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## Welcome to Schoolhouse Rock Live! at the Stephenson Amphitheatre

Hello everyone!

We are so delighted to welcome you to *Schoolhouse Rock Live!* in the beautiful Stephenson Amphitheatre here at Raleigh Little Theatre. There's something magical about gathering outdoors with friends, family, and fellow theatre lovers to experience the joy of live performance – and we're thrilled you're here to share that magic with us.

Based on the beloved educational cartoon series that first aired in the 1970s, *Schoolhouse Rock Live!* brings to life the catchy, clever songs that helped generations of kids learn grammar, math, civics, science, and more. With tunes like "I'm Just a Bill," "Conjunction Junction," and "Interplanet Janet," this show delivers a healthy dose of nostalgia for adults, while introducing young audiences to the timeless charm and energy of these musical lessons.

Our talented cast and creative team have worked hard to craft a performance that's heartfelt and fun for all ages. Whether you're reliving favorite memories or discovering these songs for the first time, we hope you find yourself tapping your toes, singing along, and maybe even learning something new along the way!

We're proud to be part of a community that supports local theatre and the arts. Your presence here means the world to us, and we thank you for being a part of this special afternoon out in the garden.

Enjoy the show – and remember, knowledge is power, and learning is always in style!

Blast off!

Michele Weathers, Executive Producer

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### **Cast & Production Team**

#### Cast

Tom Jah'Mar Coakley

Dina Clare Sherk

Shulie Sydney Jerome

George Nic Sanchez

#### **Production Team**

Director Kathleen Rudolph

Music Director Darylene Hecht

Choreographer Sue Hill

Production Manager/

Technical Director

and Scenic Designer Dennis R. Berfield

Costume Designer Kahei Shum McRae

Sound Designer John Maruca

Costume Shop Manager Jenny Mitchell

Assistant Technical Director Ali Wood

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### Letter from the Director

Schoolhouse Rock! was an American TV series of animated musical and educational short films, which aired on Saturday mornings, beginning in 1973. It came about because an advertising executive noticed that his son was struggling with learning multiplication tables yet could sing lots of songs by heart. Learning facts through song is something we begin doing at a very young age. We learn the ABCs by singing them to the tune of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." In high school, I learned how to spell the composer Tchaikovsky's name because the music teacher taught us to shout it like a cheerleader.

RLT produced a version of *Schoolhouse Rock Live!* back in 2003, and I was the Assistant Director. It was such a fun process and the songs were so catchy that by opening night, everyone working on the show in any capacity knew the words to every song. So, I was thrilled when I was asked to direct this season's version. We have had a blast revisiting these songs and creating unique ways to choreograph and block each of them. I could not have done any of this without Darylene Hecht, our amazing Music Director, and Sue Hill, our fabulous Choreographer. Although the cast size is small, they are tremendous in their creativity, energy and vocal range. In addition, Dan Bain as Assistant Director helped to add comedic elements to songs, and Lindsay, Lauren and Sonya (our Stage Management Team) were there from the start, keeping track of all that needed to flow smoothly.

It has been wonderful to delve into this concept of making learning fun! Knowledge is Power!

Kathleen Rudolph
Director, Schoolhouse Rock Live!

# **Order of Songs**

Verb: That's What's Happening Tom, Dina, Shulie, George

A Noun is A Person, Place, or Thing Dina

Three is a Magic Number George

Sufferin' Through Suffrage Dina, Shulie

Unpack Your Adjectives Shulie

Just a Bill George

The Preamble Dina

Ready or Not, Here I Come (Fives) Tom

Do the Circulation Dina, Shulie,

George

Rufus Xavier Sarsaparilla (Pronouns) Tom

Conjunction Junction Tom

Interplanet Janet Shulie

**Interjections** Dina

Finale/Bows Ensemble

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# **Cast Biographies**



JAH'MAR COAKLEY (Tom) is excited to perform in his first show with Raleigh Little Theatre. A native of Charleston, SC, he has performed with Charleston Stage in productions such as *The Prom, Once on This Island, Elf The Musical, Footloose, Bright Star,* and *Our Town*. He was recently seen as Leading Player in *Pippin* at Theatre in the Park and appeared

in the U.S. premiere of *A Poet's Love* with Spoleto Festival USA. An experienced teaching artist, Jah'Mar has choreographed many productions, including *The Lion King Jr.*, *High School Musical Jr.*, *Finding Nemo Jr.*, and others.



