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"MEMORIES ARE THE KEY NOT TO THE PAST, BUT TO THE FUTURE."

CORRIE TEN BOOM

### DIRECTOR'S NOTE

THERE IS A PICTURE OF TWO VIBRANT YOUNG MEN. It is a unique moment in time. The young men are talented performers, teachers and directors. Their smiles light up the Benson Auditorium and everyone is just happy to be near them. They are the best of us. It is altogether fitting for us to look back from time to time. It is completely right to reflect on beautiful days gone by. When we remember the good, we brighten the present, and we recommit ourselves to a better future.

Every performance of Harding Theatre this year has been dedicated to our good friend and theatre graduate, Harrison Waldron. Our prayers are with Harrison for healing and for his wife, Hayley, to have strength each and every day. Our desire is to honor them through our work.

Then, at the start of this semester, current theatre student Blake Hunter was called home to Heaven as a result of a sudden illness. Blake had brought joy to thousands as a Host for Spring Sing, a Pied Piper, a musical performer and a choreographer. Our prayers are also for the Hunter family and we would certainly encourage alumni to donate to the Blake Hunter Theatre Scholarship fund.

But when I look back at this picture I cannot help but be happy. I am happy that thousands have cared and shared these lives and memories. I am happy that my life is richer by the time we have had together. I am happy that no matter our struggles, we will have the greatest Spring Sing party ever in Heaven one day. And it will no doubt be filled with music from the 70s and 80s, the first years of Spring Sing at Harding University.

Retro-bution suggests that it is payback time for the past. This year, might I suggest that *Retro-bution* is a time to say thanks for all the fantastic moments we are graced to share. So, buckle up friends, it is time for a blast from the past! It is time for *Retro-bution*!

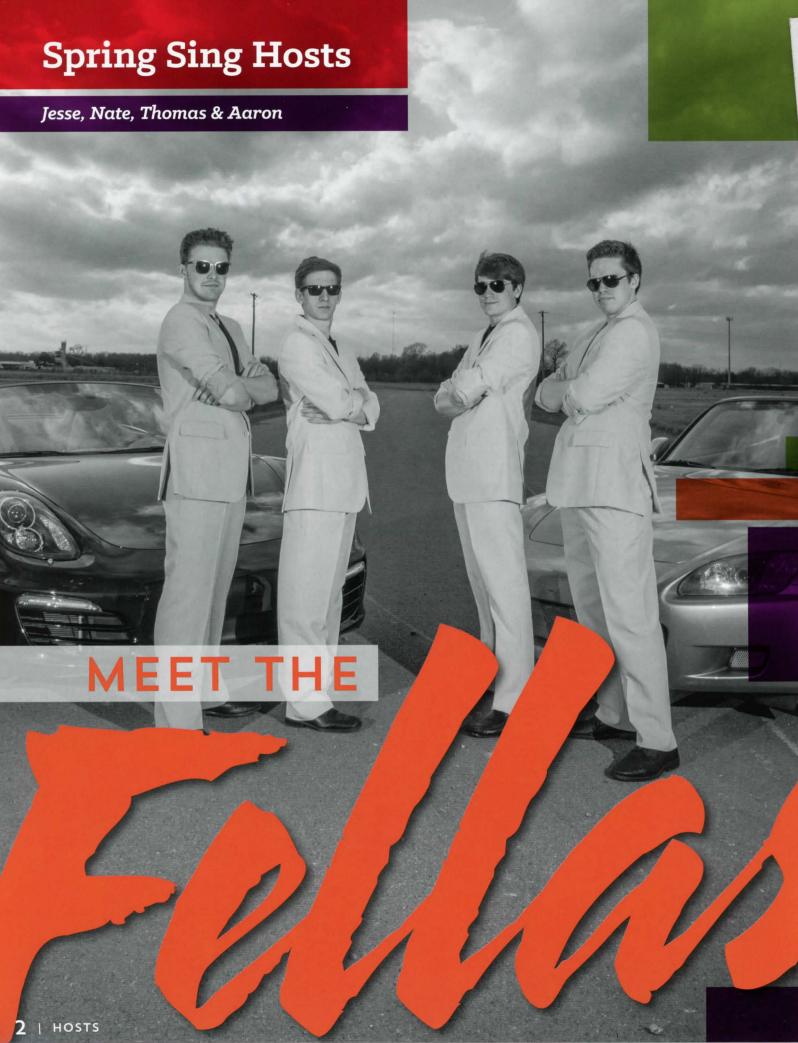
Welcome to Spring Sing 2016

Dr. Steven Frye
Director, Spring Sing

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# JESSE HIXSC

RECOGNIZE SENIOR JESSE HIXSON? That's because this year is his second time as a Spring Sing Host.

"I'm incredibly excited about getting to host with all guys this year," Jesse said. "It adds a totally different dynamic to the show that I'm eager to have the audience respond to."

Jesse, a performance and production management major from Nolensville, Tenn., has also been in the Spring Sing Ensemble twice. He has also appeared in four Homecoming musicals. He's particularly excited about Spring Sing 2016.

"I'm over-the-moon about my feature as it's an homage to my favorite artists and music genre," he said.

The son of Josh and Annette Hixson, Jesse, when he's not on the Benson stage, enjoys playing the violin, running, reading and just being with people.

**SENIOR NATE LOWE** is a healthcare management major from Lexington, S.C. He is the son of Vernon and Karen Lowe.

As a student, Nate has been a part of Harding Chorus, Chamber Singers and his social club Chi Sigma Alpha. He was also involved with the musical Singing in the Rain.

It will come as no surprise that this this barbershop-enthusiast is most excited about just being able to perform in Spring Sing.

"If you've ever been in the audience watching a Harding production like Spring Sing or the Homecoming musical, you've witnessed incredible energy and talent pouring out of the student body," Nate said. "The feeling is infectious. I want to do my part."





# THOMAS WILLIAMS

**SENIOR THOMAS WILLIAMS** is no stranger to Harding productions. Spring Sing 2016 is his 12th.

A few of his favorite roles include Pinocchio in Shrek, Charley in Charley's Aunt and an Ensemble member in Spring Sing 2015, 2014 and 2013.

Thomas ia a Bible and Ministry major from Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. He is the son of Leslie and LaVonna Williams.

What stands out to Thomas about the 70s and 80s? Simple. The music.

"I feel like the classic rock from the 70s and 80s is some of the most unifying music ever," he said. "Who doesn't love *Take it Easy*? Or *Don't Stop Believing*? Or *Carry on My Wayward Son*? It's truly just great, great music."

# AARON

A SELF-PROCLAIMED 70S AND 80S MUSIC enthusiast, junior Aaron Young is a marketing major from Bentonville, Ark. Aaron is the son of Tim and Heather Young.

Aaron said he is looking forward to Spring Sing 2016 for a very important reason.

