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Ensemble Scott Brateng White Witch Julie Briskman Ensemble Ensemble Grumpskin, Ensemble Edmund, Ensemble Professor, Father Christmas, Griffin Hugh Hastings Aslan. Ensemble Mrs. Beaver, Mrs. Macready, Ensemble Ensemble

Taryn Darr Paul Flanagan **Richard Gray** Spencer Hamp Terence Kellev⁺ Susan Claire Marx Jayne Muirhead Alana Peters

Mr. Beaver, Ensemble David Pichette Ensemble Tumnus, Ensemble Aaron Shanks Peter, Ensemble Mike Spee Maugrim, Ensemble Understudy Understudy Understudy Understudy

Sarah Russell **Richie Stone** Lucy Miranda Antoinette Troutt* Duncan Frost⁺ Randv Scholz Bryan Tramontana Leah Scofield



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A Note from the Artistic Director



Dear Friends,

Welcome to Seattle Children's Theatre's 42nd season. It is my absolute pleasure to usher in this new season of adventure. I write this letter in the midst of my own personal adventure celebrating my first three weeks as SCT's new Artistic Director. I was drawn to this organization because of its unparalleled commitment to creating the best possible theatre for families. SCT deeply values every audience member both current and future. Our charge is to inspire their intellect, imagination and heart. Each day the artists, artisans, staff and trustees

at SCT bring their innovation, mindfulness and voracious curiosity to this mission. The result is a community of makers who offer surprise, provocation and boundless joy.

C. S. Lewis was known for saying that a child's story is the best art form for something you have to say. In *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* he says something about good, evil, belief, forgiveness, betrayal, adventure and so much more. When I read *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* as a young person, I was always struck by the opening events in Narnia. Lucy hears the pitter-patter of feet and then, as Lewis describes, "something strange steps out." What we know now that Lucy doesn't Moving past fear is where great adventure lies.

in the moment, is that "something strange" is a gentle faun named Mr. Tumnus. Rather than run to the safety of her siblings, Lucy receives Mr. Tumnus' kindness. She is curious about him. What an adventure we would miss if Lucy hadn't moved beyond the "strangeness" of Mr. Tumnus. This meeting reminds us our opportunities to do good in the world expand when we seek out past our own comfortability. Moving past fear is where great adventure lies.

At the helm of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* is the incomparable Linda Hartzell, SCT's Artistic Director Emerita. I am thrilled in my first season at SCT to share the breadth of her artistry with you and later in the season on the world premiere of a new play she co-created, *Fire Station 7*. Linda's adventurous spirit is the powerful force that shaped SCT for over thirty seasons. What an absolute joy to see that spirit and heart on display in *Lion*.

Enjoy this first adventure of the 42nd season, a moment like no other. An adventure that can be as expansive as Narnia or as deeply personal as the beginning moments of a new role. And I invite you to come back to experience more magic, invention and surprise with us this season.

Sincerely,

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Enjoy the show!

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Synopsis

England, World War II

Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy Pevensie have been evacuated from London to the safety of Professor Kirk's manor house in the English countryside. While exploring the house, the children find an interesting old wardrobe, and Lucy stays behind to explore it alone. Pushing past the fur coats inside, she finds herself in a snowy forest. Mr. Tumnus, a faun, appears, welcoming her to Narnia. Upon learning she is human, he invites her to his cave, where Lucy learns he works for the evil White Witch, who's cursed Narnia to eternal winter but never Christmas, and wants all humans captured.

Unwilling to seize Lucy despite his orders, Tumnus sets her free, where she returns to the manor and tells her siblings what happened. They all think she's lying. Later, Lucy enters the wardrobe again; Edmund secretly follows her.

He's greeted by the White Witch, who realizes the boy and his siblings are those prophesied to rule Narnia and end her reign. She persuades Edmund to bring them to her, promising to make him prince.

Edmund finds Lucy and they return to the manor, where he lies, saying Narnia is make-believe. Eventually, the children all find themselves in the wardrobe together, taking them to Narnia, disproving Edmund, and proving Lucy was telling the truth.

Lucy takes them to Tumnus, but finds he's been arrested for High Treason for setting her free. They set out to rescue him and soon meet friendly Mr. and Mrs. Beaver, who inform them that Aslan, the Great Lion, is on the move! Only Aslan can save Tumnus, end the Witch's spell, and put all to rights. They are to meet him at the Stone Table.

Suddenly, the group realizes Edmund is missing. He's gone to the White Witch to reveal his siblings' whereabouts and plans. To his shock, she imprisons him for coming alone, orders his siblings and the Beavers killed, then makes haste for the Stone Table.

As the Beavers and Pevensies also journey there, they witness the first sign of the Witch's failing spell: Father Christmas' arrival, bearing gifts for them all! To Peter, he gives a sword and shield. To Susan, a horn. To Lucy, a bottle of healing cordial.