CLARE SHERK (Dina) is plumb excited to be singing songs that meant so much to her growing up in a place just as special to her! She's been playing at Raleigh Little Theatre behind the scenes and on stage for many years (also as a fabulous Diva in the 2022 Divas! fundraiser). Recently she has supported Triangle community theatre as a cast member (Add-

ams Family - Cary Players, Into the Woods - TIP) and as asst. choreographer or dance captain (Pippin - TIP, Cabaret - Justice Theatre Project). Much love to her parents, siblings, husband, and pets! She hopes folks of all ages enjoy rocking out to these stellar songs!!



**SYDNEY JEROME** (Shulie) has had a passion for live performance since a young age. She has been singing for over fifteen years, and opportunities allow her to go from stage to stage. Recently, she has studied ballroom dancing, finishing associate bronze. She is able to dance either lead or follow in ten different dances in smooth and rhythm catego-

ries. Sydney is excited to share her first show with RLT and all of you! Let's go to school!



NIC SANCHEZ (George) is a student at Enloe High School and is very excited to be a part of Schoolhouse Rock Live! as George. He recently played Toby in Sweeney Todd at Raleigh ACT and Young Scrooge in A Christmas Carol at Theatre in the Park. This past fall, he had the opportunity to participate in a 29-hour reading in New York for Madame Clicquot:

A Revolutionary Musical. He hopes you enjoy the show!

# Production Team Biographies

KATHLEEN RUDOLPH (Director) has been an actor, director, and theatre educator in the Triangle for 30 years. She is thrilled to be directing Schoolhouse Rock Live!, having been the Assistant Director for the show at RLT back in 2003. She is reliving all those wonderful memories and creating lots of new ones. Recent directing credits at Raleigh Little Theatre include Nate the Great, Fancy Nancy: The Musical, Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook, and Snow White! Kathleen is the Artistic Director of The Peak Ensemble Players, a theatre group that has been entertaining Apex audiences at The Halle Cultural Arts Center for several years. She thanks her amazing cast, crew and designers for all their energy and hard work, for all the laughter they brought to our process, and she is very grateful for this opportunity.

DARYLENE HECHT (Music Director) is delighted to be back at Raleigh Little Theatre for her 6th production. It is always a pleasure to be part of such a supportive theatre community. Thank you to this small, but mighty, cast for being so generous with their kindness and talents. A special hug to Kathleen and Sue for sharing the fun of all 6 of those productions with her. And as always, love to her family for their encouragement. Some of Darylene's previous projects include *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Raleigh Little Theatre); *Pippin* and *Into The Woods* (Theatre in the Park); and *Fiddler On The Roof* (Cary Players).

**SUE HILL** (Choreographer) is excited to have choreographed for the wonderful cast of *Schoolhouse Rock Live!* Previously, Sue worked with the casts of *Nate the Great, Fancy Nancy, Seussical, Junie B. Jones, Beanstalk! The Musical!, Bat Boy, A Year with Frog and Toad, Sleeping Beauty* and *Dear Edwina*. Sue is thankful to Kathleen, Darylene and all members of the cast and crew who help to create theatre magic. She is a recently retired veteran dance educator from the Wake County Public Schools and is the Associate Artistic Director of the Big Red Dance Project under the direction of Gerri Houlihan in Durham, NC. Sue is thankful the Triangle has special places like Raleigh Little Theatre.

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DENNIS R. BERFIELD (Scenic Designer/ RLT's 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.

KAHEI SHUM MCRAE (Costume Designer) is delighted to be back at RLT! Kahei holds a MFA in Costume Design and BFA in Production Design in Filmmaking from UNCSA. Her most recent designs include Steel Magnolias at Cape Fear Regional Theatre, The Diary of a Wimpy Kid and Pinocchio at Children's Theatre of Charlotte; Allie Kazan and the Magic Mansion at Orland Family Stage, Addams Family and Cabaret at Davidson College; The Refugees at Adjusted Realists and Godspell at Theatre in the Park. Special thanks to Jenny and all the volunteers at the costume shop!

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.

JENNY MITCHELL (RLT's 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.

DENISE SCHUMAKER (Associate Costume Shop Manager) first worked with Raleigh Little Theatre in 1994 as a volunteer on costumes for *Oliver!* Since then, she has designed, built, organized, and supervised costumes, props and sets for local theatre, dance, and opera, plus off-Broadway, tours, film, and television. In addition to RLT, you may have seen her work on stage at North Carolina Theatre, North Carolina Opera, Theatre in the Park, Theatre Raleigh, Peace University, NCSU, Duke University, Barton College, Honest Pint Theatre Company, RedBird Theater Company, Justice Theatre Project, or elsewhere. She was honored with an Emmy® nomination in 2010.

