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BRIGHT*STAR
School Edition

Directed by **CASSIDY WIXON-HEISE**

Music, Book and Story by **STEVE MARTIN**

Music, Lyrics, and Story by **EDIE BRICKELL**

Orchestrations by **AUGUST ERIKSMOEN**

Vocal Arrangements by **ROB BERMAN**

THEATER STAFF

Executive Director.....	Caleb Parry	Technical Director.....	Carson Sabin
Artistic Director.....	Morgan Parry	Costume Manager.....	Stephanie Colyar
Executive Producer.....	Morgan Parry	Development Director.....	Kevin Ireland
Operations Manager.....	Jennifer Hall	Youth Program Director.....	Kristin Parry
Production Manager.....	Sydney McAlister	Homeschool Curriculum.....	Becca Price
Marketing Director.....	Sydney McAlister	Sponsorships.....	Troy Martell

Crew

Director.....	CASSIDY WIXON- HEISE
Board Operation.....	MACYN MARTIN
Choreographer.....	RYLEE MARTIN
Costume Design.....	STEPHANIE COLYAR
House Manager.....	HILDER ESPINOSA
Light Design.....	CARSON SABIN
Music Director.....	SAMANTHA ALLEN
Photography.....	CORY WAITE
Projection Design.....	DYLAN FLOYD PANTER
Props Design.....	CASSIDY WIXON- HEISE
Rehearsal Stage Manager.....	MACYN MARTIN
Set Dressing.....	CASSIDY WIXON- HEISE
Sound Design.....	DYLAN FLOYD PANTER
Sound Operation.....	MARK FUGAL

Special thanks to our Parent Committees and our House Manager, Hilder Espinosa. We also want to extend a special thank you to all those who worked behind the scenes to make this show happen.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

In 2021, Caleb Parry directed Bright Star on the Zig's Main Stage. That was my first show ever at the Zig. It was my first time truly meeting the people that make this place so special. Caleb's vision of storytelling, community, and connection was not only shown by the beautiful direction he gave but by the love we all felt doing the show every night. Every single cast member of that production could talk for hours about what made the Main Stage Bright Star so special.

That is why I fought for an opportunity to direct Bright Star in our Prep program. I wanted to share with these teens that I so adore, the show that literally changed my life and brought me to the Zig in the first place. Caleb's direction is what we used for our inspiration and vision.

I joke with the cast often that I use the word "tender" too much while directing. But do you know how many definitions there are for the word tender?

- showing gentleness and concern or sympathy
- solicitous of; concerned for
- requiring tact or careful handling
- young, immature, and vulnerable
- "Tender Mercies"-without any protection from someone or something one cannot control; used ironically to imply that someone cannot be trusted to treat someone else kindly or well.

If you know the story we are about to tell, the connection to these definitions are evident, beautiful, and almost too on the nose. If you don't know, please enjoy this breathtaking, rollercoaster of a tale, told by a cast of absolute superstars, who handle the weight and emotion of the piece with the truest tenderness.

I'd like to thank Caleb, Morgan, and Kristin Parry for trusting me with this huge undertaking, and Dylan Panter for helping me transition into this uncharted territory. I'd also like to give an insurmountable thank you to Rylee and Macyn Martin, the best team/collaborators a Director could ask for.

Cassidy Mae Wixon-Heise
Director

ABOUT 'BRIGHT STAR: SCHOOL EDITION'

Broadway's BRIGHT STAR tells a sweeping tale of love and redemption set against the rich backdrop of the American South in the 1920s and '40s. When literary editor Alice Murphy meets a young soldier just home from World War II, he awakens her longing for the child she once lost. Haunted by their unique connection, Alice sets out on a journey to understand her past – and what she finds has the power to transform both of their lives. The story unfolds as a rich tapestry of deep emotion, beautiful melodies and powerfully moving performances. An uplifting theatrical journey that holds you tight in its grasp, BRIGHT STAR is as refreshingly genuine as it is daringly hopeful.

ABOUT ZIEGFELD THEATER ARTS

The Ziegfeld Theater is about art, collaboration, and acceptance. Our driving motto is "Professional standard, community spirit," and it drives every aspect of our work. As an emerging performance venue and company, we are finding success catering to a broad audience. We work to enlist A-list local talent and produce professional quality entertainment, always keeping in mind that positive collaboration is essential. Joining these ideals is a guiding principle of improvisation: "Yes... And!" The "Yes" means that we accept theatrical, musical, and visual arts that are furthering the community's knowledge and cultural experience. The "And" describes our dedication to enhancing the idea and furthering its impact.