The Pevensies arrive at the Stone Table where Aslan and his army of good creatures wait. Aslan promises he'll save Edmund, when Susan sounds her horn in danger as the Witch's wolf Maugrim ambushes them. Peter fights him, and after a brutal battle plunges his sword through Maugrim's heart.

The Witch, in the woods, hears of Maugrim's death and tries to kill Edmund, when Aslan's army attacks and frees him, whereupon Edmund apologizes to everyone for his wrongs. But the Witch claims Edmund by the law of Deep Magic: every traitor belongs to her or Narnia will perish. Even Aslan cannot go against Deep Magic. But when the Lion speaks with her in private, she renounces her claim.

That night, Aslan meets her at the Stone Table to fulfill their bargain and sacrifice himself in Edmund's place. The Witch kills him, appeasing the Deep Magic, making her ruler of Narnia forever. She leads her army to finish the war.

Susan and Lucy weep over Aslan's dead body, when there's a deafening crack. The table breaks, and Aslan appears—not a ghost, but alive. He tells them of the deeper magic, unknown to the Witch: when an innocent victim is willingly killed in a traitor's stead, death itself is reversed.

Quickly, they rush to free Tumnus and other prisoners and join the battle, where Peter and Edmund are fighting the White Witch. She stabs Edmund and is on the verge of defeating Peter, when Aslan attacks and kills her, whereupon her army flees. The battle is won. Lucy revives Edmund with her cordial and tends to the wounded.

Afterward, Aslan crowns Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy the kings and queens of Narnia. They rule for many years, until one day deep in the woods, they discover the wardrobe and pass through it, emerging as children again. Not a second has passed. The siblings rush to tell the professor their amazing tale and he believes every word, reassuring them in Aslan's own words: "Once a king or queen in Narnia, always a king or queen in Narnia."

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The Cast



Scott Brateng (Leopard, Snakey, Ensemble, Fight Captain) is thrilled to be making his Seattle Children's Theatre debut! NY/Tours:

Irving Berlin's White Christmas, Sugar Babies, Cabaret (Two Ladies). Regional: Billy Elliot (Older Billy), My Fair Lady and Mary Poppins at Village Theatre, A Chorus Line (Greg), Spamalot, Oliver, Secondhand Lions, Damn Yankees and more at the 5th Avenue, Singin' In The Rain, West Side Story, Evita, *Hello Dolly, Joseph and the Amazing* Technicolor Dreamcoat, The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas in theatres all over the USA. Training: BFA NYU/Tisch/CAP21 '04, Pacific Northwest Ballet. Scott has also started choreographing in the past couple years and is excited that this new facet of his work is starting to be seen around the Seattle theatre community! Thanks to his family for their love and support.



Julie Briskman

(White Witch) has been seen at SCT in many roles including The Baroness in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, The Wicked

Witch in The Wizard of Oz, Kate Barlow in Holes, and The White Witch in SCT's first production of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Julie is the Founding Artistic Producer of THE SEAGULL PROJECT, the first American theater ensemble in history to be invited to the renowned Ilkhom Theater in Tashkent Uzbekistan, where they performed their highly acclaimed production of *The Seagull* in which she played Arkadina. Last year she appeared as Olga in The Three Sisters, which received The Gregory Falls Award for Outstanding Production of a Play. She will next take on the role of Ranevskaya in *The Cherry* Orchard, to be produced in 2017 in partnership with ACT Lab. Julie is honored to be a recipient of the Lunt-Fontanne Fellowship.



Taryn Darr (Naiad, Spikey, Ensemble, Dance Captain) is honored to return to Narnia once again, after being a part of the 2002 and 2003 casts! She plays seven (!) different characters

onstage. Can you spot them all? (She bets her Mom can!) A proud UW grad, Gregory Award Nominee and member of Actor's Equity, Taryn considers herself lucky to be a part of the vibrant theatre community in Seattle. She has performed locally with The 5th Avenue and Village Theatres among others. Last year, she was a swing for SCT's Elephant and Piggie, stepping in a few times as a Squirrelle. Fun facts: Taryn's favorite color is blue; she thinks Turkish Delight is kinda gross; and she has the cutest tuxedo kitty named Stella. More at taryndarr.com. Enjoy the show!



Paul Flanagan (Satyr, Warts, Ensemble) is thrilled to be making his SCT debut. Past credits: "The Backyardigans Live" with Nickelodeon;

providing movement for the character of Pablo the Penguin for the television show; the Broadway revival national tour of A Chorus Line (Al); 5th Avenue Theatre: A Chorus Line (Al), How to Succeed..., The Sound of Music, Oliver!, Paint Your Wagon. Village Theatre: Fiddler on the Roof, Chicago. Upcoming shows: The Pajama Game at the 5th. All the love to family, friends and Alex! For more info please visit Paulflanagan.com. It's fresh!





