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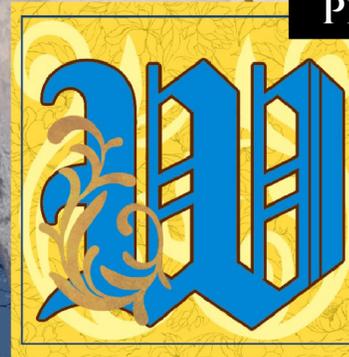
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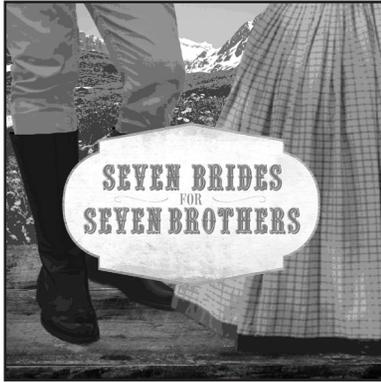
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CINDERELLA.....Megan Pearson
JACKKoy Nielson
JACK'S MOTHER.....Katie Chanelle Ufford
MILKY WHITE.....Derek Meanea
BAKER..... Isaac Merrick
BAKER'S WIFE..... Sydney Hanberg
CINDERELLA'S STEPMOTHERRebecca Fuchs
FLORINDA Sally Nielsen
LUCINDATaysia Tello
LITTLE RED RIDING HOODGrayson Cox
WITCH Claire Owens
CINDERELLA'S MOTHER/GRANNY/GIANT....Karlene Abplanalp
CINDERELLA'S PRINCE/WOLF Daniel Jackson
RAPUNZEL..... Jacy Kendrick
RAPUNZEL'S PRINCE..... Brian Smith
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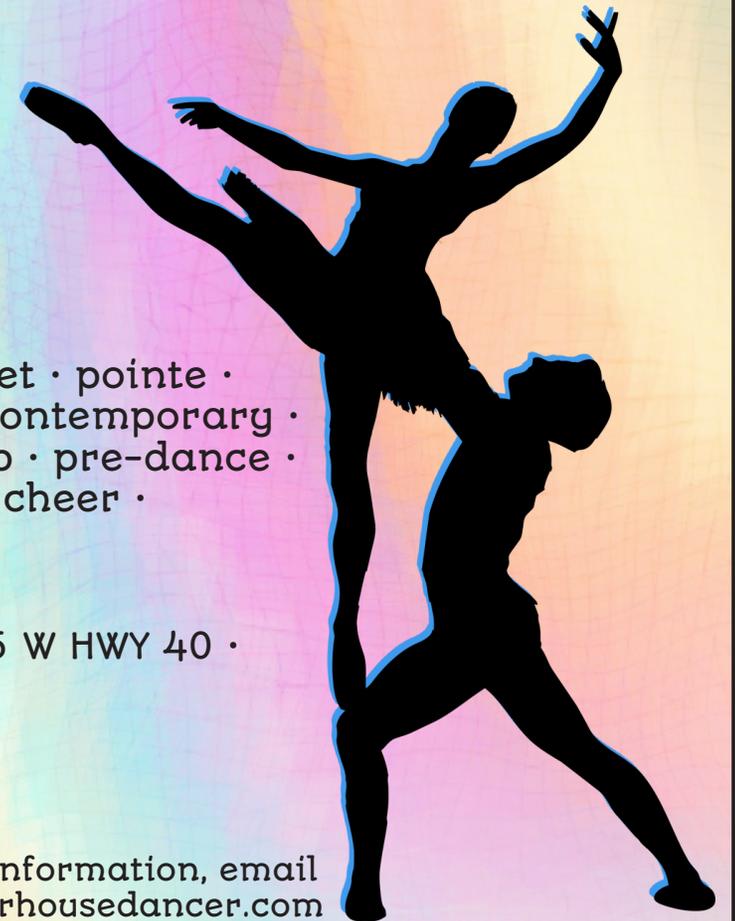
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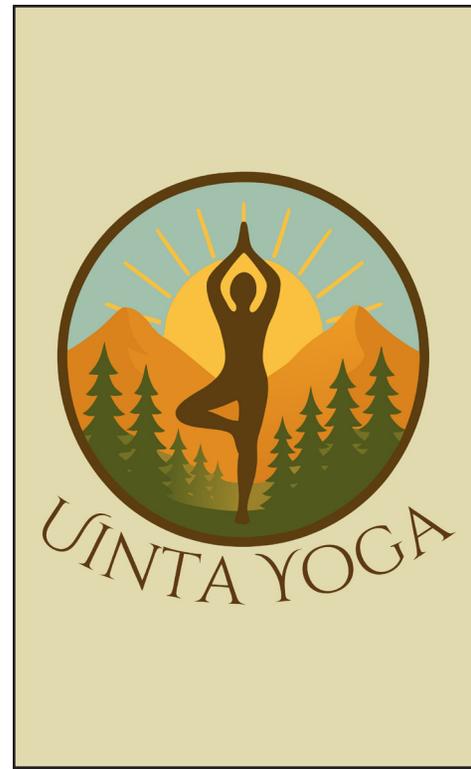
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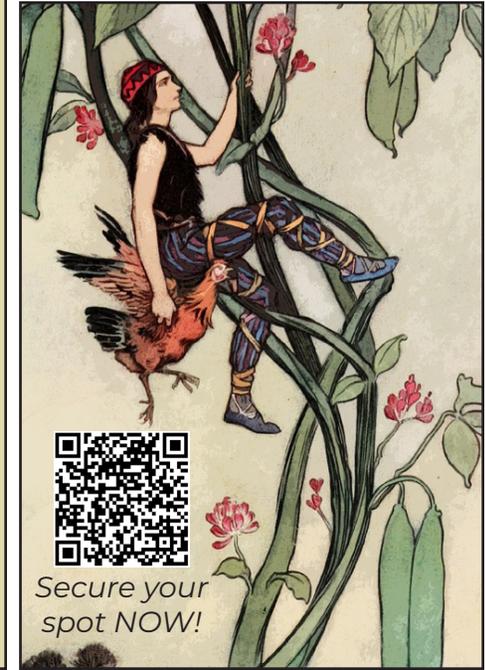
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CAST BIOS



