

 **OUTCRY** Youth **THEATRE**



Music and Lyrics by
Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley
Adapted for the stage by
Leslie Bricusse and Timothy Allen McDonald

Directed by Becca Johnson-Spinos
Music Directed by Cindy Johnston

JAN. 18-21
Addison Theatre Centre
Terry Martin Main Stage

There will be one fifteen-minute intermission

Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials were also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com

UPCOMING AUDITIONS



Book, Music, and Lyrics by **Lionel Bart**
Freely adapted from **Charles Dickens'** *Oliver Twist*

Ages 10 and up

Auditions **March 1 & 2, 2024**

Performs **June 27-30, 2024**

Lewisville Grand Theater, Huffines Performance Hall
directed by Becca Johnson-Spinos
music directed by Cindy Johnston

Consider yourself at home with Lionel Bart's classic musical based on the Charles Dickens novel, Oliver Twist. The Tony and Olivier Award-winning show is one of the few musicals to win an Academy Award for Best Picture and is widely hailed as a true theatrical masterpiece by actors and audience members alike.

The streets of Victorian England come to life as Oliver, a malnourished orphan in a workhouse, becomes the neglected apprentice of an undertaker. Oliver escapes to London and finds acceptance amongst a group of petty thieves and pickpockets led by the elderly Fagin. When Oliver is captured for a theft that he did not commit, the benevolent victim, Mr. Brownlow takes him in. Fearing the safety of his hideout, Fagin employs the sinister Bill Sikes and the sympathetic Nancy to kidnap him back, threatening Oliver's chances of discovering the true love of a family.

CAST

WILLY WONKA Brady Beckley Liam Paynter	AUGUSTUS GLOOP Nate Oldham
CHARLIE BUCKET Niam Sachdev	MRS. GLOOP Alexis Highsmith
GRANDPA JOE Ryan Kimble	PHINEOUS TROUT Olivia Trippeer
MR. BUCKET Kaz Hill	GRANDMA JOSEPHINE/ OOMPA LOOMPA 4 Kensley James
MRS. BUCKET Madeline McInnis	GRANDMA GEORGINA/ OOMPA LOOMPA 5 Kylie Bell
VERUCA SALT Aly Dominguez Kate Illian	GRANDPA GEORGE/ OOMPA LOOMPA Juan Erives Lukas Newham
MR. SALT Parker Lindsay	JAMES/OOMPA LOOMPA Ian Morgan
VIOLET BEAUREGARDE Annie Dominguez Aubrey Blasingame	MATILDA/OOMPA LOOMPA Adaline Dominguez Kathleen Orth
MRS. BEAUREGARDE Arya Easow Ellie Ehrlich	CANDY KID/OOMPA LOOMPA 2 Allie Retta
MIKE TEAVEE Eli Gibson Holden James	CANDY KID/OOMPA LOOMPA 3 Sofia Mayrell
MS. TEAVEE Alicia Pallares Madeline Knoff	

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Brady Beckley (Willy Wonka) is excited to be back at Outcry Youth Theatre to play this iconic part! His favorite roles from the past include Georg/Dieter in *Spring Awakening*, Micke in the thriller/love story *Let The Right One In*, and Marcellus Washburn in *The Music Man*. He'd like to thank his friends and family for their endless support, Liam for being such a fantastic double, and Ms. Becca for giving him this amazing opportunity! Good show!



Kylie Bell (Grandma Georgina/Oompa Loompa 5) is a 10-year-old at Harrington Elementary. She loves musical theater. This is her third production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Her past roles include *Finding Nemo Jr.* (Pearl) and *Alice in Wonderland* (Caterpillar). When she is not performing, she loves to spend time with her friends, do activities with her Girl Scout troop, read, and play video games. She would like to thank Kensley, Allie, and Ms. Becca for making this a wonderful experience!



