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#### Welcome to Raleigh Little Theatre,

It is with extreme pleasure that we welcome you to the 40th anniversary production of *Cinderella*. This year marks a milestone in the show's history, as we celebrate four decades of tradition that this beloved production represents not only for RLT but for the broader community.

Today, I invite you to immerse yourself in the magic and majesty of *Cinderella* and perhaps see it through the eyes of the child sitting next to you. Let its enduring charm and captivating performances lead you joyfully through this very special show. Our dedicated cast and crew have infused this anniversary production with both reverence for its past and innovative elements that underscore its timeless relevance.

First produced in December 1984 and directed by Haskell Fitz-Simons, *Cinderella* was such a hit, it seemed only fitting to produce it annually during the holiday season. For an in depth look at the show, I invite you to pick up a copy of this month's **Midtown Magazine**. Full of pic-tures and antidotes, Elizabeth Brignac has written a wonderful homage to *Cinderella*'s history.

I would be remiss if I did not express my gratitude to you, our valued patrons and the multitude of volunteers, whose unwavering support have sustained this institution. Your continued engagement and enthusiasm are the bedrock of our success and the inspiration for our future.

We cordially invite you to peruse an exhibition of photographs and historical artifacts from previous productions of *Cinderella* in the lobby. This curated display by Rayden Leeder, the show's Dramaturg, is a testament to the evolution of our beloved show and a reflection of the many years it has graced our stage.

We are immensely grateful that you have chosen to spend time with us. May today's performance leave you with a renewed appreciation for the live performing arts and a lasting memory of our shared celebration.

Happiest of holidays,

Michele Weathers Executive Producer



# **Letter from the Director**

Welcome to *Cinderella* 40! It truly feels like a "full circle" moment for me to have this amazing opportunity to be a part of this Raleigh Little Theatre annual celebration. I recently returned to the Raleigh area after being gone for nearly... well, 40 years! While RLT has changed since I performed here as a teenager in the 80's, so much is still familiar.

I have always loved RLT for how it achieved such high artistic standards, while still being a comfortable place for both beginners and experienced actors alike. Entire families were and still are able to be a part of productions here, where the costume and scene shops as well as rehearsal spaces are all under one roof.

Likewise, while *Cinderella* has morphed over the years, it still retains its special nature as a holiday gift to and for Raleigh. It has been joyous for me to be able to come to this artistic project with "fresh eyes" and also to be a part of the Raleigh Little Theatre family once more.

Theatre is so vital to our community—it provides a place for us to gather, and also to unite. I love that no matter who you are, you can find a place in theatre. We leave the outside world outside, and come together to create. Know that this process has been crafted with love and joy, and we are so excited to bring it to you!

A heartfelt "thank you" to everyone who has been involved in *Cinderella* 40. I especially want to thank Michele Weathers for putting her faith in me, to Christian L. Stahr for being such a great artistic partner, and to Chris Acevedo for so expertly helming the ship! Happiest of holidays to all of you and thank you for joining us!

Ruthie Martinez, Director/Choreographer, *Cinderella* 40

# **Order of Songs**

Cinderella is performed without an intermission.

The Kingdom of Good King Darling III

Many years ago on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

Scene I: Town Square				
Prologue****	Town Kids & Ensemble			
Scene II: A Magical Place				
Hi Diddle Dee	Fairy Godmother, Sugar, Spice			
Scene III: Stepmama's House Morning of Christmas Eve				
What's to Become of Me?****	Cinderella			
Get to Work	Stepmama, Gertrude, Henrietta			
What's to Become of Me? Reprise	Cinderella, Fairy Godmother, Sugar, Spice			
Scene IV: Castle Throne Room				
King Darling's Uptempo Lament**** What's to Become of Me?****	King Darling, Pages, Sugar, Spice Prince Charming			
Scene V: Town Square				
Holly Berry*	Town Kids & Ensemble			
Scene VI: Stepmama's House				
Knock, Knock, Knock	Cinderella, Stepmama, Gertrude, Henrietta, Sugar, & Spice			
At The Ball	Stepmama, Gertrude, Henrietta			
What's to Become of Me? 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reprise	Cinderella			
Magic of the Moment**	Fairy Godmother			
Scene VII: The Garden				
Pony Tales	Ponies			
Send Off	Fairy Godmother & Ensemble			
Scene VIII: Castle Ballroom				
Cinderella's Entrance	Stepmama, Gertrude, Henrietta, & Ensemble			
Sneeze Polka	Gertrude, Henrietta, & Ensemble			
Best of All****	Cinderella & Prince Charming			
Best of All Reprise	Prince Charming & Ensemble			
Scene IX: Castle Corridor				
Scene X: Stepmama's House				
Finale	Fairy Godmother, Sugar, Spice, Ensemble			

Bows

New orchestrations by Christian L. Stahr.