(Grumpskin, Ensemble) was last seen at SCT as Baron Bomburst in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, The Centipede in

James and the Giant Peach, and Pinky in Dick Whittington and His Cat (for which he also wrote the musical score). Other SCT scores include Lyle the Crocodile, Time Again in Oz and Little Rock. He has performed in 23 productions at the 5th Avenue Theatre including Assassins, Carousel, Spamalot, A Room with a View, ELF – The Musical, The Music Man and First Date. At the Village Theatre, his roles include Albin/ZaZa in La Cage aux Folles, Max Bialystock in The

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Producers, the King in *Big River*, Bud Frump in *How To Succeed*... and Amos Hart in *Chicago* (2013 Gregory Award nomination). Up next: *Murder For Two* (ACT Theatre).



Spencer Hamp (*Edmund*, *Bat*) This is Spencer's first performance with Seattle Children's Theatre. Most recently, he

appeared in Sheila Daniels' production of *The Winter's Tale* in the Leo K. Theatre at The Rep (Seattle Shakespeare Company). Earlier this year, Spencer played Kincaid in the world premiere, two-part adaptation of David James Duncan's *The Brothers K* (Book-It Repertory Theatre) and played Don in *Buzzer* (ACT Theatre and AJ Epstein Presents). Spencer received a Bachelor of Arts in Drama and Sociology from the University of Washington in 2014. He is a proud member of The Seagull Project ensemble. Upcoming project: *The Cherry Orchard* (ACT Theatre and The Seagull Project).



Hugh Hastings (Professor, Father Christmas, Griffin) Over the past twenty-something years Hugh has appeared in many

SCT productions including Pippi Longstocking, Adventures with Spot, The Wizard of Oz, Lyle the Crocodile, The Brementown Musicians, Peter Pan, The Magic Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle (three different productions), The Hoboken Chicken Emergency, Prince Brat and the Whipping Boy, The Cricket in Times Square, Mr. Popper's Penguins, and both Hardy Boys mysteries. Hugh has also been seen in many productions at ACT, The 5th Avenue Theatre, Village Theatre, Seattle Shakespeare Company and the Oregon Shakespeare Festival. Hugh has also been a teacher of acting for the 5th Avenue Theatre, SCT, UW, OSF, and Cornish College of the Arts. With his wife, Connie Corrick, Hugh is a frequent performer (and board member) at West Seattle's Kenyon Hall.



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The Cast



Terence Kelley (*Aslan, Ensemble*) Terence is honored to be back at SCT! Favorite past roles include Aslan in *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe,*

Andre in *Ain't Misbehavin*', Harold Hill in *The Music Man*, Tommy Albright in *Brigadoon*, El Gallo in *The Fantasticks*, and Hoke in *Driving Miss Daisy*. He has directed and choreographed for Theater Arts Guild, Studio East, Mercer Island and Shorecrest High School. In 2009 Terence received an Excellence in Education Award for teaching Drama at the University of Washington. Your child may also have seen Terence at their elementary school, performing Recycling Shows, like *Finding Bigfoot*. Terence would like to give a shout out to his wife and kids!



Claire Marx (*Susan*) is so excited to be making her debut with Seattle Children's Theatre. As a recent graduate of Cornish College of the Arts

(BFA, Musical Theater), she has worked as an actress, pianist, music director, and arts educator with Seattle Shakespeare Co., Seattle Public Theater, and Village Theatre. Credits include: Martha in *The Children's Hour*, Brünnhilde in *Das Barbecü*, Witch in *Hansel* and Gretel (Cornish College), Amber in *Hairspray*, Mary Jane in *Big River*, Hunyak in *Chicago* (Ft. Peck Summer Theatre), Liesl in *The Sound of Music*, Polly Browne in *The Boy Friend* (Starlight Mountain Theatre), and Lady Montague in *Romeo and Juliet* (Seattle Shakespeare Co.).



Jayne Muirhead (Mrs. Beaver, Mrs. Macready, Ensemble) The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe is Jayne's 22nd production with SCT. She began in

1992 with Doctor Dolittle in the Moon, and continued through Jack and the Beanstalk, Just So and Other Stories, Bunnicula, Prince Brat and the Whipping Boy, The Velveteen Rabbit, Stellaluna, Go, Dog. Go!, Mrs. Piggle Wiggle (twice!), Disney's High School Musical, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (thrice!), The Brementown Musicians, Lyle the Crocodile, Adventures with Spot, The Wizard of Oz, James and the Giant Peach, Goodnight Moon (twice!) and Dick Whittington and His Cat. What a wild and delightful ride introducing so many of you to the wonderful world of live theater. When not at SCT she works at other theaters... but doesn't have quite as much fun.