"I think the thing I am looking forward to the most would have to be the music," he said. "I have always been a lover of 70s and 80s music. My parents raised me right. There are a lot of amazing music selections for the show from these two decades, and I couldn't be more excited to have a part in performing them on the Benson stage."

Aaron has served as a Spring Sing director for Omega Phi social club and has participated in Chorus, Chamber Singers and The Good News Singers. You may also recognize him from Shrek the Musical and Pirates of Penzance.

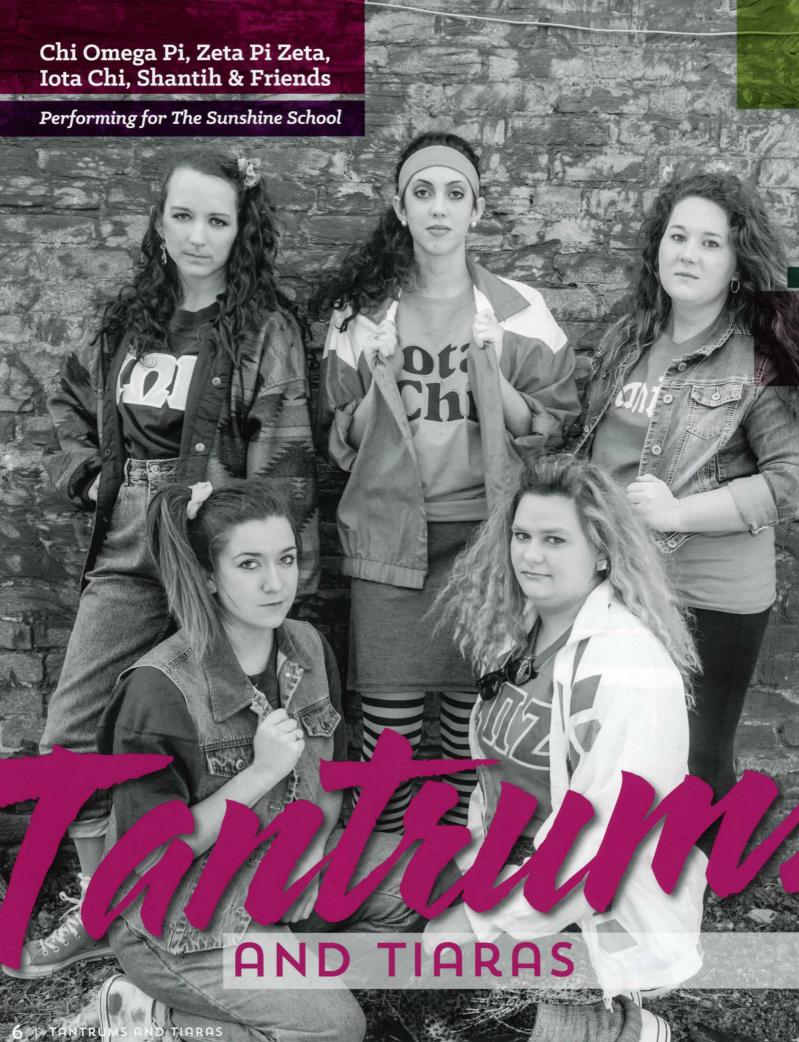


# THE

Row 1: Melanie Young, Grant Malone, Kelsey Evans, Tyler Ritchie. Row 2: Belle Blickenstaff, Hannah Wright. Row 3: Renee Maynard, Duncan Michael, Tiffany Beck, Lindsey Farley, Claire Heffley. Row 4: Drew Mason, Parker Skinner, Josh Robinson, Brandtly Wheeler, Joey Robinson.



Row 1: Garrison Gerrard, Jackson Russell, Emily Wideman, Stephen Woods, Jake McCoy, Jess Stano, Ary Perry. Row 2: Luke Uebelien, Jon Oden, Ian Scott, Caleb Overton, Nathan Stout, Spencer Byrd. Row 3: Isaac Riffle, Dr. Andrew Cook, Mary Jorgensen, Devin Daniel, Alissa Buckner.



GLITZ AND GLAM stage moms will do whatever it takes to have their little princess crowned Ultimate Grand Supreme. How much of the pageant life can these toddlers take? Who will walk away with the crown?



## SPECIAL THANKS

David Robison, Michael Nesbit, Olivia Ballinger, Ellen Harris, Miranda Hoffer, Sarah Owens

**D** | Director

CH | Choreography

co | Costumes

M | Music

Technical

Abby Fair Abby Owens F.

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Alecia Gutche Alexis VanWinkle

Alex Jackson

Alex Rasbury Alex Traughber

Alicia Cook

Alison Strasser

Allison Slagter

Ally Randolph

Alydia Partlow

Amanda Thannisch

Amy Hatfield

Ana Swearingen

Anna Barnes

**Ashley Phares** 

Ashlynn Armstrong F.

**Aubrie Larkins** 

Austin Walton

Bailey Robertson

Ben Hicks

Bethany Moore F.

Bo Smith

Brenna Walters

BritnevAnne McDonald

Carley Rhymes

Caroline Kelly

Caroline Spann Cassidy Hopper

Charity Barnes

Charles Ann Freeman

Christi Jenczyk

Clae Walker

Clara Hartman

Daniel Shaffer F.

Elena Rabago

Elissa McCumpsey

Ellie Hipp D. CO. T. L.

Elliot Mabe

Emily Legg

**Emily Wornock** 

Emma Powell

**Emory Rockwell** 

Erin Bliss

Erin Shea Slomers

Evelyn Green

Evie McCumpsey

Gabby Carrera

Haley Hutson

Hannah Johnson

Hannah Knight

Harley Halliburton

Havden Nooner

Heather Spillman D. CO. T. L.

James Higashino

Jasmine Binford M.

Jasmine Griffin

Jesse Mechler D. CO. T. P.

Jessica Gray

Julian Trujilo

Kara Fries

Karissa Kelly Kate Barnes

Katherine Bowman

Katie Peoples

Katie West

Kayla Clothier

Kaylan Griffin F.

Kavla Vance

Kaylie Ross

Kimberly Moon T.

Kimmi Scanlon

Kirk McDaniel

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Kyrsten Romano

Lauren Burcham

Leah Sumners

Loren Cheatham

Lucas Peclat-Begin

Lynsey Rardin

MacKenzie Braak

Macy McClung

Macy Stratton

Maddie Holloway

Madison Beasley

Maggie McDowell

Maggie Thomas CO. F.

Mallory Runner

Mariah Paulger

McKayla Mills

Megan Clanin

Megan Hinton

Megan Ryan

Megan Shovestull

Megan Spence **D. CO. T. CH.** 

Melissa Lapaglia

Michaela Granderson

Michael Tyree

Michela Giordano

Mikalah Hanes

Morgan Pruitt

Noah Watson Paige Hunn

Patrick Wright

Peyden Overby

Rachel Stone

Rebecca Johnson Rebekah Brock

Reed Raney

Ryan Cagle

Sarah Brister

Sarah Grace Griffith

Sarah Miller M.