 \* Music by Martin Shaw, Lyrics by Haskell Fitz-Simons and Nancy Rich
 \*\* Lyrics by Haskell Fitz-Simons; descant melody by Suann A. Strickland; orchestrations by F. Charles Anderson

Ensemble

\*\*\* Music by Julie A. Florin and Lyrics by Haskell Fitz-Simons

\*\*\*\* Music and Lyrics by Joanna Li

## Cast

Cinderella	Paige Paneto
Prince Charming I	River Mann
King Darling III	Quinn Rollar
Stepmama	Kyle Harris a.k.a Tympest Yman
Gertrude	Mykie de Munk
Henrietta	Kirstyn "Lady X" Marshall
Fairy Godmother	Katie Jo Fulks
Spice	Aniah Kelly
Sugar	Lily Walls
Pages	Matthew Anderson Seoyoung Hu
Town Kids/Mice/Ponie	Madeline Bell Mary Brown Julianna Zoe Angelle Laughinghouse Hattie Lykes
Ensemble	Jackie Frances Adams Lauren Angwin Dustin Bowles Danielle de Munk Alan Fuentes Houston Horn Mimi Miller Doc Price

# **Production Team**

Director and Choreographer Music Director & Orchestrator Lighting Designer Sound Designer Stage Manager Production Manager/ Technical Director Assistant Technical Director Costume Shop Manager/ Resident Costume Designer Scenic Painter Intimacy and Fight Director Assistant Stage Managers

Assistant Lighting Designer Dramaturg/Script Coordinator Mouse/Pony Nanny Team Dynamics Strategist **Ruthie Martinez** 

Christian L. Stahr

Darby E. Madewell

**Craig Johnson** 

**Chris Acevedo** 

Dennis R. Berfield

Ali Wood

**Jenny Mitchell** 

Shannon Clarke

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Sonya Fleming Chastin Kornegay Fox LaLeaf

**Chantal Brown** 

**Rayden Leeder** 

Marie Berry

**Kristina Brunelle** 

# **The Royal Orchestra**

Music Director/Keyboard Bass Clarinet Trumpet Percussion Violin Christian L. Stahr Joe Wimberley Emily Casey Yusha Bey Priscilla James Patrick Jones Levi McLaughlin

## **Program Notes**

Every magical journey begins with a wish made from the heart; a dream. A young girl who dreams of an adventure like the ones she reads in her book, to the boy who dreams to find love with a girl whose heart runs free. For those who are kind, brave, and have a creative spirit within them, a fairy godmother awaits to help make their dreams come true!

A tale as old as time. We all know the story of the kind hearted girl and her wicked step family who has the chance to live out her dreams, but only until midnight. This story has existed as far back as 7BC as an oral folk tale, before later being put to writing in 1697 with "Cendrillon" in 1697. The story would then become "Aschenputtel" in the Grimm Brothers Fairy Tales in 1812, the version of the story many of us are familiar with. From there, this story will go on to become the iconic Disney movie we all know and love, and has since gone on to spawn many more adaptations.

Raleigh Little Theatre decided to present their own spin on the classic tale 40 years ago, and this beloved story has now become a tradition within the theatre and the greater Raleigh community. For the last 40 years, Raleigh Little Theatre has been spreading the joy of *Cinderella* to their audiences, drawing in folks every year to celebrate the holiday season with their community. What is it about *Cinderella* that has continued to draw crowds for all these years?

It is not often you see a character whose greatest strength comes from their kindness. Cinderella is able to inspire audiences with her kind heart and resilience, rising above the problems she faces with patience and generosity. No matter the challenge, Cinderella faces it head on through showing kindness to all and having faith in her heart to guide her through life. It's Cinderella's ability to be loving and selfless to others that makes an impact not only on the Fairy Godmother, but on all those who have seen her story. Kids and adults alike can look to Cinderella as a role model for how we can be gracious and helpful to one another to create a better world where we build each other up instead of tearing each other down. Cinderella teaches audiences that kindness is a strength and having a good heart will always take you farther than selfishness ever could.

