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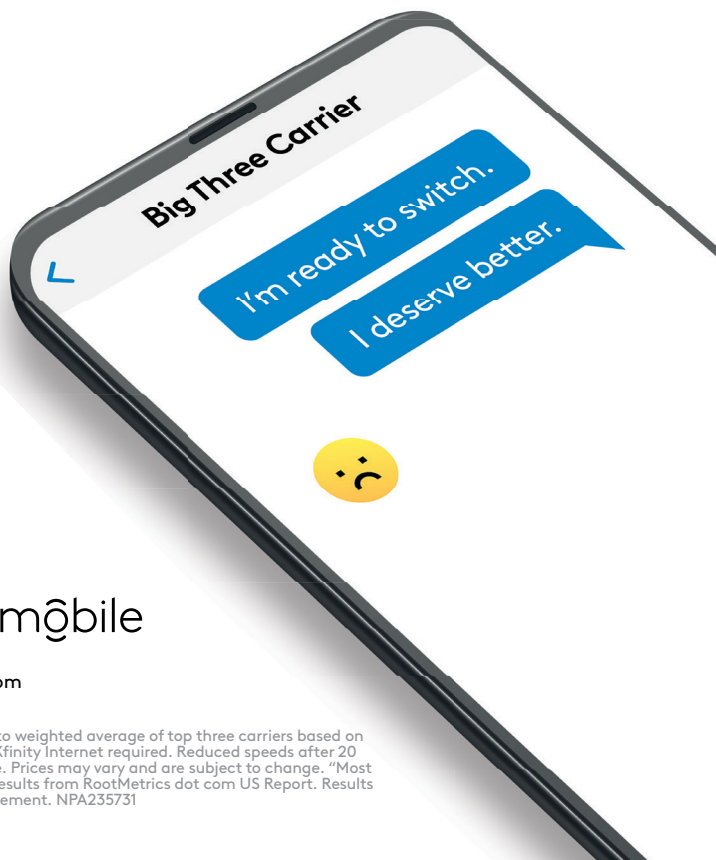


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## UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS

AT THE PALACE THEATER

### ALMOST QUEEN

April 6, 2024 | 8:00pm

### SATCH VAI

**JOE SATRIANI & STEVE VAI**

April 7, 2024 | 7:00pm

### JAZZ: VANESSA RACCI

April 12, 2024 | 7:00pm & 9:00pm

### 2ND ACT: DONNA BONASERA

April 16, 2024 | 7:00pm

### I WROTE THAT! AUTHOR TALK: NAN ROSSITER

April 23, 2024 | 7:30pm

### THE BOOK OF MORMON

April 26–28, 2024 | 5 performances

### COMMUNITY: UNIFYING & EQUALIZING THROUGH SPORTS

May 1, 2024 | 7:00pm

### JAZZ: SAM MARTINELLI

*presented by Litchfield JazzFest*

May 10, 2024 | 7:00pm & 9:00pm

### MEAN GIRLS

May 18–19, 2024 | 3 performances

### JAZZ: FRED LIPSUS QUARTET

April 16, 2024 | 7:00pm & 9:00pm

### IMMIGRANT STORIES: HOSSNA SAMADI

June 1, 2024 | 11:00am

### THE KITE RUNNER

June 4–6, 2024 | 3 performances

### ANTHONY RODIA

October 12, 2024 | 8:00pm

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# LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

As the Chair of the Board of Directors for the Palace Theater, I am excited for the opportunity to serve this wonderful organization. I know we have a lot to be proud of, and I also understand that we owe much of our success to the relationships we've made with our community members, patrons, donors, and business sponsors over the years. Thank you for being an integral part of our story!



The Board's stewardship of the theater helps ensure that the Palace's mission to entertain, educate, and provide a community gathering place continues to be first and foremost at all levels of the organization.

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Palace, whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time attendee. We are honored that our beautifully renovated historic theater has been the premier performance space for the Greater Waterbury area and beyond since 2004. With a full calendar of Broadway performances, concerts, comedy shows, speaker series, and many other events, we hope that you will come back to visit us often.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the staff, we thank you for joining us at the Palace, attending productions, and providing financial support to the theater and the larger arts community.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martin Morgado". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "M".

Martin Morgado  
Chair of the Board of Directors

# LETTER FROM THE CEO

“What’s the Buzz?”

Spring has arrived, and the Palace Theater is indeed buzzing with activity! As we look forward to longer and warmer days, we are preparing for a busy second half of our season, with many more shows, concerts, speaker programs, and fundraising parties yet to come. We are also approaching school concerts, awards, and graduation season, and our hallways and stage will soon be overflowing with hundreds of bright and talented students celebrating milestones and achievements.



We’d love to celebrate you, too! If you’d like to join us at one of our Palace spring fundraising events, we’d love a chance to meet you! All proceeds from these events help support the Palace Theater and its mission to bring arts to the community, ensuring that we will continue to offer a wide range of performances, educational programs, and special events for years to come.

