



ASSASSINS

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim
Book by John Weidman

Assassins is based on an idea by Charles Gilbert, Jr.
Playwrights Horizons, Inc. - New York City Produced
Assassins Off-Broadway in 1990
Orchestrations by Michael Starobin

Directed by Becca Johnson-Spinos
Music Directed by Cindy Steckline Johnston

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Addison Theatre Centre
Studio Theatre

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CAST

THE BALLADEER

Isabella Wilson

Madeline Carter

JOHN WILKES BOOTH

Corbin Ross

Peyton Nicholson

CHARLES GUITEAU

Brayden Lawrence

Brayden Soffa

SARA JANE MOORE

Adrianna Kellaway

Marcy Bogner

“SQUEAKY” FROMME

Alex Gray

Brennan Barnes

THE PROPRIETOR

Aidan Forbes

Taryn Schmidt

SAMUEL BYCK

JAMES GARFIELD

Calin Eastes

LEON CZOLGOSZ

Bradyn Parmelly

Connor Parks

GUISEPPE ZANGARA

Luke Guiou

JOHN HINCKLEY

Heath Rawls

Nathan Rubens

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

BYSTANDER 1/DAVID HEROLD/

GERALD FORD

Ethan Forbes

EMMA GOLDMAN

BYSTANDER 5/FAIRGOER 1/

SCHOOL TEACHER/LADY/

WAITRESS

Jane Landrum

HOUSEWIFE

BYSTANDER 3 & FAIRGOER 2

Savannah Stringer

Sienna Lawson

BYSTANDER 2

FAIRGOER 3/GENTLEMAN/

FACTORY HAND/OLD MAN

Estee Kiel

Savanna Mendez

BILLY

LITTLE BOY/SCHOOLBOY

Wyatt Cantrell

BYSTANDER 4

JAMES BLAINE/CLERK/

STOCKBROKER/POLICEMAN

Corbin Ross

Peyton Nicholson

FARMER/PAWNBROKER/

MINISTER

Brayden Lawrence

Taryn Schmidt

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Brennan Barnes (Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme) is a junior at McKinney High School. She is excited to be a part of this incredible Outcry production as her paper plate show! She is very involved with musical theatre both in the community and at the high school. Favorite roles include Rose in *The Secret Garden*, Gargoyle in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, Scar in *The Lion King*, and Mulan in *Mulan*. She would like to thank Ms. Becca for trusting her to embrace Squeaky. And many thanks to her family for all their love and support.



Marcy Bogner (Sara Jane Moore) is seventeen and a senior in high school. This is her 11th show with Outcry Youth Theatre. She has loved working with this incredible company over these past couple of years. The people have become some of her closest friends and family. Favorite roles include: Llewellyn in *The Old Man and The Old Moon*, Martha in *The Secret Garden*, Lady Macbeth in *Macbeth*, and Antigone in *Antigone*. She is immensely grateful for this wonderful experience with this outstanding cast.



Wyatt Cantrell (Billy, Little Boy, Schoolboy) is a 6th grader at Walker Middle School. They play percussion in the school band. This is Wyatt's sixth Outcry Youth Theatre show. Their favorite roles at Outcry have been Pluto in *The Madness of Edgar Allan Poe*, The Geographer in *The Little Prince*, and Boots in *Newsies*. They would like to thank Ms. Becca for the opportunity to be in this really cool show.



Madeline Carter (Balladeer) is in 11th grade at Frisco High School. Some of her previous roles include Alice Murphy in *Bright Star*, Mae Tuck in *Tuck Everlasting*, Katherine in *Newsies*, and The Chaperone in *The Drowsy Chaperone*. She would like to thank Ms. Becca for challenging her with this opportunity, David Gaschen for the vocal training and Joseph Jones for the dance training.



Calin Eastes (Samuel Byck, James Garfield) is an 11th grade homeschool student. This is his 26th show with Ms. Becca. Calin is a proud member of Becca's Army and the J-Squad. His favorite roles include Cripple Billy in *The Cripple of Inishmaan*, Nawee in *The Time Machine*, Young Arthur in *The Legend of Arthur*, and Race in *Newsies*. Calin thanks his mom, his family and friends in the audience, Mr. Jason, and the magical Ms. Becca who is his fave!

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Aidan Forbes (Proprietor) is a sophomore at Allen High School who plays football and collects unusual instruments. His favorite past roles have been Constable Joe in *Tuck Everlasting*, Caldwell Cladwell in *Urinetown*, Shrek in *Shrek*, and Trunchbull in *Matilda*. He wants to thank his castmates and Ms. Becca for this great experience.