Alana Peters-Whiting

(*Dryad*, *Slimey*, *Ensemble*) is excited to make her Seattle Children's Theatre debut! Alana grew up watching shows at

SCT and is honored to be able to perform on stage. She has performed locally at the 5th Avenue Theatre (*The Music Man, Oliver!, West Side Story*), Village Theatre (*The Producers, Funny Girl, My Fair Lady*), Seattle Musical Theatre (*South Pacific, Jesus Christ Superstar, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, Gypsy, A Chorus Line*), and SecondStory Repertory (*Kiss of the Spider Woman, Zombie Prom, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*). Much love to Elliot and Abelard!



David Pichette (*Mr.* Beaver, Ensemble) Previously at SCT, David has been seen in The Secret Garden, Pharaoh Serket and the Lost Stone of Fire, John

in *Brooklyn Bridge*, and most notably as the villainous Captain Hook in *Peter Pan*. He has worked at most of the theatres in the Seattle area in the past 34 years, most recently at ArtsWest as Willy Loman in *Death of a Salesman* and at the 5th Avenue Theatre appearing as Major-General Stanley in *The Pirates of Penzance*, Fagin in *Oliver!*, and Max in *The Sound of Music*. For the last two seasons he has been at the Utah Shakespeare Festival, portraying Malvolio in *Twelfth Night*, the Fool in *King Lear*, Justice Shallow in *Henry IV*, *Part 2*, and Gremio in *The Taming of the Shrew*.



Sarah Russell (*Centaur, Stretchy, Ensemble*) is thrilled to be making her Seattle Children's Theatre debut! Past credits include *Big*

Fish, A Charlie Brown Christmas (Taproot Theatre), Grease, Hairspray In Concert!, Rent (5th Avenue Theatre), My Heart is the Drum (Village Theatre), *Legally Blonde* (SecondStory Rep), *Julius Caesar* (Seattle Shakespeare Co.), *Little Red Riding Hood* and *A Little Mermaid* (StoryBook Theatre). Big thanks to the cast, crew, and everyone who worked on putting this beautiful show together.



Aaron Shanks (*Tumnus, Eagle, Pig, Ensemble*) is pleased to return to SCT to reprise his role as Mr. Tumnus. He has performed in

musicals, operas, concerts, churches and cabarets for 20 years. He regularly appears at the 5th Avenue Theatre and Village Theatre. He has also performed at Tacoma Opera, The Inverse Opera, Seattle Opera Guild, SecondStory Repertory, and Spectrum Dance Theater. Regionally, he has appeared at the Ordway Theater and Rogue Music Theatre. Mr. Shanks is a board member of Showtunes Theatre Company where he promotes and produces rarely performed gems of the musical theatre canon. Born and raised in Puyallup, WA, Mr. Shanks holds a B.A. in Music and a B.B.A. with a concentration in Marketing from WWU.



Mike Spee (Peter, Hunchback) It is so special to be a part of this show, having watched from the audience the last time it was produced at

SCT, so thank you to the entire production team for this opportunity. Previous shows at SCT include James and the Giant Peach, Dick Whittington and His Cat, Goodnight Moon, and The Cat in the Hat. Other favorite credits around town: My Fair Lady, Fiddler on the Roof, Anne of Green Gables (Village Theatre), Spring Awakening (Balagan Theatre), and Godspell (Taproot Theatre). Love to my girls!



Richie Stone (Maugrim, Rumblebuffin, Bull, Ensemble) is excited to be spending his second holiday season with SCT. Hailing

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from Happy Valley, OR, he relocated to Seattle to attend Cornish College of the Arts (CCA) where he recently received his BFA in Acting



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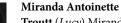






The Cast

this past May. He found his passion for performing through dance and song when he was very little and was lucky to have a family willing to foster it. Richie is just returning from instructing an intensive in Cottage Grove, OR, that he and four other Cornish alum created three years ago with StoryBook Theatre. Most recently Richie had the pleasure of playing Don Lockwood in the timeless classic, Singing' in the Rain (CCA). The last time he was on this stage he was an intern during his senior year in SCT's production of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Before that he played Motel Kamzoil in Fiddler on the Roof with Aurora Theatre Company, and Otto Kringelein from Grand Hotel (CCA). He can't wait to adventure with you into the fantastical land of Narnia!



Troutt (*Lucy*) Miranda is thrilled to make her SCT debut exploring Narnia! She was born and raised in the greater Seattle area

where she developed a love for nature, art, and imagination. She graduated from Cornish College of the Arts with a BFA in Musical Theatre this past spring. Favorite roles include Phoebe in *The Yeomen of the Guard* with the Seattle Gilbert and Sullivan Society, Kathy Selden in *Singin' in the Rain* at Cornish Playhouse, and originating the lead role, Penelope, in *You: The Musical.* Miranda also sings opera at Pasta Freska restaurant and is a veteran Dickens Caroler. Other passions include Salsa, Bachata, and Fusion dance, running her custom wedding gown business, and teaching circus arts at Camp ZinZanni. Mirandaantoinettetroutt.com.



