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SHREK

THE
MUSICAL

**July 28, 29, 30, 31
August 3, 4, 5, 6**

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PRESENTS

SHREK THE MUSICAL

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by
David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by
Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by
DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions

Original Broadway Production Directed by
Jason Moore and Rob Ashford

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SONGS

ACT I

Overture/Big Bright Beautiful World	Mama Ogre, Papa Ogre, Shrek
Story Of My Life	Guard, Fairytale Creatures, Shrek
Don't Let Me Go	Donkey
I Know It's Today	Young Fiona, Teen Fiona, Adult Fiona, Fiona
What's Up, Duloc?	Lord Farquaad, Duloc Performers
Travel Song	Donkey, Shrek
Forever	Donkey, Dragon
This Is How A Dream Comes True	Fiona, Shrek, Donkey, Dragon
Who I'd Be	Shrek, Fiona, Donkey

ACT II

Morning Person	Fiona, Ensemble
I Think I Got You Beat	Shrek, Fiona
The Ballad of Farquaad	Lord Farquaad, Thelonus, Guards
Make A Move	Donkey, Three Blind Mice
When Words Fail	Shrek
Morning Person (Reprise)	Fiona
Build A Wall	Shrek
Freak Flag	Fairytale Creatures
This Is Our Story	Fiona, Shrek, Donkey, Fairytale Creatures

Orchestra

BASS – Bob Donisi

GUITAR 1 - Tim Binzer

KEYBOARD 1 – Joel Kurzynski

KEYBOARD 2 – Josh Toth

PERCUSSION - Elliot Hungler

DRUMS – Bob Schwartz

Reed 1 - Alycia Mcclurg

Reed 2 - Larry Brown

Trombone - Jason Daly, Andy Garitson

Trumpet - Tom McClurg

Horn - Rob White

Violin 1 - Joyce Bengel

Violin 2 - Deb Koehler

CAST

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Shrek	Andy Price / Chris Staat
Princess Fiona	Tia Casey / Amanda Osburn
Donkey	Hanna McGuire / Kira Doebereiner
Lord Farquaad	Erich Geoppinger / Elias Dean
Dragon	Bethany Brown / Claire Rowe
Mama Ogre	Kayla Clark / Kayla Clark
Papa Ogre	Ed Goldman / Ed Goldman
Young Shrek	Oliver Garrett / Oliver Garrett
King Harold	Elias Dean / Erich Geoppinger
Queen Lillian	Trish Schmidt / Trish Schmidt
Young Fiona	Maddy Price / Kaylee Jansen
Teen Fiona	Leah Christman / Liv Marshall
Captain of Guard	Phil Hollstein / Phil Hollstein
Pinocchio	Lorelle Stewart / Lorelle Stewart
Big Bad Wolf	Sam Van Huss / Sam Van Huss
Little Pig #1	Ilana Milberg / Shelby Sansom
Little Pig #2	Cheryl Lutz / Ari Penilla
Little Pig #3	Ari Penilla / Sarah Wessinger
White Rabbit	Jody Van Huss / Jody Van Huss
Fairy Godmother	Karen Musclow / Karen Musclow
Peter Pan	Holly Horner / Holly Horner
Ugly Duckling	Trish Schmidt / Trish Schmiect
Sugar Plum Fairy	Liv Marshall / Leah Christman
Witch	Yeva Quint / Yeva Quint
Mad Hatter	Nicole Forbus / Nicole Forbus
Papa Bear	Ed Goldman / Ed Goldman
Mama Bear	Laurie Barber / Laurie Barber
Baby Bear	Taigen McGuire / Taigen McGuire
Humpty Dumpty	Heather O'Meara / Heather O'Meara