Aubrey Blasingame (Violet Beauregarde) is in 4th grade at Hickey Elementary School. Although this is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre, it is not her first time on stage. Favorite past roles include Skipper the Penguin in *Madagascar Jr.*, Nemo in *Finding Nemo Jr.*, and The Cat in *Seussical Kids*. When not on stage, Aubrey enjoys reading, swimming, and camping. She would like to thank Ms. Becca for giving her this opportunity and her family and friends for always supporting her on and off stage.



Adaline Dominguez (Matilda/Oompa Loompa) is 7 years old and in 2nd grade. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre and her second overall. She enjoyed playing Belinda Cratchit in *Scrooge the Musical* and has loved her part in this musical! She enjoys painting, singing, and playing basketball. She thanks her parents for their support, Ms. Becca for casting her, and the entire production team for their dedication! She has had so much fun with this cast and has loved getting to make new friends!



Aly Dominguez (Veruca Salt) is 13 years old, and in the 7th grade. This is her sixth production with Outcry. Favorite past roles include Young Anne (*Anne of Green Gables*), Nemo (*Finding Nemo Jr.*), Annie (*Annie Jr.*), and Moana (*Moana Jr.*). When not on stage, she enjoys reading, singing, and writing songs. She thanks her parents for their love and support, Ms. Becca for casting her, and the entire production team for their dedication! She has truly enjoyed working with this cast and having fun with her friends!

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Annie Dominguez (Violet Beauregarde) is 11 years old and in the 6th grade. This is her sixth production with Outcry. Favorite past roles include Matilda (*Matilda Jr.*), Jane (*Mary Poppins Jr.*), Young Diana (*Anne of Green Gables*), and Young Anna (*Frozen Jr.*). When not on stage, she enjoys cooking, baking, and painting. She thanks her parents for their love and support, Ms. Becca for casting her, and the production team for their dedication! She has enjoyed working with this cast and having fun with her friends!



Arya Easow (Mrs. Beauregarde) is in the 6th grade at Texas Connexus Academy School. This will be her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre. She is excited to begin her acting journey and for future roles. When she is away from the stage, she sings, hangs out with friends, and watches her favorite shows. She would like to thank her parents for encouraging her and nurturing her dreams.



Ellie Ehrlich (Mrs. Beauregarde) is in 6th grade at Levine Academy. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre, but she has performed on stage since she was five. Her past roles include Jafar in *Aladdin*. Ellie loves to sing, play the piano, and read every book she can find. She would like to thank Ms. Becca and her team and send her love to her two brothers and her two Goldendoodles.



Juan Erives (Grandpa George/Oompa Loompa) would like to thank his family for so much support and his friends for being awesomely awesome. When he isn't on stage being one of the best actors known to mankind, he likes to play guitar, draw, and play sports with friends. He would like to say a huge thanks to Ms. Becca and everyone else who helped put this masterpiece of a show together.



Eli Gibson (Mike Teavee) is in 6th grade at TVAH. This is his seventh production with Outcry. His past roles include the King of Hearts (*Alice in Wonderland*), Gurgle (*Finding Nemo Jr.*), Nigel (*Matilda Jr.*), Charlie (*Anne of Green Gables*), Mr. Bunce (*Fantastic Mr. Fox*), and Drake (*Annie Jr.*). When not performing onstage, Eli likes to create his own comedy and improv, to play games, and Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for this opportunity and his family and friends for supporting his love of performing.

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Alexis Highsmith (Mrs. Gloop) is 12 years old and in 7th grade at Warren Middle School in Forney. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre. She appreciates Ms. Becca giving her the opportunity to work with an amazing cast and play a hilarious character. When she is not performing, she enjoys choir, band (oboe), playing soccer, and trying every conceivable beauty product. She would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers for their support and for putting up with her constant need to sing!



Kaz Hill (Mr. Bucket) is a 14-year-old aspiring actor. This is his third Outcry Youth Theatre production. He takes inspiration for his acting from high-emotion movies like *Saw*. In his free time, he likes drawing, singing, and spending time with his cats.