SYDNIE HANBERG *Baker's Wife*

This show is very fitting for Sydnie because this is her tenth show in Vernal Theatre: LIVE's 10th Season! She loves and adores this show and plans to do more shows this year. "I first want to thank my family and friends for coming and for always supporting me, I love you so much! To everyone else, Hi! You look amazing, love what you did with your hair and thank you for coming. I hope you enjoy the show! I also would like to dedicate my performance to my best friend Alexis who just recently became a mom. Congratulations bestie, I can't wait for this next chapter for you!"



TAYSIA TELLO *Lucinda*

Taysia loves singing and musical theatre. Her most favorite role she's ever played was "Moaning Myrtle" in *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*. When she isn't acting or singing she's drawing or jogging!



MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT 1

Opening - Narrator, Cinderella, Jack, Baker, Baker's Wife, Stepmother, Florinda, Lucinda, Jack's Mother, Little Red Riding Hood, Witch
Cinderella at the Grave - Cinderella, Cinderella's Mother
Hello, Little Girl - Wolf, Little Red Riding Hood
I Guess This Is Goodbye - Jack
Maybe They're Magic - Baker's Wife
Our Little World - Rapunzel, Witch
I Know Things Now - Little Red Riding Hood
A Very Nice Prince - Cinderella, Baker's Wife
First Midnight - Full Cast
Giants in the Sky - Jack
Agony - Cinderella's Prince, Rapunzel's Prince
A Very Nice Prince (Reprise) - Cinderella, Baker's Wife
It Takes Two - Baker's Wife, Baker
Second Midnight - Witch, Cinderella, Cinderella's Prince, Rapunzel's Prince, Stepmother, Florinda, Lucinda, Granny
Stay With Me - Witch
On the Steps of the Palace - Cinderella
Finale - Full Cast

INTERMISSION

ACT 2

Opening - Narrator, Cinderella, Jack, Baker, Baker's Wife, Cinderella's Prince, Jack's Mother, Stepmother, Florinda, Lucinda, Witch, Steward, Little Red Riding Hood
Agony (Reprise) - Cinderella's Prince, Rapunzel's Prince
Witch's Lament - Witch
Any Moment - Cinderella's Prince, Baker's Wife
Moments In the Woods - Baker's Wife
Your Fault - Jack, Baker, Little Red Riding Hood, Witch, Cinderella
Last Midnight - Witch
No More - Baker, Mysterious Man
No One Is Alone - Cinderella, Baker, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack
Finale - Full Cast



PRODUCTION TEAM

Director Emily Walker
 Stage Manager Korinne Peacock
 Assistant Stage Manager Natacia Bliss
 Music Director Karilynne Pearson
 Assistant Music Director MarKay Anderson
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 Headshots Joie Madison
 Poster Design Amber Young
 Playbill Layout Andrea Wardle

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

What a privilege it has been to be able to direct *Into the Woods*. When I was in middle school and discovering my love of theatre, my best friend Katie introduced me to this show, and I was immediately hooked. I have always loved fairy tales and fairy tale retellings, and something about this one stood out to me. There are so many themes in *Into the Woods* that have resonated with me at different points in my life. Relationships between parents and children, love, loss, grief, consequences of our actions on ourselves and our community, and found family are just a few of the things that stand out to me. Act One is the fairy tale, but Act Two – that’s real life. It isn’t perfect, it isn’t easy, but in the end we find our way through the woods. This cast has been excellent to work with, and I hope you will enjoy watching them as much as I have. Thank you for being here and for sharing this show with us.

Emily Walker

CAST BIOS



PARRY PEACOCK
Narrator/Mysterious Man

“Once upon a time... To be continued.”