Duncan Frost (Understudy) is thrilled to be back at SCT after understudying Max in Where the Wild Things Are last spring. Other

credits include *Billy Elliot* (Miner) with Village Theatre; *The Iron Ring* (Nahusha), *Annie* (Howe, Ensemble), and *The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins* (Nidd of Didd) at Children's Theatre Company in Minneapolis, as well as roles with The Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, Key City Public Theatre, Troupe America, and Walking Shadow Theatre Company. Duncan is a graduate of the University of MN/Guthrie Theater BFA Actor Training Program, and Interlochen Arts Academy. In addition to his work as an actor and director, Duncan is proud to work as a teaching artist with SCT's Drama School.

Bryan Tramontana



(*Understudy*) is thrilled to make her SCT debut telling one of her favorite stories! Seattle favorites: *Meet Me in St. Louis* (Rose Smith),

Iron Curtain, 42nd Street, The Producers, Annie Get Your Gun (Village); *George M!* (Ethel Levy), *Shenandoah* (Anne) (Showtunes). Thanks to the incredible Narnia team and love to Matthew.

Randy Scholz



(*Understudy*) is making his SCT debut with this production! Recent Seattle credits include *My Fair Lady* (Freddy), *Cabaret*,

Mary Poppins, Les Misérables, Big River (Huck) with Village Theatre, and Cotton Patch Gospel (Matthew), Jane Eyre, Illyria, Jeeves in Bloom, The Odyssey with Taproot Theatre. A Houston, TX native, Randy is celebrating six years in the PNW with his wife, Jessica. Thanks, Linda!



Leah Scofield

(*Understudy*) is elated to be working with SCT for the first time! She is originally from the east coast and graduated with a

Musical Theatre degree from DeSales University. Her favorite regional credits include: Recent Tragic Events (Harlequin Productions), Fiddler on the Roof (PA Shakespeare Festival), Cinderella (People's Light and Theatre), Oklahoma! (PSF), The King and I (NC Theatre Company), The Tempest (PSF), King John (PSF), A Christmas Carol (Theatre in the Park), Snow White (PSF), and The Stardust Christmas Commotion (Harlequin). She's represented by Big Fish NW Talent, and commercials include T-Mobile, Snoqualmie Casino, Xbox, and Microsoft. She thanks Linda and the entire SCT staff for this incredible opportunity. Love to my husband Ian. All glory to God. Joshua 1:9

The Band

Rebecca Evans (Cello) grew up in San Diego playing several instruments, singing in choirs, and dabbling in high school theatrics. After finishing college there, she worked and took lessons in L.A. before heading to Ohio for graduate school. There she met her future husband Jack. They married and moved to Orlando, Florida for Rebecca's job with the Florida Symphony and recording for Disney. But the west coast called her home, and luckily Jack's job took them there. Since then, Rebecca has played regularly with the Tacoma Symphony and Opera, Bellevue Philharmonic Orchestra (now LWSO), Village Theatre, played as a Seattle Symphony substitute, with Yakima Symphony, and 5th Avenue Theatre. She's happy to be playing with Seattle Children's Theatre for the 1st time, and in Narnia!

Ed Littlefield (Percussion) is a freelance percussionist and educator based out of Seattle, WA. He performs in many ensembles of different genres around the Northwest. Ed is Tlingit from Sitka, AK and has released two albums featuring his traditional native melodies with his group The Native Jazz Quartet, Walking Between Worlds and NJQ:Stories. Ed has been playing for SCT productions for many seasons including the productions of Disney's High School Musical, Lyle the Crocodile, The Wizard of Oz, James and the Giant Peach, Dick Whittington and His Cat, and Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. In addition to his SCT work, Ed has also has written original scores for the productions of Eurydice and They Don't Talk Back, and has done sound design for A Raisin in the Sun. He's excited to be a part of another SCT production!

Dewey Marler (Reeds) Previous productions at SCT include James and the Giant Peach and Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Original orchestras in Hairspray, A Christmas Story, Catch Me If You Can, Disney's Aladdin and Secondhand Lions. National tours of Fiddler On The Roof with Topol, Damn Yankees with Jerry Lewis, Cabaret with Joel Gray, Peter Pan with Cathy Rigby, Bye Bye Birdie with Tommy Tune (including Tony Awards appearance). Performances with Sammy Davis Jr., Natalie Cole, Boz Scaggs, Ray Charles, The Temptations, Johnny Mathis, Al Jarreau, Pat Boone, Linda Ronstadt, and many more. Movie Soundtracks include Shall We Dance with Jennifer Lopez, The Man with Samuel L. Jackson, Eloise At The Plaza (Emmy for

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Outstanding Music) and *The Brave Little Toaster*. Video game soundtracks include signature sound of "Rookie" in Halo 3: ODST. He was born and raised in Seattle.