Raleigh Little Theatre's adaptation adds on to these qualities by shining a light on Cinderella's imagination. In this story it is not only her heart that takes her far, but her mind and what she is able to do with it. Cinderella teaches us the power of creativity and all the incredible things we can accomplish if we only believe in our ideas. We learn that opening our minds to new ideas through reading helps us see the magic in the world, and our creativity lets us make our own magic to share with others. Audiences can learn from this Cinderella the true power that comes from reading and letting our imagination run wild.

Every magical journey begins with a wish made from the heart; a dream. But a dream can only go as far as we let it, and Raleigh Little Theatre's *Cinderella* teaches us that true magic comes from within, and all it takes is faith, heart, and the willingness to follow your imagination to turn your dreams into a wish come true.



#### Cinderella 40 Word Search





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# **Biographies** Cast Biographies



JACKIE FRANCES ADAMS (Ensemble) is thrilled to be back onstage after a decade long hiatus! Past credits include Papermill Playhouse's Summer Musical Conservatory, Adult Cosette in *Les Miserables* (Hoboken Theater, 2012), Margot in *Legally Blonde* (Hoboken Theater, 2013), and countless community theatre shows throughout Northern New Jersey. Special thanks to Mabel, Megan, Sam, and most of

all her best friends and biggest fans, Andrea and Stew. She would like to dedicate her performance to her goddaughters and real life princesses, Reagan Marie and Madison Francis.



**MATTHEW ANDERSON** (Page) is thrilled to be part of his first Raleigh Little Theatre production. Matthew studied voice at Shepherd University under the direction of Dr. Robert Robinson. Previous credits are Chip in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* and Ensemble in *Pirates of Penzance*.



**LAUREN ANGWIN** (Ensemble) is grateful to be an ensemble member in this 40th anniversary production of *Cinderella*, following a long hiatus from performing. A graduate of Christopher Newport University Theatre Department, her last show was *Horn in the West*. Thanks to Lisa for encouraging her to get back on stage, and to her family for their unwavering support.



**MADELINE BELL** (Town Kid/Mouse/Pony) is an 11-yearold 5th grader at Oak Grove Elementary. This is her first production with Raleigh Little Theatre. Before *Cinderella*, Madeline played the role of Maddie Reeves in 100 Dresses and was part of the ensemble in Matilda Jr., both with Applause! Cary Youth Theatre. She enjoys reading, dancing, playing volleyball, and going to the beach. Madeline would like to thank her family, friends,

and castmates for their support!



**DUSTIN BOWLES** (Ensemble) is thrilled to make his theatrical stage debut and step out from behind the curtain for the first time, after volunteering backstage at Raleigh Little Theatre beginning in 2018. He works in Human Resources by day and is a theatre volunteer by night. Other free time is spent being an avid Carolina Hurricanes fan (LET'S GO CANES!). He thanks his family, friends, RLT staff, and Darby for their continued support.

Special thanks to Ruthie for giving me this opportunity to be on stage for the first time!



**MARY BROWN** (Town Kid/Mouse/Pony), age 11, played Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz*, Joyce in *Treasure Island*, and Bruce in *Matilda Jr*. with Melendez Theatre and Entertainment. She has been in multiple school plays and drama camps, including with Raleigh Little Theatre. She also competes in gymnastics and loves to sing.



ALAN FUENTES (Ensemble) is an East Carolina University chemistry graduate, and when he's not working in a lab he's buried in a book or video games. After a break from performing for over 7 years, he's excited to jump back into the world of theatre!



**KATIE JO FULKS** (Fairy Godmother) is an NC-based performer, choreographer, arts administrator, and teaching artist from West Virginia. A former company member with the WV Dance Company and dance captain at Theatre West Virginia, she holds a BFA in Dance Performance & Choreography and a BA in Arts Administration from Elon University. Katie has performed works by Gerri Houlihan, Christal Brown, Toneta Akers-

Toler, Donald Laney, Casey Avaunt, and Jen Guy Metcalf. Through her work on and off stage, Katie emphasizes the power and necessity of art. She'd like to thank her fiancé, family, and friends for their continued love and support. katiejofulks.com



**HOUSTON HORN** (Ensemble) is thrilled to return to the Sutton Stage for his third *Cinderella* with Raleigh Little Theatre. He has completed the Gilbert & Sullivan canon. He thanks his wife, Joyce, for her loving support through their 45 years of marriage.

