SHOW PROGRAM

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FEBRUARY 16, 23; MARCH 1, 8 AT 7:00 PM
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WELCOME TO HTI!

Hamilton Theatre Inc. is Hamilton's oldest musical theatre company. HTI is operated and maintained entirely by volunteers and produces three musical productions each season. HTI's mandates include providing our members with the necessary training to get involved in all aspects of theatre, and making the performing arts accessible to the Hamilton community.


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Hamilton Theatre Inc.

Presents



Music By
STEPHEN
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Lyrics by
LYNN
AHRENS

Book by
LYNN AHRENS and
STEPHEN FLAHERTY

Co-Conceived by
LYNN AHRENS, STEPHEN FLAHERTY, ERIC IDLE

BASED ON THE WORKS OF DR. SEUSS

Directed By
JOSHUA ARCARI

Music Directed By
JENNIFER FERREIRA

Produced By
TERYN LAWSON

Stage Managed By
ELIZA CHAMPION

Choreographed By
KATLYN ALCOCK & ERIKA BENNETT

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Seussical™ is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

"From storybook to stage, this production has been a testament to our amazing cast and crew's hard work and dedication. As a Director, I implement a holistic approach, inviting feedback from everyone, no matter how small. Many of our props were even designed with the help of a very talented group of kids! I am so proud of everyone, and I hope you enjoy the show as much as we did working on it."

JOSH ARCARI,
Seussical Director





Musical Numbers



ACT ONE

"Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!" ..... The Cat in the Hat and Company
"Horton Hears a Who" ..... Horton, Birds and Jungle Citizens
"Biggest Blame Fool" ..... Sour Kangaroo, Young Kangaroo, Horton, Wickershams, Birds, Cat, Gertrude, Mayzie, Yertle, Jungle Citizens, Girl
"Here on Who" ..... Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor, Jojo, Horton and The Who's
"It's Possible" ..... Jojo, Cat, Fish
"How to Raise a Child" ..... Mr. Mayor and Mrs. Mayor
"The Military" ..... Schmitz, Cadets, Cat in the Hat
"Alone in the Universe" ..... Horton and Jojo
"The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz" ..... Gertrude
"Amazing Mayzie/Amazing Gertrude" ..... Gertrude, Mayzie, Cat and Birds
"Monkey Around" ..... Wickershams
"Chasing the Whos" ..... Sour Kangaroo, Birds, Wickershams, Cat, Horton, Whos, Jungle Citizens
"How Lucky You Are" ..... The Cat in the Hat
"Notice Me, Horton" ..... Gertrude and Horton
"How Lucky You Are" (Reprise) ..... Mayzie, Cat
"Finale" ..... Horton, Gertrude, Cat, Jojo, Whos, Birds, Ensemble

ACT TWO

"Our Story Resumes" ..... Orchestra, Cat
"Egg, Nest, and Tree" ..... Sour Kangaroo, Birds, Wickershams, Ensemble
"The Circus McGurkus" ..... Cat, Horton, Circus Members
"Mayzie in Palm Beach/Amayzing Horton" ..... Mayzie, Cat, Horton
"Alone in the Universe" (Reprise) ..... Horton
"Solla Sollew" ..... Horton, Circus Members, Jojo, Mr. & Mrs. Mayor
"Green Eggs and Ham" ..... Cadets, Schmitz, Jojo
"A Message From the Front" ..... Cadets, Schmitz, Mr. & Mrs. Mayor
"Jojo Alone in the Universe/Havin' a Hunch" ..... Jojo, Cat, Hunches
"All for You" ..... Gertrude, Horton and Birds
"The People Versus Horton the Elephant" ..... Cat, Yertle, Horton, Sour Kangaroo, Birds, Wickershams, Mr. & Mrs. Mayor, Whos, Young Kangaroo, Ensemble, Jojo
"Yopp!/Alone in the Universe" ..... Gertrude, Horton
"Oh, the Thinks You Can Think! (Finale)" ..... All
"Green Eggs and Ham (Finale Bows)" ..... All



