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APRIL 27TH - MAY 12TH, 2024

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From the Director's Chair



Each year as I sit and compose a director's message, I am more and more swept away by the power of community and the amazing talent that is found within it. The cast, crew and volunteers have worked tirelessly to bring our vision to life for you amidst laughter, excitement, some tears, and pure joy of working together. I am honored to be a part of this organization, one that truly belongs to the community.

We are thrilled to be presenting an original musical: America's Top 40. This musical will take you for a thrill ride through the 60's, 70's, and 80's with song and dance and a little bit of comedy. We have a very talented cast that has worked hard to make sure the general audience and patrons have a grand time reminiscing.

Three months ago, we started with a blank stage, a cast of 22, and a vision of how we could bring this musical to life. Together, we experienced the wonder of transformation as we worked to bring the production to life. We hope you, too, are transformed by what you witness. To recognize that music will always bring life and laughter!

Cover Dinkins

Corey Dinkins, Director

SPECIAL THANKS

We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone whose support and efforts made this production possible. Special thanks to Abi Brown for her exceptional talent and hard work in choreography and all other contributions to the production. We are grateful to First Presbyterian Church for generously providing rehearsal space while our theatre was unavailable. Lance Dinkins, thank you for your invaluable vocal coaching. Our appreciation goes to Ms. Deborah Covington for her skillful costume alterations. We also want to express our gratitude to Jaimie Miller, Vice President of Warner Robins Little Theatre, for her dedicated social media promotion and all-around support. Victoria Hawkins, thank you for building our set and managing the stage with such expertise. Thank you Monica Nix for taking reservations and managing the house. Cheryl Bayer-Taylor, President of Warner Robins Little Theatre, thank you for also managing the house, as well as the box office staff. Thank you to Francis Bleyer for hanging curtains and helping with lighting layout. Thanks to Kimberly Pritchet for our amazing article in The Telegraph and help with Jukebox. Thank you David Jones for the countless light bulb changes. Thanks to Cedric Blackshear for helping paint the floor.

Thank you to the following local businesses for donating to the raffle baskets: Yelverton's Jewelers, Bubbling Springs Wellness Spa, Waffle House, Between Friends Coffee, Mini Dixie Donuts, Papa John's Pizza, Antique Mall, Splinters Axe House, ZAAP Thai Street Food, Hair by Hannah, Nothing Bundt Cake, Steak Out, Nana's Knacks, Stretch Zone, Lush Art Paint Studio, Young Chefs Academy of Warner Robins, Carl Candiano Dance Instructor, Jeremiah's Shaved Ice, and Coulter Life Photography.

To all the cast and crew members that went beyond our expectations helping with the set, props, selling ads and getting donations, we can't thank you enough!



CAST

Abi Brown, Aubri Dinkins, Brandon Franklin, Brett-Lucas Pritchett, Candy Thomas, Corey Dinkins, Danielle 'Dani' Austin, David Carver, Derrick Barrett, Junisha S. Brown, Kellie Atkinson, Lachun Brown, Liam Miller, Mac Miller, Nikki Beecham, Shelly Palma, Susan McRaney, Tim Zahm, & Valinda Wilson

CREW

Directors	Corey Dinkins, Renee Alday
Producer	Renee Alday
Choreographers	Corey Dinkins, Abi Brown
Voice Coach	Lance Dinkins
Stage Manager	Victoria Hawkins
House Managers	Cheryl Bayer-Taylor, Monica Nix
Set Construction	Victoria Hawkins
Set Design	Corey Dinkins, Renee Alday, Francis Bleyer
Lighting Design	Francis Bleyer, David Jones
Lighting & Sound Tech	Renee Alday
Playbill Design	Between Friends Publishing
Marketing	Jaimie Miller
Art/Poster Design	Victoria Hawkins
Props	Renee Alday, Corey Dinkins, Antique Mall,
	Candy Thomas (Perry High School)

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President's Message

Because of Richard Hamilton's recent health challenges, he has stepped down as the President of our WRLT Board of Governors after over 49 years on the Board, with 24 of those years as our President. His experience and expertise, not to mention his love of our theatre, will be greatly missed by everyone. I have been honored to have been voted as his successor.

Corey Dinkins has once again created a magical musical production for all to enjoy! Along with Renee Alday, this is their third production for the WRLT with the largest and most diversified cast so far. Toe tapping is required, humming is encouraged, and singing along gets you an audition for their next musical!

Cheryl Bayer-Taylor

Cheryl Bayer-Taylor, President





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ABI BROWN joins us again at WRLT



after a wonderful run in "The Odd Couple." You may also recognize her as Smitty from "Cry Havoc" and Sister Philomena from "Drinking Habits." Abi

is a board member of WRLT and is excited to showcase her choreography. Abi works as a connections specialist and entrepreneur. She loves spending time with her daughter, Lauryn. Together they make jewelry, dance, eat tacos, and enjoy reading.