#### **Cast Biographies**



**SEOYOUNG HU** (Page) is thrilled to perform in her first musical production, *Cinderella*, at Raleigh Little Theatre. Her recent trainings as an actor include the Uta Hagen workshop and the Ivana Chubbuck studio. Her recent credit includes her role of Agnes in *Soft Launch* by Dipti Bramhandkar. Offstage, she is a hardworking mathematics student and a teacher at NC State. Please say hello; she loves people!



**ANIAH KELLY** (Spice) is a Raleigh native who has been acting since the age of 8. A 2023 graduate of Athens Drive High School, she is deeply involved in her local arts community and passionate about both dance and music. Aniah loves connecting with her peers and thrives on stage, known for her great sense of humor and quick wit. A fun fact: some of the *Cinderella* cast know her for "freestyle rapping" during downtime. Aniah also had the

opportunity to work with Raleigh Little Theatre, but the performance was canceled due to COVID. She is super excited to be a part of *Cinderella*! As her character would say: "Stay Spicy!"



JULIANNA ZOE ANGELLE LAUGHINGHOUSE (Town Kid/ Mouse/Pony) has a presence that is a constant source of delight for those around her. Currently, Julianna is a student at Powell Magnet Elementary in Raleigh and attends Davie Street Presbyterian Church. She has consistently expressed her passion for performance to her mother, often saying, "Mommy, I want to be on stage!"



HATTIE LYKES (Town Kid/Mouse/Pony) is nine years old and has loved to sing and dance since the day she was born. This is her first Raleigh Little Theatre production and she is so excited to be part of this amazing cast! Hattie lives in Raleigh with her mom and dad, two sisters, a dog named Tess and a cat named June.



**RIVER MANN** (Prince Charming I) is originally from Indiana, and is thrilled to make his debut at Raleigh Little Theatre in *Cinderella*. He is also a teaching assistant for a youth class in RLT's education department. River's previous credits include Chef Louis in *The Little Mermaid* and Wickersham in *Seussical* with Clayton Theatricals, as well as Jimmy/Phil in *Almost, Maine* and The Black Stache in *Peter and the Starcatcher* at Clayton High School.



**KIRSTYN "LADY X" MARSHALL** (Henrietta) is a recent graduate of North Carolina Central University. She has performed in productions such as *Dreamgirls*, *The Wiz*, *One Monkey Don't Stop No Show*, *Long Time Since Yesterday*, and *Chicken and Biscuits*. She would like to thank God and her family and ancestors, without them she wouldn't be the talent and blessing she is today.



**MIMI MILLER** (Ensemble) is ecstatic to be returning to the stage after ten years! Mimi has been involved in 11 shows throughout middle and high school, with some of her favorite roles being Nettle Nan in *A Christmas Carol*, and The Narrator in *Into the Woods*. At Appalachian State University, Mimi was involved with the theater department as a stagehand, and went on to perform in two productions. With this joyous return to

the stage, Mimi can't wait to see what's next!



**DANIELLE DE MUNK** (Ensemble) is happy to be returning to the Raleigh Little Theatre stage in *Cinderella*, having last been a mouse/pony in 2016. She has done other roles since then, such as Elsa in *Frozen Jr.*, and Ensemble in Millbrook High School's production of *Singin' in the Rain*. She is a sophomore in high school and couldn't be more thrilled to be a part of such an incredible cast of people.



**MYKIE DE MUNK** (Gertrude) is happy to return to *Cinderella* in its 40th year, 12 years after making her grand debut to the stage as a mouse/pony. She has done theatre ever since, favorite roles including Little Red Riding Hood in *Into the Woods*, and Audrey in *Little Shop of Horrors*. She is incredibly happy to be part of such an amazing, talented cast of people, and honored to be part of keeping RLT's *Cinderella* tradition alive.