B3 (Burgers, Bourbon & Beer – our annual Men’s Night) is on May 2nd, followed by an elegant evening of wine and fine dining, Stages Wine Dinner on May 16th. And our new Celebrate Summer party will fill the stage with music, dancing, and food on June 21st! For details on any of these events, please call our Box Office (203-346-2000). We look forward to seeing you there!

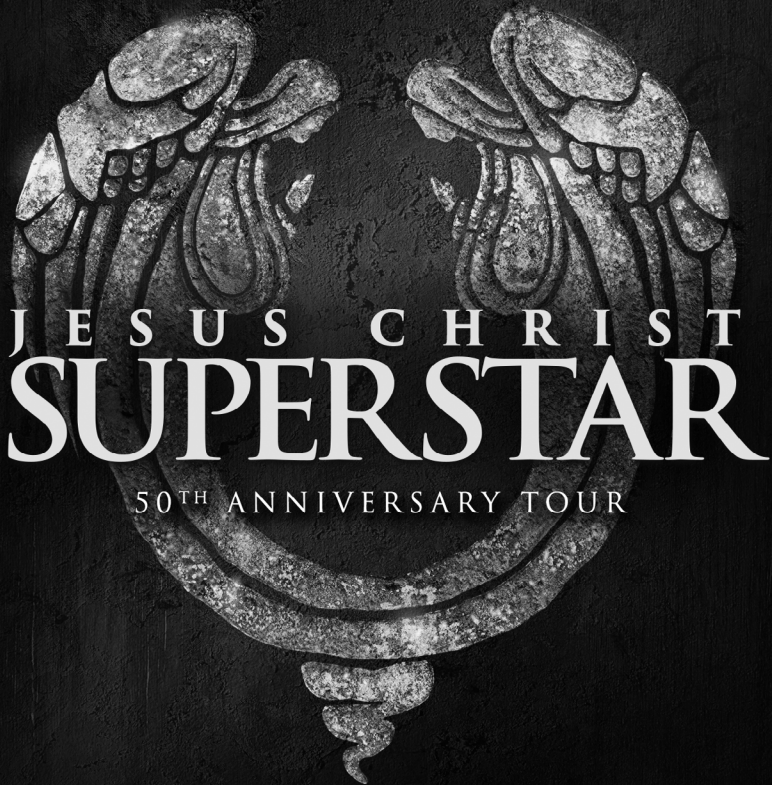
And in the meantime, we are delighted that you are joining us for this exciting presentation of Jesus Christ Superstar, part of our 2023–2024 Webster Bank Broadway Series!

Thank you for supporting the arts — enjoy the show!

Sincerely,

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Frank Tavera  
CEO



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# SHOW INFORMATION

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## JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TOUR

LYRICS BY  
TIM RICE

MUSIC BY  
ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

STARRING  
JACK HOPEWELL ELVIE ELLIS JADEN DOMINIQUE

GRANT HODGES ALEX STONE MEKHI HOLLOWAY JOSHUA BESS

SHERROD BROWN KALEI COTECSON JAYLON CRUMP ALEC DIEM JALEEL GREEN  
ICIS XAVIA HAMMOND DOMANICK ANTON HUBBARD HALEY HUELSMAN  
JEREMY MAKANA HURR KATRICE JACKSON CAMERON KUHN TAYLOR LANE  
THOMAS MCFERRAN JEILANI RHONE-COLLINS JOHANN SANTIAGO SANTOS  
REESE SPENCER TJ TAPP ANAKIN JACE WHITE JOHN ZAMBORSKY