Ethan Forbes (Lee Harvey Oswald, Bystander, David Herold, Gerald Ford) is a senior at Allen High School planning to major in Physics following this school year at the University of North Texas. His favorite past roles have been Officer Lockstock in *Urinetown*, Edward Bloom in *Big Fish*, and Ernst Ludwig in *Cabaret*. He wants to thank Ms. Becca for giving him such a valuable opportunity.



Luke Guiou (Giuseppe Zangara) is a junior at Plano West Senior High. This is his 12th production with Outcry Youth Theatre and his 7th show with Ms. Becca. When he isn't at rehearsal you can find him playing video games with friends or just hanging out. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for casting him in this incredible show. He would also like to thank his family for their encouragement.



Alex Gray (Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme) is in 10th grade at Reedy High School. This is her fourteenth production at Outcry Youth Theatre, and her eighth with Ms. Becca. Past roles include Antigone in *Antigone* and Marie in *The Time Machine*. When not onstage, she enjoys singing, listening to music, and watching cartoons. She would like to thank her Nana and Papa for giving her this opportunity.



Estee Kiel (Bystander, Fairgoer, Gentleman, Factory Hand, Old Man) is in 10th grade at Allen High School. This is her 7th production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Estee's favorite past roles include Remy from *The Madness of Edgar Allan Poe*, Ms. Minchin from *A Little Princess*, and Gull from *The Little Mermaid*. When she's not acting, Estee enjoys drawing and gaming. She would like to thank her Outcry friends and Ms. Becca.

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Adrianna Kellaway (Sara Jane Moore) is in her junior year at Ovation Academy of Performing Arts. This is her 4th production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Her favorite past roles include Savannah from *Experiment with an Air Pump*, Karen from *The Children's Hour*, and Mammy from *The Cripple of Inishmaan*. When not on stage, she loves to show her creativity through painting on whatever she can get her hands on.



Jane Landrum (Emma Goldman, Bystander, Fairgoer) is 17 years old and in 11th grade at Frisco High School. Some of her favorite roles have been Kate in *The Cripple of Inishmaan*, Sebastian in *The Little Mermaid Jr.*, and Luna in *The Time Machine*. In her free time she likes to play video games, spend time with her friends and family, and play basketball. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support, her best friend Sienna, and Ms. Becca for making this show such an amazing experience!



Brayden Lawrence (Charles Guiteau) This is Brayden's 11th show at Outcry Youth Theatre, and his 8th show with Ms. Becca. His favorite previous roles include Hugo in *Tuck Everlasting*, The Aviator in *The Little Prince*, and Roderick Usher/Monsieur Maillard in *The Madness of Edgar Allan Poe*. He would like to thank Mr. Jason and Ms. Becca for their endless love and brilliant creativity, his family for leading him to great things, and his fellow cast members for such a fun rehearsal process.



Sienna Lawson (Housewife, Bystander) is a homeschooled junior. This is her 6th show with Ms. Becca and she's excited to be back! Some of her favorite past roles are Flounder in *The Little Mermaid Jr.*, Little Red in *Into the Woods*, Mammy in *The Cripple of Inishmaan*, Claire Holmes in *The Secret Garden*, and Annelle in *Steel Magnolias*. When not acting she likes to play golf and watch *The Office*. She would like to thank her best friend Jane, her double Savannah and her family. This performance is dedicated to her grandma.



Savanna Mendez (Bystander, Fairgoer, Gentleman, Factory Hand, Old Man) is a graduated senior from Texas Tech University K-12 School. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Savanna's been acting with local Dallas Theaters and plans to pursue theater in her college journey. She would like to thank her friends and family for continued support.

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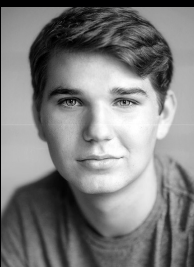
Peyton Nicholson (John Wilkes Booth) is 17 years old and a junior at Lovejoy High School. This is his 48th major production in the DFW area. Some of his favorite roles have been Creon in *Antigone*, Dickon in *The Secret Garden*, and Bartley in *The Cripple of Inishmaan*. When not on stage, Peyton enjoys writing his own plays and songs. He would like to thank God for giving him the talent to perform and Ms. Becca and Mr. Jason for giving him opportunities to play such wonderful characters.



Connor Parks (Leon Czolgosz) is a senior at Little Elm High School and is very excited for their first show with Outcry as Leon Czolgosz! An actor of 4 years, Connor has played many roles, a chief favorite being Robert in *Antic Spring*, but never one with such power behind it as Czolgosz. They would like to thank Ms. Becca for the opportunity to audition, the welcoming castmates that made the time professional and fun, and their family for putting up with the long rides and late nights coming home.



