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STARRING

DARREN CRAIG EARL GREGORY NAMISA MDLALOSE AMY CAMPBELL NATHAN RO LUCY TOPS CANDICE VAN LITSENBORGH STEPHAN VAN HUYSSTEEN RALPH LAWSON MALCOLM TERREY GLENN SWART TSHEPO NCOKOANE PHILLIP SCHNETLER CHESTER MARTINEZ EMILE DOUBELL SHELLEY LOTHIAN SHALEENI RANCHHOD CATHERINE ISAACS DEAN DE KLERK NATHAN MULLER JULIO JANTJIES LEE VAN DER MERWE ALEXANDER WALLACE DANIEL WOLSON FINN NEWHAM-BLAKE OSWALD PIETERSE SETH ELLIS TRAVIS TURNER

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**MATTHEW WILD** 

LIGHTING DESIGN

**TIM MITCHELL** 

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

CHORFOGRAPHY

**CHARL-JOHAN LINGENFELDER** 

SOUND SYSTEM DESIGN

DAVID CLASSEN

**LOUISA TALBOT** 

**CHRIS PIENAAR** 

SET DESIGN PAUL WILLS

**COSTUME DESIGN BIRRIE LE ROUX** 

ASSOCIATE SET DESIGN

SOUND DESIGN **MARK MALHERBE** FOR PROSOUND

SET CONSTRUCTION **CARL GERSBACH** FOR CHG ENGINEERING **GERHARD MORKEL** 

SCENIC PAINTER **NADINE MINNAAR** FOR SCENE VISUAL PRODUCTION

RESIDENT DIRECTOR **SHELLEY LOTHIAN** 

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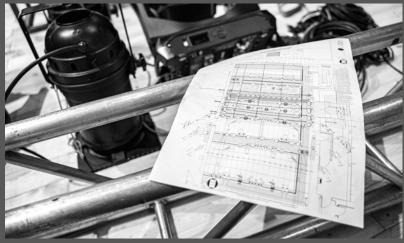






























#### **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

I fell in love with Cyndi Lauper's glittering score for *Kinky Boots* on first hearing, and jumped at the chance when Eric Abraham and Daniel Galloway asked me if I would like to direct an allnew production of the musical for the Fugard Theatre. This theatre's unwavering commitment to showcasing local talent and expertise (both on stage and behind the scenes) makes it a very special place to work – and I knew that a South African ensemble would bring something extraordinary to this most life-affirming of musicals.

Singing lies at the heart of this show, with Lauper making steep vocal demands of every single role – roles we cast by scouring the country over a two year casting process. Meanwhile, my brilliant team of creative collaborators set to work creating the sights and sounds of the contrasting worlds of a traditionbound Northampton shoe factory, and the fabulous neon-lit universe of Lola and her Angels – with the necessary gravitydefying boots taking a central focus!

Kinky Boots' core message of the need for acceptance (of difference, of others, and of yourself), so warmly articulated in Harvey Fierstein's witty book, is one which is close to my heart. I hope that our staging will leave this sentiment echoing in your heart long after you leave the theatre tonight.



Matthew Wild, Director

The sex is in the heel!

"Designing Kinky Boots has been both the biggest challenge and the most fun I had had designing a show in my career. Bringing the two juxtaposing worlds together has been thrilling. What a show!"

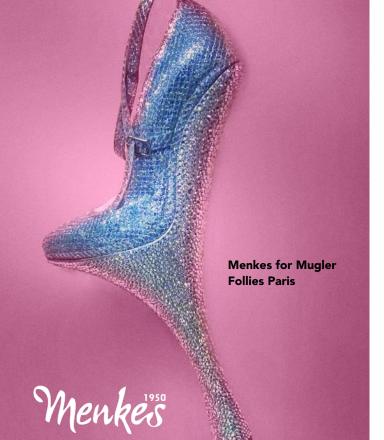
Birrie le Roux, Costume Designer















Menkes: the shoemakers behind *Kinky Boots* 

#### WHAT IS MENKES?

Established in 1950, Menkes is a Spanish manufacturer and distributor specialising in custom made, handcrafted theatre costumes and shoes.