HAIR AND COSTUME DESIGN  
TOM SCUTT

ORIGINAL MUSIC SUPERVISION  
TOM DEERING

LIGHTING DESIGN  
LEE CURRAN

SOUND DESIGN  
KEITH CAGGIANO

MUSIC SUPERVISOR  
DAVID HOLCENBERG

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR  
BRIAN HARLAN BROOKS

SET BASED ON ORIGINAL DESIGNS BY  
TOM SCUTT

ASSOCIATE LIGHTING DESIGNER  
RYAN O'GARA

ASSOCIATE SCENIC DESIGNERS  
DAVID ARSENAULT  
DAVID ALLEN

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BESS



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REESE  
SPENCER



TJ  
TAPP



ANAKIN  
JACE WHITE



JOHN  
ZAMBORSKY

# CAST

Jesus .....	JACK HOPEWELL
Judas.....	ELVIE ELLIS
Mary.....	JADEN DOMINIQUE
Caiaphas .....	GRANT HODGES
Pilate .....	ALEX STONE
Annas.....	MEKHI HOLLOWAY
Simon.....	SHERROD BROWN
Herod.....	ALEC DIEM
Peter .....	THOMAS McFERRAN
Mob Leader.....	REESE SPENCER
First Priest.....	JOHN ZAMBORSKY
Second Priest.....	JOHANN SANTIAGO SANTOS
Third Priest.....	JAYLON CRUMP
Soul Singers .....	ICIS XAVIA HAMMOND, KATRICE JACKSON, JEILANI RHONE-COLLINS
Ensemble.....	JOSHUA BESS, SHERROD BROWN, KALEI COTECSON, JAYLON CRUMP, ALEC DIEM, JALEEL GREEN, ICIS XAVIA HAMMOND, DOMANICK ANTON HUBBARD, HALEY HUELSMAN, KATRICE JACKSON, CAMERON KUHN, TAYLOR LANE, THOMAS MCFERRAN, JEILANI RHONE-COLLINS, JOHANN SANTIAGO SANTOS, REESE SPENCER, ANAKIN JACE WHITE, JOHN ZAMBORSKY

## SWINGS

JEREMY MAKANA HURR, CAMERON KUHN, TAYLOR LANE, TJ TAPP

## DANCE CAPTAINS

JEREMY MAKANA HURR, TJ TAPP

## FIGHT CAPTAIN

JEREMY MAKANA HURR

## UNDERSTUDIES

*Understudies never substitute for the listed players unless  
a specific posting or announcement is made at the time of the performance.*

For Jesus: JOSHUA BESS, JOHN ZAMBORSKY;  
For Judas: SHERROD BROWN, JAYLON CRUMP, MEKHI HOLLOWAY;  
For Mary: KALEI COTECSON, KATRICE JACKSON;  
For Caiaphas: JAYLON CRUMP, DOMANICK ANTON HUBBARD;  
For Pilate: JOSHUA BESS, JOHN ZAMBORSKY;  
For Annas: JOHANN SANTIAGO SANTOS, ANAKIN JACE WHITE;  
For Simon: JALEEL GREEN, JOHANN SANTIAGO SANTOS;  
For Herod: CAMERON KUHN, ANAKIN JACE WHITE;  
For Peter: ANAKIN JACE WHITE, JOHN ZAMBORSKY



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# MUSICAL NUMBERS

Overture  
Heaven On Their Minds  
What's The Buzz  
Strange Thing, Mystifying  
Everything's Alright  
This Jesus Must Die  
Hosanna  
Simon Zealotes / Poor Jerusalem  
Pilate's Dream  
The Temple  
I Don't Know How To Love Him  
Damned For All Time / Blood Money  
The Last Supper  
Gethsemane  
The Arrest  
Peter's Denial  
Pilate and Christ  
Herod's Song  
Could We Start Again, Please  
Judas's Death  
Trial By Pilate / 39 Lashes  
Superstar  
Crucifixion  
John 19:41

*JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR* runs 90 minutes without an intermission.

## ORCHESTRA

*Music Director, Keyboard I:* RYAN EDWARD WISE;  
*Assistant Music Director, Keyboard II:* JEEJAY MACCARELLA;

*Bass:* CASIMIR OLKO; *Guitar I:* JACOB McCORMICK;  
*Drums:* JAMES GABRIEL;

*Electronic Music Design:* MIDIOMATIC, LLC — ETHAN DEPPE

# WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

**JACK HOPEWELL** (*Jesus*) is an actor-singer-musician based out of New York. Thrilled to play the carpenter king once again! Recent credits: *Godspell* (*Jesus*), *Charlie Brown* (*Snoopy*). UARTS BFA MT 2022. Infinite thanks to Dave, Calvin, Wojcik casting, Mom & Dad, and Erin, always. For AI and Renée. jackhopewell.com @jackhopewell

**ELVIE ELLIS** (*Judas*). Nat'l Tour: *Waitress* (Onstage Swing, Ogie, Cal & Joe u/s); International: *The Best of...Rock Musicals*, London, UK; Regional: *The Music Man In Concert* (Harold Hill) at Summit City Music Theatre; *Smokey Joe's Café* (Adrian) at Ivoryton Playhouse; *Songs for a New World* (Man 1) at Monumental Theatre; *Newsies* (Bunsen), *Rocky Horror Show* (Riff-Raff), *Titanic* (Charles Clarke) at Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma. B.M.E. & M.Ed. at University of Oklahoma. Special thanks to my family, friends, teachers and The Luedtke Agency. Ephesians 2:10 @elvie.ellis

**JADEN DOMINIQUE** (*Mary*). Texas Christian University alum, Valencia, CA. National tour debut. Recent Credits: *9 to 5* (Judy), *The Color Purple* (Celie) (MSMT). Gratitude to God, family and Mikey Nagy. @Jaden.Dominique on Instagram/Facebook.

