the Woods with Rachel York (Reagle); Cabaret and World Goes Round (New Rep); Best Little Whorehouse in Texas (Foothills); and A Chorus Line (NSMT).

Ruth Celia Kahn (Audio Describer) is thrilled to be back at WFT! Favorite credits include Urban Nutcracker (Ballet Rox), She Loves Me (Huntington), and The Barber of Seville (BLO). Ruth is also a Board-Certified music therapist who can be found at CareWell Adult Day Wellness Center in Norwell, where she serves as Director of Enrichment and Expressive Therapies.

Lenni Alexandra Kmiec (Annie, Ensemble) was last seen in NSMT's A Christmas Carol. Other credits include Me and My Girl (Reagle), Much Ado About Nothing (BTC), Kiss Me, Kate (Commonwealth Shakespeare), Crimes of the Heart (Gloucester), and A Chorus Line (Seacoast Rep). She has performed at Lyric Stage, ART/Oberon, Central Square, and Hanover. A Wagner College graduate, Lenni teaches at the Alexander Children's Theatre School and is a member of AEA. www.LenniKmiec.com

Maria LaRossa (Frannie, Ensemble) is thrilled to make her debut at WFT. Regional credits include ...Forum, H2\$, West Side Story, Guys and Dolls, Chicago, and A Chorus Line. Among her choreography/teaching credits: assistant to Broadway/film choreographer Joey Pizzi, Sweet Charity (TAMY Award for Best Choreographer), Lasell, Salem State, Dance Inn, Boston Ballet, and American College Dance Festival. Next: Sweet Charity at Stoneham. Thank you to Russell for another wonderful experience! She sends endless love and gratitude to her family.

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681 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02118 617-391-0088 • southendeye.com Cameron Levesque (Michael Banks), age nine, is thrilled to be making his debut at WFT! Other regional credits include The Who's Tommy (Turtle Lane), The Wizard of Oz and A Little Princess (Metrowest Family), and A Christmas Carol (Hanover). Cameron would like to thank Russell Garrett for this wonderful opportunity. He would also like to thank his family for their love and support and dedicates this performance to his "favorite person in the world," his brother, Chris.

Marjorie Lusignan (*Props Designer*) is glad to return for an eighth season at WFT. After a 25-year career as a technical illustrator, she is now a visual artist who lives, gardens, and makes art in the woods of RI.

Carla Martinez (Ensemble) is overjoyed to be back at WFT after appearing as the Wicked Witch in Shrek the Musical last spring! NE credits include My Fair Lady (Lyric Stage); Far from Heaven (SpeakEasy); Hairspray (Norton Award, Outstanding Ensemble), It's a Wonderful Life, and Oliver! (WFT); The Wiz, The Full Monty, ...Forum, and Dreamgirls (Interlakes). Carla is a performer, teacher, and choreographer residing in Boston and a graduate of Berklee College of Music. Endless thanks to family and friends for continuous love and support. www.carla-martinez.com

Franklin Meissner, Jr. (Lighting Designer) is pleased to return to his favorite Family after designing the lighting for Oliver!, The Wizard of Oz, The Phantom Tollbooth, and The Secret Garden. He has designed the lighting for 22 productions at New Rep, including The Snow Queen, Little Shop of Horrors, The Wild Party (IRNE nom), Cabaret, A Christmas Story, Dessa Rose, Sweeney Todd (IRNE Award), Into The Woods, Ragtime, and Moby Dick (IRNE Award). Frank also received an IRNE Award for Lyric Stage's Sweeney Todd last season. He recently designed the world premiere of Albatross (Norton Award, Outstanding Production) for Poets'. His work has been seen Off- and Off-Off Broadway, at Boston Playwrights' (IRNE Award), Boston Conservatory, SpeakEasy, Stoneham (IRNE nom), Central Square, NSMT, SSMC, Sanders Theatre, various corporate events and colleges around the state, and at 40 Carnegie Hall performances. He is a member of United Scenic Artists. For Abby, who is "practically perfect in every way"! www.FranklinMeissner.com

Roger J. Moore (Sound Designer), employed with CBS Radio – Boston for over 25 years, is currently the Assistant Production Director and commercial voice of 98-5 The Sports Hub. He enjoys a variety of freelance video production projects. Since 2004 Roger has worked as sound designer and stage manager for The Gold Dust Orphans. He's been part of the WFT family since 2008.

