

# CENTER STAGE PRODUCTIONS

A Youth Musical Theatre Company

presents



Disney and CAMERON MACKINTOSH'S

# MARY POPPINS JR.

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Directed by  
Lydia Crist  
&  
Cassie Fifield

Sunday, August 3 & 10  
1:00pm & 4:00pm  
Monday, August 4 & 11  
6:30pm



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A Musical based on the stories of P.L. Travers  
and the Walt Disney Film

Original Music and Lyrics by  
Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman

Book by Julian Fellowes

New Songs and Additional Music and Lyrics by  
George Stiles and Anthony Drewe

Co-Created by  
Cameron Mackintosh

Adapted by iTheatrics under the supervision of  
Timothy Allen McDonald

Original London and Broadway Production  
Credits:

Produced by  
Cameron Mackintosh and Thomas Schumacher

Scenic and Costume Design  
Bob Crowley

Co-Direction and Choreography  
Matthew Bourne

Directed by  
Richard Eyre

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# A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTORS

Upon first glance, Mary Poppins can seem like a simple children's show. Two kids learn to behave with the help of their quirky new nanny. Yay! But when we look deeper, we find underlying themes of classism and broken family relationships. These are real life problems that adults don't even have the answers to, yet our students have been wrestling with these questions for the past few months. Their maturity and willingness to dive deep has been such a joy to see, and has brought this story to life in a very honest way. They have worked so hard to create something that is not just entertaining, but has real depth and meaning for those willing to listen. Thank you for coming to see this classic, and I hope you find this show to be "practically perfect in every way!"

-Lydia Crist



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Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices. The videotaping or other video or audio recording of this production is strictly prohibited.



# OUR TEAM



**Lydia Crist** is a theatre artist in the Yuba/Sutter area. She has previously directed *Little Women the Musical* and *Elf the Musical Jr.* at Faith Christian High School, and *Salt of the Earth* at Convergence Theatre Company. She has previously worked as a theatre educator at Faith Christian High School, and as the technical manager for Convergence Theatre Company. She looks forward to the new position she will take in the fall as an apprentice at Capital Stage in Sacramento. She would like to thank her family and friends for their continued support. Enjoy the show!

Mary Poppins marks **Cassie Fifield's** second time helping with the direction teams at Center Stage (after last year's *Frozen*). She's worked with many theaters in the area, including directing *Steel Magnolias* at CTC this past June; and has performed in local productions including *Jekyll & Hyde*, *Mamma Mia*, *9 to 5*, and *Oliver*. She teaches private singing lessons, ran a neighborhood children's choir and theater for several years, and has helped with music direction for more than a dozen local musical theater productions at CTC, TAC, and MCAA. Cassie loves working with young people, and is very proud of the hard work the Mary Poppins cast has done this summer.



**Elizabeth Hansen** is so excited to have interned for Center Stage Productions in *Mary Poppins*! This is her first and last year doing so, as she prepares to go off to college. Being around talented kids was so fun, and she hopes to come back to watch their shows in the future. Theatre is such an amazing community, and she hopes you enjoy the show.



**Desiree Lapiers** is a rising senior at River Valley High School and one of this year's Summer Interns. Desiree is incredibly grateful to have taken on a new role in Mary Poppins as part of the production process rather than performing on the stage. She would like to thank the wonderful cast, directing team, and all those who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to help put this show together, and most of all she hopes you enjoy the show!

**Ava Tarwater** is an intern this year for Mary Poppins Junior! She has just graduated high school, and she loves to dance! She has done some theater but has never been in an actual show. She has been doing dance for five years and thought this would be a perfect chance for her to check out what being in a musical is like. Ava has thoroughly enjoyed being an intern and working with the kids.




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# CAST

Bert.....	LJ Lee
Bird Woman.....	Cameryn Cheney
Chairman .....	Tristan Black
George.....	Oscar Landis
Jane.....	Charlotte Williams
Katie Nanna .....	Julia Swarm
Mary Poppins.....	Maysann Phelps
Messenger.....	Camzin Black
Michael.....	Owen Williams
Miss Andrew.....	June Gilbert
Miss Smythe.....	Faith Alderson
Mrs. Brill.....	Lori Nunez
Mrs. Corry.....	Bella DiGiacomo
Neleus.....	Wesley Black
Northbrook.....	Addyson Maser
Policeman.....	Jake Allred
Robertson Ay.....	Adrian Amata
Von Hussler.....	Jake Allred
Winnifred.....	Kiara Marino
Ensemble.....	Sophia Barrow, Olivia Berger, Angelina DiGiacomo, Avery Kersting, Airrean Lewis, Adelynn Marton, Gracie Swarm, Jane Tenney, Kaleigh Valdez



The performance run time is approximately 75 minutes long. There will be no intermission. Concessions, signed posters and t-shirts will be sold before each show.