**GRANT HODGES** (*Caiaphas*). He/him. Grant is so honored and humbled to be joining this remarkable production. California boy who earned his BA in Musical Theater from UCLA. Credits: Hans/Kristoff Swing (*Frozen* DCA), Kenickie (*Grease*), Chuck (*Footloose*), Swing (*Evita* National Tour). All the love to my family and friends, and everyone at ATB! @grant\_hodges

**ALEX STONE** (*Pilate*). Nat'l Tour: *Fiddler on the Roof*; Regional: Signature Theatre: *The Bridges of Madison County*; Constellation Theatre: *The Last Five Years*; Summer Lyric at Tulane: *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Newsies*; CCM MT'19 www.alexanderstone.net @justalexstone

**MEKHI HOLLOWAY** (*Annas*) is a New York based actor originally from Lansing, MI. Recent credits include *Blues Clues*, *You Live, Rock of Ages*, and *Grease* at The Argyle Theatre. Blessings and gratitude to all family and friends for their love and support.

**JOSHUA BESS** (*Ensemble, Onstage Standby for Jesus & Pilate*) is absolutely thrilled to be hitting the road with JCS! National tours: *RENT* (20th Anniversary Tour), *SpongeBob the Broadway Musical*. Regional: *Mystic Pizza* (Ogunquit), *RENT* (ACT of CT). Huge thanks to HAA and all the love to my family and friends! @joshua\_bess

**SHERROD BROWN** (*Ensemble, Simon*) became the FIRST male NBA Dancer and cheerleader for The Orlando Magic. He's also credited as a Principal Vocalist for Carnival Cruise Line & MSC Cruise Line. Sherrod is the father to his loving son Brian. @princeroddy

**KALEI COTECSON** (*Ensemble*) is thrilled and grateful to be touring JCS! Recent credits: *Les Misérables* (Eponine), *A Chorus Line* (Diana Morales). Arizona Regional: *Kiss Me Kate*, *Anything Goes*. Awards: '18/19 Standout Female Dance (NYA) & Best Actress in a Major Role (Zoni). Endless love and thanks to family, friends, and God. @kalei.roma

**JAYLON CRUMP** (*Ensemble, Third Priest*). National/International Tours: *Kinky Boots*, *RENT 25th Anniversary National Farewell Tour*. Off Broadway Workshops: *The Dawn of Light*. Regional Favorites: *Ain't Misbehavin*, *Dreamgirls*. @jaylon.crump

**ALEC DIEM** (*Ensemble, Herod*) is absolutely OVERJOYED to be making his national tour debut in *Jesus Christ Superstar!* He would like to thank his parents and friends for constantly supporting him as he makes his dreams come true!

**JALEEL GREEN** (*Ensemble*) was born and raised in New Orleans and is thrilled to make his national tour debut! Much love and gratitude goes to his family, friends and everyone who continue to show their love and support.

**ICIS XAVIA HAMMOND** (*Ensemble, Soul Singer*). Born and raised in Houston, Texas, Icis has always loved performing and is excited to make her touring debut with this production. She is beyond excited to share this beautiful show with y'all!

# WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

**DOMANICK ANTON HUBBARD** (*Ensemble*). B.A. MT SE Oklahoma State University. National tour: *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory*. Regional: *Kinky Boots*, *Sister Act*, *Big River*, *Mamma Mia*, *Evita* and *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Thanks to family & friends, for Grandma Rita, Maw Maw and brother Kevrick. @Domanick15

**HALEY HUELSMAN** (*Ensemble*). Madison, CT native currently living in NYC. Institute for American Musical Theatre grad. Blessed to be returning to JCS after performing in the second national tour. TV: "Dance Moms" season 5 & 7, "Abby's Ultimate Dance Competition" season 2. Rep: Avalon Artists Group @haleyhuelsmandance

**JEREMY MAKANA HURR** (*Co-Dance Captain, Fight Captain, Swing*). They/ Them. Born and raised on the islands of Hawaii, Otterbein University grad. National Tours: *Jesus Christ Superstar* 50th Anniversary Tour. Regional: Alabama Shakespeare Festival's *Cinderella* (*Ensemble/ Raccoon Puppeteer*), Northern Stage's *Spamalot* (*Ensemble/ Puppeteer*). Representation: Avalon Artist Group. @\_jem\_remy\_

**KATRICE JACKSON** (*Ensemble, Soul Singer*) recently graduated from Wagner College ('23) and is ecstatic to be making her national tour debut! Special thanks to her family and her professors in the Wagner College Theatre program for their continued support and encouragement.