**PAIGE PANETO** (Cinderella) is so excited to be appearing at Raleigh Little Theatre as Cinderella in their 40th year of *Cinderella*! This is her first debut in Raleigh since she just relocated from Cleveland, Ohio! Some of her favorite roles include Gertrude McFuzz from *Seussical* and Hedy Larue from *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*. She wants to thank her boyfriend Dylan and his family Amber, Scotty and

Cohen for being incredibly supportive by being her biggest fans and support system with her daughters Irelynn and Indie! She also wants to thank Ruthie for giving her this amazing opportunity and putting her trust into this little Ohio girl! She hopes you step into a world of enchantment while you enjoy this magical show!

#### **Cast Biographies**



**DOC PRICE** (Ensemble) has been involved behind the scenes in several productions this season, most recently as Assistant Stage Manager for *Doubt*. This will be his first onstage appearance with Raleigh Little Theatre. Doc was an active member of the theatre community in Central Florida from childhood through college. He attended Daytona State College and was a member of the run crew and a scene shop assistant at

Seaside Music Theatre in Daytona Beach. After a long hiatus, he is thrilled to be back in the theatre helping bring stories to life.



**QUINN ROLLAR** (King Darling III) is a 23-year-old Raleigh native who is incredibly excited to be making his Raleigh Little Theatre debut! He just returned home after 15 months with Missoula Children's Theater, where he was blessed to be able to direct and perform with over 2,000+ young artists. He graduated from UNCG in 2023 as part of their inaugural BFA Musical Theater class. Some of his

favorite roles include Burrs (*The Wild Party*), Patrick Star (*The SpongeBob Musical*) and Horton (*Seussical*).



**LILY WALLS** (Sugar) is so excited to be part of *Cinderella*! This is her first show with Raleigh Little Theatre, and she has loved every second of it! She is a senior at South Johnston High School and is hoping to go to college to pursue her BFA in musical theatre. Some of her favorite roles include Jovie from *Elf Jr*. at the Garner Performing Arts Center and Fiona from *Shrek Jr.* at the Garner Performing Arts Center.



KYLE HARRIS a.k.a TYMPEST YMAN (Stepmama) aims to envelop audience members into velvety curiosity, and the courage to nurture the parts of themselves that inspire kaleidoscopic freedom and unapologetic love, from portraying Audrey II (*Little Shop of Horrors*), Miss Roj (*The Colored Museum*), and Maurice (*Beauty* and Beast). As a recent Savannah College of Art and Design graduate, Tympest's training ranges from

Theatre Acting, Film Acting, Devised theatre, voice-over, Modeling, and Poetry. With fierce and fun, Tympest allows the spirit of Stepmama to use them as a vessel for her malevolent machinations.

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#### **Production Team Biographies**

**RUTHIE MARTINEZ** (Director/Choreographer) is so excited to be back at Raleigh Little Theatre, where she began performing as a teenager. Ruthie earned her undergraduate degree in drama from UNC-CH and her MFA from UNCG. She has worked extensively in theatre education. She ran the arts and drama programs for over 20 years at Greensboro Day School, and has also taught at the college level at multiple community colleges, Salem College, and Appalachian State, as well as teaching K-12. She also teaches regularly in the education programs at RLT. As a performer, some of her favorite recent roles have included the Chaperone in *The Drowsy Chaperone*, Rosie in *Mamma Mia*, and Clairee in *Steel Magnolias*. Her favorite role at RLT was the title role in *Gypsy* in 1981, and most recently she was featured in *Blood Wedding*.

CHRISTIAN L. STAHR (Music Director & Orchestrator) is a Norwegian Music Director, Composer, and Orchestrator who recently relocated from New York City to Cary with his wife, Sarah Winter. He is thrilled to make his debut at Raleigh Little Theatre, music directing Cinderella, and is eager to collaborate with the incredible cast. crew, and musicians on this production! Christian's local credits include Music Director for Sunday in the Park with George and A Little Night Music at Burning Coal Theatre, as well as Composer for Copenhagen at the same venue. In New York, Christian served as the Director of Culture at the Norwegian Seamen's Church and Cultural Center and worked as a pianist for the Dramatists Guild Foundation, where he performed alongside renowned composers such as Alan Menken, Marc Shaiman, Stephen Flaherty, Lynn Ahrens, and Pasek & Paul, among many others. In his hometown of Sarpsborg, Norway, he wrote and music directed the beloved family musical St. Olaf the Lucky One, which was performed annually at the St. Olaf Festival for several years. Christian holds an MFA in Musical Theatre Writing from NYU's Tisch School of the Arts and has composed and orchestrated music for various musicals, concerts, short films, and podcasts. He extends his deepest gratitude to his family and friends for their support, with special thanks to his wife and their cat, Dwight. You can explore his work at <u>www.stahrmusic.com</u>.