#### WHO WAS MARCOS MENKES?

Marcos Menkes is the founder of the Menkes fashion house. He was the son of an affluent banker from Tangier whose family suffered the effects of the uncertain years of the Second World War and they took refuge in Madrid when Marcos was aged 12. He studied at the Lycée Français and began his professional career as an apprentice to the Catalan fashion designer Marbel, who made costumes for stars of the stage and screen. This is where his passion for craftsmanship and tireless search for perfection began.

At the age of just 21, Marcos set up his first business, which specialised in making regional costumes. Nearly 70 years later, his legacy lives on in the core values of passion for design and faith in teamwork: a formula rooted in the tradition of artisanship and enhanced by the very latest technology.

His son and daughter, Jacobo Menkes and Dorita Menkes are continuing the business and keeping the traditions alive.

#### WHY MENKES?

In the world of the performing arts, both costumes and footwear are put through their paces on stage by performers. For this, imagination must meet the characteristics of quality, strength and durability and this is where Menkes show that they are second to none. Through constant research, artisanship and modern techniques, Menkes create shoes that are designed and built for endurance that enable them to meet the demands of constant, rigorous use on stage. This makes them the perfect manufacturer for our *Kinky Boots*, worn by our Company, and to be put to the test by Lola and the Angels of the Blue Angel Nightclub.

Each pair of boots was designed by Birrie le Roux, Costume Designer of The Fugard Theatre's production of *Kinky Boots* and is handcrafted for and tailored to each performer who wears them.



#### HARVEY FIERSTEIN

Book

Harvey Fierstein is the author of the recent Broadway hits **Newsies** (Tony nom.) and **Casa Valentina** (Tony nom.), as well as **Torch Song Trilogy** (Tony, Drama Desk and Obie Awards), **La Cage aux Folles** (Tony and Drama Desk Awards), **A Catered Affair** (12 Drama Desk nominations), **Safe Sex** (Ace Award), **Legs Diamond, Spookhouse**, **Flatbush Tosca, Common Ground** and more.

In 2015 he adapted the book of **The Wiz** for TV, and the following year he wrote and starred in the live television broadcast of **Hairspray**. Harvey has also penned a revised libretto for **Funny Girl** that ran in London to critical acclaim.

His political editorials have been published in The New York Times and the Huffington Post and broadcast on PBS's "In the Life." His children's book, *The Sissy Duckling* (Humanitas Award), is now in its sixth printing.

As an actor, Mr. Fierstein is known worldwide for his performances in films including Mrs. Doubtfire, Independence Day, Death to Smoochy and Bullets Over Broadway; on stage in Hairspray (Tony Award), Fiddler on the Roof, La Cage aux Folles, Torch Song Trilogy (Tony Award), and most recently, in the Public Theater's production of Gently Down the Stream; and on TV shows such as Smash, How I Met Your Mother, The Good Wife, Cheers (Emmy nomination), The Simpsons, Family Guy and Nurse Jackie. Harvey Fierstein was inducted into the Theater Hall of Fame in 2008.



CYNDI LAUPER Music and Lyrics

Cyndi Lauper is a Grammy, Emmy and Tony Award-winning artist with over 30 sterling years and global record sales in excess of 50 million albums. With her first album, **She's So Unusual**, Lauper won a Grammy Award for Best New Artist and became the first female in history to have four top-five singles from a debut album.

Since then, Lauper has released ten additional studio albums, been inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame and celebrated as a New York Times best-selling author. Overall, during her storied music career, Lauper has been nominated for 15 Grammy Awards, two American Music Awards, seven American Video Awards and 18 MTV Awards. In 2013, Cyndi Lauper became the first solo woman to win Best original score for her music and lyrics for *Kinky Boots*.

Never one to slow down, next she is currently writing the score for the Broadway adaptation of the 1988 feature film **Working Girl**, contributed a song to the score of the Broadway musical **Spongebob Squarepants** and launched her own fashion line **A Touch of Cyn** with Home Shopping Network.



MATTHEW WILD Director

Matthew Wild is one of the most versatile and prolific South African theatre directors of his generation, equally at home staging operas, musicals, new plays and classic texts. A two-time Fleur du Cap Theatre Award winner, Matthew is now increasingly in demand as a director in Europe, for opera houses in Germany, Sweden, Switzerland and Austria. Since 2015, he has been the Artistic Director of Cape Town Opera.