Sarah Steely CO.

Savanna Phares

Shalyn Thomas

Shauna Yeager

Shay Keirce

Shelby Hamilton

Stephanie Kight

Sydney Kern M.

Tara Harville

Taylor Paden

Tony Todd

Tori Cannefax

Victoria Hawkins Whitney McDonald

THE DIRECTORS





Abilene, Texas



Sophomore Topeka, Kan







Washington, Ill.





# THE SNOW

**EVERYBODY KNOWS THE STORY** of Peter Pan traveling to London and losing his shadow in the nursery absence. With Peter gone and The Chief in trouble, adventure awaits these miniature misfit heroes.

# THE CAST

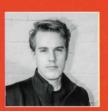
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### THE DIRECTORS

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Faith Bailey Sophomore Brownwood, Texas



Will Jackson Sophomore Tuscaloosa, Ala.



Sophomor Irmo, S.C

Abby Feenstra

Alex Alatorre Alex Rasbury

Alex Stroud

Alicia Grady

Allison Nolan

Amanda Durey

Amy Hope

Anthony Todd

Ashlynn Armstrong

**Austin Garner** Ben Iiles

Calee Ash

Carlos Lopez

Caroline McKinley

Chad Kraft P. T.

Chase Mangrum

Chloe Radcliffe

Collin Swenson

Courtney Adcock

Dakota Roeder

Emily Kilgore D. M.

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Emily Ann Braziel P. Faith Bailey **D. CH.** 

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Gracie Tucker

Grant Malone F.

Hannah Jadwin

Hannah Knabe

Jackson Eldridge

Jared Mannon

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Kavla Meeler

Kayla Schweikhard

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Kyle Threatt

Landon Burcham

Lily Nagel

Logan McDougald

Loren Holifield **T.** 

Luke Hoggard

Mackenzie Baldwin

Madison Ramsey

Madison Vanderheiden

Max McClelland P.

Megan Ledbetter

Meredith Wood

Monica Giles

Morgan Baldwin

Morgan Peters

Natalie Arnold

Nicholas Hiles

Olivia Marino

Peyton Royster

Reece Johnson

Robyn Terry

Laura Wagner

Shane O'Keefe

Sheridan Gray

Stefani Stovall

Susan Harrington CO.

Sydney Mann T.

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Sydney Smith

Tabitha Lampley

Tiffany Beck F.

Tim Griekspoor

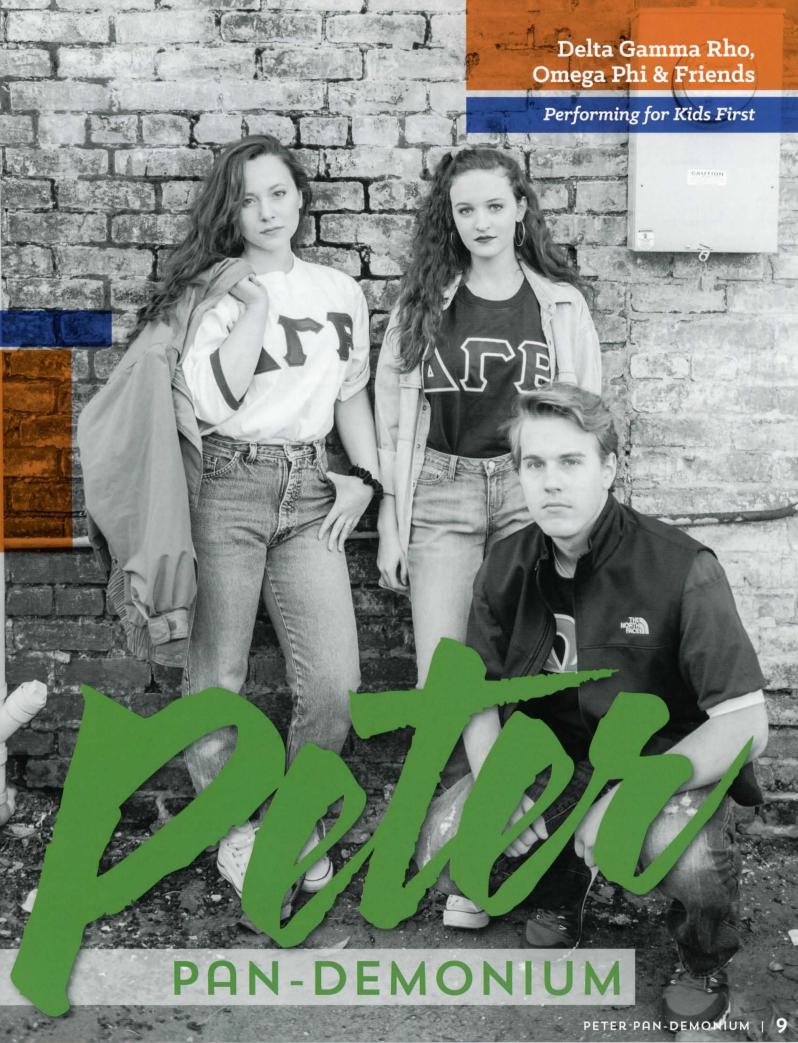
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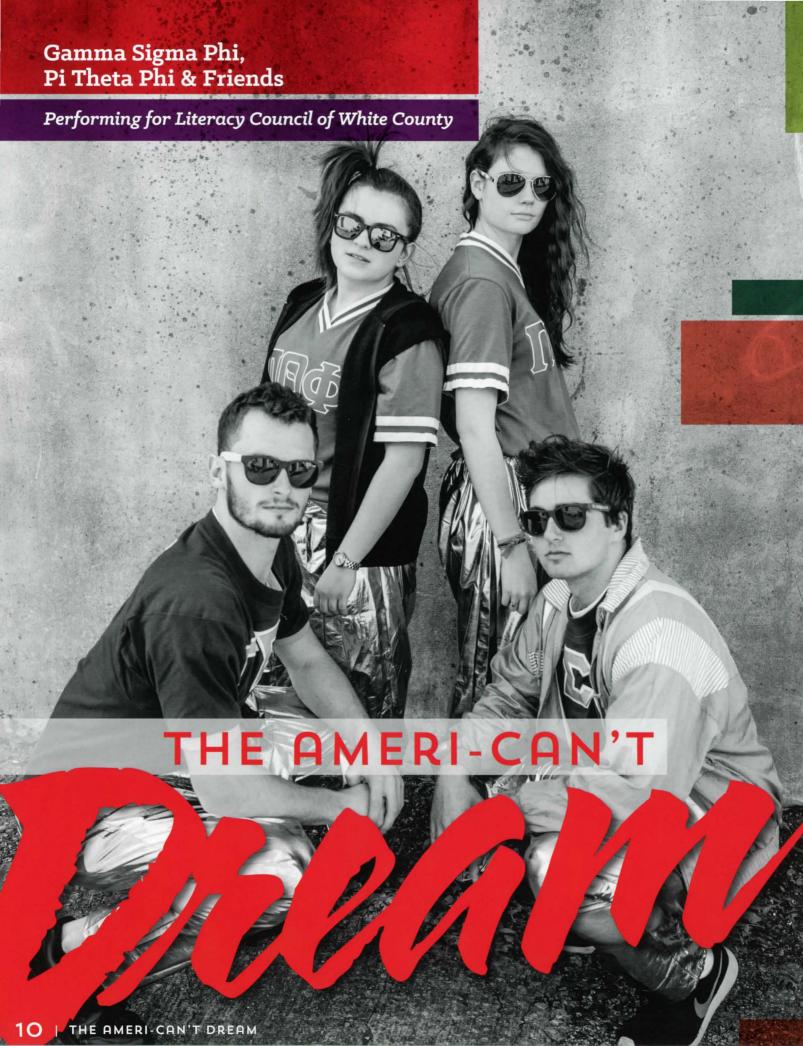
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Wesley Hargon L.