**VICKI OLSON** (Costume Designer) was a costume designer with Raleigh Little Theatre for 24 seasons. After receiving her MFA from UNC-G in 1985 she became RLT's first professional costume designer. Her creativity and fine work could be seen in countless productions including *Spamalot*, *Hairspray*, *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Cinderella*. She has enjoyed working with so many talented and wonderful people. **DARBY E. MADEWELL** (Lighting Designer) is a computer engineering graduate student at NC State and a regular at Raleigh Little Theatre. This will be her third year designing for *Cinderella*, and they're excited to bring the magic! She wants to give a special shoutout to Dustin Bowles, who is making his onstage debut this year. Thanks for everything you do, and break a leg!

**CRAIG JOHNSON** (Sound Designer) is excited to be back at Raleigh Little Theatre for his second show this season, this time designing sound for *Cinderella*. Earlier he served as Qlab Conductor for *Something Rotten*. During the day he is a project manager in the pharmaceutical industry, but at night he can often be found at NRACT (and more recently also at RLT!) either on stage (*Southern Baptist Sissies*, Brother Chaffey/Houston), running tracks (*Everybody's Talking about Jamie; Fun Home*), or music directing (*Big Fish*). A huge THANK YOU and I LOVE YOU to his husband and other half of 30 years – Shawn!

**CHRIS ACEVEDO** (Stage Manager) is excited to be back for his second year as the Stage Manager for *Cinderella*! He has worked on numerous projects in and around the Triangle, with his recent work being Pure Life Theatre's *Three Little Birds*. Oh, and of course, he's an extraordinary Starbucks Barista by day! Chris would like to thank Ruthie, Christian, his friends and family, and this wonderful community who continues to support live theatre! Instagram: @livinglife1994

**MONTGOMERY DAVIS** (Intimacy and Fight Director) (they/she) is excited to be returning to Raleigh Little Theatre for *Cinderella* after working on *Something Rotten*. They are a critically acclaimed and award-winning international fight and intimacy choreographer with works reaching from Atlanta to Prague. They are an advanced actor combatant with the Society of American Fight Directors, an advanced student with Intimacy Directors and Coordinators and an Alumni of the International Stunt School. She is a graduate student at NCSU. Previous works include: *Romeo and Juliet* at South Garner High School, *She Kills Monsters* at Georgia Tech, *Wait Until Dark* at the Georgia Ensemble Theatre, *Spring Awakening* at Jennie T. Anderson Theatre, and many more. Coming back to North Carolina and Raleigh is like coming home for them and they are excited to share this journey with Raleigh Little Theatre, their dogs, their partner, and their family. Many thanks for their continued support.

#### **Production Team Biographies**

**CHASTIN KORNEGAY** (Assistant Stage Manager) is a local artist and children's educator. She is so excited to be joining the stage management crew for *Cinderella* again this year. She is so grateful to have been welcomed into the Triangle theater community over the past year, working on multiple Raleigh Little Theatre productions as well as at other theater companies in the area. She was honored this year to also serve on the planning committee for Griot and Grey Owl Black Writers Festival. You can follow her on Twitter @LenaiWrites.

**FOX LALEAF** (Assistant Stage Manager) (they/them) mainly volunteers at Raleigh Little Theatre on deck crew and in the scene shop but is very excited to ASM for the first time! When Fox is not at the theatre, you can find them on stage as Hummingbird, a drag performer!

**SONYA FLEMING** (Assistant Stage Manager) is very excited to be part of this magical production! They have been volunteering with Raleigh Little Theatre for a little over a year being part of deck/ prop crews and helping in the scene shop. They are overjoyed to make their ASM debut with *Cinderella*! Not only is Sonya backstage, but they go onstage as Soysauce (@soy\_sauce\_drag). Along with theatre, Sonya loves to perform in drag!

