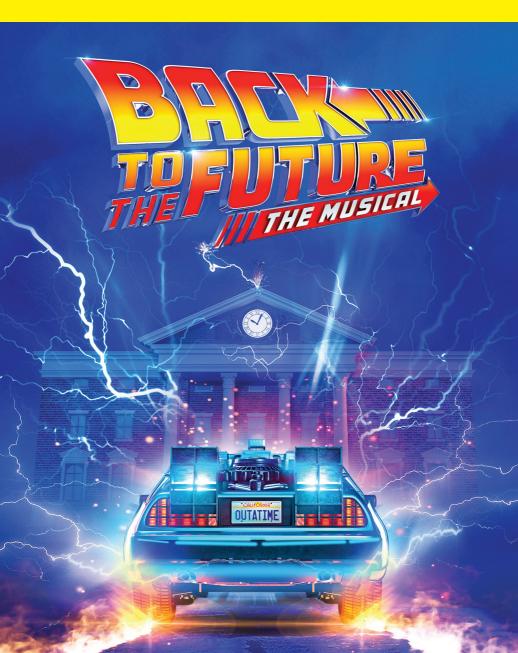
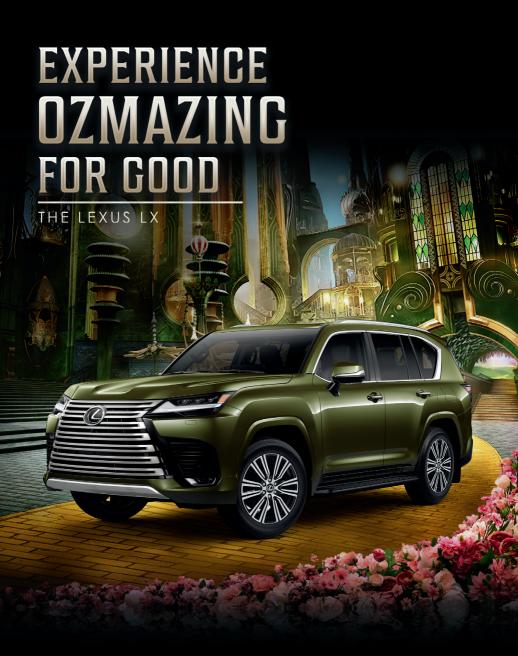
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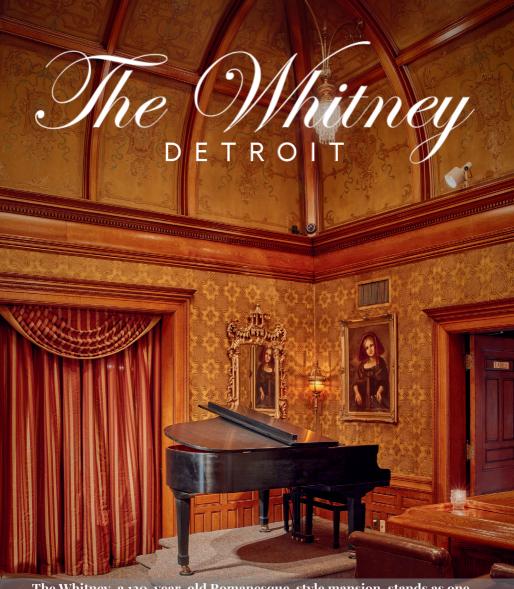
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Starring

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Jennifer Parker	
Biff TannenNATHANIEL HACKMANN	
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Dave McFly/SlickFISHER LANE STEWART	
Linda McFly/Stella Baines	
Lorraine Baines	
Doc Brown	
BettyGIOVANNA MARTINEZ	
Babs	
3DZACHARY BIGELOW	
Clocktower WomanJENNY DALRYMPLE	
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#### **SWINGS**

EMILY APPLEBAUM, BRITTANY BOHN, STEVEN ECKLOFF, TAY MARQUISE, ROSS THOMPSON

Dance Captain—BRITTANY BOHN
Assistant Dance Captain—ROSS THOMPSON
Fight Captain—ROSS THOMPSON