Bradyn Parmelly (Leon Czolgosz) is a senior at Rockwall Heath High School. This is his first production with Outcry Youth Theatre. His favorite roles include Seymour in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Donkey in *Shrek*, and Enjolras in *Les Miserables*. He is so excited to perform with this cast and with Outcry for the first time!



Heath Rawls (John Hinckley) is 18 and a senior at McKinney Boyd High School. This is his second show with Outcry. He is ITS president at Boyd as well as a member of his 16-person Jazz ensemble. Some favorite past roles include Robbie Hart in *The Wedding Singer*, Bobby Strong in *Urinetown*, Mr. Wormwood in *Matilda*, and Davey in *Newsies*. He's so thankful to this incredible cast and Mrs. Becca for this awesome experience!



Nathan Rubens (John Hinckley) is a junior at Allen High School. Nathan has been acting since 2nd grade and *Assassins* is Nathan's 11th production with Ms. Becca. Nathan would like to thank Ms. Becca, Ms. Cindy, and his family for their guidance and support.

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Corbin Ross (John Wilkes Booth) is a sophomore at Ovation Academy of Performing Arts. This is his 4th production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Some of his favorite roles have been Jesse Tuck in *Tuck Everlasting*, Race in *Newsies*, and Young Lancelot in *The Legend of Arthur*. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for constantly challenging him and putting up with his antics, his family for always being there to support him, and Peyton for being an amazing double. (And as always, The G Family... I love you).



Taryn Schmidt (Proprietor) is in her sophomore year at Ovation Academy of Performing Arts. This is her 3rd production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Her favorite past roles include Teen Winnie in *Tuck Everlasting*, Roxie Hart in *Chicago*, and Morticia Addams in *The Addams Family*. She would like to thank Ms. Becca for always pushing her to be her best, and giving her the opportunity to play such a fun character, as well as her mom and siblings for their constant love and support.



Brayden Soffa (Charles Guiteau) is a senior at Allen High School. This is his 35th production with Ms. Becca and 20th with Outcry Youth Theatre. He is the first emerald plate member of Becca's Army and a member of J-Squad. Past favorite roles include Davey in *Newsies*, Jessie Tuck in *Tuck Everlasting*, Peter Pan in *Peter Pan*, and Mad Hatter in *Alice in Wonderland*. Brayden plans to study political science in college next fall. He thanks Ms. Becca for always believing in him and Ms. Cindy for supporting him vocally.



Savannah Stringer (Housewife, Bystander) is a junior in the Richardson High School theatre magnet. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre! A few of Savannah's favorite past roles include Lucille in *Junie B. Jones*, Chrysalis in *The Insect Play*, and Rapunzel in *Into the Woods*. She would love to give a huge thanks to her parents for their endless support in her love of music and theatre.



Isabella Wilson (Balladeer) is a 15-year-old homeschooler at THEO. This is her 17th Outcry show and 16th with Ms. Becca. Past roles have been Jojo in *Seussical*, Ursula in *The Little Mermaid Jr.*, and Helen Hastings in *The Madness of Edgar Allan Poe*. Bringing The Balladeer to life has been her favorite role so far! Isabella also enjoys playing music, art, and creative writing. She thanks Ms. Becca for believing in her and always pushing her to be better. Isabella also wants to thank her AMAZING double, Madeline! #BA #Jsquad

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Becca Johnson-Spinos (Director) is the Artistic Director of Outcry Theatre. Becca has a BFA in Music Theatre from Elon University and an MFA in Directing for Theatre from Baylor University. Becca worked as an assistant to the Artistic Director at Burning Coal Theatre Company in North Carolina, where she also assistant directed and performed. In Dallas, she has directed dozens of shows and was named one of the Best Directors for 2018 by John Garcia for Outcry Theatre's production of *Spring's Awakening*.



Cindy Steckline Johnston (Music Director), a long time music educator of 27 years, retired from McKinney ISD after 23 years of service. Under her direction, the Evans Varsity Treble Chorus was a 2009 featured Honor Choir at Texas Music Educators Association Convention. Cindy directed many musicals at all 3 MISD campuses as well as summer camps through McKinney Repertory Theatre where she directed and produced 13 summer shows. She is thrilled to be working with these extremely talented actors.



Finn Hardge (Assistant Director) is a local student director. Finn has spent this year working in local freelance projects involving acting, writing, and video based media. His favorite roles have been First Witch in *Macbeth*, Mercutio in *Romeo & Juliet*, and Kurt Kelly in *Heathers*. He would love to thank his amazing partners for their endless support, as well as all of his new and beloved Outcry friends for being so inviting and wonderful!

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