Matthew made his opera directing debut in Sweden in 2009, with Boesmans' *Julie* for Norrlandsoperan and Malmö Opera. More recently, he earned acclaim with his German debut, *Katya Kabanova* (in Wiesbaden in 2016), and stagings of *Don Giovanni* and *La Bohème* in Switzerland. In the 2019/20 season he returns to Germany for a new production of *Chicago*, and makes his Austrian debut.

In South Africa, noteworthy past productions include *II viaggio a Reims, Suor Angelica, The Rake's Progress, Cosi fan tutte, Don Giovanni, The Medium, Salome, Der Fliegende Holländer* and *Die Zauberflöte.* For The Fugard Theatre, his award-winning production of *The Rocky Horror Show* opened in 2013 and ran for a total of 444 performances. He returned to the Fugard in 2015 to direct new productions of *Cabaret* and *West Side Story*, followed by *Funny Girl* in 2017.



#### CHARL-JOHAN LINGENFELDER

**Musical Director** 

Charl-Johan studied Musicology, Drama and Classical Culture at the University of Stellenbosch. He is currently the Resident Musical Director for The Fugard Theatre. He has worked in Paris, San Francisco, New York, Hong Kong, Athens, New Zealand, China, Taiwan and Indonesia as a composer, musical director, arranger, conductor, writer and performer. Charl-Johan has been nominated for 15 Naledi Theatre Awards and 9 Fleur du Cap Theatre Awards. He was Musical Director for The Fugard Theatre productions of The Rocky Horror Show, West Side Story, Orpheus in Africa, Funny Girl, Langarm and he created sound design and original compositions for Significant Other, The Road to *Mecca* and was supervisor/performer on Cabaret. Charl-Johan was the Co-Musical Director, and created additional music and arrangements, for The Fugard Theatre's 2017 musical production of King Kong, for which he won both the Fleur du Cap Theatre Award and Naledi Theatre Award for his new compositions. Charl also recently created original music and soundscapes for Pieter Toerien's The Curious Incident of The Dog in the Night-Time, Equus and Macbeth.

He is co-writer and composer of the critically acclaimed Afrikaans feature film, *Kanarie*, which has won more than 30 international awards and is opening on circuit in the USA at the end of June.

Charl is the Resident Musical Director of The Fugard Theatre.



#### LOUISA TALBOT Choreographer

Louisa's dance experience includes working with Cape Dance Company, Jazzart Dance Theatre, Free Flight dance company and Bovim Ballet.

Musical credits include **Show Boat**, **Grease**, **We Will Rock You**, (Associate Resident Choreographer), **High School Musical** (Resident Choreographer), **The Rocky Horror Show** (Choreographer and Resident Director) and **Matilda the Musical** SA and international tour (Resident Choreographer).

Louisa was nominated for a Naledi Theatre Award for Best Choreography for **The Rocky Horror Show** (2015) and in 2018, she won a Naledi Theatre Award for her choreography on **West Side Story**.

Theatre original choreography credits include *Cabaret*, *West Side Story*, *Funny Girl* (all for The Fugard Theatre), and *Don Giovanni* (Cape Town Opera).

Film credits include **Honey 3** as Choreographer/ Supervising Choreographer (Universal Pictures) , **Iris Warriors** as lead shadow dancer, **Kanarie** as Choreographer (Human Capital Films) directed by Christiaan Olwagen, **Bring it on-All Stars** (Universal Pictures), directed by Robert Adetuyi and **The Kissing Booth** (Netflix).

Television includes **So You Think You Can Dance** as a Top 20 Finalist.



