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Theatre brings people together. It is an art form where we share joy, laughter, hard work, collective achievement and - perhaps most importantly- a sense of togetherness. Through classes and rehearsals, our participants are asked to be daring and bring themselves fully to the practice, while working hard and having fun. The world needs every person to show up in the fullness who they are, and we encourage each individual in our programs to positively reach further than what they think they are capable of, in a safe, supportive, story-enriched environment.

Making theatre is a life-long love of mine, one that brings amazing people into my life, and gives memories by the score to treasure. A huge wish of mine is for universal cultural access, including the dream that everyone would have an opportunity to engage in the collaborative, creative, thoroughly unique art form that is theatre. When we create together, we understand each other, and storytelling is an ancient form of co-creation. So, let’s now gather together and hear a story….

- Hilary Adams, Artistic Director (hilary@paacolorado.org)

Welcome to this performance of the Wizard of Oz: Young Performer’s Edition! It’s been a great few weeks of classes, rehearsals, and just plain fun! Since 2006, PAA’s mission of creating character building moments through the transformative power of performing arts education has been an energetic drive towards our vision. By offering a creative alternative for children and youth in a time of declining support for the performing arts, PAA continues to serve communities through high quality programming, educationally sound performances and class opportunities for students of all backgrounds, socioeconomic status and abilities supporting their overall character development. In order to meet the challenge of growth and accessibility, PAA raises 45% of its budget through donations, grants and sponsorships to make programming possible for the children and youth in our community. Your presence and advocacy is greatly appreciated tonight! If you would like to help PAA advance its mission and vision, please contact me to be part of the PAA family!

-Dr. James Ramsey, Executive Director (drjim@paacolorado.org)
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Wizard of Oz: Young Performers’ Edition Cast

Riley Anderson - Miss Gulch (Wicked Witch)
Ella Beck - Barrister, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Lucy Berwyn - Apple Tree #2, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Madeline Buckman - Nikko, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Cyclone Door
Grace Burson - Apple Tree #3, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Katelyn Calfee - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Mackenzie Carney - Crow, Munchkin, Haunted Apple Tree, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Ava Caruso - Apple Tree #1, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Nina Casselman - Tot, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Angela Chen - Tot, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Ella Cho - Toto
Teagan Crawford - City Father #2, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Noelle DeWitt - Cornfield, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Daimian Desiderio - Cow, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Elora Doran - Munchkin #1, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Sean Elward - Tough Kid, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Katelyn Falcon - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Haley Fisher - City Father #1, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Saoirse Galligan - Leader of the Winkies, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian
Molly Gampp - Coroner, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Sophie Goldberg - Hunk (Scarecrow)
Aiden Grigsby - Cyclone Window, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Caroline Hare - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Jon Michael Herskovits - Uncle Henry, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Emma Jacquin - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey, Cyclone Window
Kate Jonnard* - Wizard’s Guard, Munchkin, Haunted Apple Tree, Winkie Guard
Kyriana Kratter - Tot, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Allie Larson - Aunt Em, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian
Oakley Lewis - Cornfield, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey

*Dance Captain
**Wizard of Oz: Young Performers’ Edition Cast**

Sydney Marples - Crow, Munchkin, Haunted Tree, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Brayden Martinez - Cornfield, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Leah McGilchrist - Dorothy Gale
Gioia McNeilly - The Rower, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Annabelle Mora - Cyclone Door, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Christa Nelson - Professor Marvel (Wizard, Oz’s Voice), Munchkin, Haunted Tree, Ozian
Amy-Francis Olaechea - Munchkin #2, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Madeline Pfanstiel - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Abigail Pfanstiel - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Mallory Pyka - Crow, Munchkin, Haunted Tree, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Aida Rasoli - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Brooklyn Rice - Crow, Munchkin, Haunted Tree, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Isabel Rodriguez - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Ella Scheichenost - Crow, Munchkin, Haunted Tree, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Emily Shaw - Lady in Rocking Chair, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Nicole Siegler - Mayor of Munchkin City, Apple Tree, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Maisy Smith - Toto Puppeteer, Oz Woman, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winkie Guard
Mallory Sugrue - Cat, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Amelia Sullivan - Glinda, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Andrew Tepoorten - Tough Kid, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Eli Testa - Hickory (Tin Man)
Hudson Terry - Tough Kid, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Izzy Turner - Cornfield, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
Genabeth Watson - Crow, Munchkin, Haunted Tree, Ozian, Winkie Guard
Thomas Wilwerding - Zeke (Lion)
Hayleigh Woodard - Ozian Girls Chorus, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Sophie Worek - Cornfield, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Ozian, Winged Monkey
David Young - Doorman, Munchkin, Jitterbug, Winged Monkey
Show Order

Scene 1 - Kansas, 1931, Outside the Gale Farm
Dorothy, Toto, Aunt Em, Uncle Henry, Hunk, Hickory, Zeke, Miss Gulch
“Over the Rainbow” - Dorothy

Scene 2 - The Roadside Encampment of Professor Marvel
Dorothy, Toto, Professor Marvel, Uncle Henry, Zeke, Aunt Em

Scene 3 - Outside the Farm / Cyclone
Dorothy, Toto, Lady in Rocking Chair, The Rower, Miss Gulch

Scene 4 - Munchkinland
Dorothy, Toto, Glinda, Munchkins, Wicked Witch
“Munckinland Musical Sequence” - Glinda, Munchkins, Dorothy, Toto, Mayor, Coroner, Barrister, Tots, Tough Guys, City Fathers
“Yellow Brick Road” - Munchkins