Asher Navisky (Michael Banks) is making his WFT debut and he couldn't be more excited! He has appeared as Daddy Warbucks and Willy Wonka in All Newton Music School productions and is thrilled with the "challenge" of playing someone his own age in Mary Poppins. Asher lives in Newton, and enjoys playing piano and guitar, skiing, and making movies.

**E. Sho Ndukwe** (Sign Performer) counts working with WFT as one of her favorite things, and she is super delighted to be back for a sixth time. Credits here include It's a Wonderful Life, Hairspray, The Taste of Sunrise, Shrek the Musical, and The Trumpet of The Swan. Sho has also had the privilege of working with BU Theatre, Central Square, Boston Landmarks Orchestra, and Broadway in Boston. Let's get Poppin!

Adrianna Kathryn Neefus (Sign Performer) is happy to be back at WFT, where her credits include Pinocchio, It's a Wonderful Life, and Pippi Longstocking. She has also interpreted for Central Square (The Edge of Peace); BU Theater (The Cripple of Inishmaan); Broadway in Boston's Pippin, Flashdance the Musical, Once, and War Horse; Boston Landmark Orchestra; BLO; Commonwealth Shakespeare; and Outside the Box. She has a degree in Sign Language Interpreting from UNH Manchester and professional credentials in MA and NH. Thanks to family, friends, and the interpreting team for all their love and support!

**Gamalia Pharms** (*Bird Woman*) is thrilled to be a part of this amazing cast! Last seen at WFT in *Shrek the Musical*, her favorite WFT shows include *Hairspray*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Sound of Music*, and *The Good Times Are Killing Me*. Gamalia has performed in regional theatres up and down the East Coast, and has a BFA from Boston Conservatory of Music. Thanks to the WFT staff and crew! A shout out to MassArt! Please don't forget the hungry birds!

Dale Place (Admiral Boom, Bank Chairman) has appeared in NY in King Lear at the NY Shakespeare Festival and in Nikolai and the Others at Lincoln Center. At WFT, he was seen in A Tale of Two Cities and Annie. Locally, he most recently appeared in A Number at New Rep. Other area credits include the Huntington (Our Town), Lyric, SpeakEasy, Stoneham, Boston Playwrights', and Hanover. Regional: over 30 seasons with Barnstormers, Cleveland Play House, Northern Stage, and Public Theatre of ME. Film: Joy, The Fighter, The Proposal, Gone Baby Gone, and What's Your Number. Dale will next be seen in the premiere of the Bostonian Museum's Blood on the Snow at the Old State House.

Elisabetta Polito (Costume Designer) is originally from Montreal, Quebec, Canada, where she studied graphic and visual arts, then costume and theatre design. She has been working professionally in Boston since 2010. Recent work includes City of Angels and Into the Woods (Lyric); Big Fish, A Future Perfect, and Necessary Monsters (SpeakEasy); Out of Sterno (Gloucester); White Christmas (Company); The Bartered Bride and The Merry Wives of Windsor (Boston Midsummer Opera); ...Forum and How to Succeed in Business... (Stoneham); Medea (Actors' Shakespeare); 1001 (Company One); Hamlet (GAN-e-meed); and Cyrano (Apollinaire). Elisabetta is a member of United Scenic Artists, IATSE Local USA 829.