#### **UNDERSTUDIES**

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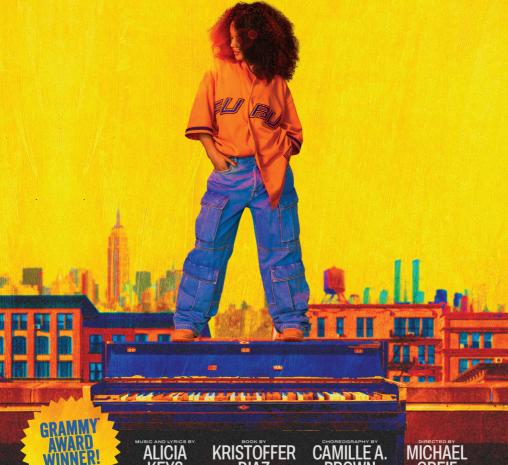
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for Marty McFly—STEVEN ECKLOFF, FISHER LANE STEWART;
for George McFly—TADE BIESINGER, ANTHONY J. GASBARRE, III;
for Lorraine Baines—ALYSSA CAROL, JENNY DALRYMPLE;
for Goldie Wilson/Marvin Berry—JOSHUA BLACKSWAN ABBOTT, TAY MARQUISE;
for Biff Tannen—ZACHARY BIGELOW, ROSS THOMPSON;
for Principal Strickland/Lou Carruthers/Mayor Red Thomas/Sam Baines—
STEVEN ECKLOFF, ROSS THOMPSON;
for Jennifer Parker—INA BLACK, GIOVANNA MARTINEZ;
for 3D/Reginald (Starlighter #1)—GREGORY CARL BANKS JR.



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DAVID **JOSEFSBERG** 



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ZAN **BERUBE** 



**CARTREZE** TUCKER



NATHANIEL HACKMANN



LUKE ANTONY **NEVILLE** 



**SOPHIA** YACAP



**JOSHUA** BLACKSWAN ABBOTT



**EMILY** APPLEBAUM



**GREGORY CARL** BANKS JR.



TADE BIESINGER



**ZACHARY BIGELOW** 



INA **BLACK** 



**BRITTANY BOHN** 



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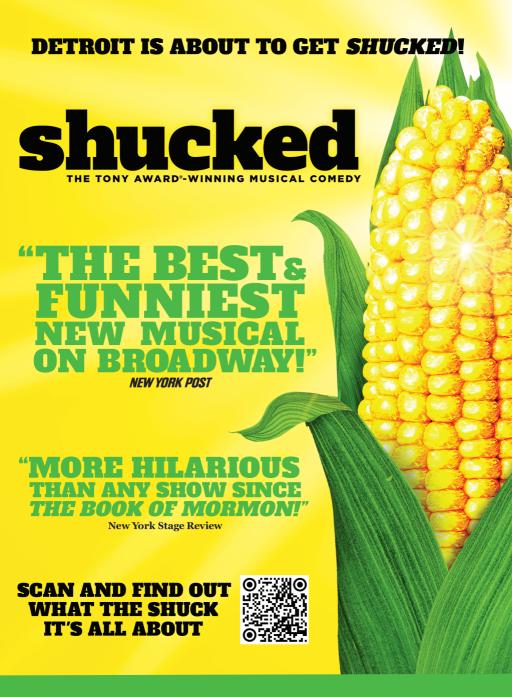
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## **MUSICAL NUMBERS**

#### ACT I

"It's Only a Matter of Time"	Marty, Goldie, Ensemble
"Got No Future"	Marty
"Wherever We're Going"	Marty, Jennifer
"Hello—Is Anybody Home?"	Marty, George, Lorraine, Linda and Dave
"It Works"	
"Cake"	Ensemble
"Got No Future" (reprise)	Marty
"Gotta Start Somewhere"	Goldie, Ensemble
"My Myopia"	George
"Pretty Baby"	Lorraine and Female Ensemble
"Future Boy"	Marty, Doc, Ensemble
"Hill Valley School Fight Song"	Lorraine, Ensemble
"Something About That Boy"	Lorraine, Biff, Ensemble