AUBRI DINKINS has been involved in



theatre productions since elementary school. Her favorite musical is Phantom of the Opera. She is currently in Mary Poppins at her school, where she is in the

9th grade. When not on stage, she enjoys singing, drawing, and improv. Aubri is one of Lance and Rhonda Dinkins' six children. She is excited to join her uncle Corey on stage!

JUNISHA S. BROWN is the proud



mother of four sons. She is glad to return to the WRLT stage after her appearances in "Cry Havoc" and "Ripcord." Other than being creative and appearing on stage,

her hobbies include cooking and collecting M&M candy dispensers.

BRANDON FRANKLIN is no stanger



to the stage, having appeared in previous productions such as "Dracula," "Broadway Comes to WRLT," and "A Christmas Carol Remix." This marks his third musical

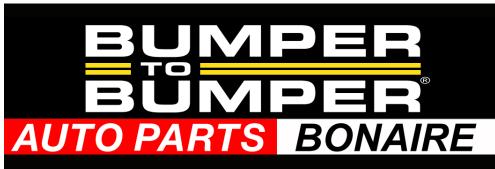
production with Corey and Renee. In addition to his theatrical pursuits, Brandon serves in the U.S. Military and cherishes moments spent with his wife, two stepchildren, and their dog, Chanae Forrest-Franklin. He credits the theatre for nurturing his growth as an actor and is grateful for the opportunity to work with the talented cast. Above all, Brandon expresses gratitude to his supportive family, whose encouragement allows him to pursue his passion for theatre.

BRETT-LUCAS PRITCHETT is in the



10th grade at Warner Robins High School where he is a member of the Allstate Honor Chorus. He has previously been in "Broadway Comes to WRLT" and an original

play by Brandi Dent in 2022. He is the son of Chris and Kimberly Pritchett and sibling to Gillian Pritchett Hunt. He has enjoyed working with this group of people who work together and support each other, both as a team and extended family. His hobbies include singing, playing the clarinet, being in band, chorus, playing tennis, skateboarding, gaming, and playing with his yellow lab.



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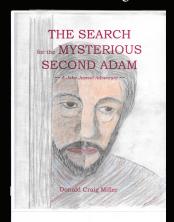


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Cast Bios

CANDY THOMAS is a Perry native.



She is excited to get back on stage after previously appearing on stage in "Ragtime," "Broadway Comes to WRLT," and other productions at her church. Candy teaches

4th grade at Morningside Elementary and enjoys coaching cheer at Perry High. She is engaged to her fiancé, Cedric Blackshear, and is the proud mother of Jayden (20), Caleb (12), and Christian (14). When not on stage she enjoys voluneer work and dancing. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!

DANIELLE 'DANI' AUSTIN is excited



to make her first appearance on the WRLT stage! She has previously appeared in "Rent," "Legally Blonde" and other variety shows at her High School Drama

club. She is the proud mother to two daughters and works as a Technical Project Manager. Her hobbies include homesteading, mudlarking, gardening, foraging, exploring the outdoors, reading, painting, and writing. One day she would love to be a backup dancer/singer for a Taylor Swift tour!

DAVID CARVER has been in several



local productions to include "USO Review," "Broadway Comes to WRLT," "Color Me Crazy," "A Christmas Carol," and "Songs Unsung." He is a retired Assisstant

Principal and enjoys golf, astronomy, and singing. When not on stage, David likes to spend time with his daughter, Kinleigh Carver, and his dog, Amos. Music is the language that connects all of us!

DERRICK BARRETT is returning



to the stage for his third musical. He has previously appeared in "Broadway Comes to WRLT," "The Red Spyder," "Deathtrap," "Cyrano de Bergerac," "El Hajj Malik," and

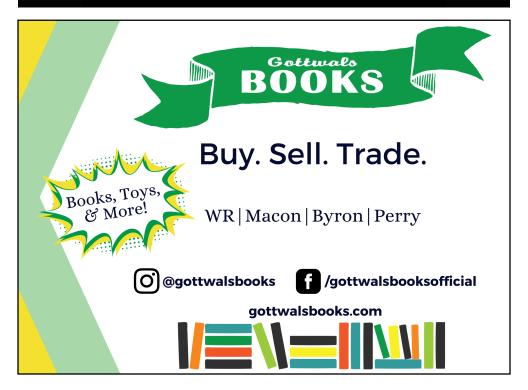
"Fraternity." When not on stage, he enjoys reading, playing vintage video games, creating voice-overs, and filmmaking. He would like to thank Renee Alday and Corey Dinkins, for giving him another opportunity to be in a play with a talented cast & crew like this one. He dedicates his performance to the memory of his late father, Joseph Barrett, Jr. (1932-2009). He works as a filmmaker and DoorDash driver. PROUDLY SUPPORTING LOCAL ARTS AND BUSINESSES