Lily Ramras (Jane Banks) is thrilled to return to WFT, previously performing in Shrek the Musical. Other credits include Annie (title role), Susan Waverly in White Christmas and Little Girl in The Witches of Eastwick (Ogunquit); Amaryllis in The Music Man (MSMT); Belinda Cratchit in A Christmas Carol (Hanover); and Jemima in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Lily also performs with the Friends of Broadway. Special thanks to WFT, RKS, Sarah, Eva, Denise, family, and friends for their tremendous love and support! LilyRamras.com

**Dan Reardon** (Bert), a Wakefield native, is excited to return to this role in his hometown, having played it last spring at Sierra Rep. Regional credits include Bobby C in Saturday Night Fever (Arvada), Tulsa in Gypsy (OSTC), and Young Scrooge/Christmas Future in A Christmas Carol (NSMT). He is grateful to Russell, Shelley, Linda, and everyone at WFT for this opportunity, and to his family and friends for their support. Dan holds a BFA from Syracuse University. For Mom, always.

**Robert L. Rucinski** (Musical Director) is very excited to return to WFT, having previously worked on Anne of Green Gables, The Phantom Tollbooth, and Alice. A freelance music director, pianist, and conductor, he is active with many theatres and school programs throughout NE. Robert's credits with NSMT include: A Christmas Carol, Crazy For You, Cinderella, Seven Brides for Seven Brothers, and Damn Yankees. He has also worked with Seacoast Rep (Portsmouth, NH), Palace (Manchester, NH), Reagle, Papermill (Lincoln, NH), and BCT. Originally from Jersey City, Robert currently resides in Arlington.

**Michael Seltzer** (Park Keeper, Ensemble) is thrilled to be making his WFT debut. He is a junior at Boston Conservatory pursuing a BFA in Musical Theatre. His credits include Sheldon/Lennie (Junie B. Jones), Harry the Horse (Guys and Dolls), and Max (The Pajama Game). Michael would like to thank Russell, Rob, Nicky, Linda, and, of course, his family. Enjoy the show!

**Brian Shimasaki-Liebson** (Constable, Ensemble) is very excited to be making his WFT debut! He was most recently seen as Paul in A Chorus Line with Arlington Friends of Drama but can also be found in ART's long-running The Donkey Show. Brian has also been on the college stages of Wellesley, Babson, and Olin College of

Engineering, where he studies robotic engineering. Huge shout out to everyone at Wheelock for this opportunity, his awesome friends, and his amazing mom.

Pablo Torres (Robertson Ay) is thrilled to be making his WFT debut! He was recently seen in A Little Night Music as Henrik Egerman (Huntington) and The Light in the Piazza as Giuseppe and Little Murders as Lt. Practice (Boston Conservatory). His regional theatre credits include Sweeney Todd (Toby) and Bat Boy: The Musical (Rick) with Tampa Theatre, and Elegies: For Angels, Punks and Raging Queens (Patrick) with Edinburgh's Church Hill Theatre. Pablo is pursuing his BFA at Boston Conservatory.

Andrew Winans (Neleus, Mr. Northbrook, Ensemble) was last seen at WFT in Hairspray (Norton Award). Regional credits: Seven Brides... and Footloose (ME State); Wonderful Town, Guys and Dolls, and Fiddler on the Roof (Reagle); West Side Story and The Little Mermaid (Fiddlehead); Mary Poppins (New Bedford Festival); and Pippin (ReVision). His film work includes Live by Night, directed by Ben Affleck. Andrew holds a BFA in Musical Theatre from Boston Conservatory and is a proud member of AEA. Love and thanks to the creative team, Luedtke Agency, family, and friends. www.andrewwinans.com

Caroline Workman (Ensemble) is thrilled to perform in Mary Poppins—her sixth WFT production! Credits include Dance Captain in Footloose (CRLS); Minli in Mountain...Moon (Harwich Junior Theatre, WFT); Bet in Oliver! and Orphan in Annie (WFT); and Swing in Billy Elliot the Musical (Broadway). Special thanks to Russell, Rob, Nicky, Katie, the cast and creative team, Shelley, Jane, Sue, Deborah Mason and Cambridge Youth Dance Company, and family.

**Eowyn Young** (Jane Banks), age 11, is making her WFT debut! Favorite credits include: Les Misérables (Reagle), A Christmas Carol (NSMT), Annie (RTW), A Christmas Celtic Sojourn Tour (WGBH), and, with her twin brother, Jose Mateo Ballet Theatre's Nutcracker. Eowyn enjoys journaling and playing guitar and bass in her all-kids rock band, Hearts & Spades. Love and thanks to her family, Doug Jabara, Eva Kendrick, Denise Simon, DBA, and RKS for their constant support and guidance. XO to Russell, Shelley, and this talented cast!