#### THERE WILL BE ONE 15-MINUTE INTERMISSION.

#### **ACT II**

"21st Century"	Doc, Ensemble
"Something About That Boy" (reprise)	Lorraine
"Put Your Mind to It"	Marty, George
"For the Dreamers"	Doc
"Teach Him a Lesson"	Biff, 3D, Slick
"It's Only a Matter of Time" (reprise)	Marty, Jennifer
"Deep Diving"	
"Pretty Baby" (reprise)	Lorraine
"Earth Angel"	Marvin, Ensemble
"Johnny B. Goode"	Marty
"For the Dreamers" (reprise)	Doc
"The Power of Love"	Marty, Jennifer, Goldie, Company
"Back in Time"	Marty, Doc, Company

#### THE BAND

Music Director/Keys 1—MATT DOEBLER
Associate Music Director/Keys 2—JORDON CUNNINGHAM
Drums—JAREN ANGUD
Reed 1—WILLIAM LEARY
Music Coordinator—KRISTY NORTER

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## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

**DAVID JOSEFSBERG** (Doc Brown). BTTF, Spamalot, Beetlejuice, The Prom, Waitress, An Act of God, Honeymoon in Vegas, Motown, The Wedding Singer, Les Misérables, Grease. Other favorites: Altar Boyz (original). TV: "The Mork and Mindy Story" (The Fonz). Love to Lizzie, Cooper, Ben, Mom and Dad. Thanks to Stewart Talent. Instagram/Tiktok @Davidsjosefsberg For health and wellness check out broadwaybreathwork.com.

**LUCAS HALLAUER** (*Marty McFly*) is so stoked to be going *Back to the Future!* Lucas is originally from Virginia Beach, Va. and graduated from Coastal Carolina University with a B.F.A. in musical theater in 2023. National tours: *Mean Girls.* Thanks to Tara Rubin Casting, Colin Ingram and the *BTTF* creative team for their trust and guidance. Love and gratitude to his parents, sisters Maggie and Kelly, and his friends and mentors for their continued support. @lucas.hallauer.

MIKE BINDEMAN (George McFly) is thrilled to be here! Previous: The Cher Show (first national tour), The Rocky Horror Show (Bucks County Playhouse), The Lightning Thief (Playhouse Square), Grease (Argyle Theatre), Ghost (Beck Center for the Arts), Mamma Mia! (Forestburgh Playhouse), among others. Chicago native, Baldwin Wallace MT '23. Rep: HCKR. IG:@mike\_bindeman. "For my friends, my teachers, my parents."

**ZAN BERUBE** (*Lorraine Baines*) is overjoyed to travel through time with this incredible company! She recently starred as Anne Boleyn in the national tour of *Six*! UMich alum. Endless thanks to Barrett, Tara Rubin Casting and the entire *BTTF* team. "It takes a village and I'm beyond grateful for my people. Mom and Dad, love you most! This one's for the dreamers! XO Baby." @zanberube.

CARTREZE TUCKER (Goldie Wilson/ Marvin Berry). National tours: The Color Purple, Motown: The Musical, Hair, To Feel A Thing: A Ritual (Holland Festival). Regional: Jersey Boys, Masquerade: The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Trav'lin: A New Musical, Raisin: The Musical, Disney's Tarzan: A New Musical, Sister Act, Disney's Little Mermaid and Miss Saigon. "Much love to my son Buckley, my family and Avalon." @cartreze.

NATHANIEL HACKMANN (Biff Tannen) created Biff in BTTF on Broadway. Other Broadway, international and tours: Jean Valjean and Javert—Les Misérables. YouTube-BBC Proms—Oklahoma! and On the Town. Gaston and Beast—Disney's Beauty...Beast, most of Menken's, Wildhorn's and Sondheim's antagonists. Recordings: Paint Your Wagon, Oklahoma! and Carousel available on Apple Music and Spotify.