**CAMERON KUHN** (*Swing*). National tour debut! Recent credits: *Cabaret* (Victor), Alabama Shakespeare Festival. *Footloose* (Bickle, u/s Ren & Willard), Norwegian Cruise Lines. Big thanks to Ball State University and Anne Steele Agency. @cameronk1127

**TAYLOR LANE** (*Ensemble, Onstage Swing*). National tour debut! Regional credits: Randy Skinner's *42nd Street*, Goodspeed Opera House; Marriott Theatre; Paramount Theatre; Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park; Maine State Music Theatre; Porchlight Music Theatre. Infinite love and gratitude to her family. @taylorroses

**THOMAS McFERRAN** (*Ensemble, Peter*). He/him. National tour debut! Grateful to be here. Off-Broadway: *Straight Forward*. Regional: Theatre Aspen, Alliance Theatre, Red Mountain. TV: "TeenageBountyHunters," (Netflix) "Sweet Magnolias." (Netflix). BFA MT UAB. Love to family & friends. @thomasmcferran

**JEILANI RHONE-COLLINS** (*Ensemble, Soul Singer*) is delighted to be making her national tour debut in *Jesus Christ Superstar!* UCLA School of Theater, Film, and Television graduate. Band member of The Painted Ladies. For Lionsun! @jeilanirc

**JOHANN SANTIAGO SANTOS** (*Ensemble, Second Priest*) is ecstatic to be making his National Tour debut in *Jesus Christ Superstar!* For every blessing, Johann gives all glory to God. Philippians 4:13

**REESE SPENCER** (*Ensemble, Mob Leader*). Reese is thrilled to be making her national tour debut. Currently a commercial dance major at Pace University in NYC. Endless thanks to family and friends. So proud to be part of this Mob!

**TJ TAPP** (*Co-Dance Captain, Swing*) is excited to make her national tour debut with JCS! Regional: *A Chorus Line* (Drury Lane), *The Cher Show* (Gateway Playhouse), *Kiss Me, Kate* (Marriott Theatre) Thanks, Ma! @tj.tapp

**ANAKIN JACE WHITE** (*Ensemble*). National tour debut! Regional theatre: *Grease, A Chorus Line* — Drury Lane Theatre; *Matilda* — RMTc. Sending all the love to my partner, Jordon; family; friends; the DDO team; and my cat, Matilda! CCPA Musical Theatre Dance! @anakinjacewhite

**JOHN ZAMBORSKY** (*Ensemble, First Priest*). Touring: *CATS* (revival). Select regional: Ogunquit Playhouse, NSMT, Hope Repertory Theatre. Elon MT '22. LINK Class 4. Thanks to Mikey, WCT, WLP, and the JCS team. For my family. @izamwhoiam

**TIM RICE** (*Lyrics*) has worked in music, theatre and films since 1965 when he met Andrew Lloyd Webber, a fellow struggling songwriter. Rather than pursue Tim's ambitions to write rock or pop songs, they turned their attention to Andrew's obsession — musical theatre. Their first collaboration was based on the life of Dr Thomas Barnardo, the Victorian philanthropist, *The Likes of Us*. Their next three works together were much more successful — *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *Evita*. Tim has since worked with other distinguished popular composers such as Elton John (*The Lion King*, *Aida*), Alan Menken (*Aladdin*, *King David*, *Beauty and the Beast*), Björn Ulvæus and Benny Andersson (*Chess*) and Stuart Brayson (*From Here to Eternity*). He has also written with Freddie Mercury, Burt Bacharach and Rick Wakeman among others. He has recently written and presented 50 weekly podcast chats (entitled 'Get Onto My Cloud') which are mercifully short (25 mins max) reminiscing about his years in music, theatre and film — playing hits and flops, out-takes and number ones ([bpn.fm/getontomycloud](http://bpn.fm/getontomycloud)). In 2021 he and Peter Hobbs wrote 'Gee Seven' for the Truro Cathedral Choir to coincide with the G7 economic summit invasion of Cornwall. Tim founded his own cricket team in 1973, which played its 715th match in 2021, and was President of MCC, founded in 1789, in 2002. He was appointed President of the London Library in 2017 in succession to Sir Tom Stoppard. He is a Trustee of Sunderland FC's Foundation of Light and a Life Vice-President of the schools/cricket charity Chance to Shine. He crops up here and there in all branches of the media drawing on his extensive knowledge of the history of popular music since Elvis was a lad. He has won several awards, mainly for the wrong thing or for simply turning up.

**ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER** (*Music*) has composed the scores of some of the world's most famous musicals. From *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (1968) to *Cinderella* (2021) his work has been consistently seen on world stages. Before the covid pandemic hit, Lloyd Webber had shows continually running in the West End for 48 years and on Broadway for 41. When *Sunset Boulevard* joined *School Of Rock*, *Cats* and *Phantom of the Opera* he

equalled Rodgers and Hammerstein's record of four shows running simultaneously on Broadway. He is one of the select group of artists with EGOT status, having received Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony Awards. Lloyd Webber owns seven London theatres including the iconic London Palladium and Theatre Royal, Drury Lane. Over the past three years the latter has been completely restored and renovated at a cost of over £60 million. It is one of the biggest projects ever undertaken by a private theatre owner in recent times. His mantra that every penny of profit made from his theatres is ploughed back into the buildings has meant that considerable work has been undertaken across his theatre portfolio during the pandemic, including the complete re-modelling and re-seating of the Gillian Lynne. Lloyd Webber is passionate about the importance of musical education and diversity in the arts. The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation provides 30 performing arts scholarships every year for talented students with financial need and supports a range of projects such as the Music In Secondary School Trust and commissioning research into diversity in theatre. Andrew Lloyd Webber was knighted in 1992 and created an honorary life peer in 1997. To mark his 70th birthday, his bestselling autobiography *Unmasked* was published by Harper Collins in March 2018.