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Shoemakers Elf	Arielle Bachrach / Arielle Bachrach
Thelonious	Phil Hollstein / Phil Hollstein
Gingy	Isabelle Rowe / Leah Mussari
Greeter	Shelby Sansom / Cheryl Lutz
Puss N' Boots	Ella Dressing / Ella Dressing
Little Bunny	Anna Nelson / Anna Nelson
Moon	Ameerah McGuire / Ameerah McGuire
Cow	Makenzie McGuire / Makenzie McGuire
Dish	Kali McGuire / Kali McGuire
Spoon	Kami McGuire / Kami McGuire
Spinning Antelope	Kaylee Jansen / Maddy Price
Rusty Knight #1	Dani Jones / Dani Jones
Rust Knight #2	Carson Miskowiec / Carson Miskowiec
Rusty Knight #3	Kevin Zamora / Kevin Zamora
Dragonette #1	Claire Rowe / Bethany Brown
Dragonette #2	Amber Carroll / Amber Carroll
Dragonette #3	Erin Speno-Stout / Erin Speno-Stout
Bluebird	Nicole Forbus / Nicole Forbus
Deer	Charlotte Garrett / Charlotte Garrett
Pied Piper	Leland McGuire / Leland McGuire
Blind Mouse #1	Claire Rowe / Bethany Brown
Blind Mouse #2	Amber Carroll / Amber Carroll
Blind Mouse #3	Erin Speno-Stout / Erin Speno-Stout
Bishop	Gus Perdikakis / Gus Perdikakis
Dwarf	Leland McGuire / Leland McGuire
DuLoc Dancers	Bethany Brown, Amber Carroll, Leah Christman, Cheryl Lutz, Liv Marshall, Leland McGuire, Leah Mussari, Heather O'Meara, Ari Penilla, Claire Rowe, Isabelle Rowe, Shelby Sansom, Erin Speno-Stout, Jody Van Huss, Sam Van Huss, Sarah Wessinger

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Tapping Rats	Bethany Brown, Amber Carroll, Leah Christman, Cheryl Lutz, Liv Marshall, Leah Mussari, Ari Penilla, Claire Rowe, Isabelle Rowe, Shelby Sansom, Erin Speno-Stout, Lorelle Stewart
Guards	Phil Hollstein, Dani Jones, Mack McGuire, Carson Miskowlec, Kevin Zamora
Flowers	Arielle Bachrach, Kayla Clark, Nicole Forbus, Charlotte Garrett, Oliver Garrett, Holly Horner, Leeland McGuire, Makenzie McGuire, Taigen McGuire, Karen Musclow, Yeva Qunt
Happy People / Angry Mob / Townsppeople	Ella Dressing, Charlotte Garrett, Kaylee Jansen, Cheryl Lutz, Ameerah McGuire, Kali McGuire, Kami McGuire, Makenzie McGuire, Ilana Milberg, Leah Mussari, Anna Nelson, Ari Penilla, Gus Perdikakis, Maddy Price, Isabelle Rowe, Lorelle Stewart, Shelby Sansom

Production / Creative

Producer	Rick Reinhardt
Co-Director	Rachelle Penilla / Karly Danos
Student Director	Julia Staat
Vocal Director	Jeanne Phillips / Elly Kirkendall
Choreographer	Lisa Schechtman
Conductor	Jeanne Bilyeu
Stage Manager	Linda Chandler
Costumes	Judy Hawks
Technical Director	Brandon Schluetter
Lights	Aaron Kiner
Sets	Ted Greivenkamp
Sound	Rachel Greivenkamp, Kelly Pickron, Kieran Schluetter
Props	Tia Casey, Linda Chandler
Program	Rick Reinhardt
Business Manager	Lowell Bookman
Concessions	Judy Hawks

WHO'S WHO



Arielle Bachrach (Shoemakers Elf)

Arielle has participated in 12 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as a Who Child in last summer's production of *Seussical the Musical*. When not doing theatre, Arielle enjoys Special Olympics (skiing, bowling, walking club, soccer, swimming), sporting events, animals, travel, family and friends. She lives in Blue Ash and works at After Crew at the Mayerson JCC.



Laurie Barber (Mama Bear)

Laurie is excited to be in another show with East Side Players, most recently seen as Miss Honey in our June production of *Matilda the Musical*. When not doing theatre, Laurie enjoys singing, writing, taking cooking classes and spending time with family and friends. She lives in Finneytown and works as a Senior Account Manager at PatientPoint.



Lowell Bookman (Business Manager)

Lowell has participated in 60 previous shows with East Side Players, and is the group's treasurer. When not doing theater, Lowell enjoys traveling and reading and visiting with her grandchildren. She is happily retired and lives in Blue Ash.