TV: "Law & Order: Organized Crime." Master of Music: Vocal Performance—CMU. Love to A and PP! Instagram: @n8hackmann.

LUKE ANTONY NEVILLE (Strickland/Lou Carruthers/Mayor Red Thomas/Sam Baines, u/s Doc Brown). (he/they) British actor based in NYC. Theater: Back to the Future (Broadway), Titanique (Off-Broadway), Your Alice (BAM). TV/film: "New Amsterdam" (NBC). Huge thank you to Tara Rubin Casting and the BTTF team! For Mum, Dad and Faye! IG: @lukeantonyneville.

**SOPHIA YACAP** (*Jennifer Parker*, *Ensemble*). Most recent credits include the Metropolitan Opera's production of *Ainadamar* and the national tour of *On Your Feet!* "Especially grateful for my family and loved ones, thank you for encouraging me to live out my dreams!" IG: @sophia\_yacap.

JOSHUA BLACKSWAN ABBOTT (Reginald (Starlighter #1), Ensemble, u/s Goldie Wilson/Marvin Berry) trained in dance at the JCA. He spent summers training between the JKO school and the Joffrey ballet. He regionally was seen in 42nd Street and Kinky Boots (Lola). "I thank my parents and God for this opportunity. And me for pushing on."

**EMILY APPLEBAUM** (*Swing*) is thrilled to be "time-traveling" around the country with this incredible company! National tours: *R&H's Cinderella*. Favorite regional: *Bye Bye Birdie* (Goodspeed), *42nd Street* (Ogunquit). "Special thanks to my mentors, friends, family, especially my parents. Love and gratitude." The Hybrid Agency. @emilyapplebaum.

GREGORY CARL BANKS (Ensemble, u/s Reginald (Starlighter #1), u/s 3D) is so excited to drive 88 again this time across the country! Broadway: Back to The Future. National tours: Ain't Too Proud (first national, Lamont), After Midnight (NCL). Regional: Kinky Boots (ACT of CT), Beautiful (Riverside Theater, associate choreographer). Instagram/TikTok @down bythebanks.

**TADE BIESINGER** (Ensemble, u/s George McFly). Broadway/West End: Billy Elliot (Billy). Regional credits: The Muny, Pioneer Theatre Company. Jacob's Pillow Contemporary Program alum. Marymount Manhattan College B.F.A. '24. Thanks to God, family and friends for their unwavering love and support! @tadebiesinger.

**ZACHARY BIGELOW** (3D, Ensemble, u/s Biff Tannen). Tour: Anastasia (Ensemble, u/s Dmitry, Siegfried), Something Rotten! (Ensemble, u/s Shakespeare). Regional: Ogunquit Playhouse, KC Starlight, Flat Rock Playhouse. B.F.A. musical theater, Shenandoah Conservatory. "Endless love to my family, friends and Mikey at The Collective Talent Agency." @zacharybigelow1.

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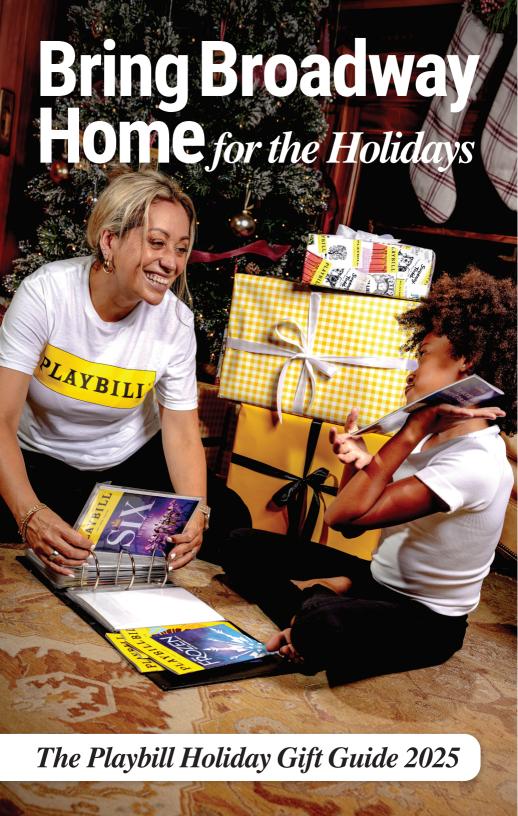