Kate Illian (Veruca Salt) is a 10-year-old 4th grader at Harrington Elementary. This is her fifth production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Her favorite roles were Matilda in *Matilda Jr.* and Alice in *Alice in Wonderland*. She adores singing, hip hop, and fashion. She wants to thank Ms. Becca for entrusting her with this delightfully wicked character after always being cast as the nice girl. She also thanks her vocal coach, Cassie Shea Watson, for helping her to hone Veruca's iconic anthem.



Holden James (Mike Teavee) is extremely proud of being part of this production. This will be his sixth performance with Outcry Youth Theatre. One of his favorite performances was playing the King of Hearts in *Alice in Wonderland* directed by Jason Johnson-Spinos. When he's not at rehearsal, he loves to play video games and to spend time with his family. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for giving him the opportunity to be Mike Teavee.



Kensley James (Grandma Josephine/Oompa Loompa 4) is excited to join this production. She is in the 6th grade and is enjoying the fast-paced world of drama. This is her sixth show at Outcry Youth Theatre, her fifth and favorite performance was the White Rabbit in *Alice in Wonderland* directed by Jason Johnson-Spinos. When not at rehearsal, she loves to spend time with her friends and family. She would like to thank Ms. Becca for giving her the opportunity to perform as Grandma Josephine and an Oompa Loompa.

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Ryan Kimble (Grandpa Joe) is a 17-year-old graduate from Plano Senior. This is his twelfth show with Outcry Youth Theatre, and his ninth with Ms. Becca. Some of his favorite past roles include Ernie Mac (*Puffs*), Marlin (*Finding Nemo Jr.*), Mr. Isaacs (*The Picture of Dorian Gray*), Warbucks (*Annie Jr.*), and Polonius (*Hamlet*). He would like to thank Ms. Becca, Ms. Cindy, Mr. Alejandro, Ms. Maria, and all the other volunteers who have made this show possible. Break a leg, everyone, and remember to “think positive!”



Madeline Knoff (Ms. Teavee) is a 13-year-old 8th grader who enjoys playing sports and the bassoon. Her favorite past roles with Outcry Youth Theatre include Leanne in *Puffs*, Mad Hatter in *Alice in Wonderland*, Gill in *Finding Nemo Jr.*, Miss Honey in *Matilda Jr.*, and Grand High Witch in *The Witches*. She is grateful for her family's and friends' love and support. She would also like to thank Ms. Becca and the cast and crew for this extraordinary adventure.



Parker Lindsay (Mr. Salt) is in the 9th grade. This is his second show with Outcry Youth Theatre. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for this great opportunity.



Sofia Mayrell (Candy Kid/Oompa Loompa 3) is in 5th grade at Harrington Elementary School. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre. When not on stage, she likes arts and crafts, playing piano, and solving challenging math problems. She would like to thank her friend, Kylie Bell, for introducing her to Outcry Youth Theatre, and her mom for always supporting her in everything she does.



Madeline McInnis (Mrs. Bucket) is in 9th grade at Clark High School. This is her seventh production with Outcry Youth Theatre. Her favorite past roles include Marilla in *Anne of Green Gables* and Miss Honey in *Matilda Jr.* She enjoys traveling, playing flute, and singing. She thanks her parents, grandmother, and Ms. Becca for this wonderful opportunity.

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Ian Morgan (James/Oompa Loompa) is in 6th grade at Yale Elementary. This is his first show with Outcry Youth Theatre, but his ninth theater performance overall. His favorite character to play was The Wolf in *Trial of The Big Bad Wolf*. In his free time, he likes to play computer games with his friends.



Lukas Newham (Grandpa George/Oompa Loompa) in 5th grade at Lake Highlands Elementary School. This is his second production with Outcry Youth Theatre. His last role was Small Badger in *Fantastic Mr. Fox*. When not on stage, he likes to participate in Boy Scouts and play video games. He would like to thank Ms. Becca and Ms. Cindy for their great direction and his teachers, friends, and family for their support.



