

PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

# PRESENTS





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**FRIDAY, JULY 9, 2021**

**PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY**

**8817 S BROADWAY, HIGHLANDS RANCH, CO 80129**

Music and Lyrics by  
ELTON JOHN & TIM RICE

Additional Music and Lyrics by  
LEBO M, MARK MANCINA, JAY RIFKIN, and HANS ZIMMER

Book by  
ROGER ALLERS & IRENE MECCHI

Based on the Broadway production directed by  
Julie Taymor

Music Adapted & Arranged and Additional Music & Lyrics and “Luau Hawaiian Treat”  
written by Will Van Dyke

“It’s a Small World” written by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman

Disney’s The Lion King KIDS is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre  
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Hello and Welcome to PAA!

We are a family of staff and faculty dedicated to creating high quality performing arts experiences for students ages 3 to adult. With year-round programming including classes, workshops and performance experience opportunities, we welcome students of all levels, from those new to the performing arts through advanced practitioners.

At PAA, we put values into action, activating and applying concepts such as leadership, creativity, and compassion through artistic participation. The student's contribution to a collaborative whole is important for personal growth and for developing active citizenship in our connected world. The performing arts is not, as we look at it, about making stars or focusing on the actors alone. It takes a whole circle of community to make a theatrical story come alive. Each person's contribution is critical for the experience to succeed. That includes those backstage, onstage, and in directorial, choregraphical, management, design, and technical positions. The applause at the end is for every person who participated in the creation, including those who are not visible to the audience.

Understanding the importance and power of collective achievement provides a framework for the individual to thrive, succeed, and celebrate personal and group growth. Through standing with others in a circle of community, we understand individuality in equality. Together, we become more than we are alone, and together we learn how this world needs all of us to bring our stories to life.

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Melanie Kirkpatrick  
Artistic Director



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Luau Hawaiin Treat

Finale

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
9:30 AM – 10:25 AM	Stretch and Sweat (adults)			Stretch and Sweat (adults)
	Creative Movement (Pre-K)			Creative Movement (Pre-K)
3:30 PM – 4:25 PM	Ballet/Tap Combo (K – 2nd)		Private Dance	Ballet/Tap Combo (K – 2nd)
	Private Dance		Private Dance	Private Dance
4:30 PM – 5:25 PM	Improv 1 (2nd – 6th)	Character Study (2nd – 6th)	Advanced Scene Study (7th – 12th)	Musical Theatre "Triple Threat" Camp – Singing, Acting, Dance (K – 2nd)
	Singing For the Stage/ Disney Songs (K – 2nd)	Intro to Choreography (5th – 12th)	Advanced Voice (9th – 12th)	Intermediate Voice (2nd – 6th)
	Advanced Musical Theatre Jazz (6th – 12th)	Foundations of Hip Hop (2nd – 6th)	Musical Theatre History (6th – 12th)	Intermediate Tap (4th – 12th)
	Beginning Tap (2nd – 6th)	Props 1 (5th – 12th)	Theatrical Masks (5th – 12th)	Beginning Ballet (2nd – 6th)
	Improv 2 – Long Form (7th – 12th)	Private Music	Private Music	Makeup 1 (5th – 12th)
	Costumes 1 (5th – 12th)			Private Music
	Private Voice			
5:30 PM – 6:25 PM	Acting 1 (7th – 12th)	Middle School Leadership Program (6th – 8th)	Stretch & Conditioning (6th – 12th)	Theatre Games (2nd – 6th)
	High School Leadership Program (9th – 12th)	Beginning Musical Theatre Jazz (2nd – 6th)	Audition Techniques (6th – 12th)	Singing for the Stage (2nd – 6th)
	Advanced Tap (6th – 12th)	Beginning Voice (2nd – 6th)	Intermediate Contemporary (5th- 12th)	Intermediate Musical Theater Jazz (5th – 12th)
	Intermediate Ballet (4th – 12th)	Music Video Dance (5th – 12th)	Singing for the Stage (7th – 12th)	Beginning Contemporary (2nd – 6th)
	Costumes 1 (5th – 12th)	Props 2 (6th – 12th)	Directing 1 (7th – 12th)	Makeup: Specialty (7th – 12th)
	Private Voice	Private Music	Private Music	Private Music
6:30 PM – 7:25 PM	Turns, Leaps, and Splits 1 (4th – 12th)	Advanced Hip Hop (7th – 12th)	Ballroom Basics (Adult)	Intermediate/Advanced Contemporary (5th – 12th)
	Private Piano	Private Music	Private Music	Private Music
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM	PUFFS Rehearsal Grades 6 – 12	The Addams Family Rehearsal Grades 2 – 6	PUFFS Rehearsal Grades 6 – 12	The Addams Family Rehearsal Grades 2 – 6
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Disney's The Descendants Rehearsal Grades 7 – 12		Disney's The Descendants Rehearsal Grades 7 – 12	
7:30 PM – 8:25 PM	Adult Tap	Adult Hip Hop	Adult Heels	Adult Barre
	Private Piano	Private Music	Private Music	Private Music