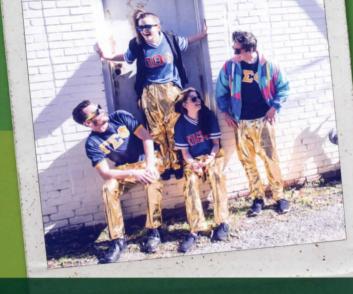
Will Brannen Will Jackson D. L.

Zachary Snedker





A NEWLY-ELECTED CONGRESSMAN arrives in Washington, D.C. and experiences the frustrations of aisle-crossing antics. Will all of the distractions stop Congress from getting anything accomplished, or will the Congressman help them pass their bill after all?



Allie Lowe

Anna Taylor Ashton Cate D. CO. T. P.

Becky O'Briant Blake Herring

Braden Bowman F.

Brendon Noves

**Bridgette Price** 

Caleb Brackney

Caleb Carnev

Cami Simmons

Carson White

Carter Ness D. CH. P.

Chris Radford

Christian Ramsey

Claire Maxwell

Colby Hoagland

Cole Brooks

Conner Payne

Courtney Hirsch

Danielle Ellis

**Dante Battles** 

**Delaney Bowles** 

Elijah Sheffield

Elise Maurel

Emily Sheffield D. M. L. CO.

**Emmy Burton** Erin Raimondi

Felicia Bueno

Grace Nickols Haley Kuck

Hallie Hite

Hannah Beck Hannah Holt

Hannah Mosher

Holly Jones

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Jenna Pittenger Iennifer Burch

Jenny Martin

Joe Tolar

Julie Delgado Kaitlin Eubanks

Kaleh Reid

Katie Finch

Katie Johnson Kaycie Alexander

**Kayley Ross** Keely Johnson

Kelly Horne

Kenzie Thompson

Kylie Stephens Laura Ogden

Leah Taylor

Madalina Overstreet

Madison Basset

CH | Choreography

Madison Vanderheiden

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Michael Essary

Nora Johnson

Paden Shelburn

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Rachel Bean

Rachel Swann

Reed Harriman

Riley Sneed

Ross Smith F.

Samantha Thomas

Sarah Roe

Savannah Howard

Sawyer Jones

Sierra Cash D. M. CO. P.

Taylor Brown

Taylor Kemp

Timothy Strasser

Tyler Wood Van Chey

Whitney Scott

Will Allen

# SPECIAL THANKS

Our parents, Steve Frye, Cindee Stockstill, and Garrison Gerard for everything they have done for us to help make this show a reality.

# THE DIRECTORS



Sophomore Paris, Tenn.



Sierra Cash Anderson, Ind



**Carter Ness** Monticello, Ill.



**Emily Sheffield** Harrison, Ark

# THE

AN OLD FRIEND SHOWS UP at the celebratory tea party of Mad Hatter and Red Queen's engagement. This guest stirs up a love triangle that leaves Red Queen wanting revenge. Will Mad Hatter ever be with his true love or will his heart be forever locked away in Red Oueen's lair?

### THE DIRECTORS Directors



**Dailey Beasley** Sophomore Paragould, Ark.



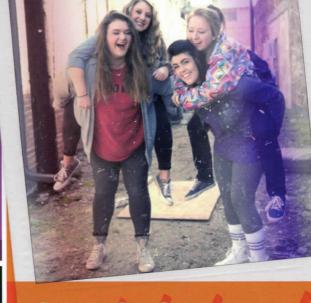
**Rachel Bryant** Sophomore Lubbock, Texas



Shannon McCurdy Austin, Texas



Katelyn Perrett Sophomore Highland, Mich.



## SPECIAL THANKS

We want to give a special thanks to the One who gave us the talent, strength and spirit to create this production. We are so grateful to have had this opportunity to work with people we love for the glory of God!

**D** Director

co | Costumes M | Music T | Technical

## THE CAST

Alicia Maners Alyssa Harrell

**Andrew Diles** 

Anna Smedley

Annie Kraner

Ann-Marie Gurchiek

**Ashley Collins** 

Ashley Graber

**Ashley Prosser** Ashlynn Quesinberry

Audrey Moeckel Austin Billner

Belle Blickenstaff

**Bethany Lusk** 

Blakely Wood

Brandon Johnson

**Bren Grymes** 

Carmen Holtgraewe

Caroline Burch

Caroline Koonce

Cassidy Colbert

Ce'jae Hodge

Chelsea Key

Claire Owen

Clare Vawter

**Courtney Smelser** 

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**Dailey Thomas** 

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Ellie Arnett

**Emily Collins** 

**Emily Conner** 

Erin Whittle

Gabri Goodwyn

Haley Carr

Haley Hood

Hannah Ponder

Hunter Hoagland

Iliana Ochoa

Jacky Barragan

Jadyn Hix

Jake Eddleman

Take Wolfe Jami Maturi

Jane Vanderburgh

Jase Thornton

Jess Trujillo

Jill Lewis

Jordan Jones

Joseph Berryman

Josh Brandon

Josh Walker

Justin Manchester T.

Kaleigh Benton

Kalli Ashford

Katelyn Funderburk

Katelyn Perrett D. L. M.

Katherine Howell

Kellie Keese

Kelsey Eubanks

**Kelsey Evans** 

Kelsey Varner

Keslee Dunavin F.

Kyle Dingus M.

Landry Dowdy

Lauren Thomas

Luis Galvan-Contreras

Lyndi Jones

Mackenzie Hawks

Madeline Walker

Madison Edwards

Madison Kelly

Madison Massey

Marcie Master

Marley Cole

Mary Grace Allen

Mary Hannah Sipe

McKenzie Dileo

Michael Nesbit M.