*Kyla, you FINALLY got to be in your dream show!
I am so very proud of you! I'm so thrilled to see you
& your talented friends in this amazing show.
Love you so much. Ky. Love, Mom*

Scenes

ACT 1

Scene:

"If You Knew My Story"	Company
"She's Gone"	Daddy Cane, Billy
"Bright Star"	Billy, Ensemble
"Way Back In The day"	Alice, Ensemble
"Whoa, Mama"	Jimmy Ray, Alice, Ensemble
"Firmer Hand/ Do Right"	Daddy Murphy, Mama Murphy, Alice, Ensemble
"A Man's Gotta Do"	Mayor Dobbs, Jimmy Ray
"Asheville"	Margo, Ensemble
"What Could Be Better"	Jimmy Ray, Alice
"I Can't Wait"	Alice, Female Ensemble
"Please, Don't Take Him"	Alice, Mayor Dobbs, Papa Murphy, Mama Murphy, Ensemble
"A Man's Gotta Do (Reprise)"	Mayor Dobbs, Ensemble

ACT TWO

Scene:

"Sun's Gonna Shine"	Mama Murphy, Alice, Ensemble
"Heartbreaker"	Jimmy Ray
"Another Round"	Lucy, Daryl, Billy, Ensemble
"I Had A Vision"	Alice, Jimmy Ray
"Always Will"	Billy, Margo, Ensemble
"So Familiar/ At Long Last"	Alice/ Company
"Finale"	Company

*Our dearest Bella, we are SO proud of you!
Your determination inspires others and will carry
you well in life. Keep your eyes on Jesus and
keep being your amazing self!*



BRIGHT STAR CAST LIST

<u>CHARACTER</u>	<u>ASHVILLE CAST</u>	<u>ZEBULON CAST</u>
ALICE	Camdyn Anderson	Aurora Nelson
JIMMY	Gabriel Rojas	Christian Anglesey
BILLY	Sam Roundy	Kimball Coombs
MARGO	Brooklyn Tousley	Kyla Rounds
LUCY	Kayleigh Eagle	Keziah Buttars
DARYL	Landon Fugal	Declan McAlhany
MAYOR DOBBS	Lucas Hill	Guy Butler
MAMMA MUPHY	Bella Powell	Emery Nelson
DADDY MURPHY	Caden Feller	Isaiah Holstein
DADDY CANE	AJ Szymanski	Garrett Huerta
STANFORD/STATION MASTER/SHINY PENNY BARTENDER	Jackson Colyar	Jack Fairbank
MAX/DR. NORQUIST ENSEMBLE	Gavin Stoker	Joshua Bronson
FLORENCE/WELL DRESSED WOMAN/ENSEMBLE	Damia Towery	Damia Towery
EDNA/CLERK/ENSEMBLE	Laila Westover	Izzy Nestal
20'S ENSEMBLE:	Gavin Stoker	Joshua Bronson
	Landon Fugal	Declan McAlhany
	Sam Roundy	Kimball Coombs
	Joshua Bronson	AJ Szymanski
	Brooklyn Tousley	Kyla Rounds
	Kayleigh Eagle	Keziah Buttars
	Damia Towery	Damia Towery
	Laila Westover	Izzy Nestal
	Kimball Coombs	Sam Roundy/Landon Fugal
	Isiah Holstein	Caden Feller
	Kyla Rounds	Kayliegh Eagle
	Emery Nelson	Bella Powell
ENSEMBLE DOOR MAN	Guy Butler	Lucas Hill

BRIGHT STAR CAST LIST

CHARACTER	ASHVILLE CAST	ZEBULON CAST
40's ENSEMBLE	Bella Powell	Emery Nelson
	Kayleigh Eagle /TBD	Keziah Buttars
	Damia Towery	Damia Towery
	Laila Westover	Izzy
	Gavin Stoker	Joshua Bronson
	Caden Feller	Isaiah Holstein
	Landon Fugal	Declan McAlhany
	Sam Roundy	Kimball Coombs
	Kimball Coombs	Sam Roundy/Landon Fugal
	Isiah Holstein	Caden Fellar
	Kyla Rounds	Kayliegh Eagle
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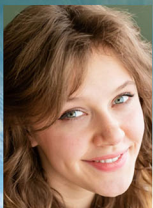
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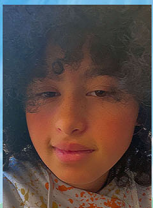
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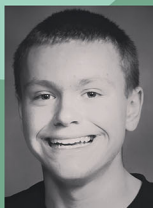
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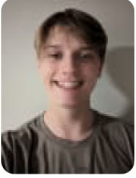
CAST LIST



Camdyn Anderson

Alice, Asheville Cast

This is my 15th show at the Ziegfeld Theater! I love the family atmosphere and the dedication of the cast and crew. Some of my favorite previous roles include Marty (Grease), Morticia (Addams Family) and Rusty (Footloose).



Christian Anglesey

Jimmy Ray, Zebulon Cast

This is my first show back at the zig. After more than a year of being away. I'm really excited to do the show. Bright star is my favorite and is a dream come true.



