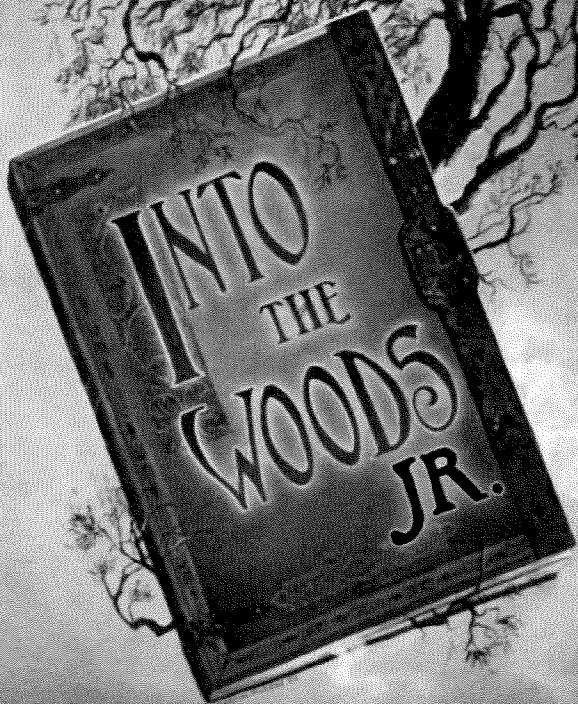


**WHEELLOCK  
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Teen Performance  
Ensemble Presents



May 18 & 19, 2018

Dear Friends and Family,

Thank you for joining us at *Into the Woods*. The decision to launch WFT's Teen Performance Ensemble in the 2017-2018 season came from conversations between WFT's artistic and education directors: Jeri Hammond, Nick Vargas and myself. We wanted to make sure that in addition to our summer programs and professional main stage productions, there was an opportunity during the academic year for talented and thoughtful teens to learn – and listen – together. When it came to selection of the inaugural piece – a play? a musical? - we considered what our production team could accomplish with limited time and resources, and which theatrical work involved character development, ensemble work, storytelling, and would stretch our teens' acting, movement and vocal skills. And, we consulted with several students about what they were interested in working on – and the excitement about *Into the Woods* has been palpable. At Wheelock Family Theatre, children and adults will listen, and when heard and understood, magic happens. Thank you to all the families of the actors for letting us be part of your children's journeys.

Best Wishes,

**Linda Chin**, *Producing Artistic Director*

And the Staff of WFT: Jamie Aznive, Kay Arden Elliott, Jeri Hammond, Matthew Lazure, Steve McGonagle, Keith Orr, Nick Vargas, B.C. Williams

#### NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

*"Into the Woods you go again. You have to every now and then. Into the Woods, no telling when. Be ready for the journey."*

*Into the Woods* is the perfect piece to launch our new Teen Performance Ensemble, a program designed to provide teen actors with challenging material, creative voice, and performance opportunities that stretch and inspire. Producing a piece of theatre involves a creative leap of faith-- a journey into the woods. From the first read-through to closing night, the wolves and wonders met along the way are as unique as each member's contributions to the collaborative effort. Just as each character grows and changes as a result of time in the woods so too has each member of this ensemble. Creative risks were taken, confidence gained, and friendships made along the way. Most of all, we realized what it truly means to be an ensemble. As the song goes, "the way is dark, the light is dim, but now there's you, me, her, and him... Everything you learn there will help when you return there." It has been a privilege to journey alongside this amazing bunch of teen actors and technicians. They have made the most wonderful travel companions.

It is my hope that for our audiences, students, and families, this time *Into the Woods* is remembered happily, forever after. I wish.

**Jeri Hammond**, *Director of Education, Outreach & Community Engagement*

**The Wheelock Family Theatre's Teen Performance Ensemble**  
**Production of**  
**INTO THE WOODS Jr.**

*Music and Lyrics by*  
**Stephen Sondheim**

*Book by*  
**James Lapine**

**DIRECTOR**  
**Jeri Hammond**

**MUSICAL DIRECTOR**  
**Nathan Urdangen**

**STAGE MANAGER**  
**Anika Nayak**

**ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER**  
**Olivia Browne**

**THE CAST**

Mysterious Man  
 Steward/Narrator  
 Lucinda  
 Narrator  
 Rapunzel's Prince/Wolf  
 Rapunzel  
 Narrator  
 Cinderella  
 Witch  
 Narrator  
 Florinda  
 Cinderella's Prince/Wolf  
 Narrator  
 Little Red Ridinghood  
 Jack's Mother  
 Stepmother  
 Jack  
 Cinderella's Mother/Granny  
 Baker's Wife  
 Milky White  
 Baker