REBECCA FUCHS
Cinderella’s Stepmother

Rebecca has been a big supporter of the theater here in Vernal and is excited to make an appearance in her first show at Vernal Theatre: LIVE! When she isn’t at the theater she is a mom to two very cute and sweet kiddos.



SALLY NIELSEN *Florinda*

What a show to be a part of after an eight year sabbatical! Sally was most “recently” seen during Vernal Theatre:LIVE’s Season 2 productions of *The Secret Garden*, and *The Music Man* as “Marian Paroo”, one of her most treasured roles. Mother to four hooligans and wife to the biggest hooligan of all, she loves her busy life.”Thank you to Derek, Em, Wes, Clara, and Opie for the sacrifices you’ve made these last few weeks. You’re my Happily Ever After.”

CAST BIOS



KOY NIELSON *Jack*

Koy is thrilled to be back *Into the Woods* as “Jack”. He has appeared on stage at Vernal Theatre: LIVE in *The Foreigner*, *Daddy Long Legs*, and *Footloose*, and directed *Fools*. His senior year of high school, Koy played the “Baker”, which means he’s really branched out. Koy would like to thank his amazing wife, Makenzie, and their four beautiful children for their patience, love, and for letting him leave the house at night without trading the family cow for magic beans. He hopes you enjoy the show and reminds everyone that climbing giant plants is still not covered by most insurance policies.



MEGAN PEARSON *Cinderella*

Megan is no stranger to playing an orphan. From her first two opportunities on stage (“Orphan/Stunt Double” in *Annie* - OTT, “Orphan” in *Jane Eyre* - VJH) to more recent experiences (“Miss Honey” in *Matilda* & “Cinderella” in *Cinderella* - VT:L), she has perfected the art of mourning over her lost parents. In seriousness, Megan is immensely grateful for the experience *Into the Woods* has been. Theatre is a beautiful space to escape from the woes of life (though thankfully her parents are both still alive and well) and she hopes you suspend your disbelief to follow us *Into the Woods* to laugh, love, and to listen.



MIKE NEILSON *Steward*

Mike is excited to return to the stage after many years, making his Vernal Theatre: LIVE debut in *Into the Woods*. Favorite past roles include “Friedrich” in *The Sound of Music* and “Joseph” in *Savior of the World*. Offstage, Mike works as a microbiologist, devising creative ways to eliminate microorganisms from medical devices. He is grateful to his family for their devoted support.

CAST BIOS



BRIAN SMITH *Rapunzel’s Prince*

Brian is extremely excited to perform his favorite show for his beautiful wife and he is grateful she has supported him with all rehearsals and nights away. He is dedicating his performance to his boys who he loves so much. “Please enjoy the best show ever!”



CLAIRE OWENS *Witch*

“I’ve loved this show for 25 years and am incredibly grateful to return to it after playing “Little Red” at 16. Heartfelt thanks to my family for their constant support, to our generous arts-loving community, and to every patron who has shown up and shared this journey with us—especially for my final basin performance before my family moves away.”



DANIEL JACKSON
Cinderella’s Prince/Wolf

“I am a husband and father playing characters and delighted to don the crown as “Cinderella’s Prince” in *Into the Woods*. From “Jean Valjean” to “Motel Kamzoi!”, each role teaches me something about love, faith, and choosing wisely. Watch as “happily ever after” is only the beginning. All my love to N&H!”

CAST BIOS



DEREK MEANEA *Milky White*

“If I had a nickel for every time I played an animal on stage. I’d have two nickels. Which isn’t a lot, but it’s weird that it happened twice. If it’s your birthday today, happy birthday! This one’s for you. ;)”



GRAYSON COX

Little Red Riding Hood

Grayson is so excited to be playing “Little Red Riding Hood” in *Into The Woods*! She’s been having a blast bringing Red’s sass, bravery, and big personality to life, basket, cloak, and all. When she’s not skipping through the woods (or avoiding wolves), Grayson loves being on stage and diving into the stories that mix humor with heart. She’s incredibly grateful to the cast and crew for all the laughs and late rehearsals, and hopes you enjoy the journey into the woods as much as she has!



ISAAC MERRICK *Baker*

“*Into The Woods* has been a show I’ve wanted to do for a long time! I would be happy to play any role but I’m very excited to be able to play the “Baker”! This story has so many hidden messages and has something in it for everyone! So please sit back, relax and enjoy your trip in the woods.”

CAST BIOS



JACY KENDRICK *Rapunzel*

Jacy is so excited to be a part of this amazing production. This is Jacy’s first performance at Vernal Theatre: LIVE, though theatre has always been a big part of her life. She loves to spend her free time producing music and being with her family and dogs! She hopes you enjoy the show!



KARLENE ABPLANALP

Cinderella’s Mother/Granny/Giant

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KATIE CHANELLE UFFORD

Jack’s Mother

“Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time.”

~Thomas Merton

Katie is grateful for the opportunity to journey *Into the Woods* in order to be both lost and found while bringing this work of art to life with the rest of the cast. Off stage she loves her Littles, her Critters, the river, and creating art of many kinds.