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**INA BLACK** (Ensemble, u/s Jennifer Parker) is thrilled to be making her national tour debut in Back to the Future: The Musical! Originally from Ohio and just recently graduated from Kent State University. Many thanks to her family, friends and Tara Rubin Casting! Instagram: ina.blackk.

BRITTANY BOHN (Swing, Dance Captain). Broadway: Back to the Future. First nat'l tours: Hello, Dolly! (Ermengarde Cover, ADC/Swing); An American in Paris (Milo Cover, Ensemble). Regional: Goodspeed, PCLO, Barrington, etc. B.F.A. dance PPU. ATL native. Endless gratitude to BTTF team. "For my people!" @bittybohn.

ALYSSA CAROL (Babs, Ensemble, u/s Lorraine Baines) is thrilled to be in this wonderful company! Broadway: Bad Cinderella (OBC). Off-Broadway: A Sign of the Times. Regional: The Nutty Professor (Ogunquit Playhouse). University of Michigan MT alum. Much love to family, friends and everyone at HCKR!

JENNY DALRYMPLE (Clocktower Woman, Ensemble, u/s Lorraine Baines) (she/her). National tour debut! Regional: A Chorus Line (Maggie), Legally Blonde (Elle Woods), Grease (Sandy). Shenandoah B.F.A. MT. "Endless gratitude to the BTTF team, TR Casting, CTG team, my professors and my incredibly supportive family." @jennydal3.

STEVEN ECKLOFF (Swing, u/s Marty McFly, u/s Strickland/Lou Carruthers/Mayor Red Thomas/Sam Baines) is thrilled to make his national tour debut with Back to the Future! A huge thanks to David and the Henderson Hogan team as well as Mom, Dad, Amelia and Aaron for all their support. @steven.eckloff.

ABBEY FRIEDMANN (Linda McFly/Stella Baines, Ensemble). Regional: Footloose!, Joseph... (Broadway at Music Circus); Anything Goes (Gulfshore Playhouse); A Chorus Line (Drury Lane); West Side Story, Chicago, Footloose (The Muny). OUMT alum. Unending gratitude to the BTTF team, Henderson Hogan, and her beautiful friends and family! @\_flabigail\_.

ANTHONY J. GASBARRE, III (Ensemble, u/s George McFly). World tour: West Side Story (Action, u/s Riff). Regionally: Escape to Margaritaville (Chadd, Ogunquit Playhouse), Saturday Night Fever (Joey, MSMT), Grease (Sonny, KC Starlight). TV/film: Papi Wines, "The Crowded Room," Bros, "Succession," "Tosh.0," Finneas "Naked." Wichita State University, B.F.A. musical theater. @agasbarre.

TAY MARQUISE (Swing, u/s Goldie Wilson/Marvin Berry, Starlighter #2) is a Florida native who is always sharing his Black Boy Joy on the stage and via social media @taymarquise. Prev: KC Starlight, The Rev and PCLO. "Thank you to

every hand and heart that has supported me and all thanks to God!"

GIOVANNA MARTINEZ (Betty, Ensemble, u/s Jennifer Parker) is thrilled to be making her national tour debut with Back to the Future! Endless thanks to TR Casting, the BTTF team, Thruline team and her loving family for their endless support. This one's for the dreamers! @giovannammartinez.

FISHER LANE STEWART (Dave McFly/Slick, u/s Marty McFly). National tour debut! This is heavy! Fisher grew up performing professionally in Kansas City. Recent: Disney Cruise Lines (Swing). "This is a dream come true for a lifelong BTTF fan! Thanks to family, friends and LT. Time-travel with me: @FisherLStewart."