Lisa Yuen (Mary Poppins) was last seen at WFT as Glinda in The Wizard of Oz. Local credits include Baker's Wife in Into the Woods and Beggar Woman in Sweeney Todd (Lyric); Lady Thiang in The King and I (NSMT); Christine Colgate in Dirty Rotten Scoundrels (Theatre by the Sea); Fiddlehead; and New Rep. Lisa performed for seven and a half years in Miss Saigon (Broadway) and Spelling Bee (original company), three national Equity tours, numerous regional theatres (including Papermill Playhouse, PCLO, Sacramento Music Circus, and the MUNY), Lincoln Center, and Carnegie Hall. TV and film credits include All My Children, Body of Proof, The Today Show, The Martha Stewart Show, As the World Turns, and World Trade Center. Lisa holds a BA from UCLA and is a real-life Mommy Poppins to three-year-old twins. Love to Mom, Kevin, family, and friends.



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# Mary Poppins

A Musical based on the stories of P. L. Travers and the Walt Disney Film Original Music and Lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman

**Book by Julian Fellowes** 

New Songs and Additional Music and Lyrics by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe
Co-Created by Cameron Mackintosh

DIRECTOR/CHOREOGRAPHER
Russell Garrett\*

MUSICAL DIRECTOR Robert L. Rucinski

SET DESIGNER
Janie E. Howland

LIGHTING DESIGNER Franklin Meissner, Jr.

COSTUME DESIGNER
Elisabetta Polito

PROPS DESIGNER Marjorie Lusignan

PRODUCTION STAGE MANAGER Nicky Carbone\* SOUND DESIGNER Roger J. Moore

SIGN PERFORMERS

Jola Leary, E. Sho Ndukwe,

Adrianna Kathryn Neefus, Crystal Ploof

Cori Couture,
Ruth Celia Kahn

### THE CAST

Mary Poppins

Lisa Yuen\*

Bert

Dan Reardon\*

George Banks

Andrew Giordano\*

Winifred Banks

Laura D. DeGiacomo\*
Lily Ramras, Eowyn Young

Jane Banks

Cameron Levesque, Asher Navisky

Michael Banks Mrs. Brill

Beth Gotha\*

The Bird Woman

Gamalia Pharms\*

Miss Andrew/Miss Lark

Shana Dirik\*

Admiral Boom/Bank Chairman

Dale Place\*

Robertson Ay

Pablo Torres

Mrs. Corry/Miss Smythe

Shannon Lee Jones\*

Neleus

Andrew Winans\*

ENSEMBLE: Rachel Abbate, Will Christmann, Katie Anne Clark (Dance Captain), Steven Del Col, Bransen Gates, Lenni Alexandra Kmiec\*, Maria LaRossa, Carla Martinez, Michael Seltzer, Brian Shimasaki-Liebson, Andrew Winans\*, Caroline Workman\*

UNDERSTUDIES: Lenni Alexandra Kmiec\* for Mary Poppins; Steven Del Col for Bert

There will be one 15-minute intermission between the acts.