Seussical Cast

The Cat in the Hat	Jacob Rushton
Horton the Elephant	Craig Winterburn
Gertrude McFuzz	Melissa Kuipers
Mayzie LaBird/Yertle the Turtle	Allison Dickey
Jojo	Emma Grace Stead
Sour Kangaroo	Chantel Furtado
Young Kangaroo	Penny McKay
Mr. Mayor	Paddy Skinner
Mrs. Mayor	Alissa Jambrovic
General Genghis Kahn Schmitz	David Gibel
Birds	Kayla Jensen, Brooke Reeves, Cecelia MacDonald
Wickershams	Katlyn Alcock, Sam Charron, Gareth McIntosh
Who Ensemble	Lynne Atkinson, Gavin Nelson, Meagan Collett

Live Band

Drums/Percussion	Vince Campovari-Waters
Guitar	David Brideau
Piano	Eric Greene
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David Gibel



Cecelia MacDonald



Brooke Reeves



Kayla Jensen



Katlyn Alcock



Gareth McIntosh



Sam Charron



Lynne Atkinson



Gavin Nelson



Meagan Collett



Penny McKay

Who's Who In The Cast

JACOB RUSHTON (Cat in the Hat) has had a passion for theatre for over 15 years, with past credits including: *Chip Tolentino, Spelling Bee*; *Featured Soloist*, CCPAC in Concert; and J.D., *Heathers the Musical*. He'd like to thank the production team for their hard work, his friends and family for their support, and remind everyone How Lucky You Are to be seeing HTI's *Seussical*!

CRAIG WINTERBURN has embarked on the wild adventure of playing Horton, the whimsically dedicated elephant. Between keeping track of a speck-sized world and delivering punchlines as colossal as my ears, his journey as Horton is a laugh-packed safari through the jungle of humor at HTI's musical masterpiece!

MELISSA KUIPERS (Gertrude McFuzz) is excited for her first show with HTI, and would like to thank her husband Mark for his constant support, and her kids Elliott and Beckett for learning all the Seussical songs with her.

ALLISON DICKEY (Mayzie LaBird/ Yertle the Turtle) would like to thank her theatre family, her regular family, Carson, and her dogs for their ongoing encouragement. Seussical is her 6th show with HTI, other credits include *Heathers* (2022) and *The Green Room* (2023).

EMMA GRACE STEAD (Jojo) is thrilled to be joining the cast of Seussical for her first show with HTI. She has been singing and dancing her way across stages for the last four years when she found her love for theatre. Emma would like to thank her family, friends and coaches for their endless support. Always remember "Anything's Possible".

This is **CHANTEL FURTADO** (Sour Kangaroo)'s 4th show at HTI, and 2nd time doing Seussical. Her other credits include *Matilda, Rent, Chicago*, and *Footloose*. - Chantel would like to thank her family & friends for always supporting her through every endeavour. Think loud, dream big.

This is **PENNY MCKAY** (Young Kangaroo)'s first show at HTI, and first time doing *Seussical* AND SHE IS SO EXCITED! Her message to the cast: Thank you for adopting me as your theatre child ;)

PADDY SKINNER (Mr. Mayor) is excited to be a part of this magical show! He is going on his 9th year as a community member at HTI both on stage and behind the scenes. He would like to thank his family and friends for their support!

After spending many years singing with local choirs, **ALISSA JAMBROVIC** (Mrs. Mayor) is thrilled to have found her way back to musical theatre. Thanks to her Tuesday night musical theatre class family at WEST for all their support and encouragement.