**TIMOTHY SHEADER** (*Director*) has been Artistic Director and Joint Chief Executive of Regent's Park Open Air Theatre since 2007. For Regent's Park, productions include: *A Tale of Two Cities*, *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Evening Standard Award winner, Best Musical); *Oliver* (Olivier Award winner, Best Musical Revival); *Running Wild* (also UK Tour); *Peter Pan* (Olivier Award nominated, Best Family and Entertainment); *To Kill a Mockingbird* (WhatsOnStage Award Best Play Revival / UK Tour and Barbican); *The Gershwins' Porgy and Bess* (Olivier Award nominated, Best Musical Revival); *Crazy for You* (Olivier Award winner, Best Musical Revival; also at the Novello); *Hello, Dolly!* (Olivier Award winner, Best Musical Revival; Evening Standard Award winner, Best Musical); *Into the Woods* (Olivier Award winner, Best Musical Revival/ available on Digital Theatre; also at Public Theater New York, Central Park). Operas: *Turn of the Screw* (Olivier nominated Best Opera Production) and *Hansel and Gretel*. Other theatre includes: *The Magistrate*

# WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

(National Theatre); *Barnum* (Chichester Festival); *Imagine This* (New London); *Hobson's Choice*, *The Clandestine Marriage*, *Love in a Maze* (Watermill); *Arms and the Man* (National Tour); *Piaf*, *Sweet Charity* (Sheffield Crucible; TMA Best Musical Award); World premiere of the opera *The Monstrous Child* (Royal Opera House).

**DREW MCONIE** (*Choreographer*) is Artistic Director of The McOnie Company and an Associate Artist at The Old Vic Theatre. As Director/ Choreographer he has created *Jekyll & Hyde* - BroadwayWorld Award for Outstanding Achievement in Dance (The Old Vic); *Strictly Ballroom* (Piccadilly Theatre - West End); *King Kong* (Broadway Theatre, Broadway). *On the Town* - Olivier nomination for Best Revival (Regent's Park); *The Wild Party* (The Other Palace); *Merlin* (National Tour for Northern Ballet). Director credit: *Torch Song* (Turbine Theatre). Choreographer credits: *Jesus Christ Superstar* - Olivier nomination for Best Theatre Choreography (Regent's Park); *Bugsy Malone* (Lyric Hammersmith); *In the Heights* - Olivier Award winner for Best Theatre Choreography (Southwark Playhouse/King's Cross Theatre); *Hairspray* - BroadwayWorld Award for Best Choreography (U.K. tour); *Oklahoma!* (National Tour); *Carousel* (Regents Park Open Air Theatre).

**TOM DEERING** (*Original Music Supervisor*) read music at Goldsmiths College (University of London) and the Royal Academy of Music. He was named as an associate of the Royal Academy of Music in the 2016 honours list. Music Supervisor credits: *Standing at the Sky's Edge* (Sheffield Crucible); *Little Shop of Horrors* (Regent's Park Open Air Theatre); *On The Town* (Regent's Park Open Air Theatre); *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Regent's Park Open Air Theatre - Olivier Award nomination for Outstanding Achievement in Music, Lyric Opera Chicago, US Tour & The Barbican); *The Grinning Man* (Bristol Old Vic); *wonder.land* (National Theatre); *In the Heights* (King's Cross Theatre/ Southwark Playhouse) which won the 2016 Olivier Award for Outstanding Achievement in Music and Hobson's Choice (Regent's Park Open Air Theatre). Music Director credits: *Something Rotten* (Wermland Opera, Sweden); *Made in Dagenham* (Adelphi/Rupert Goold); *From Here to Eternity* (Shaftesbury/Tamara Harvey); *The Color Purple* (Menier/John Doyle); *West Side Story* (NYMT/Nikolai Foster); *The Witches of Eastwick* (UK Tour/Nikolai Foster).