# FALL SHOWS



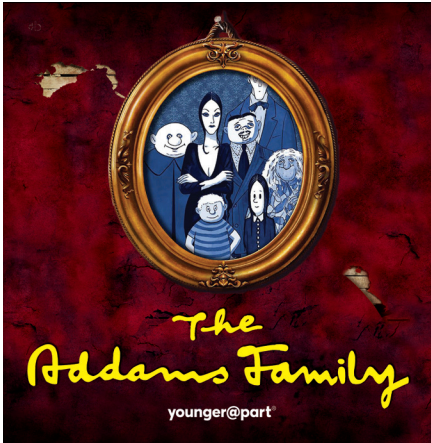
## Disney's Descendants

7th - 12th Grade

August 9 - November 17, 2021  
Mondays & Wednesdays  
6:30 - 8:30 PM

**Auditions:** Saturday, August 7

**Performances:** Thursday, November 18 & Friday, November 19



## The Addams Family

2nd - 6th Grade

August 9 - November 12, 2021  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
6:30 - 8:00 PM

**Auditions:** Saturday, August 7

**Performances:** Thursday November 11 & Friday, November 12



## Puffs

6th - 12th Grade

August 9 - October 29, 2021  
Mondays & Wednesdays  
6:30 - 8:00 PM

**Auditions:** Saturday, August 7

**Performance:** Friday, October 29

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# CAST LIST

## Cast A

Andrea Aguerrevere .....	Nala
Abigail Bowman .....	Red-Hornbill
Ty Ettwein .....	Elephant, Trickster
Aidan Finneman .....	Elephant
Addison Finneman .....	Gazelle
Josephine Folk .....	Rafiki #3
Mallory Gore .....	Rafiki #4
Alex Keltner .....	Banzai
Brianna Kneuer .....	Zazu
Alex Lane .....	Hyena
Callie Marken .....	Rafiki #5
Peyton Marr .....	Sarabi
Justin Marr .....	Gazelle, Trickster
Olive McKinney .....	Young Nala, Lioness
Vivian Moon .....	Lioness
Mia Nascarelli .....	Red-Hornbills
Alexis Opara .....	Lioness
Pierce Paul .....	Mufasa, Bird
Avery Petterson .....	Pumbaa
Thalia Preonas .....	Rafiki #2
Elias Preonas .....	Zebra
Grayson Riek .....	Simba
Skylar Riley .....	Shenzi
Cordylia Shryack .....	Young Simba, Bird
Lochlann Shryack .....	Ed
Vela Sitzes .....	Hyena
Elliana Sloan .....	Rafiki #1
Andrew Tepoorten .....	Timon
Charlotte Underwood .....	Scar
Olivia Wolfe .....	Zebra

# CAST LIST

## Cast B

Sophie Ahluwalia .....	Timon
Colin Bowe .....	Zebra
Channing Copeland .....	Gazelle, Trickster
Brynlee Cundy .....	Rafiki #3
Keira Hazelrigs .....	Nala
Cullen Kayser-Cochran .....	Scar
Michael Kneuer .....	Simba
Maya Lancaster .....	Young Nala, Lioness
Emily Madsen .....	Rafiki #4
Tucker McTaggart .....	Ed
Celest Menendez Vega .....	Rafiki #1
Elena Miller Salas .....	Sarabi
Paige Murphy .....	Pumbaa
Katie Plaine .....	Zebra
Ellie Price .....	Rafiki #2
Eva Romine .....	Rafiki #5
Lexi Rosengren .....	Hyena
Rocco Rowekamp .....	Elephant, Trickster
Emmy Schwabauer .....	Gazelle
Jayden Schwabauer .....	Red-Hornbill
Delia Suda .....	Elephant
Blake Taylor .....	Banzai
Tori Tedesco .....	Red-Hornbill
Mallory Tedesco .....	Lioness
Melia Walsh .....	Zazu
Nora Weingartner .....	Hyena
Kylie Wheeler .....	Shenzi
Cora Wilcox .....	Lioness
Teagan Wille .....	Young Simba, Bird
Joel Wood .....	Mufasa, Bird