# CREW

Stage Manager.....	Lydia Crist
Lighting Design.....	Garrett Granger
Set Design.....	Beverly Cameron-Fildes
Costume Design.....	Lydia Crist & Desiree Lapiers
Lighting Technician.....	Garrett Granger
Sound Technician.....	Corey Kersting
Projection Technician.....	Corey Kersting
Set Construction.....	Beverly Cameron-Fildes, Sean Marton, Justin France
Poster Design.....	Abbie Cesena
Ticket Sales.....	Shawntay Arroyo
Program Design.....	Morgan Kersting
Headshots.....	Morgan Kersting
Publicity.....	Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture
Concessions.....	Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture
Social Media.....	Brooke Kersting



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Jake  
Allred



Adrian  
Amata



Sophia  
Barrow



Olivia  
Berger



Camzin  
Black



Tristan  
Black



Wesley  
Black



Cameryn  
Cheney



Angelina  
DiGiacomo



Bella  
DiGiacomo



June  
Gilbert



Avery  
Kersting



Oscar  
Landis



LJ  
Lee



Airrean  
Lewis

# WHO'S WHO



Kiara  
Marino



Adelynn  
Marton



Addyson  
Maser



Lori  
Nunez



Maysann  
Phelps



Gracie  
Swarm



Julia  
Swarm



Jane  
Tenney



Kaleigh  
Valdez



Charlotte  
Williams



Owen  
Williams

Read about  
our cast



# MUSICAL NUMBERS

## **Prologue: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Prologue.....Company

## **Scene 1: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Cherry Tree Lane (Part 1).....George, Mrs. Brill, Robertson Ay

The Perfect Nanny.....Jane and Michael

Cherry Tree Lane (Part 2).....George, Winifred

## **Scene 2: Cherry Tree Lane, Nursery**

Practically Perfect.....Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael

## **Scene 3: A Park**

Jolly Holiday.....Park Strollers, Neleus, Statues, Mary Poppins,  
Jane, Michael, Bert

## **Scene 4: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Winds Do Change.....Bert

Spoonful of Sugar.....Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, Honeybees

## **Scene 5: Inside the Bank**

Precision & Order.....Clerks

A Man Has Dreams.....George

## **Scene 6: Cathedral Steps**

Feed the Birds.....Bird Woman, Vagrants, Buskers, Passersby

## **Scene 7: Mrs. Corry's Shop**

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious.....Company

## **Scene 8: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Twists & Turns.....Bert

## **Scene 9: Cherry Tree Lane, Nursery**

Playing the Game.....Mary Poppins

## **Scene 10: The Rooftop**

Chim Chim Cher-ee.....Mary Poppins & Bert

## **Scene 11: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Cherry Tree Lane (Reprise).....Winifred, Jane, Michael,  
George, Mrs. Brill, Robertson Ay

Brimstone & Treacle (Part 1).....Miss Andrew

## **Scene 12: A Park**

Let's Go Fly a Kite.....Bert, Kite Flyers

## **Scene 13: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Brimstone & Treacle (Part 2).....Miss Andrew, Mary Poppins

Practically Perfect (Reprise).....Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael

## **Scene 14: The Rooftop**

Step in Time.....Mary Poppins, Bert, Jane, Michael, Chimney Sweeps

## **Scene 15: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

A Spoonful of Sugar (Reprise).....Bert

## **Scene 16: Cherry Tree Lane, Nursery**

Anything Can Happen (Part 1).....Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, Winifred

## **Scene 17: Inside the Bank**

Give Us the Word.....George

Anything Can Happen (Part 2).....Winifred, Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, George

## **Scene 18: Cherry Tree Lane, Nursery**

Goodbye Then, Mary.....Mary Poppins

## **Scene 19: Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor**

Anything Can Happen (Finale).....Company



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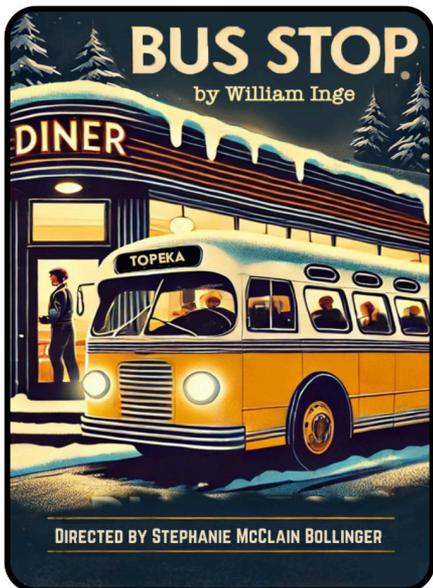
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Jilleen Menghini and the Studio B Ballet staff, for the generous use of their space this summer for our Aristocats KIDS rehearsals. We appreciate their patience and willingness to work their own summer programs around our schedule. Their kindness, selflessness, and constant encouragement and support of our program has made them an invaluable community partner with Center Stage Productions. We see all they do for the kids in this community and appreciate that they continue to support us in the same way!!