As a composer: *The Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee Takes Oral Evidence on Whitehall's Relationship with Kids Company* (Donmar Warehouse); *Pity* (Royal Court); *Little Red Riding Hood*, a ballet conceived by Drew McOnie commissioned by The National Youth Ballet of Great Britain; *Last Night a Killer Saved my Life* (French Fancy Films); *Lost for Words* (Workhouse Films). Film credits as a conductor include: *Genius* (Michael Grandage/Adam Cork); *Richard II*, *Macbeth* (Rupert Goold/Adam Cork). Albums as Conductor/ Orchestrator: *Just Let Go* (Hadley Fraser); Terry Pratchett's *Only You Can Save Mankind* (Leighton James House); *Looking Up* (Simon Bailey); *Dark Side of the Egg* (The Knights of Hyperbole).

**TOM SCUTT** (*Hair, Costume, and Original Scenic Design*) won the Linbury Biennial Prize in Stage Design (2007), WhatsOnStage Award for Best Set Designer (2013) and 2016 Tony Award nomination for costume design for *King Charles III*. He was Creative Director for Christine and The Queens, Sam Smith, Ben Platt, and Liam Gallagher, Production Designer for MTV Video Music Awards 2015 & 2016 at Microsoft Theater and Madison Square Garden and for Frida Kahlo: Making Her Self Up (V&A). Other productions in the U.S. include *Constellations* (West End/UK Tour/Manhattan Theatre Club); *Les Liaisons Dangereuses* (Donmar/Booth Theatre); *King Charles III* (West End/Almeida/ NYC Music Box Theatre/UK Tour/Sydney Theatre Company). Major projects include *Summer and Smoke* (West End/Almeida); *A Very Expensive Poison* (Old Vic Theatre); *The Weir* (& West End); *Berberian Sound Studio*, *Belleville*, *The Lady from the Sea* (Donmar); *Outwitting the Devil* (Akram Khan Company); *Grand Finale* (Hofesh Shechter Company). As Director: *Berberian Sound Studio* (Donmar).

**LEE CURRAN** (*Lighting Design*). A lighting designer of theatre, dance and opera, Lee has worked on most of London's major stages, including the National Theatre, Royal Court, Royal Opera House, Sadler's Wells, Almeida, Donmar Warehouse, Young Vic, Old Vic, and Regent's Park Open Air Theatre. His designs for dance artists such as Hofesh Shechter have toured around the world. He has three Olivier Award nominations, for *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Summer and Smoke*, and *Constellations*, the latter of which also ran on Broadway. Lee is an Artist Research Fellow of Queen Mary University of London.

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**KEITH CAGGIANO** (*Sound Design*). Select credits: *Holiday Inn - The New Irving Berlin Musical*, *The Radio City Spring Spectacular*, *Himself and Nora*, *Disenchanted*, *Bare*; Tours: *Cabaret*, *RENT*, *Irving Berlin's White Christmas*, *Nice Work If You Can Get It*, *Anything Goes*; Regional: *The Most Beautiful Room in NY*, *Austen's Pride*, *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Guys and Dolls*. Keith also designs and engineers live events and consults on professional sound system installations. He is a graduate of Duquesne University.

**BRIAN HARLAN BROOKS** (*Associate Director*). Born in Pittsburgh, PA, raised in Teaneck, NJ. Training: Dance Theatre of Harlem, The Ailey School; Acting at William Esper Studios. Performing in dance companies, theatres & TV/Film productions: Philadanco, Deeply Rooted Chicago Dance Theater, Donald Byrd/The Group, Earl Mosley's Diversity of Dance, Oprah Winfrey's *The Color Purple* 1st National Tour, "Boardwalk Empire", "Tormenting the Hen". Dir. AileyCamp Missouri. Assoc. Choreographer: *Motown: The Musical* on Broadway and all U.S./U.K. tours. Assoc. Choreographer: *Born For This*, *First Noel*. Co-Dir.: *One Harlem Night*. Dir.: *While I Have the Floor*. Assoc. Dir. of *Jesus Christ Superstar* tour. Res-Dir: *Ain't Too Proud* tour. Dir. Work Equity Action for Work Light Productions.

**DAVID HOLCENBERG** (*Music Supervisor*). Broadway: *MJ* (Drama Desk Award, Tony and Outer Critics nomination-best orchestrations), *Groundhog Day*, *Mamma Mia!*, *Matilda*, *Rocky*, *Ghost*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *The Story of My Life*, *Good Vibrations*, *Seussical*, *Titanic* and *Showboat*. Other credits: *Newsies* (world premiere Paper Mill Playhouse), *Ragtime* (US Premiere), *The Glorious Ones* and *Dessa Rose* (LCT) *The Radio City Summer Spectacular*, *Mamma Mia!* at the Hollywood Bowl.