DAVID GIBEL appears in this show as General Genghis Kahn Schmitz. He hopes you enjoy it! @davidgibel

KAYLA JENSEN is happy to be returning to the HTI stage in Seussical with her birdy babbies. Favourite credits include Sally Jackson in *The Lightning Thief* (CBY), Juliet in *Any Other Rosie* web series and ensemble roles in *Wedding Singer* and *Tommy* at HTI. Thanks to my husband Jake for all your love and support, my family, and the colorful, hard-working and creative cast and crew behind *Seussical*!

BROOKE REEVES is thrilled to be strutting her stuff with the Birds in Seussical. She's been singing, dancing and acting in musicals since she was as small as a Who and believes "Why fit in when you were born to stand out?"

CECELIA MACDONALD (Bird #3) is stoked to be a part of HTI's Seussical! Working with such a talented cast -

- and passionate production team has been incredible. Massive thanks to close friends for all the encouragement and support!

KATLYN ALCOCK is back at it again with HTI but doing double duty as choreographer and Wickersham #1. She's been a long time friend of the theatre as an artist, choreographer and volunteer (not at the same time!)

This is **SAM CHARRON**'s first show at HTI and first show outside of theatre classes, they don't know how they got here but they're enjoying it! Plus, being constanly manhandled as Wickersham #2 isn't too bad.

GARETH MCINTOSH (Wickersham #3) is a monkey-see monkey-do kind of guy, he learns from watching and loves to act. He takes pride in the exploration and unification of mind, body, and stage.

GAVIN NELSON is excited and grateful to be back on the HTI stage after a few years! He is having a fun time being a Who, and hopes everyone who sees the show feels that same joy!

A local stage actor, this is **LYNNE ATKINSON** (Who)'s first show with HTI and she hopes to be back for more! Special thanks to Fern for his love and support.

This is **MEAGAN COLLETT** (Who)'s first show with HTI (and ever), but it's been a dream in the making for a long time. She would like to thank her husband for not letting her talk herself out of it, and her kids for letting her miss bedtime lately.



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Alifa Frebian



Paddy Skinner



Mack DaSilva



Jenn Helsdon



Hope Wickett



Raven Motyliwski



Alex Buckenroth



Jonah Schaufler-Biback



Lawrence (Silya Art)



Seussical Production Team

Director ..... Joshua Arcari
Music Director ..... Jennifer Ferreira
Choreographers ..... Katlyn Alcock, Erika Bennett
Producer ..... Teryn Lawson
Executive Producer ..... Matt Moore

Stage Manager ..... Eliza Champion
Assistant Stage Managers ..... Zoila Guipit, Ally Elliot

Art Director ..... Alifa Frebian
Set Construction ..... Paddy Skinner, Mack DaSilva
Illustrator ..... Lawrence (Silya Art)
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Costume Designers ..... Jenn Helsdon, Hope Wickett, Raven Motyliwski (The Hamilton Muses)
Costume Coordinator ..... Alex Buckenroth

Lighting Operator ..... Vanessa Krundle
Lighting Technician ..... Jonah Schaufler-Biback



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

"As we embark on our illustrious 65th season, it is with immense pride and joy that I, as the Chair of the Hamilton Theatre Inc Board of Directors, extend a warm welcome to all of you. This season promises to be truly exceptional as we welcome a multitude of new members, production teams, and cast members into our midst.

Undoubtedly, this season posed its challenges, but our dedicated teams have risen to the occasion, delivering performances that have not failed to captivate our audiences. The 65th season demanded novelty and excitement, and we have listened intently, delivering an experience that exceeds expectations.

So, from all of us at Hamilton Theatre Inc Board of Directors, we invite you to immerse yourselves in the extraordinary world of the amazing Dr. Seuss. Take a moment to step out of your reality and indulge in the vibrant, dazzling set designs, enchanting stage directions, captivating choreography, and spellbinding music.

Welcome to a world where the extraordinary becomes the norm, and the colourful becomes tangible. Embrace this journey with us, and let the magic of theatre transport you to places beyond imagination."

Dustin Jodway (28 year member)
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