Bethany Brown (Dragon, Blind Mice)

This is Bethany's first ESP show since *The Little Mermaid* in 2016, and she is thrilled to be back! Since then, she has graduated high school and is currently attending college at Miami University (Oxford), where she studies mathematics and theatre. In her spare time, Bethany is a voice and piano teacher, a songwriter, and guitarist. She's excited for you to see the show!



Amber Carroll (Blind Mice)

This is Amber's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Amber enjoys singing, composing original music, reading, spending time with friends and family, and attending concerts and shows. She lives in Covington and will be a freshman at the University of Kentucky.

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Tia Casey (Princess Fiona)

This is Tia's third show with East Side Players, most recently seen as Belle in our production of Beauty and the Beast a few years back. When not doing theatre, Tia enjoys costuming theater and Karaoke. She lives in Springdale and works as a project coordinator at Comcast.



Linda Chandler (Stage Manager)

Linda has participated in 17 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently stage managing and being seen as a henchmen in this summers production of Matilda. She would like to thank everyone that helped bring this incredibly fun show to life. Enjoy the show! .



Leah Christman (Teen Fiona, Sugar Plum Fairy)

Leah has participated in 7 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as a Bird Girl in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Leah enjoys being with friends and family, reading and art. She lives in Kings Mills and is a sophomore at Kings High School. Leah hopes you enjoy the show!



Kayla Clark (Mama Ogre)

Kayla has participated in 4 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Mrs. Mayor in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Kayla enjoys watching movies, singing, and spending time with family and friends. She lives in Finneytown and works as a nurse.



Karly Danos (Co-Director)

Karly has participated in 3 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Miss Honey in Matilda. She holds a BA in Theatre from Miami University; when not doing theatre, Karly enjoys spending time with friends, family, and her pup, Sweetness! She works as a Mental Health Counselor in the community and is passionate about the Arts' ability to heal!

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Elias Dean (Lord Farquaad)

This is Elias's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Elias enjoys art, writing and singing. He lives in Wilder and works as an Illustrator, writer, customer returns processor at Amazon at Amazon.



Kira Doebereiner (Donkey)

This is Kira's first show with East Side Players. She is a recent graduate of Miami University. When not doing theatre, Kira enjoys playing volleyball, softball and any other available rec sport. Kira is excited to be back on stage and is thankful to everyone that made this show possible!



Ella Dressing (Puss 'N Boots)

This is Ella's theater debut with Eastside Players! She is thrilled to be playing the role as Puss in Boots. Ella enjoys swimming, reading, singing, and playing outside with friends. Ella attends Mercy Montessori and will enter 5th grade this fall.



Nicole Forbus (Bluebird, Mad Hatter)

Nicole has participated in 5 previous shows with East Side Players, the most recent being last year's ESP Showcase. When not doing theatre, Nicole enjoys writing, hiking, travel, and being with family & friends. She lives in Kenwood and works as Enrichment Teacher/ Fitness Rep. for Mayerson JCC.



Charlotte Garrett (Deer)

This is Charlotte's first show with East Side Players. She lives in Sycamore Township and is a student at Indian Hill Elementary School. Charlotte fell in love with the arts after attending the Nutcracker. She was in a local production of Frozen in Summer 2021 and is excited to continue being a part of the arts.

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Oliver Garrett (Young Shrek)

This is Oliver's first show with East Side Players. He lives in Sycamore Township and is a student at Indian Hill Middle School. Oliver participated in Indian Hill Middle School's production of Cinderella in Spring 2022 which was a very fun experience with friends.



Erich Geoppinger (Lord Farquaad)

A long-time member of ESP, I have gotten to play many memorable roles on this stage. Few can be more memorable than the unique character that is Lord Farquaad. I will be forever grateful for the opportunity to reprise this amazing role. Thank you to the cast and staff as well as the support of my family for encouraging my 50-year-old knees to bring Farquaad to the stage 1 more time. I hope you enjoy the show.



Ed Goldman (Papa Bear, Papa Ogre)

Ed has been in 28 ESP shows, last as Wiesel in Newsies. Favorite roles over the years: Lumiere, Harold Hill, Oliver Warbucks, Father. He also sings with FLUIDITY #ChoralCommunityforaCause and MLKingJr Chorus mlkchorale.org (both are looking for new singers *wink wink). He recently retired from developing metals for jet engines.