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### **MUSICAL PROGRAM**

### ACT ONE

	Prologue.	ACT UNE Bert										
	Cherry Tree Lane Part 1	Winifred, Mrs. Brill, Jane, Michael, Robertson Ay, George										
	The Perfect Nanny	Jane, Michael										
	Cherry Tree Lane Part 2	Winifred, Mrs. Brill, Jane, Michael, Robertson Ay, George										
	Practically Perfect											
	All Me Own Work	Bert										
	Jolly Holiday	Bert, Jane, Michael, Neleus, Mary Poppins, Ensemble										
	Let's Hope She Will Stay	George, Winifred, Jane, Michael										
	Winds Do Change	Bert										
	A Spoonful of Sugar	Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, Robertson Ay, Winifred										
	Precision and Order	Ensemble, Chairman, Von Hussler, Northbrook										
	A Man Has Dreams	George										
	Feed the Birds	Bird Woman, Mary Poppins, Ensemble										
	Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious.	Mary Poppins, Bert, Jane, Michael, Mrs. Corry, Ensemble										
	Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious	Reprise/The Winds May BlowBert, Ensemble										
	Twists and Turns	Bert										
	Chim Chim Cher-ee	Bert, Mary Poppins										
ACT TWO												
	Cherry Tree Lane Reprise	Mrs. Brill, Robertson Ay, Jane, Michael, Winifred, George										
	Brimstone and Treacle Part 1	Miss Andrew										
	Let's Go Fly a Kite	Bert, Park Keeper, Michael, Jane, Ensemble, Mary Poppins										
	Good for Nothing/Being Mrs. Ba											
	Brimstone and Treacle Part 2											
	Practically Perfect Reprise	Jane, Michael, Mary Poppins										
	Step in Time	Bert, Michael, Jane, Ensemble, Mary Poppins										
	Down the Chimney	Bert, Ensemble										
	A Man Has Dreams Reprise/A S											
		Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, Winifred, Bird Woman, Ensemble										
	Give Us the Word	George										
		Mary Poppins, Bert, Jane, Michael, Ensemble (Full Company)										
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	Bows	Full Company										

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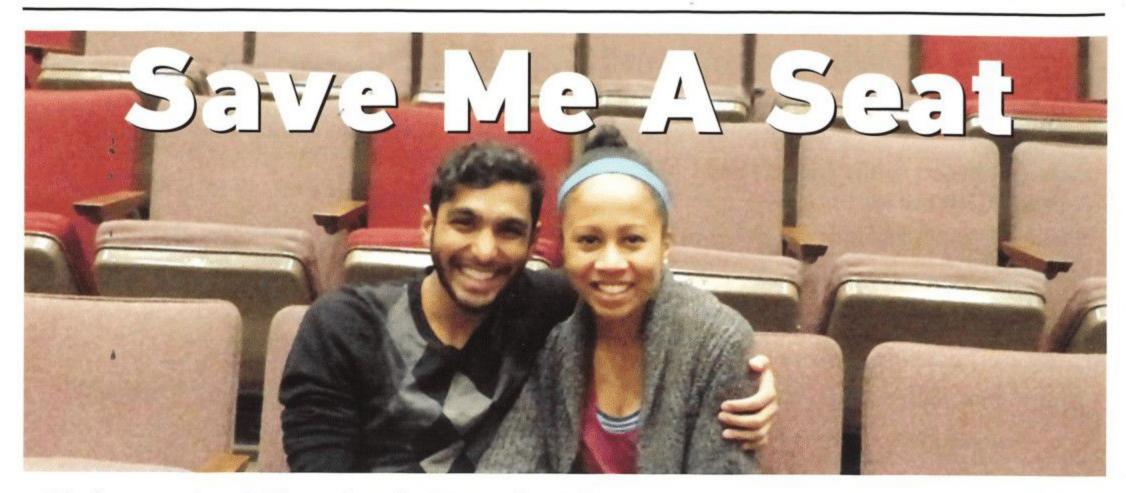
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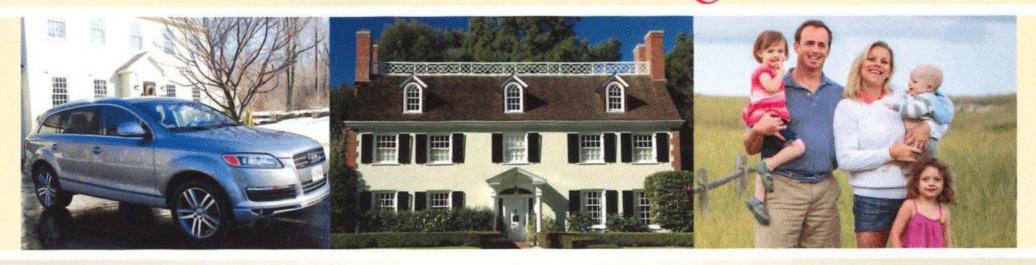


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