Josh Bronson

Max/ Dr. Norquist/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

I have been doing theater for many years with the Ziegfeld theater and have loved every show. I have played many roles with some of my favorite being Buddy the elf in Elf, and Sonny in Grease. I want to thank all of the amazing people that do theater with my that make me truly feel like I belong.



Guy Butler

Mayor Dobbs, Zebulon Cast/ Ensemble, Asheville Cast

Bright Star will be Guy's 8th show with Ziegfeld. Some of his favorite roles include Jafar in Aladdin, Buddy in Elf, the Escapologist in Matilda, and Pulitzer in Newsies. Guy loves the friendships he's made in theater, and looks forward to many more!



Keziah Buttars

Lucy, Zebulon Cast

My name is Keziah, and theater is my passion. I've never been more dedicated to anything else. I've learned so much and made so many memories and friends.



Jackson Colyar

Stanford/ Station Master/ Bartender, Asheville Cast

I love doing shows at zig, I can play all these fun roles and make great friends!

CAST LIST



Kimball Coombs

Billy Cane, Zebulon Cast/ Ensemble, Asheville Cast

Kimball is excited to be a part of Zig's Bright Star. He's enjoyed his time performing on stage, the friends he's made, and the growth and confidence that comes from performing. He loves to play Basketball, Fort Night, hanging out with friends and singing!



Kayleigh Eagle

Lucy, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

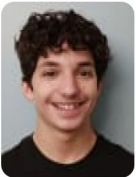
I love theater because of the amazing stories I get to be a part of. I have enjoyed this incredible process for Bright Star and the emotions we have all experienced and gone through in this beautiful story. I am so grateful to be able to share it with so many wonderful people I have been able to grow closer with, and for those who I've been getting to know better. We are a big family and we all have each other's backs without question. I am so thankful we get to share this truly passionate and heartfelt story with you. I hope you all enjoy it as much as we have, and it is an experience you will never forget.



Jack Fairbank

Stanford/ Station Master/ Bartender, Zebulon Cast

I am excited to be part of this show and working with such a fabulous cast! I have been performing since I was 8 years old. I have enjoyed many opportunities to be on stage to share my passion for performing, which began right here at the Zig. A few of the characters I have played are Rapunzel's Prince in Into the Woods, Scar in the Lion King, Captain Hook in Finding Neverland and Troy Bolton in High School Musical. I'm ready to perform on this stage again to share this incredible story to you.



Caden Feller

Daddy Murphy, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

I love theater because I can work with my friends towards something amazing that brings joy to others. It's an incredible feeling and keeps me coming back show after show!



Landon Fugal

Daryl, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

I love performing with the Zig because it allows all of us to let loose and have fun. I have developed special connections with my cast mates that are long-lasting. All cast members, as well as the whole production team are a big family... one big, crazy family. I sure love each and every member of The Ziegfeld Family!

CAST LIST



Lucas Hill

Mayor Dobbs, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

Lucas is so pleased to be returning to acting at the Zig! His most recent show was Zigs youth Spamalot, as King Arthur. He is glad to be returning to his fellow cast mates to put on another amazing production!



Isaiah Holstein

Daddy Murphy, Zebulon Cast/ Ensemble, Asheville Cast

I love theater because I love meeting new people and making new friends. I love the thrill of performing onstage! I want to thank my family and friends for their support, and Jesus for giving me the ability to perform.



Garrett Huerta

Daddy Cane, Zebulon Cast

I love performing at the zig!



Declan McAlhany

Daryl, Zebulon Cast

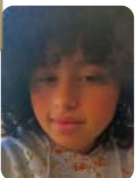
Declan McAlhany has been in several shows with the Ziegfeld theater, but his most favorite role was Oliver in the musical Oliver! when he was only 11 years old. He also loves to listen to music and travel.



Aurora Nelson

Alice, Zebulon Cast

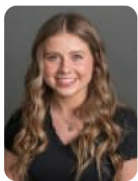
Aurora is thrilled to be back with the Zig Prep program once again. She has thoroughly enjoyed the other shows she has done with the Youth and Main Stage productions at the Ziegfeld Theater, and loves the opportunity to express herself through performance. Some of her favorite previous roles with the Zig have included Hope Cladwell in Urinetown, Morticia in Addams Family, and the Witch in Into the Woods.



Emery Nelson

Mama Murphy, Zebulon Cast/ Ensemble, Asheville Cast

I love performing, dancing, acting, singing and being on stage. Being able to act makes me feel at peace and I feel my true self. When I am at Zig I feel at home, and safe.



Isabella Nestel

Edna/ Clerk, Zebulon Cast/ Swing, Asheville Cast

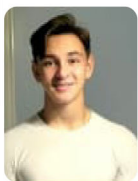
I love working at the Zig!