Rachel Greivenkamp (Sound)

Rachel has participated in 10 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen running the sound board for our June production of Matilda the Musical. When not doing theater, Rachel enjoys riding horses. She lives in Monfort Heights and works as a precision machinist.



Ted Greivenkamp (Sets)

Ted has participated in 24 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen building sets for our June production of Matilda the Musical. When not doing theater, Ted enjoys golf and board games. He lives in Monfort Heights and works as a systems analyst at 5/3 Bank.

WHO'S WHO



Judy Hawks (Costumes)

Judy has participated in 20 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen working tirelessly on costumes and in the concession stand for our June production of *Matilda the Musical*. She lives in West Chester and works as a customer service representative at the University of Cincinnati.



Phil Hollstein (Thelonious, Guard)

This is Phil's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Phil enjoys reading. He lives in Springdale and works in finance at FIS Global.



Holly Horner (Peter Pan)

Holly has participated in 10 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Vlad Vladikoff in last summer's production of *Seussical the Musical*. When not doing theatre, Holly enjoys participating in various Special Olympics sports, spending time with friends and family and singing with Cincinnati Sound Chorus. She lives in Montgomery and works as a door greeter at Meijer.



Kaylee Jansen (Young Fiona, Spinning Antelope)

This is Kaylee's second show with East Side Players. She was last seen as Alice in our June production of *Matilda the Musical*. When not doing theatre, Kaylee enjoys photography, video editing, and hanging out with her friends. She lives in Western Hills and is in grade 8 at Rapid Run Middle School.



Dani Jones (Guard, Knight)

Dani has participated in 2 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Oscar Delancey in our production of *Newsies* a few years back. When not doing theatre, Dani enjoys competing in Dogs Shows. She lives in Springdale and works in entertainment at Kings Island.

WHO'S WHO



Aaron Kiner (Lights)

Aaron has participated in 18 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as programming and operating the lights for Matilda. When not doing theatre, Aaron enjoys hiking, listening to music, and spreading positivity. He lives in Sharonville and works as a Project Coordinator.



Elly Kirkendall (Vocals)

Ellen ("Elly") returns to East Side Players as co-music director, having previously co-music directed "Newsies." Favorite acting credits with ESP include Cinderella in "Into the Woods" and Grace in "Annie." Locally, she has performed at LaComedia Dinner Theatre, Greater Hamilton Civic Theatre, and the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. Enjoy the show!



Cheryl Lutz (Greeter, 3 Pigs)

Cheryl has participated in 15 previous productions with East Side Players. She was most recently seen as a featured dancer in Beauty and the Beast. Cheryl graduated from Wright State University with a degree in musical theatre. She now works as a dance/gymnastics instructor.



Liv Marshall (Teen Fiona, Sugar Plum Fairy)

Liv has participated in 3 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen assistant directing our June production of Matilda the Musical. When not doing theatre, Liv enjoys dancing, hanging out with her friends and volunteering. She lives in Dutchland Woods and is a freshman at Ball State University.



Ameerah McGuire (Moon)

This is Ameerah's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Ameerah enjoys swimming and playing outside. She lives in Independence and is a student at Caywood Elementary.

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Hanna McGuire (Donkey)

This is Hanna's second production with East Side Players. She was last seen as the Sour Kangaroo in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Hanna enjoys Gymnastics! She lives in Independence and works as an Acro/Tumbling Instructor at Moss Academy.



Kali McGuire (Dish)

This is Kali's first production with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Kali enjoys gymnastics and playing with her sisters. She lives in Independence and is in grade 3 at Caywood Elementary



Kami McGuire (Spoon)

This is Kami's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Kami enjoys playschool. She lives in Independence and is in grade 3 at Caywood Elementary.



Leland McGuire (Pied Piper)

This is Leland's second show with East Side Players. When not doing theater, Leland enjoys gymnastics, dance and reading. He lives in Independence and is in grade 6 at JA Caywood Elementary. Leland wants to thank his mom and dad for letting him be a part of musical theater, "I found a place where I really feel like I belong and it makes me so happy!"



Makenzie McGuire (Cow)

This is Makenzie's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Makenzie enjoys gymnastics. She lives in Independence and will be in grade 6 at Turkeyfoot Middle School.