Nate Oldham (Augustus Gloop) is 15 years old and in 9th grade at Heritage High School. His favorite past roles have been Gill in *Finding Nemo Jr.*, Bruno in *The Witches*, Mr. in *Sunday in the Park with George*, and Wilbur in *Charlotte's Web*. He is a member of the J-Squad and looks forward to more shows. When he's not on stage, he's in the marching band from August to November. Nate would like to thank his family for their support and Ms. Becca for trusting him in this process.



Kathleen Orth (Matilda/Oompa Loompa) is a 4th grader at Birmingham Elementary in Wylie. This is her first production with Outcry Youth Theatre, and she is excited to be performing. In her free time, she loves to travel internationally, explore new sights, and experience different cultures. She would like to express her gratitude to her family, friends, and teachers who will be cheering her on from the audience. Their support is incredibly meaningful to her.



Alicia Pallares (Ms. Teavee) is 12 years old and in the 6th grade at Evans Middle School in McKinney. She is excited to be in her fourth major production with Outcry and would love to thank Ms. Becca for this amazing opportunity! Former shows include *Anne of Green Gables* (Teen Ruby), *Matilda Jr.* (Mrs. Wormwood) and *Alice in Wonderland* (Queen of Hearts). When not performing, she loves all things "tween" like making dances and make-up tutorials, singing, reading, drawing anime, and practicing gymnastics.

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Liam Paynter (Willy Wonka) is 16 years old and a sophomore at Clark High School. This is his sixteenth production with Outcry Youth Theatre. His favorite past roles include Skuggle in *The Night Fairy*, Laertes in *Hamlet*, and Wayne Hopkins in *Puffs*. He is excited to take on this challenging role and delve into the whimsical and eccentric nature of Wonka. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for the opportunity to portray such an incredible character.



Allie Retta (Candy Kid/Oompa Loompa 2) is in 5th grade at Harrington Elementary in Plano. She is excited to be in her sixth production with Outcry Youth Theatre! Her favorite roles so far have been Sara Gillis in *Anne of Green Gables* and Tad in *Finding Nemo Jr.* When she isn't performing, she enjoys soccer, watching anime, and having outdoor adventures. She would like to thank Outcry Youth Theatre and Ms. Becca for this opportunity and her family for their love and support.



Niam Sachdev (Charlie Bucket) is a 4th grader at Harrington. He is ecstatic to play Charlie in his fifth production with Outcry. His favorite past roles include Nemo (*Finding Nemo Jr.*) and Bruce (*Matilda Jr.*). He takes ballet, modern, and tap at Tuzer, performing annually in the *Nutcracker* (Fritz). He studies film acting with Performer's Edge Dallas, has acted in three short films, and is represented by the Horne Agency. He would like to thank Ms. Becca for believing in him and this amazing staff and cast for their support!



Olivia Trippeer (Phineous Trout) is in 12th grade at Richardson High School. This is her fourth production with Outcry Youth Theatre. She has enjoyed being a part of such a fun show with such a great cast. She would like to thank her parents for their support, and Ms. Becca for her incredible guidance and friendship throughout this process.

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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 the Dallas area, 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 Johnston (Music Director) is an educator of 28 years, retiring from McKinney ISD after 23 years at three campuses. Under her direction, the Evans MS Varsity Treble Chorus was a 2009 honor choir at the TMEA Convention. She directed a myriad of shows at all three MISD campuses and McKinney Repertory Theatre. *Willy Wonka* is her tenth production with Ms. Becca and fourteenth overall with Outcry. Along with three adult offspring, her current biggest blessings are her three grandchildren, Jack, Jane, and Will.