# ARTISTIC AND PRODUCTION TEAM



## **MORGAN HOTCHKISS, DIRECTOR**

Originally from West Haven, Connecticut, Morgan studied theatre in Brooklyn, New York before moving to South Florida where she continued her education. While earning a Drama degree from Lynn University, she spent a semester studying Musical Theatre in Dublin, Ireland on the Jan McArt Scholarship. Morgan felt right at home with PAA after directing *Matilda The Musical*. It is an honor to grow and learn with a group as great as PAA.



## **DR. JAMES RAMSEY, MUSIC DIRECTOR**

James Ramsey is Executive Director for the Performing Arts Academy and Director of Music and Arts at St. Luke's UMC. Previous engagements include college instruction positions at the University of Colorado, University of Denver, and Whitman College in Washington. James earned a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Choral Literature and Performance at the University of Colorado, Boulder, a Master of Music degree in Conducting at the Eastman School of Music, and a Bachelor of Music Education at Middle Tennessee State University. James resides in Littleton with his wife, Leigh, and their sons, Jack and Luke.



## **MADELINE SHAFFER, CHOREOGRAPHER**

Madeline Shaffer grew up teaching and performing in southern Illinois. She received a BA in Dance from Jacksonville University and then moved to NYC. She performed in a national tour, choreographed and directed a new musical, performed in front of the UN, and worked with several high schools and children's programs choreographing shows and teaching classes. She's choreographed over 30 musical theatre productions and has over 10 years of teaching experience. Now in Denver, Madeline is overjoyed to be the new Director of Dance for PAA.



## **CLAYLISH COLDIRON, PRODUCTION ASSISTANT**

Claylish is a music and theatre tech student, working towards her undergrad in Chicago. Despite the hardships which brought her home to Colorado for the time being, she is grateful it gave her the opportunity to work with this program and such wonderful kids!



## **MELANIE WARE, PROPS MASTER**

Melanie has been with PAA as their Properties Master for six years and teaching classes for five. Melanie received her BA in Theatre from the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs in May of 2016. Between Acting, Directing and Properties Design she has roughly 12 years of theatrical experience. Favorite PAA design credits include: *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown!*, *Tarzan*, *Mary Poppins* and *The Addams Family*.

# ARTISTIC AND PRODUCTION TEAM



## **ADAM LILLIBRIDGE, TECH DIRECTOR**

Adam received his Bachelor's Degree in Theatre Arts from Illinois Wesleyan University. He worked in LA as a freelance scenic designer and as the Technical Director for a classical repertory theatre company. His scenic design for Noises Off received critical acclaim and a Garland Award nomination. He returned to Colorado in 2011 where he works as a home builder and a technical director, director, improv coach, and head of the drama department at D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School.



## **JENNIFER LILLIBRIDGE, COSTUME DESIGN**

Jennifer Lillibridge came to Colorado from Los Angeles where she earned her BA in Theater Arts and Directing at Occidental College. For several years after college she was a proud member of Actors Equity and worked throughout the Greater LA area as an equity production stage manager and scenic artist for several prominent theater companies. In Colorado, Jennifer is the theater program's director and costume designer at D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School. She and her husband Adam, enjoy creating stories and having wild adventures with their daughter Juniper and two dogs.



## **ABBY DURKIN, ASSISTANT COSTUMER**

Abby has several years of costuming experience in multiple capacities and is thrilled to continue that experience this summer with the Performing Arts Academy. She is currently studying Christian Ministries and Biblical Studies at Gordon College in Wenham, MA. This is her first year with the company and is extremely grateful to have this opportunity to create a fun and creative set of shows.



## **ALEX PALMER, SOUND ENGINEER**

Sound Engineer, Composer and Musician, Alexander Palmer studied at Shenandoah University Virginia, obtaining his Bachelor of Music in Music Production and Recording Technology followed by his Master of Science in Recording Arts Degree at the University of Colorado Denver. In addition to Sound Design for theaters, Alexander works at CCM Recording Studios in Denver.

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