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Taigen McGuire (Baby Bear)

This is Taigen's second show with East Side Players. She was last seen as a Who in last summer's production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theater, Taigen enjoys doing dance, riding bikes and doing make up. She lives in Independence and is a homeschool student. Taigen is a firecracker; a big personality in a tiny package!



Ilana Milberg (3 Pigs)

Ilana has participated in several shows with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Ilana enjoys traveling, singing, and writing original songs and parodies! Her music can be found on Spotify, YouTube, Apple Music, and other steaming services. Remember to "Have faith in yourself and Follow Your Dreams"



Carson Miskowiec (Guard, Knight)

This is Carson's second show with East Side Players. He was last seen as part of last summer's production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Carson enjoys playing with his dog Oakley, video games, and 3D printing stuff. He lives in Milford.



Karen Musclow (Fairy Godmother)

Karen has participated in 10 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Mr. Jacobi & NYC Mayor in our production of Newsies a few years back. When not doing theatre, Karen enjoys traveling, reading, and going to the zoo. She lives in Crescent Springs and works as a Nanny & Family Assistant.



Leah Mussari (Gingy)

This is Leah's second show with East Side Players. She was last seen as Gertrude in last summer's production of Seussical. Leah is passionate about arts education and works as an Education Specialist for the Educational Theatre Association. Leah is very grateful and excited for this opportunity to perform in one of her favorite musicals.

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Anna Nelson (Baby Bear)

Anna has participated in 3 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as the Young Kangaroo in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Anna enjoys Girl Scouts, playing video games, and watching YouTube videos. She lives in Finneytown and is in grade 4 at Finneytown Elementary School.



Heather O'Meara (Humpty Dumpty)

This is Heather's second show with East Side Players. She's a mom of 2, lives in Northside, and works remotely as an Art Director for a small animation studio.



Amanda Osburn (Princess Fiona)

Like Fiona, Amanda likes Pina Coladas and getting caught in the rain. She was last seen directing last year's production of Seussical the Musical. Past ESP roles include Medda: Newsies, and The Witch: Into the Woods. Amanda is excited to be doing another show with her mom, Trish (playing her mom on stage, too!) and Dad, Wendel (photography), and loves spending time with her husband, Joe, 6 year old son, Milo, and 2 year old twins, Maddy and Molly.



Ari Penilla (3 Pigs)

Ari has participated in 19 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as a Wickersham brother in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Ari enjoys singing, performing, swinging, and eating ice cream. He lives in Montgomery and is a senior at Sycamore High.



Rachelle Penilla (Co-Director)

Rachelle has participated in 15 previous productions with East Side Players, most recently seen directing sound for last summers production of Seussical the Musical. She lives in Montgomery.

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Gus Perdikakis (Bishop)

This is Gus's first show with East Side Players and he is thankful to be part of this cast! His goal is to be in the movie business one day. Gus would like to thank his speech teacher for helping him out every day, the cast and crew for supporting him and especially his family and God. Gus lives in Maineville and works at his family business which helps people find jobs.



Jeanne Phillips (Vocals)

Jeanne has participated in 5 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as teaching vocals for our 2017 production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Jeanne is a professional musician and performs as a soloist with big bands and jazz combos around Cincinnati. Her music studio is downtown at the Herzog Museum where she teaches piano and voice to all ages.



Andy Price (Shrek)

Andy is in his third show with East Side Players, his last two roles were Daddy Warbucks in Annie, and Horton the Elephant in Seussical. He would like to thank his real-life Fiona, Kim for supporting his theatrics at home as well as on stage. He would also like to thank his real-life Donkey, Maddy, who once said, "Dad! We should do this together!" Andy is a proud public school educator at Holmes Middle School and the Head Coach of the Holmes High School Wrestling Team.



Maddy Price (Young Fiona, Spinning Antelope)

Maddy is in her third show with East Side Players, and was last seen as Wacky in Annie and the Young Kangaroo in Seussical. She is currently enrolled in the STAR Program with Cincinnati Children's Theater. Ever since she first saw Shrek, she has wanted to play the role of Young Fiona. She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her in her passion for musical theatre. When not performing, Maddy loves snuggling with her two dogs, Winnie and Molly and playing Dungeons & Dragons. Maddy will be a 6th Grader at Wyoming Middle School.