Morgan Jayde Sherrod

Morgan Ray F.

Nathan Wagner

Paul Pearson

Perri Thomas

Peyton Templeton

Peyton Winn

Rachel Bryant D. CH. L.

Reagan Witt

Rilee Hardcastle

Sadie Stone

Sam Taylor

Sara Belue

Sarah Creeley

Savannah Sipe F.

Shannon McCurdy D. CO. T. P.

CH | Choreography

Props

Shelby Koch

Susan Easterling

Tara Finley

Taryn Brown

Taryn Willis

Taylor Snyder

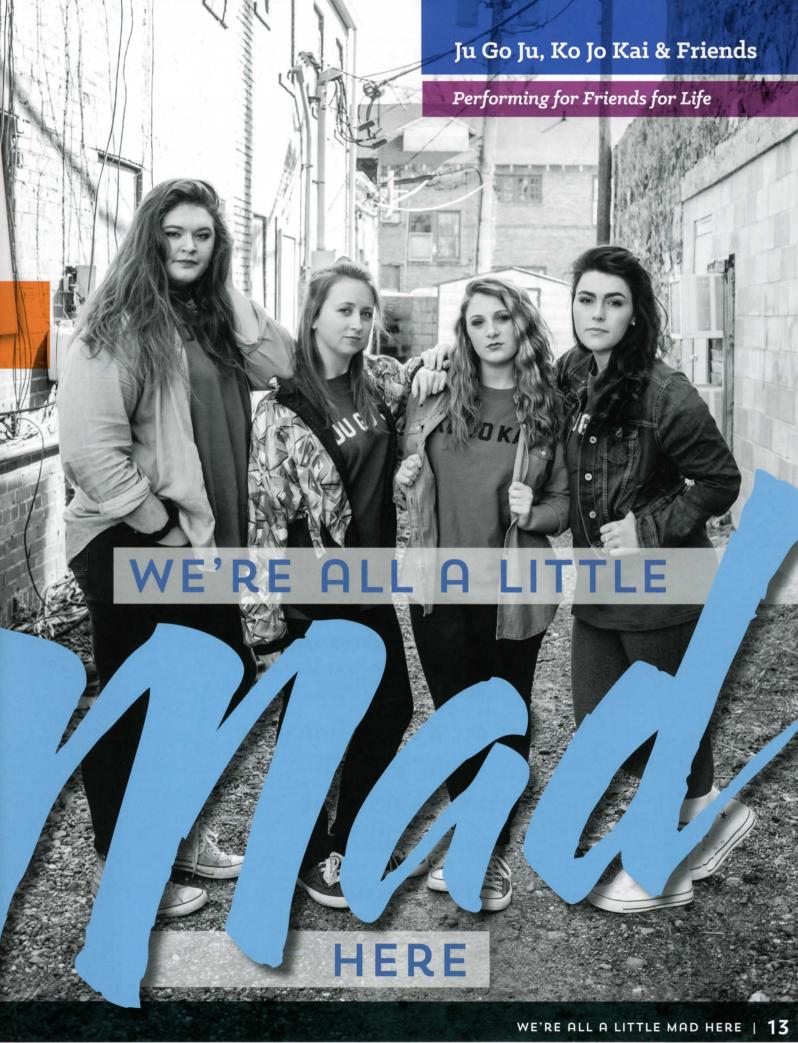
**Taylor Wilkins** 

Than Kersey

Titus Dauck F.

Will Humphrey

Victoria Park





### BACK IN TIME AGAIN

Hosts, Ensemble & Jazz Band Arranged by J. Warren Casey

### TANTRUMS AND TIARAS

Chi Omega Pi, Zeta Pi Zeta, Iota Chi, Shantih & Friends

### **ANTHEM**

Nate Lowe & Jazz Band Arranged by J. Warren Casey

### PETER PAN-DEMONIUM

Delta Gamma Rho, Omega Phi & Friends

### SUPERSTITION

Harding University Jazz Band Written by Steve Wonder/Arranged by Mike Tomaro

### THE AMERI-CAN'T DREAM

Gamma Sigma Phi, Pi Theta Phi & Friends

### **BROTHERHOOD OF MAN**

Thomas Williams, Ensemble Men & Jazz Band Arranged by J. David White

### WE'RE ALL A LITTLE MAD HERE

Ju Go Ju, Ko Jo Kai & Friends

### THE LONGEST TIME

Hosts & Jazz Band Arranged by J. Warren Casey

INTERMISSION



### SOMETHING STRANGE

Hosts, Ensemble & Jazz Band Arranged by J. David White

### THINGS ONE AND TWOSICAL: THE MUSICAL

Chi Sigma Alpha, Regina & Sigma Phi Mu

### MAN IN THE MIRROR

Aaron Young & Jazz Band Arranged by J. David White

### **GOLD HEARTED**

GATA, Chi Kappa Rho, Phi Kappa Delta & Friends

### **GETAWAY**

Harding University Jazz Band Written by Bernard "Beloyd" Taylor & Peter Cor Belenky Arranged by Paul Murtha

### DELTA NU MOON

Delta Nu & Friends

### TRAVELIN' PRAYER

Jesse Hixson & Musicians
Sam Morris (Mandolin), Zane Strickler (Guitar),
Benjamin Stewart (Banjo), Jon Oden (Bass),
Carly Taylor (Fiddle)

Written by Billy Joel

### ICE, ICE BABY

TNT. Zeta Rho & Friends

### UNITED WE STAND

Hosts & Jazz Band Arranged by J. Warren Casey

### HEART OF ROCK 'N ROLL

Hosts, Ensemble, Club Representatives & Jazz Band Arranged by J. Warren Casey





DR. SEUSS SENDS THINGS ONE AND TWOSICAL through Quadrusical on a journey to find their purpose in this musical. On their whimsical quest they encounter the whacky worlds of the Lorax and the Whos. Finding themselves not fitting in, the Things need a larger than life hero. Come along with the Things on this magical adventure to see "Oh the Places They'll Go!"



We would like to say a special thanks to Hunter Jackson and Kyle Buckner for their hard work in graphics and tech. Also to Ben Parrish, the honorary member who never got to shine. Thanks guys!

# THE

D Director

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Kasey Newton

Kate Galloway

Katee Jo Vantine

Kathryn English

Kaylen Martin F.

Kelsy Patterson

Kenna Daggett

Kory Jones F.

Leeanna Wolf

Lizzy Dalling

Luke Kays

Mason Starks

Mason Williams

Levi Bogus D. M. L. F. P.

Kyle Rapp

Katie Lincoln

M | Music

Aaron Alexander

Aaron West

Alex Barnes

Alex Porter

Alissa Buckner

Andrew Sweatt F.