Mat Montgomery (Trumpet) has been playing trumpet for over 20 years. He earned his B.M. in Jazz Studies from the University of Washington and his Master's in Orchestral Performance from the University of Idaho. While at UI he earned his teaching certificate. Mat spent four years as a high school and beginning band director before becoming a freelance musician and composer. He has performed in many different settings including with Orchestra Seattle, Tacoma Symphony Orchestra, the PH Factor Big Band, and toured with the Glenn Miller Orchestra. In addition to performing, Mat teaches trumpet lessons and composes music. This is Mat's first year playing with Seattle Children's Theater.

Artistic & Production

Linda J. Hartzell (Artistic Director Emerita & Director) served as Artistic Director of SCT and its Education Programs since 1984 before retiring in 2016. She received her BA in Education from the UW. She has directed over 45 plays for SCT, over 35 of which were world premieres, including A Single Shard, Holes, Pink and Say, Still Life with Iris, The Odyssey, Afternoon of the Elves, and The Rememberer. She recently directed Goodnight Moon and Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. She directed The Grapes of Wrath at Intiman Theatre. Ms. Hartzell was formerly on the board of Theatre Communications Group, and is a former vice president of the United States Center for the International Association of Theatre for Children and Young People (ASSITEJ/USA). She currently serves on the Stage Directors and Choreographers Society. She was recently honored with the prestigious Gregory Falls Sustained Achievement Award given by Theatre Puget Sound, and the Mayor's Arts Award. She has also been inducted into the College of Fellows of the American Theatre. She was a recipient of the Distinguished Achievement Award from UW College of Arts and Sciences in 1994.

Jeff Bell (Music Director & Keyboards) is very excited to be a part of this production of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Previous Seattle Children's Theatre credits include Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Pippi Longstocking and Goodnight Moon. Jeff's work as a music director and accompanist has also been heard at Village Theatre and Cornish College of the Arts.

Marianne Roberts (Choreographer) is delighted to be back in the magical land of Narnia! She has choreographed many productions at SCT over the past 30 years, most of them with her dear friend and collaborator Linda Hartzell. Recent favorites include Goodnight Moon, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, James and the Giant Peach, Lyle the Crocodile, Peter Pan, and The Wizard of Oz. In addition, she has choreographed productions at most of the professional theaters in Seattle, and taught and choreographed in the Dance and Theatre departments at Cornish College of the Arts. As a dancer, Ms. Roberts trained and performed in New York City and toured internationally with New York-based concert dance companies. Hugs to my wonderful family, especially grandsons Raden and Rowan.

Geoffrey Alm (*Fight Choreographer*) is thrilled to be back working on *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe,* and have the chance to evolve with this exciting group of artists again. His recent work at SCT was last season's *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.* Upcoming work this fall will include *Man of La Mancha* at the 5th Ave. Theatre, and *Dangerous Liaisons* at ACT Theatre. Mr. Alm teaches Stage Fighting at Cornish College of the Arts, the PATP at the UW, and is a proud Member of SDC.

Carey Wong (Scenic Designer) has designed sets for Seattle Repertory, Berkeley Repertory, Portland Center Stage, Arizona Theatre Company, Syracuse Stage, ACT Theatre, Intiman Theatre, TAG, Village Theatre, Childsplay, Phoenix Theatre, Mixed Blood Theatre, Hey City Theater, and Prince Theater. He has been Resident Designer for Portland Opera, Opera Memphis, and Wildwood Park for the Arts, and has designed for Seattle Opera, Pittsburgh Opera, Vancouver Opera, the Spoleto Festival USA, the Beijing Music Festival, and Nearco Producciones in Spain. Carey is a graduate of Yale University and attended the Yale School of Drama. This is his 31st design for SCT.

Catherine Hunt (Costume Designer) is so thrilled to be back at Seattle Childen's Theatre, and working again with Linda Hartzell. The Lion, the Witch and the *Wardrobe* is one of her favorite SCT shows. Other special SCT shows include Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, James and The Giant Peach, Robin Hood, Goodnight Moon, and Pippi Longstocking. Catherine has designed for Village Theatre, Seattle Repertory Theatre, ACT Theatre, Seattle Opera, Intiman Theatre, San Diego Repertory Theatre, and Hartford Stage. Catherine also designed costumes for the computer game Riven. She holds an MFA in Costume Design from UC, San Diego, and has been a guest lecturer at Cornish College of the Arts and UW. Catherine has won two Gregory Awards from Theatre of Puget Sound, as well as a Los Angeles Drama-Logue Award, and the San Diego Theatre Critics Circle Award. Catherine is a former National Endowment for the Arts/Theatre Communication Group design fellow.