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Yeva Quint (Wicked Witch)

Yeva has participated in 3 previous shows with ESP. She has recently retired from gymnastics as well as graduating from high school. In her free time, she enjoys working as a coach at Kids First, going on adventures with friends, and working out. She lives in Maineville, and will be an incoming freshman at UC. Yeva's thrilled to finally return to do what she loves again!



Kelly Pickron (Sound)

This is Kelly's second show with East Side Players. You can usually find her helping out with sound lights and props. When not doing theater Kelly enjoys playing dungeons & dragons, painting, sewing, and crafting. Kelly lives in Hamilton and looks forward to many more years helping with the group.



Rick Reinhardt (Producer)

Rick has participated in 150 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen still doing production work! When not doing theater, Rick enjoys camping, amusement parks, organizing and putting things together. He lives in Oakley and actively practices acting retired!



Claire Rowe (Dragon)

Claire is thrilled to be participating in her 22nd show at East Side Players! She was most recently seen as Mayzie in last summer's production of Seussical. When not doing theater, Claire enjoys music, dogs, and waffles. Claire would like to thank her friends, family, and awesome castmates!



Isabelle Rowe (Gingy)

Isabelle has participated in 12 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen performing the role of Albert in Newsies 2019. When not doing theatre, Isabelle enjoys reading, singing, dancing, playing piano, and camping. She lives in Milford and is a sophomore at Ohio Northern University.

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Lisa Schechtman (Choreographer)

This is Lisa's 2nd show with ESP. She was last seen as Mike in the 2019 production of Newsies. Outside of theatre, Lisa runs DanceBlast! Fitness. She enjoys nature, reading and spending time with friends and family. Lisa lives in Fairfield and works at Ensemble Health Partners.



Brandon Schluetter (Tech Director)

Brandon has participated in 56 previous shows with East Side Players. Brandon is usually seen playing with lights, sound, and other special effects. When not doing theater, Brandon enjoys building Legos, drawing having fun while spending time with his friends and family both in and out of theater. Brandon lives in Springfield township.



Kieran Schlueter (Sound)

This is Kieran's second show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Kieran enjoys spending time with her husband and 2 dogs, playing board games, reading, and trying new international food restaurants. She lives in Western Hills and works as a Social Worker at Mount Notre Dame Health Center.



Trish Schmidt (Queen Lillian)

Trish has participated in 6 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Mrs. Mayer in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theatre, Trish enjoys singing, camping, and traveling. She lives in West Chester and works as a medical scheduler at Tri Health.



Wendell Schmidt (Photography)

Wendel has participated in 2 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen taking pictures at last years production of Seussical the Musical. Wendel enjoys music, camping, traveling and playing with the grandkids. He lives in West Chester.

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Chris Staat (Shrek)

Chris has participated in 17 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Sergei in our June production of Matilda the Musical. When not doing theatre, Chris enjoys video games, watching baseball with his son, reading and being a parent. He lives in Reading and works as a math teaching professor at Xavier University.



Julia Staat (Student Director)

Julia has participated in eighteen previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as the acrobat in our June production of Matilda. When not performing or directing, Julia enjoys writing poetry, playing Dungeons & Dragons, and spending time with her friends. She lives in Reading and is a sophomore at Xavier University.



Lorelle Stewart (Pinocchio)

This is Lorelle's second show with East Side Players. She was last seen as a Bird Girl in last summers production of Seussical the Musical. When not doing theater, Lorelle enjoys reading and is also a part of the Advanced Theater program at Moss Performing Arts Academy. She lives in Hebron and is a junior at Conner High School.



Jody Van Huss (White Rabbit)

This is Jody's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Jody enjoys spending time with family and helping with music at church. She lives in Amelia and works as a teacher at St. Bernadette School. Jody is a wife and Mom to three beautiful children. She is excited to participate in Shrek with her son, Sam!



Sam Van Huss (Big Bad Wolf)

This is Samuel's first show with East Side Players. When not doing theatre, Samuel enjoys helping at church. He lives in Amelia and is a senior at Felicity Franklin High School. In the past, Samuel has participated in many shows at School House of Music, and one of his favorite roles was Gomez in Addams Family. Samuel thanks you for coming and supporting East Side Players.