Scene 5 - A Fork in the Road / Cornfield
Scarecrow, Dorothy, Toto, Crows
“If I Only Had a Brain” - Scarecrow, Dorothy
“We’re Off to See the Wizard Duet” - Dorothy, Scarecrow

Scene 6 - The Apple Orchard
Dorothy, Toto, Scarecrow, Apple Trees, Tin Man, Wicked Witch
“If I Only Had a Heart” - Tin Man
“We’re Off to See the Wizard” - Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Toto

Scene 7 - Dark and Creepy Forest
Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Toto, Lion, Wicked Witch
“If I Only Had the Nerve” - Lion, Tin Man, Scarecrow, Dorothy
Jitterbug - Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Jitterbugs, Toto
“Optimistic Voices” - Ozian Girls Chorus
**Show Order**

Scene 8 - The Gates of the Emerald City  
Doorman, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Toto, Ozians, Wicked Witch, Oz Woman, Guard  
“Merry Old Land of Oz” - Emerald City Chorus  
“If I Were King of the Forest” - Lion, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Toto, Ozians

Scene 9 - The Wizard’s Chamber  
Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Toto, Oz’s Voice

Scene 10 - The Haunted Forest  
Nikko, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Toto, Wicked Witch, Winged Monkeys

Scene 11 - Inside the Witch’s Castle  
Wicked Witch, Nikko, Toto, Dorothy, Winged Monkeys

Scene 12 - The Haunted Forest  
Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Toto, Winkie Guards  
“Winkies March” - Winkie Guards

Scene 13 - The Witch’s Castle  
Dorothy, Aunt Em, Wicked Witch, Nikko, Scarecrow, Lion, Tin Man, Toto, Winged Monkeys, Leader  
“Somewhere Over the Rainbow Reprise” - Dorothy, Aunt Em  
“Winkies March Reprise” - Winkie Guards  
“Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead” - All

Scene 14 - The Wizard’s Chamber / Oz  
Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Toto, Oz’s Voice, Ozians, Cat, Glinda

Scene 15 - Dorothy’s Bedroom  
Dorothy, Toto, Aunt Em, Professor Marvel, Uncle Henry, Hickory, Zeke

Curtain Call - ALL
Rebekah Ortiz (Director) has worked professionally in the Denver Metro theatre community for 10 years playing with the Arvada Center, Starkey Theatrix, BDT Stage, Town Hall Arts Center, Aurora Fox, Southern Colorado Repertory, Candlelight Dinner Theatre, and Ignite. She holds a B.F.A. in Musical Theatre from Metropolitan State University of Denver.

Bethany Wessel (Co-Music Director) Bethany Wessel is thrilled to work with PAA and this amazing production of The Wizard of Oz: Young Performers’ Edition. Bethany has been a musical educator in the Denver metro area for nearly fifteen years. She was previously a general music teacher for Douglas County School District at Trailblazer elementary for 12 years. She has been teaching privately and directing youth musicals throughout her career. Bethany is also a singer and performer herself, with featured roles in various shows with multiple community theater companies in the area.

Dr. James Ramsey (Co-Music Director) is Executive Director for PAA and Director of Music and Arts at St. Luke’s UMC. James earned a DMA in Choral Literature and Performance at CU, Boulder, an MM in conducting at the Eastman School of Music, and a BM in education at Middle Tennessee State University. Recently, he taught at the University of Denver and served as Artistic Director for the Wesley Choral Festival. James resides in Littleton with his wife, Leigh, and their sons, Jack and Luke.

Kate MacLaren (Resident Choreographer and Dance Instructor) was a Radio City Rockette for four years. She represented the U.S. in the World Tap Dance Championships placing 2nd top female soloist. She has performed internationally with tours of 42nd Street, Funny Girl, and Cirque’s Christmas Dreams, to name a few. Her choreography has been featured in national tours, off-Broadway, and regional theaters across the country.

Courtlyn McCain (Costume Designer) graduated from Western Kentucky University last year with a degree in Technical Theatre. During her time there, she focused on costuming, including designing and building many shows, as well as traveling to LA on a research grant to study costuming for film. Courtlyn moved to Denver in December and is so excited to be working with PAA again!
Lorie Beth Jewell (Resident Costume Designer/Co-Costume) of Abundunce Enterprises has designed costumes for Up with People, the International Performing Arts Program, and was a costumer for Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines installing costumes aboard their ships. Her favorite is Mamma Mia! Congratulations Cast and Crew.

Kyre Smith (Stage Manager) graduated with a BFA in Applied Theatre Technology and Design from Metropolitan State University of Denver. This is her fourth year with PAA, and she has loved every minute of it! She is very thankful to have a home at PAA and the opportunity to foster a love of theatre and the arts in these kids. Favorite past credits include: The Tempest, The Addams Family, Beauty and the Beast Jr, and Tarzan, and Into the Woods Jr.

Melanie Ware (Props Master) has been with PAA as their Properties Master for 3 years and teaching classes for 2. 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 8 years of theatrical experience. Favorite PAA design credits include: You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown!, Tarzan, Mary Poppins and The Addams Family.

Ross Hullender (Sound Engineer/Sound Design/Board Op) is a well versed technician and proud dog owner who dabbles in various forms of productions. Ranging from live events to film, he takes huge pride in achieving the highest quality possible. Currently, Ross resides in Aurora CO.

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