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KELLIE ATKINSON is a Licensed



Massage Therapist and owner of Bubbling Spring Wellness Spa. She is the mother of Darrianne Atkinson & Abrielle Pysher. She enjoys playing trivia and performing

onstage. You may recognize her from the USO Review, Cry Havoc, Four Old Broads, and Broadway Comes to WRLT. "Life is a play that does not allow testing. So, sing, cry, dance, laugh, and live intensely, before the curtain closes and the piece ends with no applause." ~ Charlie Chaplin

LACHUN BROWN joins the WRLT



stage as a seasoned vocalist and performer, having sung background vocals and opened for several top artists in various genres. She has participated in

Victory over Violence with Joe Frazier, opened for the Alburn Street Music Festival in Atlanta, and is a former Worship Leader for Dr. Dianna: The Deal Breaker! Additionally, she was the first gospel singer (along with her partner Tari Purcell) to be featured on Disney Cruises. She is experienced in 1 Women Shows and is a writer, producer and director of Music Productions.

MAC MILLER Mac Miller is a junior



at PCHS. She lives at home with her siblings. parents, and dogs. Her hobbies include singing anywhere everywhere and and playing her

instruments. Her first musicals were Beauty and the Beast and Mary Poppins in middle school. In high school she has enjoyed musical theatre, as well as stunning audiences at Perry Players, Theatre Macon, and MLT. She is also currently performing as Belle in Beauty and the Beast in school. "I am extremely thankful for my family supporting me."

NIKKI BEECHAM is an auditor. She



enjoys spending time with her husband, Daniel Beecham, her mom, Deborah Covington, her sister, Aja Covington, and her two nieces. She was in her first play

last year at WRLT, the Odd Couple. She had a great time and is excited to be back on the stage! She looks forward to continuing her adventures in theatre.

Cast Bios

SHELLY PALMA is an Ophthalmic



Technician. She wants to thank her family for their support and encouragement in this show. She is the proud mother of her daughter, Brooklyn Machelle. Shelly's

hobbies are singing and playing guitar. This is her first time on the WRLT stage. "I want to thank my better half, Alexander Raines, for introducing me to his passion, theater, and giving me all of his support during the time I have been involved with this production. A huge thank you to my parents for providing me a life filled with music and joy and Jesus. Without those things, I wouldn't be who I am today. Thank you to my step father, Mike, for always believing in me even when I don't believe in myself."

SUSAN MCRANEY is a retired English



teacher and owner of The Antique Mall of Warner Robins. She enjoys traveling with her husband, Jim. Besides traveling across the world, her hobbies include

performing onstage and shopping. She has been in many plays since 1962, including Hallelujah Girls, Cowardly Brian, Cry Havoc, The Sisters Rosensweig, USO Review, and The Secret Case of Sherlock Holmes. She is the 2nd Vice-President of the Board of the Governors of WRLT.

TIM ZAHM is a computer nerd for the



Air Force. He loves his wonderful children, Kaitlyn and Gavin, and his very supportive girlfriend, Ashley. He enjoys hosting parties, working on his gardens, playing

D&D, and acting (of course). Tim started performing in plays and musicals in highschool and spent many years acting in NY. After a long hiatus, he got bit by the bug again and was cast as Ricky in "Color Me Crazy" at the WRLT. " I am thrilled and proud to be a part of America's Top 40. A huge thank you to Renee and Corey for taking a chance on me and inviting me to be a part of this amazing show."

VALINDA WILSON is a Property



Management Analyst. She is married to Richard Wilson, has four step kids and five grandchildren. Her hobbies include skating, going to concerts and sporting

events, entertaining friends, and being the funnest "Nana Vee." This is her first time on stage and she wants to thank the talented cast, crew, and directors! "The talented people on this cast amaze me and I'm so honored to be a small part of part of it!"

LIAM MILLER is excited to return



to the stage after being in productions "Color Me Crazy," "The Wizard of Oz," and "Disney Descendants." When he's not entertaining audiences at Macon

Little Theatre or WRLT, Liam can be found performing jazz and musical theatre with his troupe at Dance Collective. A sixth-grader with a passion for the arts, Liam enjoys reading, attending dance classes, watching YouTube videos, creating games on Roblox, and taking trips with his family. With aspirations to become a successful film director, Liam dreams big and is eager to carve his path in the arts.



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