ROSS THOMPSON (Swing, u/s Doc Brown, u/s Strickland/Lou Carruthers/Mayor Red Thomas/Sam Baines, Assistant Dance Captain, Fight Captain, u/s Biff Tannen) is absolutely ecstatic to be touring the country with Back to the Future! Previous stage credits: Matilda, West Side Story, Newsies, Jesus Christ Superstar. "Endless gratitude to my parents, Anna, Brenton, Brian and my friends and chosen family. Much love!"

BOB GALE (Book/Co-Creator/Producer) graduated USC Cinema in 1973, where he met his longtime collaborator, Robert Zemeckis. Gale co-created, co-wrote and co-produced all three Back to the Future films and has been the gatekeeper of the franchise ever since. Along with decades of other film and television work, he's written Batman, Daredevil and Spider-Man comic books and has been an expert witness in over 25 plagiarism lawsuits. This musical is his theatrical writing debut.

ROBERT ZEMECKIS (Co-Creator/Producer) is an Academy Award-winning director (Forrest Gump) and co-founder of the production company ImageMovers, innovators in storytelling through film and television. Mr. Zemeckis co-wrote and directed the original Back to the Future motion picture franchise and directed such classic movies as Cast Away, Who Framed Roger Rabbit, Contact, What Lies Beneath and The Polar Express. His next directing project is the feature film Here.

ALAN SILVESTRI (Music and Lyrics). Over his 50-year career, Alan Silvestri has composed scores for more than 140 films, earning him two Oscar nominations, two Emmy Awards and three Grammy Awards. His enduring 32-year collaboration with director Robert Zemeckis began with the 1984 film Romancing the Stone and includes the Back to the Future trilogy, Forrest Gump, The Polar Express and the upcoming Here. Silvestri has also played a pivotal role in the worldwide success of Marvel's The Avengers films.

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GLEN BALLARD (Music and Lyrics). Sixtime Grammy Award-winning producer/songwriter whose records have sold more than 150 million copies. He produced and co-wrote Alanis Morissette's Jagged Little Pill album. Theater: Ghost, Jagged Little Pill, Back to the Future (Manchester, West End). Film "Believe" for The Polar Express (Oscar and Golden Globe nominations), Charlotte's Web, The Croods, The Mummy Returns. TV: executive producer/songwriter, Netflix's "The Eddy." He was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 2023.

JOHN RANDO (Director). London: Back to the Future. Broadway: Urinetown (Tony Award), Mr. Saturday Night, On the Town (Tony nomination), A Christmas Story, The Wedding Singer, Penn & Teller, The Dinner Party. City Center Encores!: The New Yorkers, Gentlemen Prefer Blondes, Damn Yankees, Face the Music, The Pajama Game. New York Philharmonic: Carousel. Off-Broadway: The Heir Apparent (SDCF Callaway Award), All in the Timing (Obie Award). China: The Secret, Spirit of Life and The Island.

TIM HATLEY (Scenic and Costume Design). Broadway/West End: Starlight Express 2024, Life of Pi, Dreamgirls, Travesties, Ghosts, Vincent in Brixton, Temple, Bodyguard, Shrek, Spamalot, Humble Boy, Private Lives, The Crucible, The Pajama Game, Carmen, Don Quixote, My Fair Lady, Singin' in the Rain. Film credits include Closer, Notes on a Scandal and Stage Beauty. Winner of three Tony Awards and three Olivier Awards for Best Design. timhatley.com.

CHRIS BAILEY (Choreographer). Back to the Future, The Entertainer with Kenneth Branagh (London, West End); Gettin' the Band Back Together, Cyrano de Bergerac (Broadway); Jerry Springer The Opera (The New Group, Chita Rivera Award nominee); The New Yorkers, 1776 (NY City Center Encores!); Assassins (Menier Chocolate Factory); "Bigger" with Neil Patrick Harris, 2013 Tony Awards Opening number (CBS).