Anna Waldrum F.

Ashley Crossman F.

Audra Staley F.

Bailey Forkner T.

Bailey Patterson CO.

Baylee Hedden

Bethany Brown

Bethany Johnson

Bethany Rotti

Brett Favano F.

Bowman Johnson

Bre Snyder D. CH. L. F. P.

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Cody Stubblefield F.

Cora Bonham

Danielle Marks

Danielle Pfalser

David Pradzynski

David Taylor

Drew Davis

Drew Howerton F.

Elisha Holst

Emily Brandon L. F. P.

Emily Inwards D. CO. L. F. P.

Evan Kauper F.

Hannah Banowsky

Hannah Benson

Hannah Greer

Hannah Read

Hannah Williams

Hannah Wunnicke

Harding Humphries

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Tack Allen

Jacob George

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Nicole Vollmering

Oran Tubre F.

Parker Samuel

Paul McLarty

Payden Taylor F. L. M.

Rachael Islek

Rachel Coursey

Rachel Greer

Rebecca Foster

Riley George F.

Ryan Cagle F. Sam Traughber

Samantha Shepherd F.

Sara Roibal

Sarah Hughes

Spencer Jones

**Taylor Spinks** 

Trent Yurcho

Wesley Owens

### Directors

### THE DIRECTORS



Levi Bogus Junior Senatobia, Miss



**Emily Inwards** Kuna. Idaho



Bre Snyder Fayetteville, Ark.



### THE AZTECS ARE A PEACEFUL PEOPLE

until the Conquistadors arrive. Under the leadership of Hernán Cortés, the Conquistadors explore the land in search of gold, fall in love, and have a run-in with the natives. But the Aztecs just might have a few things up their sleeves.

# SPECIAL THANKS

A special thanks to all who were involved in the show both onstage and offstage. We could not have done it without you all!

# THE Directors DIRECTORS



Alyssa Abraham Senior Gainesville, Mo.



Casi Caton Sophomore Garfield, Ark



**Holly Jones** Senior Mayfield, Ky.

# THE

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Allison Stover

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Colin McIntosh

Cristina Santiago

Daniel Henkel F.

Drew Couch

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Hannah Clifton

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Hunter Beck

Hunter Jackson T.

Jacob Ralls

James Ruble

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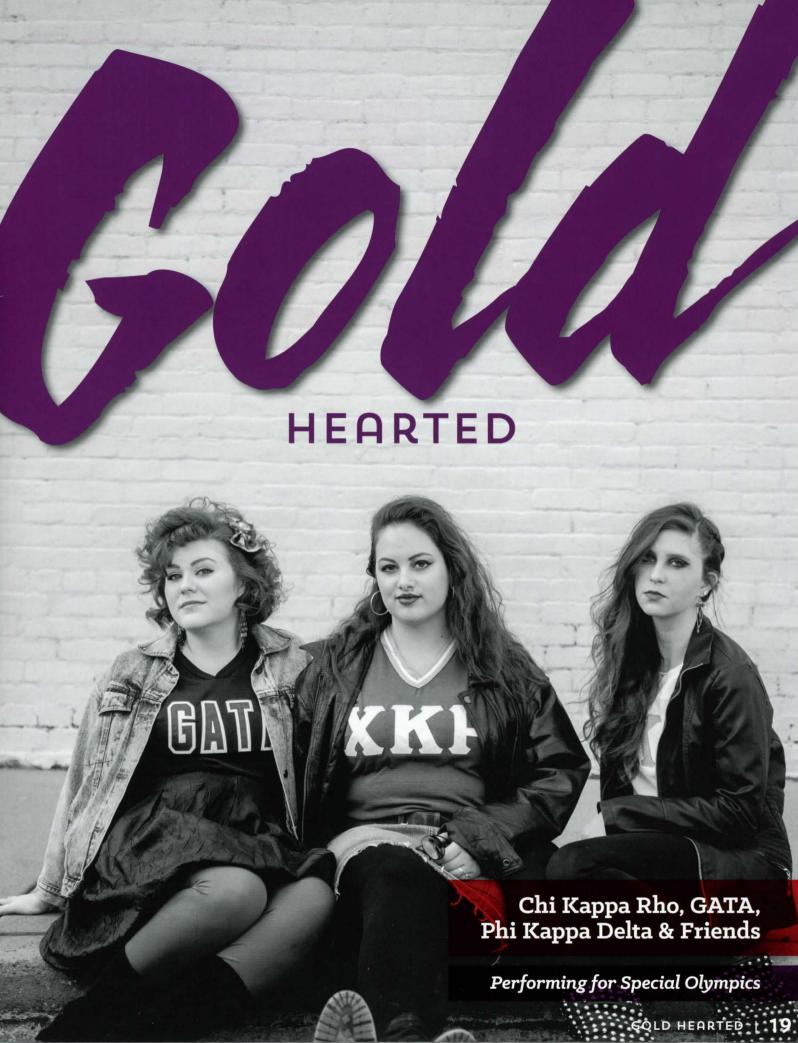
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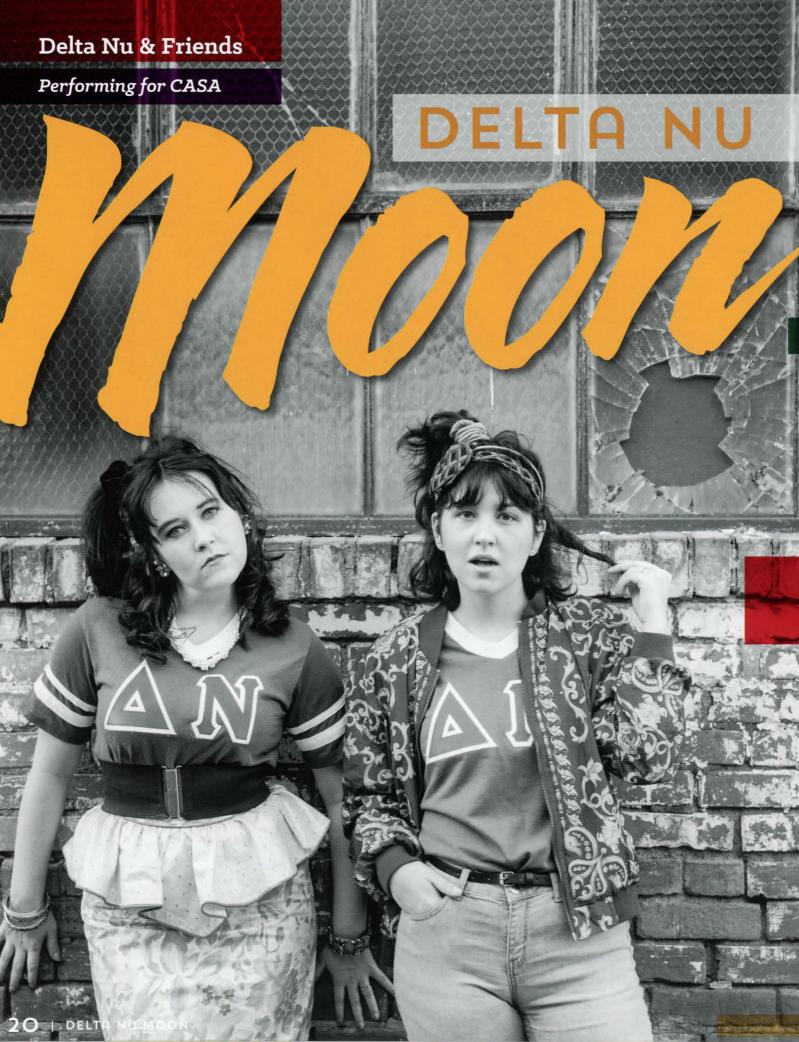
Michael Hogan F.