PAUL WILLS Set Design

Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Shakespeare in Love, King Kong, A Human Being Died That Night, A Number (also Hampstead Theatre, West End, BAM)

Other Theatre: King Lear, Frozen, Lady Windermere's Fan, American Buffalo, Di and Viv and Rose, Mrs Henderson Presents (West End); Hamlet, The Two Gentlemen of Verona (RSC); Measure for Measure (Theatre For A New Audience, NYC); Anna Christie, Making Noise Quietly, The Man Who Had All The Luck, The Cut, Novecento (Donmar Warehouse); Blasted, Saved, Punk Rock, The Chair Plays (Lyric Hammersmith); The Acid Test, Routes, Breathing Corpses (Royal Court); The Four Seasons, Richard II, Front Line (Shakespeare's Globe); Running Wild, First Light (Chichester); Occupational Hazards (Hampstead); Our Few and Evil Days, Drum Belly (Abbey Dublin); A Steady Rain (Theatre Royal Bath); The Snapper, Juno and The Paycock (Gate Theatre Dublin); Howie The Rookie (Dublin/The Barbican/ BAM); Once a Catholic, Pornography, (Tricycle Theatre); A Number, Total Eclipse (Menier Chocolate Factory); My Fair Lady, Afterplay, Gladiator Games (Sheffield Theatres); Buried Child, Barnum (Leicester Curve); The Changeling (ETT); Orpheus Descending, 1984, Macbeth, See How They Run (Manchester Royal Exchange)

Opera and Dance: *The Monstrous Child* (Royal Opera House); *Bastard Amber* (Liz Roche, Dublin Dance Festival); *Rusalka* (English Touring Opera).



#### TIM MITCHELL

Lighting Design

Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: *King Kong* (Fleur Du Cap Theatre Awards and Naledi Theatre Awards nominations), *West Side Story* 

Other Theatre: Me and My Girl, First Light, Travels with my Aunt (Chichester Festival Theatre); Pressure, The Painkiller, Guys and Dolls (West End); The String Quartet's Guide to Sex and Anxiety, Nativity! (UK Tour) (Birmingham Repertory); Guys and Dolls (Théâtre Marigny, Paris); Singin' in the Rain (Chichester Festival Theatre/ Orb Theatre, Tokyo); Chitty Chitty Bang Bang (UK Tour); Anything Goes (UK Tour), My Fair Lady (Crucible Theatre)

Opera includes: Don Giovanni, La Calisto (Longborough); Suor Angelica, II Trittico (Den Norske Opera), Iolanthe, The Force of Destiny, Fidelio (ENO), Le Vin Herbé, Moses und Aron (ROH), The Fall of the House of Usher and Usher House (San Francisco Opera), La Boheme (WNO)

Tim is an Associate Artist at the Royal Shakespeare Company. Recent credits include: *The Merry Wives of Windsor, A Christmas Carol, King Lear* (& BAM). Further credits include: *King and Country Season* (Barbican), *Henry IV* – parts I and II (Olivier Award nomination).

Awards: 2015 Knight of Illumination Award for **Taken At Midnight** (Chichester Festival Theatre) Nominations: Green Room award for **Singin' In The Rain** (Australia); Critics Award for Theatre in Scotland for **Alice's Adventures in Wonderland** (Royal Lyceum)



BIRRIE LE ROUX Costume Design

Birrie le Roux is a well-known theatre and film designer in South Africa. Her work as a costume designer has been seen in cities all over the world. She was Resident Costume Designer at The Fugard Theatre for almost three years. For The Fugard Theatre, her most recent production was *Kunene* and the King, a co-production with the RSC, for which she designed the set and costumes. Other recent costume design works include The Road to Mecca and Shakespeare in Love. She was nominated for a Fleur du Cap Theatre Award for King Kong for Best Costume Design and in 2017 she was nominated for Best Costume Design for Funny Girl. In 2016 she won the award for **Orpheus in Africa**, David Kramer's 2015 musical produced by The Fugard Theatre.

Birrie also designed costumes for Sylvaine Strike's recent production of **Endgame** at the Baxter Theatre Centre.

In 2016 she won the Silwerskerm award for Production Design for the film *Johnny is nie Dood nie*.

Birrie studied theatre design in Pretoria and lives in Cape Town.



#### MARK MALHERBE Sound Design (for Prosound)

Mark Malherbe, Prosound Technical Director, is proud to have been associated with the theatre industry for over 40 years. During this time, he has been responsible for sound designs on many local and international productions, including the world premieres of *Sarafina* and *Playland*.

Productions include Sunset Boulevard, Eve Ensler's Emotional Creature, Delirium and the Asian tour for Jersey Boys. Mark is the recipient of five Naledi Theatre Awards for Sound Design for That'll Be the Day, We Will Rock You, Cats, Jesus Christ Superstar and Annie.