NICK FINLOW (Music Supervision, Vocal and Additional Arrangements). West End: The Time Traveller's Wife, Back to the Future, Two Strangers (Carry a Cake Across New York). As musical supervisor: Dreamgirls, Memphis, Les Misérables (U.K. tour). U.K. music supervisor: Mamma Mia! Conductor: Acorn Antiques, Tonight's the Night, Tell Me on a Sunday, Rent. U.K. music supervisor, Conductor: The Book of Mormon, JerseyBoys, Avenue Q. Recordings: co-producer/supervisor The Time Traveller's Wife, Back to the Future, Dreamgirls, Memphis.

**TIM LUTKIN** (*Lighting Design*). Tony and twotime Olivier Award winner. Broadway: *Life of*  Pi. Select West End: The Crucible, Back to the Future, Fiddler on the Roof, Noises Off, Strangers on a Train, Close to You, The Full Monty, Present Laughter, Chimerica, Quiz, Lungs, A Number, Elf, Big. National Theatre: Under Milk Wood, Antony and Cleopatra, LesBlancs, Jack Absolute Flys Again.

HUGH VANSTONE (Lighting Design). Broadway credits include A Christmas Carol (2019 Tony Award), The Boys in the Band, Groundhog Day, An Act of God, I'll Eat You Last..., Matilda (2013 Tony Award), Ghost (Tony nom.), La Bête, Mary Stuart (Tony nom.), A Steady Rain, God of Carnage, Shrek, Boeing-Boeing, Spamalot (Tony nom.), The Graduate, Blast!, Follies, The Blue Room and Art. More at hughvanstone.com.

FINN ROSS (Video Design) has won two Olivier Awards, a Tony and three Drama Desk Awards. Recent work: Tammy Faye (Almeida); Harry Potter (international); Back to the Future (West End); Frozen (international); Mean Girls (Broadway); The Tempest (RSC); The Curious Incident... (Broadway/West End); American Psycho (Broadway and Almeida); Mahagonny (ROH); Jagged Little Pill (A.R.T. Boston); Chimerica (Almeida and West End); A Dog's Heart, The Magic Flute (Netherlands Opera).

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CHRIS FISHER (Illusions) works worldwide as international illusions and magic associate for Harry Potter and the Cursed Child. Recent Broadway credits: Back to the Future, Company, Angels in America. London West End: Stranger Things—The First Shadow; The Time Traveller's Wife; Back to the Future; 2:22 A Ghost Story; The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe; Company. UK: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Merlin.

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MATT DOEBLER (Music Director) was most recently MD of the Jagged Little Pill national tour and associate MD for the Broadway and Australian companies. Previously, he was the AMD and accordion-meister for Broadway's Great Comet of 1812. "Thanks to Ted and Nick—conducting the BTTF tour was my density." IG: @BackToTheSlaver.

THE TRC COMPANY (Casting). Led by partners Claire Burke, Kevin Metzger-Timson, Xavier Rubiano and Peter Van Dam. Broadway: Dead Outlaw, Boop! The Musical, Stephen Sondheim's Old Friends, Buena Vista Social Club, Death Becomes Her, Left on Tenth, The Outsiders, Six, Aladdin, Back to the Future. National Tours: The Phantom of the Opera, Water for Elephants, Beauty and the Beast, The Wiz, Mamma Mia!, Les Misérables. The TRC Company is proud to continue the casting legacy of Tara Rubin Casting and Johnson-Liff Casting.

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TAYLOR HAVEN HOLT (International Associate Director) is a director and adjunct professor at NYU. Recent directing: Nine (NYU, Steinhardt), A Girl's Bedroom (Drama League). Resident directing: Hamilton (Angelica national tour). Assistant directing, Broadway: Cirque du Soleil's Paramour, Hand to God. SDC member. NYU, B.A./M.A. @taylorhaven.