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Our volunteers! This production would truly not have been possible without our amazing volunteers donating their time and talents to support us! Thank you to Sean Marton for building the beautiful benches and the bridge! With the guidance of Beverly Cameron-Fildes's artistic eye, sets and props have been crafted in a way to help tell the story of this show. She has also helped organize the many volunteers that have contributed to our prop and set production. Thank you to Amanda Stentzel, Margo Black, Beckie Kersting, Jenn Osborne, and Iliana Storz for their consistent and tireless effort working in "the dungeon. Their time, dedication, and attention to detail have truly helped bring this story to life! Thank you to Justin France for his help building, assembling, installing, and painting additional stage and set pieces!

Our sponsors, supporters, whose generosity of time and resources have truly helped make this production what it is today! And of course, thank you to DavidRead, Abbie Cesena, and Shawntay Arroyo with Yuba Sutter Arts and Culture. They took us under their organizational wing three years ago, and our continued partnership with them is the reason that we can provide musical theatre opportunities to the youth of our community.

You! Thank you for supporting youth performing arts in the Yuba-Sutter area! None of this would be possible without the support of our community. And believe it or not, there is more talent in our area! Please continue to attend school productions and other youth arts events throughout the community to ensure a successful future for visual and performing arts in the Yuba-Sutter area!



## **BREAK-A-LEG CENTER STAGE PRODUCTIONS!**

**Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture exists to expand awareness of and engagement in the arts and culture, to encourage local communities to reach their full potential by developing arts programs that serve their needs, and to provide access to the arts in rural and under-served areas throughout Yuba and Sutter counties. It also works to demonstrate that art and culture are an essential component of economic development in the community. We play an important role in ensuring that the highest quality and widest variety of arts and cultural activities and presentations are available. Our vision is for our region to experience art every day and to recognize the arts in the everyday.**

**Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture is a non-profit organization founded in 1981. We are the designated local agency of the California Arts Council. Our programs include Arts in Education, Youth Mariachi Programs, Murals of Live Oak, Veterans Initiative in the Arts, Convergence Theatre Company, Center Stage Productions youth theater program, Youth Choir, Yuba Sutter Big Band, Arts in Corrections, World Music and Culture Series, Cover It! Utility Box Mini Mural Project, Scholastic Writing Awards, Poetry Out Loud, and many more. As one of the highest ranked local arts agencies in the state, Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture is looked to for leadership, expertise, and inspiration.**

**Five years ago, Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture acquired the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts. Along with the Burrows Theater Center for the Arts in Marysville, these venues provide space for art gallery exhibitions, art classes, live music, and theatrical productions on both sides of the river.**

**Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture is proud to have powered Center Stage Productions since its inception. A special thanks to the cast and crew for all their hard work. We appreciate the time, effort, planning, and talent that has gone into this production.**

# AUTOGRAPHS



# ABOUT CENTER STAGE PRODUCTIONS

With the support of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture, Center Stage Productions was started in 2022, with a vision to give youth in the Yuba-Sutter area an opportunity to participate in high quality, full stage musicals in their local community. One goal for our company is to provide a safe, fun, and educational environment for youth. Through workshops and productions, students learn theatre history, etiquette, as well as traditions. They are given opportunities to build their portfolios, have headshots done, improve their audition skills, and write resumes. When appropriate, participants are also given opportunities to choreograph and direct, to gain a better understanding of what it takes to put on a show. We want participants to leave with skills that will help them further their passion for musical theatre, as well as serve them in their day-to-day life.

In our first year, with a cast of 32 youth, from ages 7-17 years, we were so proud to present "Seize the Day: A Musical Theater Concert Revue" to the Yuba Sutter community! We followed that amazing production with monthly workshops to prepare students for their upcoming musical theater ventures! In 2023, we were excited to have 39 youth from the Yuba-Sutter area participating in Seussical, which ran for six sold-out performances! Last year we expanded by adding a High School Intern Program, and presenting two musicals, Newsies & Frozen JR! In total last year, 61 youth participated in our shows, much to the delight of their sold-out audiences!

Going into this season, we wanted to try to reach some students who were brand-new to theater, and we were fortunate to be able to cast a third show, under the direction of two of our previous interns! Within these three shows, 88 students were cast, 46 of them are making their Center Stage Productions debut! We are excited about the growth of our program, and the interest and support from the community! While we don't plan to add a new show every year (there just isn't enough time or space!), we do plan to look for ways to make sure that the youth in our community can continue to have opportunities to explore musical theatre!

Center Stage Productions would like to thank Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture for their willingness to help us make our vision a reality! They continue to support our program and work with us as we look to the future. We'd also like to thank you for your encouragement of these students and this program. Your being here today means the world to this cast and to our directing teams. We genuinely appreciate your support!

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