More recently Mark has completed sound designs for **Orpheus in Africa**, **Cabaret, West Side Story**, Funny Girl and **King Kong** for The Fugard Theatre as well as the **Singing in the Rain** international tour for Pieter Toerien Productions, **Priscilla Queen of the Desert** for Showtime and the inaugural production of **Calling Us Home** for Shy Music.

Earlier this year Mark provided the sound design for the Kickstart/Pieter Toerien Productions production of *Into the Woods*.















#### DARREN CRAIG Charlie

Training: National Senior Certificate (The National School of the Arts). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: *L.A.D.S* (The Indaba Hotel; 2017), *Rocking the Ages* (Emperor's Palace; 2014), *Queen* (Magic Life Resorts; 2013), *The Little Mermaid* (The People's Theatre; 2011), *Grease* (Montecasino, Artscape Theatre Centre, Civic Theatre, Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts; 2010), *Six of the Best* (Barnyard Theatres; 2009), *High School Musical* (Montecasino, Artscape Theatre Centre, Shanghai Grand Theatre; 2008-2009). Film & Television: Jam Alley (SABC), *Soul Buddyz* (SABC), *Supersterre* (SABC), *Life is Wild* (The CW), *Spotlight SA: High School Musical* (MNET), *Let's Play Campaign* (Super Sport), *SA's Got Talent* (Etv)



#### EARL GREGORY Lola / Simon

Training: National Diploma Musical Theatre, (Pretoria Technikon). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Into the Woods (Theatre on the Bay; 2019), Evita (South Africa and International tour; 2017-2018), Puss in Boots (Lyric Theatre; 2017), Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (South Africa and New Zealand tour; 2016), Cats (Seoul Korean tour; 2014), Hansel and Gretel (Baxter Theatre Centre; 2013), The Little Mermaid (Baxter Theatre Centre; 2012), The Quiet Violence of Dreams (UJ Con Cowan Theatre; 2012), Dreamgirls (Montecasino; 2011), Beautiful Creatures (Montecasino; 2010), Cats (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2009), Snow White (Joburg Civic; 2008), High School Musical (Asia Tour; 2008), Hairspray (Lyric Theatre; 2007), Hair (Montecasino; 2007), Ain't Misbehavin' (Market Theatre; 2006), Life@centrestage (Montecasino; 2005), Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Theatre on the Bay; 2004)



#### NAMISA MDLALOSE Lauren

Training: Bachelor of Arts Theatre and Performance Degree: Theatre Making (University of Cape Town). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: *King Kong* (2017). Other Theatre: *Snow White and the Seven Dwarves* (Joburg Theatre; 2018), *The Color Purple* (Joburg Theatre; 2018), *Rent!* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2017), *FIGS* (National Arts Festival, Grahamstown; 2016). Film & Television: *Bypass* (Media Village), *UMVA* (University of Cape Town), *Burnt* (University of Cape Town)



#### AMY CAMPBELL Nicola

Training: Bachelor of Music in Jazz Performance (University of Cape Town). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: *Tiger Bay* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2017), *Private Parts* (National Arts Festival, Grahamstown; 2016). Film & Television: *South Africa's Got Talent 2017* (winner) (Rapid Blue)



#### NATHAN RO Don

Training: Bachelor of Arts Audio Visual Production Management (University of Johannesburg. Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Music: *Swing City* (South Africa; 2014-2019), *Lonehill Estate* (Global; 2005-2019). Film & Television: *Isidingo* (SABC), *7de Laan* (SABC), *Rise* (ONE Gospel)



#### LUCY TOPS Pat | Lauren Cover

Training: Tap, Modern, Jazz, ISTD London (Waterfront Theatre School), ATCL Performance Drama (Trinity College of London). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Significant Other (2018), Shakespeare in Love (2017, 2018), Funny Girl (2017), The Rocky Horror Show (2013/14) Other Theatre: Face The Music (Kalk Bay Theatre; 2019), Another Day (Kalk Bay Theatre; 2019), Bar None (Kalk Bay Theatre, National Arts Festival, Grahamstown; 2014, 2015, 2018), Another Day (Kalk Bay Theatre, Artscape Theatre Centre; 2015, 2018),), Bon Soir (Kalk Bay Theatre, Perth Festival; 2015/16), Stealing The Show (Alexander Bar Theatre, Kalk Bay Theatre; 2014), Big Girls Don't Cry (Kalk Bay Theatre; 2014). Film & Television: Fractured (City Varsity), Ein Sommer In Long Island (Two Oceans), The Devil Speaks (ID), What Lies Beneath (ID)