JORDAN MURPHY (US Associate Director) is from Petersfield, England. Select credits: Your Lie in April, BTTF, Mary Poppins, RSC's Matilda The Musical, After You, Dr. Zhivago. The Sound of Music, Treason, Flashdance, Side Show, Wonderland, The Busker's Opera, Eugenius. Training: University of Exeter, NYMT, Young Vic Directors Programme.

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TED ARTHUR (Associate Music Supervisor). Back to the Future on Broadway (music director). Moulin Rouge! (international associate music supervisor). Broadway: Diana (music director), The Prom (associate conductor), Once on This Island (assistant conductor), Moulin Rouge!, Mean Girls, Dear Evan Hansen, Wicked. Regional: Hercules at Paper Mill Playhouse (music director). Ted is a proud member of MUSE (Musicians United for Social Equity).

KRISTY NORTER (Music Coordinator) is a Music Coordinator and freelance musician specializing in woodwind instruments. Credits include Some Like It Hot; Cabaret; Hell's Kitchen; The Outsiders; Lempicka; Six; New York, New York; Back to the Future; Merrily We Roll Along; Mr. Saturday Night; Cyrano; Black No More; and Suffs.

AURORA PRODUCTIONS (Production Management). Back to the Future (Broadway and tour), The Book of Mormon, Drag The Musical, English, Frozen (Germany), The Hills of California, The Play That Goes Wrong. Aurora has been providing technical supervision and production management to the entertainment industry since 1989.

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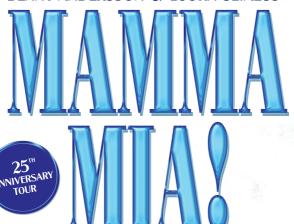
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Welcome to PLAYBILLDER Spotlight, where Playbill highlights shows from educational institutions or regional theatres and special events around the country (who have used Playbill's program-building service). By welcoming these PLAYBILLDERs center stage, we hope to give our readers a more in-depth look at theatre programs that are fostering the love of the performing arts in the next generation and the way theatre lovers are bringing Playbill along for life's big moments.

Below, we spotlight MOVE Productions, a youth theatre in Barrington, Illinois, and their production of *Disney's Alice in Wonderland, Jr.* Producer Mary Miller shared with Playbill how the performing arts are a melting pot for creativity.

## Tell us a little about yourself. How many years have you been teaching?

**Mary Miller:** I have been teaching theatre for 9 years.



What is your proudest moment as an educator?

I feel like I have a "proudest moment" almost every show. Once my cast begins their performance, that they have worked so hard to perfect, I can't help but tear up. It's even better when the cast has become true friends through out the process.

## What is the value you see in having a performing arts program in schools?

Not only are performing arts programs a ton of fun, but they help students improve public speaking skills, team working skills, and boost self-esteem. It's also such a great environment

for all kids of students—you don't need to be good at just one thing, you can learn all sorts of skills from all different people that join a theatre program. It's a melting pot of creativity. You work so hard together to create an awesome show and, lots of times, come out friends for life.

## Tell us a little bit about the production. What made you pick the show?

It's a fun and colorful show with lots of characters! So, there are lots of opportunities for students. I think the kids were loving their costumes and diving into who their character really is—going off of the main message of the show, "Who are you?"

## What message do you have for your students as they take the stage?

Have fun! And to really listen to each other. Be bold in the choices you make on stage.

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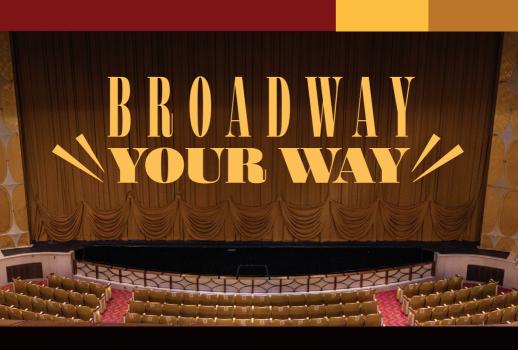
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