**RAYDEN LEEDER** (Dramaturg/Script Coordinator) is thrilled to be returning to Raleigh Little Theatre after completing her BA in direct-ing, dramaturgy, and dramatic writing from UNC Charlotte. Recent production credits include directing a production of *I and You* at the Rowe Theatre in Charlotte, as well as being the dramaturg and assistant director for Lynn Nottage's *Sweat* with UNC Charlotte The-atre. Rayden would like to thank all the cast and crew for all the love put into this show to make it so magical! Check out her portfolio at raydenleeder.weebly.com

**KRISTINA BRUNELLE** is an Organizational Strategist, guiding leaders and teams to greater effectiveness through purposeful discussions and activities that foster strong interpersonal connections. Her work helps smooth out the challenges that often arise in fastpaced, high-stakes environments while cultivating a stronger sense of community. By night, she's an avid theatre-goer, likely seated in a row near you. Grateful for this incredible cast and crew—here's to a truly spectacular performance. On with the show! IG: kbbrunelle **YUSHA BEY** (Trumpet) is a recent transplant from the Sacramento area and has played trumpet in dozens of community theatre musicals over the past 10 years. The most notable are: *In the Heights*, *Newsies*, *Something Rotten*, *Spamalot*, *Shrek*, *The Producers*, *42nd Street* and *Gypsy*. His favorite musical is *Sweeney Todd*. Yusha has more than 30 years of experience in a variety of genres, including: concert, jazz, Latin rock, funk and R&B. During the day, he is an engineer for a semiconductor wafer foundry in the RTP.

**EMILY CASEY** (Clarinet) is excited to join Raleigh Little Theatre in *Cinderella* on the clarinet. A middle school band director at Moore Square Magnet Middle School, she has been involved in theatre since her own days in middle school. Some of her favorite productions have been *Guys and Dolls, Thoroughly Modern Millie*, and *Sweet Charity* during her time in Upstate NY.

**PRISCILLA JAMES** (Percussion) is joining Raleigh Little Theatre for her second time. She began her time with RLT as the drummer for the summer production of *Kinky Boots*. Priscilla holds a BA in music education from UNC-Greensboro with focus in percussion. She plays music around the triangle with the Triangle Pride Band and enjoys anytime she gets to play music. Priscilla's hobbies are playing drums, gardening, and enjoying time with her family and friends.

**PATRICK JONES** (Violin) is thrilled to return to Raleigh Little Theatre after many moons ago being a member of the Teens on Stage program, though this time he'll be hiding away in the pit! Patrick has been directing elementary orchestras in the area for the past several years, and he loves to contribute back to the community that he grew up in by moonlighting in shows like *Cinderella*.

**LEVI MCLAUGHLIN** (Violin) is a professor at North Carolina State University, where he teaches courses on Asian religions. He has trained as a violinist since he was a kid and has performed extensively in the United States, Japan, and in his native Canada.

JOE WIMBERLEY (Bass) is grateful and excited to return for Cinderella's 40th Ball! He's played many fabulous shows at Raleigh Little Theatre, including Spamalot!, A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder, Bat Boy: The Musical, Schoolhouse Rock, The Tempest, Cinderella, and DIVAS! He plays in various jazz/pop/rock projects across the Triangle, and designs learning experiences during the day. He is deeply thankful to his family for their support, especially his wife, Renee, and daughter, Stella!

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**MICHELE WEATHERS** (Executive Producer) (she/her/hers) Previously: Executive Director and Senior Advisor at Carolina Ballet (2017-2023), Managing Director at PlayMakers Repertory Company (2014-2016), Barrington Stage Company (Pittsfield, MA) and North Carolina Theatre (1991-2004). NY credits include: *In the Heights*, *High Fidelity*, *Orson's Shadow*, and *Red Light Winter*. In 2019, she was recognized with TBJ's Women in Business Leadership Award and, in 2024, she was a member of the inaugural group of award winners for Raleigh Magazine's Impact 50. DEI training: artEquity. Michele is a member of the League of Professional Theatre Women and is a Theatre grant panelist for the NEA. Her daughter, Peyton Rose, is a senior at Enloe High School. Meredith College grad. She is incredibly proud of RLT's place in this community.