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Erin Speno-Stout (Blind Mice)

Erin has participated in 2 previous shows with East Side Players, as Jenny Lind in Barnum in 2014, and Neleus in Mary Poppins in 2015. When not doing theatre, Erin enjoys tabletop games, reading, and digital art. Professionally, she is a freelance stage manager, theatre artist, and technician, and Erin wishes to thank her husband for his never-ending support of her theatre projects!



Shelby Sansom (Greeter, 3 Pigs)

Shelby has participated in 18 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Rudolpho in our June production of Matilda the Musical. When not doing theatre, Shelby enjoys playing DnD, spending time with her friends, and reading. She lives in Loveland and is a junior at UC majoring in Education.



Sarah Wessinger (3 Pigs)

Sarah has participated in 11 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as Mrs. Phelps in our June production of Matilda the Musical. When not doing theater, Sarah enjoys hiking, swimming, teaching, and D&D. She lives in Montgomery and works as an Assistant Director of Camps at the Jewish community center.



Kevin Zamora (Guard, Knight)

Kevin has participated in 2 previous shows with East Side Players, most recently seen as a Newsie in our past production of Newsies. When not doing theatre, Kevin enjoys singing and reading. He lives in Hyde Park and is a sophomore at Walnut Hills High School.

OPTIONAL CONTENT

DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE is a Pulitzer Prize winning playwright, screenwriter, lyricist and librettist. His most recent play, *Ripcord*, opens this fall at Manhattan Theatre Club. His previous play *Good People* premiered on Broadway, was awarded the New York Drama Critics Circle Award for Best Play, The Horton Foote Prize, The Edgerton Foundation New American Play Award, and two Tony nominations. His play *Rabbit Hole* received the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, five Tony nominations, and the Spirit of America Award. David also wrote the book and lyrics for *Shrek the Musical*, which was nominated for eight Tonys, four Oliviers, a Grammy, and earned David the Ed Kleban Award as America's most promising musical theatre lyricist. David's other plays include *Fuddy Meers*, *Kimberly Akimbo*, *Wonder of the World* and *A Devil Inside*, among others. In addition to his work in theatre, David's screen credits include his film adaptation of *Rabbit Hole*, Dreamworks' *Rise of the Guardians*, and the upcoming *Family Fang*, starring Nicole Kidman, Christopher Walken and Jason Bateman.

JEANINE TESORI won the Tony Award for Best Original Score with Lisa Kron for the musical *Fun Home*. She has also written Tony-nominated scores for *Twelfth Night* at Lincoln Center; *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (lyrics, Dick Scanlan); *Caroline, or Change* (lyrics, Tony Kushner); and *Shrek The Musical* (lyrics, David Lindsay-Abair). The production of *Caroline, or Change* at the National Theatre in London received the Olivier Award for Best New Musical. Her 1997 Off-Broadway musical *Violet* (lyrics, Brian Crawley) opened on Broadway in 2014 and garnered four Tony nominations, including Best Musical Revival. Opera: *A Blizzard on Marblehead Neck* (libretto, Tony Kushner; Glimmerglass) and *The Lion, The Unicorn, and Me* (libretto, J. D. McClatchy, Kennedy Center). Music for plays: *Mother Courage* (dir. George C. Wolfe, with Meryl Streep and Kevin Kline), John Guare's *A Free Man of Color* (Lincoln Center Theater, dir. George C. Wolfe), and *Romeo and Juliet* (Delacorte Gala). Film scores: *Nights in Rodanthe*, *Every Day*, and *You're Not You*. Ms. Tesori is a member of the Dramatists Guild and was cited by the ASCAP as the first female composer to have two new musicals running concurrently on Broadway. She was the founding artistic director of *Encores! Off-Center* at New York City Center, and a lecturer in music at Yale University. Most of all, she is the proud parent of Siena Rafter.

JASON MOORE (Original Director). Broadway: Avenue Q, Steel Magnolias. Carnegie Hall: Jerry Springer: The Opera. Off-Broadway: Speech and Debate (Roundabout), Avenue Q (the Vineyard), Guardians (the Culture Project), The Crumple Zone. Associate directing: Les Misérables (Broadway, national tour), Ragtime (Vancouver). Writer: The Floatplane Notebooks (Charlotte Repertory Theatre). TV directing: episodes of Dawson s Creek, Everwood, One Tree Hill and Brothers and Sisters. Jason has a BS in performance studies from Northwestern University.