Rick Paulsen (Lighting Designer) Rick is pleased to be revisiting this production at SCT after 12 years. Making his home in Seattle, he has designed more than 25 shows for SCT, including The Red Badge of Courage, Sleeping Beauty, Pharaoh Serket and the Lost Stone of Fire, The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle, Animal Farm, The Secret Garden, Addy: An American Girl Story, Honus & Me, and The Wizard of Oz. Last season he moved his lighting for Goodnight Moon to Young People's Theatre in Toronto. His lighting has been seen at every major theatre in Seattle and across the US over the past 35 years. Rick is a proud member and Trustee of United Scenic Artists Local USA 829. He is devoted to his wife Roberta and daughter Paige.

Chris R. Walker (Sound Designer) is very happy to be returning as Resident Sound Designer for SCT. In Seattle he has designed at Seattle Repertory Theatre, ACT, Intiman Theatre, and 5th Avenue Theatre. In California he's designed at The Old Globe, La Jolla Playhouse, the Mark Taper Forum, Geffen Playhouse, and ACT (San Francisco). He spent seven seasons as the Resident Designer at the American Repertory Theatre in Boston, designing over 40 productions. He has also designed in New York City, Houston, Philadelphia, Princeton, Providence, Chicago, Washington D.C. and Phoenix, as well as internationally in Singapore, Taiwan and Moscow. Commercially he has designed for Intel, Harvard University, Starbucks, and PopCap Games. He holds a degree in Classical Piano performance from Cornish College of the Arts.

Annett Mateo (Puppet Designer/Coach) believes anything can be a puppet! She has made all kinds of puppets out of all kinds of materials for people, projects and theatres both locally and nationally. In her career as a professional puppet designer and builder she has built marionettes, Muppet type puppets, rod puppets, large body/costume style, modified Banraku, shadow and pretty much every other kind of puppet. She has attended the O'Neill Theatre conference for Puppetry a number of years and is in her fourteenth season as a puppet designer and builder for Seattle Children's Theatre. She has done custom requests, puppets for parades, theatre performances for adults and is a regular participant of regional puppet slams. You can view her puppets on Puppetlandia.com.

Joyce Degenfelder (Wig Master) Pleased to be making wigs with SCT, Joyce started with two summers at Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts, three seasons assisting in wigs at Oregon Shakespeare Festival, with off-season time at San Diego Opera. Starting with Seattle Repertory Theatre, Joyce has since worked for other area theatres, including ACT, Intiman Theatre, Book-It Repertory Theatre, Tacoma Actors Guild and Seattle Shakespeare Company, as well as Alaska Repertory Theatre, Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, and Dallas Opera. In 2003 Joyce became Hair and Makeup Designer for Seattle Opera, while continuing to create wigs for Pacific Northwest Ballet. Always happy to teach wig making, Joyce has taught at UW, DePaul University, Carnegie Mellon and Boston University. Joyce was thrilled to be the recipient of the 2014 Gregory A. Falls Sustained Achievement Award.

Judith Shahn (Dialect Coach) has been working with Seattle Children's Theatre on and off for 30 years. In the 1980s, she began teaching young actors and directing Summer Season student productions. At SCT, Judith coached Brooklyn Bridge, Dick Whittington and His Cat, and The Hundred Dresses. She regularly coaches at Seattle Repertory and has coached at most of the Seattle area theatres. She just retired from UW's Professional Actor Training Program after 26 years, and now is

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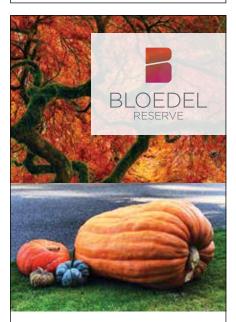


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Shellie Stone (Stage Manager) credits include: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Goodnight Moon, Mwindo, The Wizard of Oz, Lyle the Crocodile (SCT); Grease, A Chorus Line, Oliver!, Secondhand Lions, The Music Man, Rent, Cinderella (5th Avenue Theatre); The Vaudevillains, Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?, Venus in Fur, Boeing-Boeing, Clybourne Park, Red, The Imaginary Invalid, Birdie Blue, Twelfth Night (Seattle Repertory Theatre); La Cenerentola (Spoleto Festival USA); The Lion in Winter, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Romeo and Juliet (Shakespeare Santa Cruz); Amelia, Don Quixote (Seattle Opera). Rachael Dorman (Assistant Stage Manager) is thrilled to be back at Seattle Children's Theatre this holiday season. Other shows at SCT include Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, The Cat in the Hat, Harold and the Purple Crayon and The Borrowers. Most recently she was the ASM on the 5th Avenue Theatre's co-production of Paint Your Wagon with the Ordway Theatre. As an ASM at the 5th Avenue Theatre: Carousel, A Christmas Story, A Chorus Line, and The Pirates of Penzance. Shows at the 5th as a Production Assistant include: Grease, Jasper in Deadland, A Room with a View, Spamalot, Oliver!, Secondhand Lions, The Music Man, ELF -The Musical and Cinderella. Other regional credits include: Seattle Repertory Theatre and Taproot Theatre. Much love to her family, friends, Kelly and Stuart.