LINDSAY F. NYMAN (Stage Manager) returned to the Raleigh area after graduating from Appalachian State University in 2023 with a BA in Technical Theatre Design and Production. While at App State, her focus shifted from scenic design and construction to stage management after falling in love with all of the moving parts that make up the coordinated chaos of a production. For the last 18 years, Lindsay has been heavily involved with the sport of competition jump rope. Though no longer actively competing, she volunteers a majority of her spare time as the Production Director for the American Jump Rope Federation where she spends her time developing the sport and planning/executing national tournaments. She finds that as the AMJRF Production Director she can combine her love for stage management and the sport of jump rope together to create a strategically run tournament. When not in rehearsal for a show or planning for a jump rope tournament, you can find Lindsay on the water at Jordan Lake or curled up watching with her standard poodle, Meeko. Lindsay is excited to be involved with her third production here at RLT and looks forward to many more in the future.

# Production Team Biographies

**DAN BAIN** (Assistant Director) is delighted – Hey! That's an adjective! – to again join an RLT production crew. He grew up watching the original *Schoolhouse Rock* shorts between cartoons and bowls of sugary cereal on Saturday mornings, and can sing each one of them by heart (although if he did, you'd understand why he's on crew rather than onstage). He is inspired and amazed by this cast and thanks them, the crew, his family, and you!

**SONYA LALEAF** (Assistant Stage Manager) is very excited to party with everyone!!! They love to have fun and be a silly goose. They were previously one of the ASMs for *Cinderella 40* at Raleigh Little Theatre. Outside of theatre, Sonya performs in drag as Soysauce (@soy\_sauce\_drag)! They would like to thank their fam for putting up with their craziness.

LAUREN MONTANA (Assistant Stage Manager) is thrilled to be back on headset for another amazing show at Raleigh Little Theatre! She's recently been ASM for Akeelah and the Bee, worked on crews for Cinderella 40 and Doubt, as well as crews and SM teams for various productions at her alma mater, New York University. After an extensive break from the theater, she couldn't have asked for a better place to land than here in Raleigh, and she can't wait to keep working with such an incredible group of artists!

KRISTINA BRUNELLE (Teams Dynamics Strategist) 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 fast-paced, 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



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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), Managing Director at 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 and Emerging Equity. 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.

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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 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 the 2024 International Black Theatre Festival in Winston Salem, NC.

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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. 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, watching horror movies, or going on adventures with her tiny best friend Emmie. Dedicating this one to Dad, who loves Schoolhouse Rock ("Verb!") and all things 1970s and groovy.

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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.

CANDACE SPENCER (Education Programs Specialist) is an accomplished African American theatre professional passionate about nurturing young artists. She holds a BA in Theatre from Greensboro College and an MFA in Theatre Performance from the University of Louisville. Candace has expanded her artistic perspective through a six-month study abroad program in London, where she explored theatre and dance. While pursuing her MFA, Candace gained four years of experience teaching introductory acting classes to undergraduates, and she developed on-camera acting skills during her undergraduate studies. She is skilled in drama instruction, on-stage and on-camera acting, and stage directing. Her dedication to youth development is not only evident in her teaching experience, but also in her work with young artists at a summer camp in Los Angeles, California. Candace's diverse training, experience, and love for theatre make her an invaluable asset to the RLT Education team.

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.

# **Program Notes**

by Rayden Leeder, Dramaturg

Math, Science, History, Language Arts. All topics most kids would rather skip for more time at recess. *Schoolhouse Rock* changed this mindset for so many kids around the country by showing truly how fun learning can be!

Beginning in the early 1970's, father and creative David McCall enlisted the help of Bob Dorough to create entertaining and educational songs for kids after noticing how his son was struggling in math, but was great at memorizing music. Together, the two men would go on to create a multitude of songs throughout the years that would help young kids learn the fundamentals of many subjects in a way that is both effective and exciting. Starting with "Three is a Magic Number," a song to assist in math, they would go on to create other amazing and well known songs such as "Conjunction Junction" for English learning, and "I'm Just a Bill" to teach about the history of our legislative process. With Schoolhouse Rock becoming a well known resource for fun learning, it was time to hit the stage! Schoolhouse Rock Live! premiered in 1993 and would continue on to the present day as just another amazing way we can use music to help us learn.

The effect of *Schoolhouse Rock* on all of us is immense. It is music that parents and their kids grew up hearing and can share, helping bring families together over a love of music and learning. This music has helped countless children over the past several decades improve their education and have fun while doing so. Kids who see this show will be sure to think of these songs on their next test when asked about the preamble or adjectives, because they learned a new way to remember what they have been taught. This music will build the foundation of their learning and create useful skills for later education. *Schoolhouse Rock* teaches us not only that learning can be fun, but the power that music has to help us in everyday life.

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Learn or use your existing skills in sewing, costume repair, hat/mask making, wig styling, and more to help make our productions' costumes!

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Put a character and a show on its feet!
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