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Rob Ashford won the 2012 Olivier Award for his production of *Anna Christie* starring Jude Law and Ruth Wilson at London's Donmar Warehouse. The production opened to rave reviews with The Independent's anointing it as "picture perfect" and David Benedict stating that "the production's hallmark is its boldness." Rob most recently directed the Broadway revival of *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* starring Scarlett Johansson, and *Macbeth* with Sir Kenneth Branagh at New York's Park Avenue Armory and The Manchester International Festival. The Telegraph claimed "This is a Macbeth that won't just go down as a highlight of the Manchester International Festival but as one of the Scottish Play's great revivals," and Ben Brantley of the New York Times proclaimed "Mr. Ashford uses his experience as a celebrated director of musicals to stunning, time-bending effect." Rob received his 8th Tony Nomination for his work on the Broadway revival of *Evita* starring Ricky Martin, and received the Tony Award for his work on the Broadway production of *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. Other Broadway credits include *How to Succeed in Business* (Tony Award Nominations for his direction and choreography), *Promises, Promises* (Tony Award Nomination), *Shrek*, John Water's *Cry Baby* (Tony Award nomination, Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle, and Fred Astaire Awards), *Curtains* (Tony Award nomination), and *Wedding Singer* (Tony Award nomination). In London, Rob also directed the highly acclaimed Olivier Award winning revivals of *A Streetcar Named Desire* starring Rachel Weisz and *Parade* at The Donmar Warehouse. Rob did the choreography and staging for last year's Academy Awards with Seth MacFarlane and won the 2009 Emmy Award for Best Choreography for his work on Baz Luhrmann's production number (featuring Hugh Jackman and Beyoncé) at the 81st Annual Academy Awards. He has also choreographed the opening number for The Tony Awards starring Neil Patrick Harris for the past 4 years. He choreographed the feature film *Beyond The Sea* directed by and starring Academy Award winner Kevin Spacey and Walt Disney Production's upcoming film *Cinderella* directed by Kenneth Branagh. Most recently, Rob directed and choreographed NBC's *The Sound of Music Live!*, for which he received a DGA Award Nomination, and this January directed *The Barber of Seville* at Chicago Lyric Opera. Rob is an Associate Director at The Old Vic Theatre. He also serves on the Executive Board of The Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers and is a Trustee of The Joyce Theatre in New York City.

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Personal Notes!

Arielle Bachrach, We love you Arielle, the cutest Elf! Mom, Dad, Liora, Micah & Yofi

Arielle Bachrach, You're an elf, but BIG in our hearts! Love, The Spiegels

Arielle Bachrach, Best to the cast & love to you Arielle. Uncle Barry & Aunt Laurel

Arielle Bachrach, We love our STAR cousin! Chana, Scott & Zev

Arielle Bachrach, Way to go Arielle! We are proud of you! Love, Nina & Eddie

Leah Christman, We are so proud of you! Shine girl, shine! Love, Mom & Dad

Leah Christman, Good job Leah, we are so proud of you! Ben, Nick & Molly

Leah Christman, Love watching you Leah! Continue to follow your dreams! Love
Grandma and Pop

Charlotte Garrett, Charlotte, we are proud of you! Infinity kisses, Mom & Dad

Oliver Garrett, Oliver, we are proud of you! Love, Mom & Dad

Holly Horner, We are proud of Peter Pan! Go Holly! Love, The Bachrachs

Gus Perdikakis, Congratulations Gus C. We are all proud of you!

Gus Perdikakis, Your fellow GPA staff congratulates you!

Gus Perdikakis, The Perdikakis Family is proud of you!

Isabelle Rowe, Break a leg (off) Gingy! Love Mom & Dad

Isabelle Rowe, Don't break a leg dancing "blind" - Love, Mom & Dad

Isabelle Rowe, Seriously, We love watching you perform! Love Mom & Dad

Chris Staat, The best Ogre in the land! Love, your family.

Julia Staat, Born to lead! Love, Dad, Mom and John.

Sam Van Huss, You make us howl with laughter! The Staats

To Shrek Cast and Crew, Thank you for sharing you talents with the community!
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