**DENNIS R. BERFIELD** (Production Manager/Technical Director) is from South Williamsport, Pennsylvania. He received degrees in Theater and Communication Studies at the Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania, and a Masters of Fine Arts in Scenic Design and Technology at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Dennis has worked at various regional and off-Broadway theaters as a Scenic Artist, Carpenter, Master Carpenter, Scenic Designer, Assistant Technical Director, and Scenic Coordinator. After working professionally for a number of years, Dennis became an adjunct professor at Millikin University in Decatur, IL, and went on to become the Technical Director at the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania.

**TERRA HODGE** (Director of Education) (she/her) is the Director of Education at Raleigh Little Theatre. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre Education from North Carolina Central University and her Master of Arts degree in Media Arts from Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus. Prior to joining RLT, Terra was the Theatre Arts teacher for the past 13 years at Culbreth Middle School in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. She was named the 2017-2018 Culbreth Teacher of the Year and was named an Honor Teacher for Chapel Hill – Carrboro City Schools. Terra has worked as a teaching artist, actor, and director with many local theatre companies. She is the director of Agape Theatre Project's production of *Crowns* that was featured at this year's International Black Theatre Festival in Winston Salem, NC.

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JENNY MITCHELL (Costume Shop Manager) is the Costume Shop Manager here at Raleigh Little Theatre. She is thankful to have such a dedicated group of volunteers and co-workers to work with on this, and every, production. Her most recent credits include: *Something Rotten!*, *Kinky Boots, Trouble in Mind, Curtains*, and *Junie B. Jones Is Not A Crook*.

**MEGAN FARRELL** (Marketing Manager) joined the Raleigh Little Theatre team in August 2019. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing from North Carolina State University (Go Wolfpack!). Megan grew up a theater kid and loves getting to "play" on the admin side of the performing arts now as an adult. When she's not at the theatre, Megan is likely cheering on the Dodgers, daydreaming about Halloween, or watching Disney movies with her tiny best friend Emmie.

**ALI WOOD** (Assistant Technical Director) could be found both on-stage and backstage while she was growing up. From skits her grandfather wrote for church to performing at the local community theatre, Ali was always involved. However, during her college years, she found lighting and swapped over to the dark side. After graduating, Ali worked as an Entertainment Stage Technician for Walt Disney World and now she continues her career as the Assistant Technical Director here at Raleigh Little Theatre where she hopes to continue spreading the love and joy of theatre with everyone she meets.

**KIRAN BAUCOM** (Development Manager) was born and raised in Durham and is so happy to be back home working in the Triangle's thriving arts scene. She received a Bachelor of Arts in American Studies from Yale University, where she held various roles in campus theatre, film, comedy, and performance poetry spaces. As Development Manager, Kiran draws on her varied experiences in arts administration, grant management, and nonprofit fundraising. She looks forward to every opportunity to support the work of her brilliant coworkers and form ever-deeper connections with the entire RLT community. **SAWYER SHAFER** (Box Office and Front of House Supervisor) is a graduate of Wright State University's Theatre Studies program. Prior to moving to North Carolina in 2021, he spent five years as the Founder and Producing Artistic Director of Sansami Creative Works, LLC. in West Liberty, Ohio, an endeavor for which he received an Arthur Vining Davis Entrepreneurship Award in 2015. In his free time, he can be found writing (and rewriting) scripts, obsessing over soccer or professional wrestling, and hanging out with his fiancée Allison and their Siberian Husky, Luna.

**EMMA CLEMENTS** (Jack Hall Scholar) is a local director and producer. They are very excited to be joining the RLT team for the 2024-2025 season as the Jack Hall Scholar! They recently graduated from UNC-CH, where they held several student leadership and production roles, including Executive Director of Production for Pauper Players' 2022-2023 season. Emma also serves as the Artistic Director for Boy With Box Theatre Company, a new small-budget theatre company in Chapel Hill.

**MAGGIE GINA** (Administrative Intern) is currently a sophomore at NC State majoring in Business Administration with a double minor in arts entrepreneurship and music performance. Since she first picked up a trumpet at age 9, she was immediately drawn to a world of music and creativity, helping her realize she needed the arts to be forever a part of her life! Maggie is very excited to be a part of RLT and is grateful for the chance to gain real-world experience in marketing/administration and see first hand what it means to bring a performance to life. When not in the theater, Maggie can usually be found spending time with friends and family, studying, or in and out of practice rooms.

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