Montez Langley Natalie Traughber Nicole Jacob Ozzy Johnson Rachel Ganong Rachel Moore Rachel Murray Rachel Stafford M. Sara Johnson Sarah McCoy Savanna George Savannah Howard

Sierra Heasley

Summer Belle Tate





WHEN A FAMILY OF VAMPIRES decides to adopt a human girl, they just need the approval of local villagers. When the adoption agency declares that the best place for little Sonny is with the vampires, the humans go a little batty. Chaos ensues, but in the end, little Sonny chooses the love of a family.



### THE DIRECTORS



Karis Elliott Sophomore San Angelo, Texas



Shelby Underwood Junior New Braunfels, Texas

# SPECIAL THANKS

Co-Director and lyricist: Natalie Smith

Arranger: Jordan Simpson

Costumers: Hannah Sawyer and Meliny Pond

Music team: Ben Stewart, Jackson Russell, Ronnie Clements, Jordan Nichols and Caroline Ritchie

co | Costumes

# THE CAST

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Jeremy Koel Joeey Robinson Iulie Anne White Karis Elliott D. Katrina Weir **Kelsey Worgess** 

Matthew King

Shelby Underwood D. Sydney Warren

CH | Choreography



# THE SHOW

**EVERY MIGHTY PENGUIN** of Antarctica has but one simple dream: to have a family. Life for a penguin has one purpose: protect the egg. Nothing could stand in their way, no matter how big, white and furry it may be...

**D** | Director

co | Costumes

Music Technical

# THE

Abigail McLain Addison Picker Alex Elliott Ally Grace Hutchinson Ally Parrett Andrew Roach Anna Carr Anna Katherine White Anna Winchester Annsley Wilson Arinn Wall **Aubrey Booker** Bailey Gardner **Bailey Shelton** Billy Sullivan Blake Boggs Blake Buehrer

**Brad Cutts** 

Bri LaFerney

**Brooks Pruitt** 

Broc Henderson

Caitlin Denton Caleb Hankins Caroline Minton Caroline Reed Carter Turbeville Cavlie Houck Cc Fortenberry Chad Whitlow Claire Heffley CO. T. CH. L. Cole Hull Connor Whitaker Dallas Herrmann F. Daniel Evans D. L. P. Daniel Reed Daylan Moore Delaney Beck Emily Mylhousen **Emily Tanley** Emma Thurman **Enoch Williams** 

Grae Ginsberg

Grant Hull **Grayson Dunning** Hailey Haynes Haley Palmer Hall Frost Hannah Foust Hannah Hall Hannah Jones Harlee Stutesman D. CO. T. CH. L. Jacob Broyles Jacob McAlister Jacob Underwood Jacob Williams **Take Shumate** Jenna Porter John Hooten Jonathan Gossett Joseph Pyle Julie Plunket Justice Laws F. Kaitlyn Sullivan

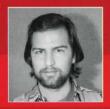
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Mitchell Mayes

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### THE DIRECTORS



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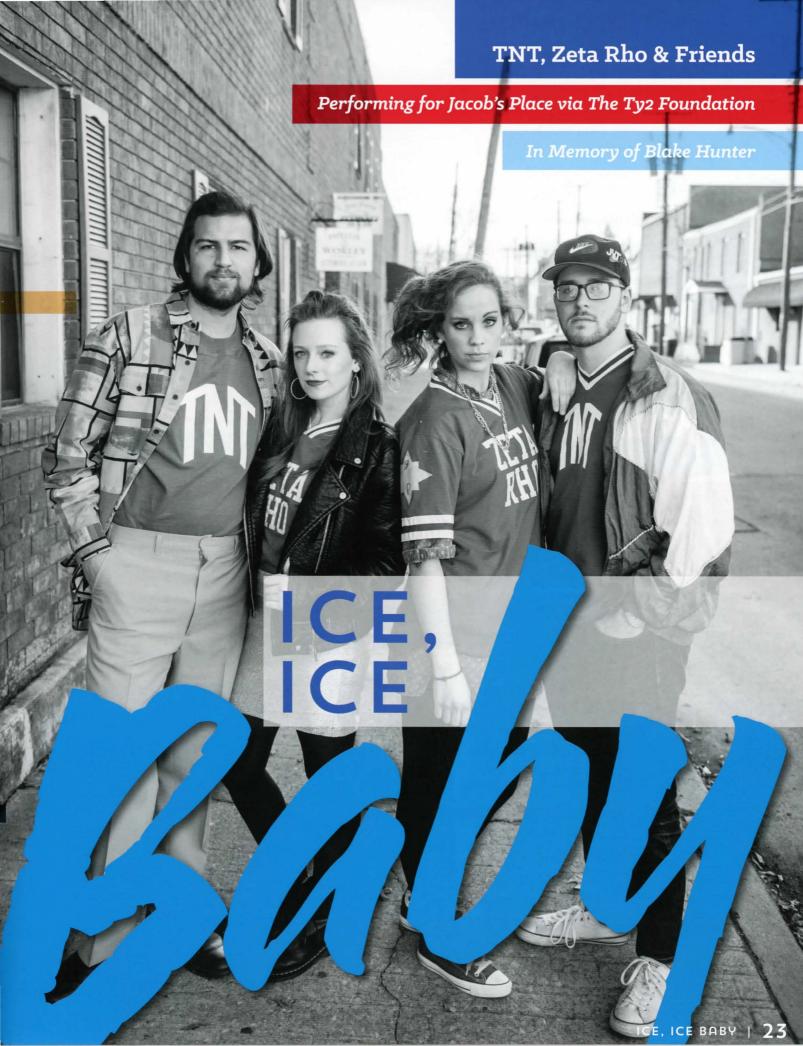
Lawson Pitts Junior Murfreesboro, Tenn.



Katt Stinnett Sophomore St. Louis. Mo.



Harlee Stutesman Senior Carl Junction, Mo.