**RYAN EDWARD WISE** (*Music Director*). Previous with WorkLight: *JCS* (AMD/Keys 2), *RENT* (MD/Keys 1), *Something Rotten* (AMD/Keys 2). *Grease das Musical* European tour (MD/Keys 1). Five years as Music Director at Westchester Broadway Theatre including *West Side Story*, *Show Boat*, *Saturday Night Fever*, *Newsies*, and *Mamma Mia!*

**DAVID ARSENAULT** (*Associate Scenic Designer*). As as designer and associate, David's work has been seen on Broadway, Off-Broadway, regionally, and internationally. Recent designs in NYC: *#DateMe: An OKCupid Experiment*, *A Letter to Harvey Milk*. Regional: Ogunquit, Weston, Dorset Theatre Festival, George Street Playhouse, Bay Street Theatre, Kitchen Theatre Company, Geva Theatre, Hangar Theatre, Northern Stage, Gulfshore Playhouse, among others. International: English Theatre Berlin. Broadway Associate: *Hillary and Clinton*, *The Color Purple*, and *King Charles III*. [www.DavidArsenaultDesign.com](http://www.DavidArsenaultDesign.com)

**RYAN O'GARA** (*Associate Lighting Designer*). Selected work: Cirque du Soleil's *Paramour*, *Thoughts Of A Colored Man*, *Cesar Millan-Unleashed!*, *NBC Upfront* at Radio City Music Hall, *Juke Box Hero*, *A Night with Janis Joplin* and *Vocalocity*. Various productions for Norwegian Cruise Line, New York City Opera, Paper Mill, Walnut Street, Drury Lane (2019 Jeff Nomination), TUTS, Signature DC, New Victory, Lincoln Center Festival, Capital Repertory and Bristol Riverside Theatre (2016 Barrymore Award). Associate Lighting Designer for over 25 Broadway productions, currently: *Ain't Too Proud*, *Come From Away* and *Hamilton*. O'Gara graduated from NCSA. [www.ryanogara.com](http://www.ryanogara.com)

**RICK SORDELET & CHRISTIAN KELLY-SORDELET** (*Fight Directors, Intimacy Consultants*). Rick and Christian with Collin Kelly-Sordelet have created [sordeletinc.com](http://sordeletinc.com), a Native-owned action movement company with 35 years' experience. They have done 80 Broadway productions, including *The Lion King*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Wolf Hall*, *Waiting for Godot* and *Tina* and *Jesus Christ Superstar* National Tours with 52 first-class productions worldwide including *Beauty and the Beast* UK Tour and West End production, soon to Broadway, as well as many National Tours. Opera, resident fight/intimacy directors for Santa Fe Opera since 2015, with many productions at The MET, La Scala, The Royal Opera House and many more. Films, including, *The Game Plan* starring Dwayne Johnson, *Dan in Real Life* starring Steve Carell, *Ben is Back* starring Julia Roberts, *Respect* starring Jennifer Hudson, *One True Loves* starring Simu Lim and *Blue Light*, also loads of television productions. They teach at William Esper

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**MIDIOMATIC, LLC — ETHAN DEPPE** (*Keyboard Programmer*). Midiomatic is a collective of electronic music designers providing solutions in theatre, film, television, and recording. Lead programmer for JCS is Ethan Deppe, a Chicago-based composer, producer, and co-founder of KeyboardTEK, which rents out programming to theatres worldwide.

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**TARA TOLAR-PAYNE** (*Production Stage Manager*). She/her. Tara is thrilled to work on this incredible production! Some favorite credits include: *Frozen* (Disney Theatrical), *The Lightning Thief* (TYA Version) and *The Magic School Bus: Lost in The Solar System* (TheaterWorksUSA); *Hair* and *Eureka Day* (Asolo Rep); *The Rocky Horror Show* (Phamaly Theatre Company); and *Romeo and Juliet* and *Wizard of Oz* (Colorado Ballet). Endless gratitude to everyone in her life who continue to support her in all that she is and does!

**KADEN DOLPH** (*Assistant Stage Manager*) is incredibly grateful to be on the *Jesus Christ Superstar* team! National tour debut. Recent Credits: Tuacahn Amphitheater, Pittsburgh CLO, Denver Center, Turn It Up Dance Challenge, and *The Nutcracker Ballet* at Colorado Dance Theatre. @kadendolph

**JORDAN McKEY** (*Company Manager*) is thrilled to return for another year of JCS! Previous experience includes Syracuse Stage and the Hangar Theatre. Proud graduate of the Syracuse University Department of Drama Theatre Management program.

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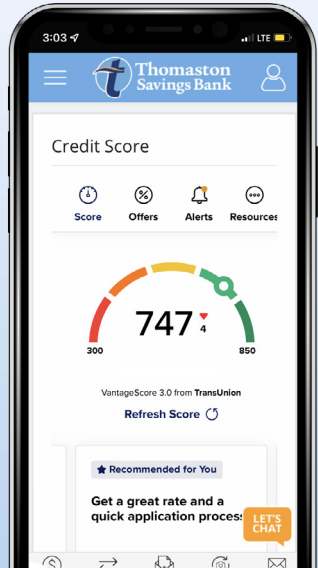
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