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UPCOMING PRODUCTION



by **Martin McDonagh**

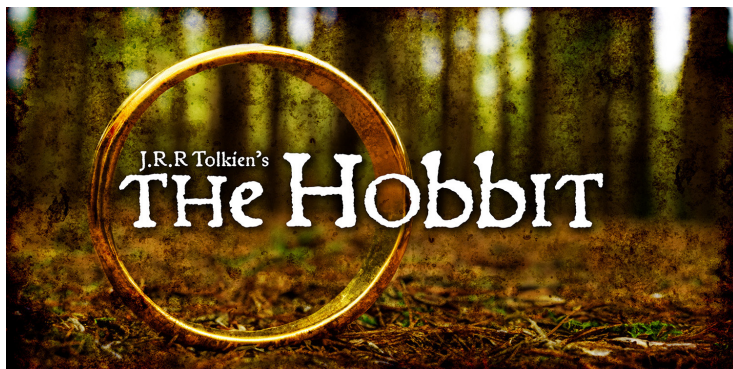
Performs **February 16-25, 2024**
Addison Theatre Centre, Stone Cottage
directed by Becca Johnson-Spinos

From the undisputed master of dark comedy comes this electrifying tale of a writer in a fictional totalitarian state who is subjected to a ruthless interrogation when a number of his stories bear a striking resemblance to a series of grisly child murders. A hypnotic blend of savagery, suspense, macabre fairytale, and the blackest of gallows humor, Martin McDonagh's play is a powerful, potent, and provocative tour de force that will haunt audiences long after the lights have faded to black!

CONTENT WARNING:

Contains violence, adult content, and explicit language.

UPCOMING PRODUCTION



by **Edward Mast**
Adapted from **J.R.R. Tolkien's** novel

Performs **March 15-24, 2024**
Addison Theatre Centre, Studio Theatre
directed by Jason Johnson-Spinos

This adaptation of Tolkien's classic novel is a suspenseful, fast-paced journey through the sometimes dark, sometimes charming, always compelling world of Middle Earth. Bilbo Baggins is a comfortably well-off hobbit with a love for rousing adventure stories. Real adventures, however, are definitely not his cup of tea. So when Gandalf the wizard knocks at Bilbo's door, bringing with him Thorin Oakenshield, 11 ragged looking dwarfs and a contract for an adventure to recover the lost treasure of Lonely Mountain, Bilbo could not be less interested—at first. But Bilbo's love of a good story gets the better of him, and before he knows it, he is off on a perilous quest over mountain and under hill through caves and forest and slimy dark places.

UPCOMING PRODUCTION



by William Shakespeare

Performs **April 25-28, 2024**

Cox Playhouse in Plano

directed by Becca Johnson-Spinos

Perhaps William Shakespeare's greatest and most beautiful comedy, A Midsummer Night's Dream is full of love, whimsy, and magic. The play revolves around three sets of overlapping characters. There are four warring lovers. Lysander and Hermia are in love, but Hermia's father has betrothed her to Demetrius. Helena loves Demetrius, even though he pursues Hermia. Lysander and Hermia escape into the Athenian woods to escape the tyranny of their parents, followed by Demetrius and Helena. When they are discovered by a group of meddling fairies, romantic hijinks ensue. Already within the woods, there is a group of amateur actors - led by the bombastic Nick Bottom - who are rehearsing for a play. There is a fairy couple, Oberon and Titania, who are also at war. Their fairy servants, including the famous Puck, meddle in the affairs of both humans and fairies - mix up love potions, turn people into donkeys, and generally cause chaos. At the end of a long night of magic and merriment, who will love who, and will it seem more real or more like a dream?

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Outcry Theatre strives to draw youth and young adults from Plano and the surrounding areas to the theatre as both audience and participants, integrating the arts into their lives, and encouraging them to become lifelong artists and arts appreciators.

ABOUT OUTCRY THEATRE

Outcry Theatre utilizes bold artistic vision, highly physical staging, and an energetic and visceral performance style. With rigorous rehearsals, tenacious attention to detail, and unwavering dedication to excellence, Outcry Theatre focuses on developing stellar performances and exceptional storytelling.

Outcry Theatre serves the Plano community and surrounding DFW area through professional productions, readings of new works by local playwrights, and the Outcry Youth Theatre program, educating students ages 5-18.

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