# JUDGING CRITERIA

To give audience members an idea of what the judges are looking for in club shows, below are some of the criteria judges consider when making decisions.

### STAGING

- · Focused appropriately
- · Use of levels
- · Characters identified by movements and facial expressions
- · Variety of formations
- · Clean execution of movement
- · Use of stage
- · Vitality and energy in choreography

### MUSIC

- · Variation in style
- Good diction
- · Vitality and energy in voices
- · Character voices as needed
- · Harmonic structure
- · Dynamic contrasts
- · Clever use of parody
- Vocal techniques and proper pitch
- · Seamless transitions
- · Story-telling lyrics

### VISUAL

- · Costumes that identify characters
- · Costumes that create interest
- Finished detail
- · Costumes that enhance the theme
- Color selection
- Required footwear appropriate
- · Hair and makeup design
- · Graphics and props to support the theme

### OTHER

- · Entertainment value and use of humor
- · Shows are not required or judged on their fit to the overall Spring Sing theme



### STAGING

### Melani Morgan Blansett

A graduate of American Conservatory Theatre Congress in San Francisco, Melani Morgan Blansett has performed professionally with The Oakland Playhouse as well as the San Francisco Fringe Festival. She is a second grade teacher at Harding Academy. She and her husband Matt have two sons, Chess and Palmer.

### Renee French

Renee French was a winning Spring Sing club director in 1993 and 1994. She was also an Ensemble member 1991-1994. A contract employee with the Department of Education, Renee is a former cheerleading and dance coach. She has also been a choreographer for more than 20 years. She is married to Paul B. French.

### Liz Yielding

Liz Yielding is the theatre/stagecraft/oral communications teacher at Heber Springs High School in Heber Springs, Ark. While a student at Harding University, Liz was a Spring Sing club director from 2007 to 2012. She is married to Matt Yielding and they are expecting their first child in August.

### MUSIC

### India Medders Galyean

A Spring Sing Hostess in the late 1980s, India Medders Galyean is a singer and actress who has performed at New York City's Tavern on the Green and The Russian Tea Room. She also performed at Ozzy Osborn's 50th birthday party at The Beverly Hills Hotel. Her work in NYC's cabaret circuit earned her the Bistro Award for Oustanding Vocalist. She is currently the performing arts director at Calhoun Middle School in Georgia.

### Susan E. Shirel

Susan E. Shirel is currently persuing a Doctorate of Arts in Music at Ball State University. She was the Harding

University Homecoming Musical Music Director and Vocal coach from 2011 to 2015. She also served as the Spring Sing Music Director and Vocal Coach for the 2013, 2014 and 2015 shows.

### Jessica Pell Tate

Jessica Pell Tate won the Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Award for the state of Tennessee while teaching elementary music in Nashville. Jessica also successfully built a Kindermusik business in Ohio and ran it for five years. She has also performed in community theatre and sang the National Anthem at sporting events. She is married to Tony Tate and they have two children.

### VISUAL

### Rebecca Boaz

Rebecca Boaz is an assistant professor at Harding University in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department. Her specialty is Fashion Merchandising. She has 38 years of practice in clothing design and construction. She has decorated the Annual Spark of Life Fundraising Gala in Little Rock for three years. Rebecca has a 13-year-old daughter.

### Tim Cox

Tim Cox was a contract graphic designer for the Central Intelligence Agency for 16 years. He's now the Creative Coordinator for Harding's Public Relations and Undergraduate Admissions. He has an MFA in graphic design from Savannah College of Art & Design. Tim and his wife Erin have two children.

### Rebekkah Hays

Currently Rebekkah Hays is the Alternative Learning Environment Coordinator at Searcy High School. She has extensive experience as a dance coach and theatre teacher. She also has been the director for many shows including You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown; Charlotte's Web; Alice's Adventures in Wonderland; and Bye Bye Birdie. She is married to Corporal Keity Hays of the Searcy Police Department and they have one son.

# CREDITS

### PRODUCTION TEAM

Steve Frye, director

Department of Theatre

Cindee Stockstill, producer

Department of Theatre

Dottie Frye, director of hosts & ensemble

Department of Theatre

Stacey Neely, director of music & vocal coach

Spring Sing Staff

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Department of Music

Ben Jones, technical director

Department of Theatre

Seth Fish, assistant technical director

Department of Theatre

David Robison, sound director & music arranger

Department of Theatre

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Department of Theatre

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Department of Theatre

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Katy White, assistant costumer

Department of Theatre

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Spring Sing Staff

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Spring Sing Staff

Claire Heffley, choreographer

Spring Sing Staff

Craig Jones, club shows vocal coach

Harding Academy

Mark Prior, video director

Department of Communication

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Dean/College of Arts and Humanities

J. David White, music arranger

Office of Student Success

John Scott, music arranger

Spring Sing Staff

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Department of Kinesiology

Sue Moore, director of ticket sales

Spring Sing Staff

Renee Lewis Reithel, program designer

Spring Sing Staff

Grant Schol, photographer

Spring Sing Staff

Cassie Bennett, administrative assistant

Department of Theatre

### COSTUME BUILD CREW

Emily Eason, Victoria Hargrove, Kira Kulp, Kacy Long, Hayden Nooner, Duncan Michael, Kennedy Priest, Shelby Underwood

### SET/RUN CREW

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### **AUDIO TECH**

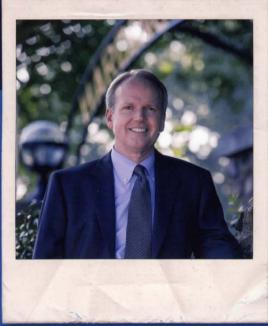
Brandon Emlaw, Michael Nesbit

### **FOLLOW SPOTS**

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### PRESIDENT'S NOTE

ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE HARDING FAMILY, I WANT

to welcome you to campus for Spring Sing 2016! Work on this year's Spring Sing began even before the set had been completely dismantled from the program last year. Countless hours and boundless energy have gone into creating this amazing and joyous musical extravaganza. Now in its 43rd year, this beloved Harding tradition calls upon the creative talents of almost 1,000 students and a large number of faculty and staff members who teach, guide, mentor and love these student performers.

Our theme this year is *Retro-bution*. It is a celebration of the music and culture of the 70s and 80s (or, as I think of those years, "my youth") When I arrived at Harding in the fall of 1975, Spring Sing was in its infancy. Now all that seems like ancient history, especially to this year's performers who are about 40 years younger than those in my freshman class. And yet, this is going to be a very special show for me because I expect to know the words of every song! (That rarely happens to me today outside of elevators.)

Again, welcome to Harding University and to Spring Sing 2016. We are so glad you came. Enjoy *Retro-bution* and be especially patient and understanding with the people in your area who are singing along with the shows; they are probably my classmates!

Dr. Bruce McLarty

Harding University President

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