

CAST INFORMATION

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Misunderstood: Heroes & Villains Cast Information



Marcel Daly

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Marcel Daly was born and raised in Bellevue, Nebraska. While attending University of Nebraska Omaha, he has performed around the area, and graduated with a degree in Vocal Performance in 2019. Some of Marcel's recent credits include: George Bailey in *It's a Wonderful Life*, Reuben in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (the New Theatre Dinner and Restaurant), and Prince Char in *Ella Enchanted* (Rose Theater). In the future, Marcel plans to pursue a career as a performer, composer, writer and lyricist.



Lauren Krupski

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Lauren is so excited to be back on stage at The Rose for show 21! Some notable roles at The Rose include Princess Fiona in *Shrek the Musical*, Lucinda in *Ella Enchanted*, The Cat in the Hat in *The Cat in the Hat*, Miss Shields in *A Christmas Story the Musical* and Julia in *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*. She has also been a part of three world premiere productions at The Rose: *Prancer*, *Pete the Cat* and *Howie D: Back in the Day*.

Lauren has also performed many times with the Omaha Symphony in their family and educational shows. She has been seen in their educational program *Mission Imagination* for two years, performing in *The Misadventures of Melvin the Explorer* and *The Symphonic School Bus*. She has also performed twice with the Omaha Symphony as concert host with the program *Link Up!* She has also been seen with the Sarasota Orchestra, Rochester Philharmonic, and the Lima Symphony in "Gold Rush" a family concert celebrating American Composers.

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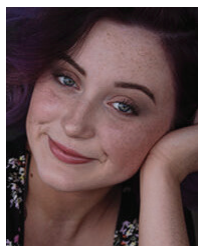
Trey Mendlik is ecstatic to be making his debut with The Rose Theater! Growing up attending shows at The Rose and teaching musical theatre classes for Broadway at the Rose, it's truly a dream come true to be up on the main stage. Previously, Trey was seen as Peter Cratchit on the national tour of A CHRISTMAS CAROL. His favorite credits include Seymour in LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS and Marcellus in THE MUSIC MAN (Post Playhouse). Other credits include OKLAHOMA (Black Hills Playhouse), SINGIN' IN THE RAIN (Circa '21) SISTER ACT and MARY POPPINS (Post Playhouse). Upcoming, you can see Trey in DESCENDANTS at the Rose Theater and ROCK OF AGES at Paramount Theatre in Chicago, IL. Keep up with Trey by following his journey on Instagram: @trey.mendlik



Roni Shelley Perez

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Roni Shelley Perez is excited to be back at The Rose! She was recently seen as the role of Lucy in The Rose Theater's world premiere of Howie D: Back in the Day starring Backstreet Boys' Howard Dorough. Favorite credits include: Soonja Ma (Goeun u/s) in Off-Broadway's Comfort Women: A New Musical and Veronica Sawyer in a regional premiere of Heathers: The Musical. Perez is proudly represented by Take 3 Talent. She sends all the love to family and friends! Mabuhay!



Audrey Saucier

Audrey Saucier (*Bear/Sea Turtle*)

Audrey is excited to be making an appearance on The Rose stage as a part of the Misunderstood cast. She was last seen in Goosebumps: The Phantom of the Auditorium as Brooke in 2018. Audrey is now a senior at Burke, and has been doing shows at The Rose since her sixth grade year. She is so excited to have one of her first post-Covid theatre experiences be at the place where it all started for her.



Katherine M. Carter
Director

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Katherine M. Carter is a New York based director of theatre and opera, and the co-founding Artistic Director of the MITTEN Lab. Previous: Interlochen Arts Academy, Mad Cow Theatre, On Site Opera, Carnegie Mellon University, Santa Fe Opera, Parallel 45 Theatre, Canadian Opera Company, Houston Grand Opera. New School for Drama, Joe's Pub, Westport Country Playhouse, Wellfleet Harbor Actors Theatre, NYMF, 3LD, NYU, and Wolf Trap. Fellowships: New Georges, The Drama League, and Playwrights Horizons. 2019 Honored Finalist for Women in the Arts & Media Coalition with playwright Jacqueline Goldfinger. Upcoming: FAR FROM CANTERBURY (Barnstormers Theatre), THE DESCENDANTS (The Rose Theater) With great thanks to the incredible team at the Rose Theater for bringing us together for MISUNDERSTOOD! www.KatherineMCarter.com

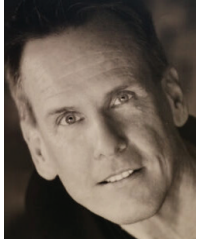
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Jerry Brabec
Music Director

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Jerry Brabec, tenor, is an Ordained Deacon on the clergy staff at Omaha Saint Paul United Methodist Church where he serves as Minister of Worship. His responsibilities include the overseeing of liturgical preparation for the congregation of 400. He also serves as choral director for Temple Israel's Kol Rina. Awarded the Master of Music degree from the University of Nebraska, he studied choral conducting with Dr. Cina Crisara and Dr. Z. Randall Stroope. As a chorister of the acclaimed Robert Shaw Festival Chorus at Carnegie Hall, he sang for five years under the baton of the late Robert Shaw, was twice selected one of six participants in the Alice Parker Melodius Accord Fellowship Program and frequently continues his conducting studies with Ms. Parker during January in New York. At The Rose Theater for Performing Arts the past twelve seasons, "Misunderstood: Heros and Villains" marks his 46th show as a resident music director/ vocal coach. He also serves as music director for the nationally acclaimed Rose Brigade, one of the award winning offerings of the "Broadway at the Rose" program. Formerly, Jerry taught at the high school level for Council Bluffs Community Schools, served as associate artistic director of the Omaha Clarion Chorale, and as artistic director for the Kaneshville Chorus and Renaissance Faire of the Midlands.

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