Bella Powell

Mama Murphy, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

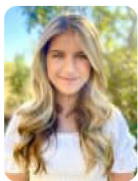
I love theatre because of the amazing people. I love the thrill of performing and every step along the way. I thank God for my chance to meet and perform with such wonderful people.



Gabriel Rojas

Jimmy Ray, Asheville Cast

Gabriel has a deep passion for the arts. He loves dancing and singing which makes musical theater something he enjoys thoroughly. He competes in ballroom and ballroom lift, loves flipping and tricking, and plays most sports. He has made lifelong friends performing at the Zig and is grateful for any chance to be on stage.



Kyla Rounds

Margo, Zebulon Cast/ Ensemble, Asheville Cast

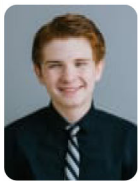
The Zig is like a second home to me. I am so grateful for all the opportunities I have been given and for the time spent with my amazing and talented friends here. Some of my favorite roles have been Sir Robin (Spamalot), Rafiki (Lion King), Cinderella (Cinderella), and Little Red (Into the Woods). This is my 15th show at Zig. It has been an amazing few years. I'm so very thankful for all of it.



Sam Roundy

Billy Cane, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

Sam loves doing shows at Zig! He has made incredible experiences and amazing friends through these shows. His favorite roles include Willard in Footloose, Gomez in The Addams Family, and Mr. Wormwood in Matilda.



Gavin Stoker

Max/ Dr. Norquist/ Ensemble, Asheville Cast

This is my second theater production with Ziegfeld ever. My first show with Ziegfeld was Newsies and it was such a good experience that I decided to audition for Bright Star. I'm starting to really like theater because of the people that I work with and the experience of putting everything we work on together into one big huge project that has consumed my life. Bright Star is gonna be great just you watch and see.

CAST LIST



AJ Szymanski

Daddy Cane, Asheville Cast/ Ensemble, Zebulon Cast

After recently closing Curtains at Weber High School, (and also knowing that he needs to be in a musical to stay sane) AJ was thrilled to join the Zig once again and audition for Bright Star. Having worked at the Ziegfeld Theater since April of 2022, AJ has been seen on the stage in both Grease and Cinderella. He considers the Zig as a second home and his cast mates and the theater staff as a second family. AJ makes sure to train his voice with the help of vocal coach Kelli Morris. He is incredibly thankful to be a part of this production. However, AJ is most thankful for his wonderful parents and family for supporting his pursuit of musical theater.



Brooklyn Tousley

Margo, Asheville Cast

Brooklyn graduated from Layton High and has a passion for the performing arts. She has been doing shows at the Ziegfeld Theater since the age of 14 and is excited to continue her theater experience with the Ziegfeld Theater. She currently is taking voice from Rick Rea on Broadway. Some of her favorite past roles are Hope in Urine Town, Gabriella in High School Musical, Kim in Bye Bye Birdie, Lady Of The Lake in Spamalot, Gretchen in Freaky Friday, Cosette in Les Miserables, Evie in Descendants, and Gertrude in Seussical. Brooklyn is so excited to continue to do musical theater for years to come and is grateful for the incredible theater experience the Ziegfeld Theater has given her.



Damia Towery

Florence/ Well Dressed Woman, Both Casts

I love doing theater because it helps me learn all the skills that I need to become more of who I want to be.



Laila Westover

Edna/ Clerk, Asheville Cast

It's been too long since I've done a musical! Bright Star is my all-time favorite musical and I am so happy to be playing Edna in this production! It's my first show at the Zig and I am so excited! I have been in musicals since the third grade and love to dance and sing and am now looking into building a career in theatre audio technology. My favorite role was probably Anna in Savior of the World. Bright Star shares a beautiful message of hardship and hope. I hope you enjoy!

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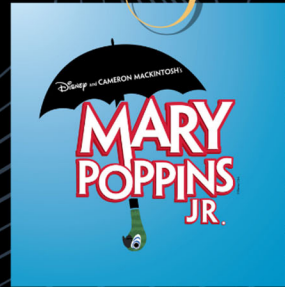
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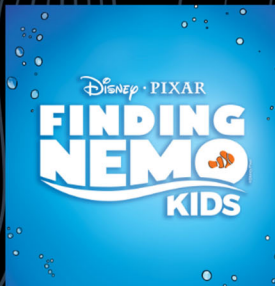
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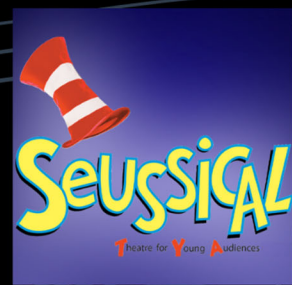
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2024 Season



January 5-20



February 23- March 16



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June 14- 29



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October 4- 26



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