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Adrienne Mendoza (Production Assistant) couldn't be happier to be back at SCT! Recent stage management credits include The Glass Menagerie (The Williams Project) and Orpheus Descending (Intiman Theatre/ The Williams Project); recent assistant stage management credits include: Rising Star Project: How to Succeed in Business... (5th Avenue Theatre) and The Children's Hour (Intiman Theatre). Recent production assistant credits include How to Succeed in Business..., A Night With Janis Joplin, and Paint Your Wagon (5th Avenue Theatre); Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris (ACT); Angels in America (Intiman Theatre); Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Mwindo, and Art Dog (Seattle Children's Theatre). Her love to Shellie, Rachael, and, most of all, Sam.

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Courtney Sale (Artistic Director) joined SCT as AD in August 2016. Previously, she served three years as Associate AD at Indiana Repertory Theatre (IRT). IRT directing credits include Jackie and Me, The Giver, And Then They Came for Me: Remembering the World of Anne Frank, The Mousetrap, The Mountaintop, and two iterations of A Christmas Carol. As a director, Courtney has developed plays with New Plays for Young Audiences at NYU/Provincetown Playhouse, Children's Theatre of Charlotte, Write Now, Dorset Theatre Festival, Denver Center Theatre Company's New Play Summit, New Harmony Project, and the Orchard Project. Her playwright/director collaborations include the works of Steven Dietz, Allison Gregory, Sherry Kramer, MJ Kaufman, Kirk Lynn, Jason Gray Platt, and James Still. Select awards include Indianapolis 40 Under 40, Austin Critic's Table Award and UT Austin Continuing Fellowship. Courtney has taught at IRT Summer Conservatory for Youth, Summer at Cornish, Temple College and University of Texas at Austin. BFA, Cornish College of the Arts. MFA, University of Texas at Austin.

Karen Sharp (*Managing Director*) is responsible for administration, management, operations and finances at SCT. In addition, Karen has taught and coordinated arts education programs for over 20 years, including several years as a drama specialist in a public elementary school. Karen began teaching for Seattle Children's Theatre in

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1999 and has taught classes for students ages 3 through 21, in addition to training classroom teachers in how to integrate drama into core curriculum areas. In 2000 Karen joined the SCT staff, beginning her tenure as the Education Outreach Coordinator, later serving as Drama School Director, and from 2005-2015, as Education Director, where she oversaw Drama School and Outreach programs, and was responsible for spearheading the educational vision for SCT. Karen is also an adjunct faculty member for the Seattle University MFA arts leadership program, Teaching Artist Training Lab, Bringing Theatre into the Classroom, has taught at Cornish College of the Arts, and has collaborated with Shakespeare Center of Los Angeles to develop a creative drama performance piece. Karen has been an arts education guest lecturer at the University of Washington, Western Washington University, DePaul University, San Diego State University, and Pacific Lutheran University. She has consulted with art schools and theater education departments across the country to help them implement best practices at their institutions. Karen is a graduate of the Goodman School of Drama. She has presented at several local and national conferences, including the 2011 and 2013 One Theatre World conference, 2012 AATE Theatre in Our Schools regional conference, and the 2013 and 2015 AATE national conference. Karen has served on the Seattle School District Arts Representative Advisory Committee, is the Immediate Past President of TYA/USA and the current Board President of the Winifred Ward Scholarship Foundation.

Mike Hase (Technical Director) For the past 22 seasons, I have had the greatest of pleasures working with Sue Brekke and Linda Hartzell. These wonderful members of our SCT family have retired this year. My deepest respect, adoration, appreciation, gratitude and love go out to them as their contributions over the years to this organization, to this family and to myself cannot be quantified.

Michael Wellborn (Production Manager) is in his 10th season working with the amazing staff and guest artists at SCT. Prior to joining SCT, Michael was on the faculty of the University of Washington Dance Program. As a lighting designer for over 35 years, his work has appeared in, or has toured, the US, Egypt, Germany, the Netherlands, and Singapore, and has been seen in 25 productions here at SCT.

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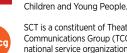
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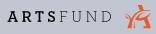
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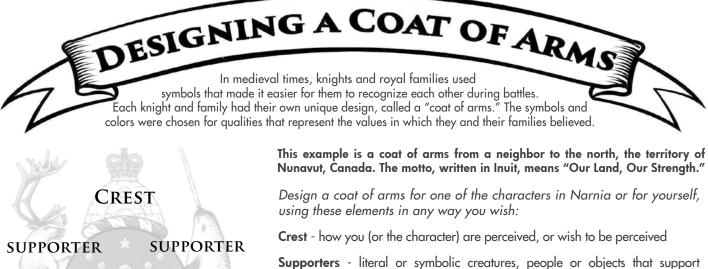






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