Travis Ambroise  
 Bryan Baumer  
 Olivia Belleville  
 Amanda Brennan  
 Kai Clifton  
 Hadley Connor  
 Sadie Elliott-Hart  
 Sadie Goodman  
 Katherine Gustafson  
 Nadine Johnson  
 Miranda Joyce  
 Griffin Long-Sinnott  
 Maddie McCabe  
 Lily Park  
 Maggie Reichgott  
 Lily Ruggiero  
 Max Seelig  
 Grace Tourtelotte  
 Aingea Venuto  
 Artemis Wheelock-Wood  
 Iain Yarbrough

**INTO THE WOODS JR** is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. [www.MTISHOWS.com](http://www.MTISHOWS.com)

**MUSICAL PROGRAM**

Prologue: Into the Woods  
 Hello, Little Girl  
 I Guess This Is Goodbye  
 Maybe They're Magic  
 Our Little World  
 I Know Things Now  
 A Very Nice Prince  
 Giants in the Sky  
 Agony  
 It Takes Two  
 Stay With Me  
 On the Steps of the Palace  
 Ever After  
 Finale: Children Will Listen

Company  
 Wolves, Little Red Ridinghood  
 Jack  
 Baker's Wife  
 Witch, Rapunzel  
 Little Red Ridinghood  
 Cinderella, Baker's Wife  
 Jack  
 Cinderella's Prince, Rapunzel's Prince  
 Baker, Baker's Wife  
 Witch  
 Cinderella  
 Narrators, Company  
 Company

# **Wheelock Family Theatre**

## **STAFF**

Producing Artistic Director	Linda Chin
Director of Education, Outreach & Community Engagement	Jeri Hammond
Associate Artistic & Education Director	Nick Vargas
Manager of Marketing & Development	Keith Orr
Audience Services Manager	Jamie Aznive
Special Projects	Kay Arden Elliott
Technical Director	Steve McGonagle
Resident Designer, Properties, & Scenic Painter	Matthew T. Lazure
Assistant Technical Director	B.C. Williams

## **PRODUCTION TEAM**

Set & Prop Design	Matthew T. Lazure
Lighting Design	Neil Gustafson
Costume Design	Taelen Roertson
Wardrobe Shop Manager	Zoë Sundra
Master Electrician/Sound Engineer	B.C. Williams
Crew	Patrick Phillips, Dan Reulbach
Captioning	Ruth Celia Kahn

## **ORCHESTRA**

Conductor/Keyboard	Nathan Urdangen
Bass	Daniel Assis
Flute	Celine Hawker
Violin	Tania Mesa
Trumpet/Clarinet/Horn	Matthew Putnam

## **EDUCATION PROGRAM FACULTY**

Marianne Adams, Katherine Akerley, Esme Allen, Nick Anastasi, Christy Betit, Brynnalee Blackmar, Danny Bolton, Alexandra Brodsky-Benedetti, Cori Couture, Laura DeGiacomo, Julia Deter, Andrea Doane, John Eldridge, Rebecca Elowe, Donna Folan, Ellie Friedland, Jon Goldberg, Neil Gustafson, Jaronzie Harris, Jen Alison Lewis, David Lien, Dev Luthra, Rachel Maddox, John Manning, Jr. Angie Jepson Marks, Eva Murray, Grace Napier, John O'Neil, Jacqui Parker, Beth Peters, Kiran Raza, Sophie Rich, Taelen Robertson, M. Lynda Robinson, Brittany Rolfs, Nathan Urdangen, Fran Weinberg

## **WORK/STUDY STUDENTS AND INTERNS**

Christina Bebe, Raegan Docca, Hannah Gootee, Carolyn Lopez, Megan Mackinnon, Kennedy Morrow, Eliu Olmo, Kiran Raza, Anthony Romero, Jessica Romero, Shanelle Tayler, Sierra White

## **SPECIAL THANKS**

Charles G. Baldwin; Danny Bolton; Julia Deter; Sadie Goodman; Aidan Gustafson; Frank Romero & Wheelock College facilities staff; Jerry Wheelock; Fran Weinberg

*We wish to thank all the people who have joined with us since the program went to press.*