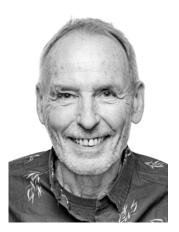
#### CANDICE VAN LITSENBORGH Trish, Ensemble

Training: BA Theatre and Performance (University of Cape Town). Theatre: For the Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Into The Woods (Theatre on the Bay/Montecasino; 2019), Priscilla Queen of the Desert (Artscape, Teatro and Hong Kong; 2018), Sasolburg Common Birds of South Africa (Alexander Bar; 2018), Annie (Artscape / Teatro; 2017), Court (Alexander Bar; 2017), Vacancy (Alexander Bar 2017), Sweeney Todd (TOTB/Montecasino; 2016-2017), Little Shop of Horrors (TOTB/Montecasino; 2015), Alice in Wonderland (Canal Walk; 2014), Understudy Blues (Galloway Theatre; 2014), Sunset Boulevard (TOTB / Montecasino; 2010-2011), I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change (Kalk Bay Theatre / Grahamstown Festival 2010), Showboat (Malmö Sweden; 2010), Assassins (New Space 2008), Chess (TOTB/Montecasino; 2008), Jesus Christ Superstar (SA, Greece, South Korea tours 2006-2007)



#### STEPHAN VAN HUYSSTEEN Harry, Ensemble | Charlie Cover

Training: Certificate in Sound technology (SAE), Grade 8 in drumming (Trinity Rock School), NQF4 (COPA). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Great Balls of Fire (Montecasino; 2018), Rock of Ages (Lyric Theatre; 2017), Rockville 2069 The Musical (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2014). Film & Television: 7de Laan (SABC), Chat NOU (kykNET), FLITS (kykNET), Top20 (kykNET ), Generations (SABC)



#### RALPH LAWSON George (from 11 Jun – 20 Jul & 7 Aug – 13 Oct)

Training: Diploma in Acting (Central School of Speech and Drama). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: **The Sound of Music** (Playhouse Company; 2004 and 2017), **A Voice I Cannot Silence** (National Arts Festival, State Theatre, Hilton Festival, Playhouse Company, Theatre on the Square, Fugard Theatre; 2016), **My Fair Lady** (Playhouse Company; 2009), **Masterclass** (Playhouse Company; 2006), **Equus** (Baxter Theatre Centre; 2000), **Shopping and F\*\*\*ing** (Abling Productions; 1999), **Alarms and Excursions** (Baxter Theatre Centre; 1998), **Hysteria** (Playhouse Company, Artscape Theatre Centre; 1995), **Twelfth Night** (Maynardville Open Air Theatre; 1990), **Richard II** (CAPAB Drama; 1990), **Long Day's Journey into Night** (CAPAB Drama; 1989), **Amadeus** (Pieter Toerien Productions; 1982 - 1983)

#### MALCOLM TERREY George (from 21 Jul – 6 Aug & 14 Oct onwards)

Training: Various UK repertory companies. Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut Other Theatre: The Mousetrap (South African and New Zealand tours; 2018-2019), The Sound of Music (South African, Asian and New Zealand tours; 2014-2015 and 2017-2018), Dirty Dancing (South African and Asian tours; 2012-2013), Cinderella (Joburg Theatre; 2011), Showboat (Paris and Sweden; 2009-2010), Tom-Foolery (Theatre on the Square; 2009), The Merry Widow (Pretoria State Theatre; 2009), Grin and Bare It (Carnival City; 2009), We Will Rock You (South African, Asian and New Zealand tours; 2006-2008), Ying Tong (Theatre on the Bay and Montecasino; 2005-2006), The Phantom of the Opera (South African and Asian tours; 2004-2006). Film & Television: Young Leonardo (BBC), Take a Break (SABC3), I Claudius. (BBC)



#### **GLENN SWART** Mr Price, Ensemble

Training: Performers Diploma (University of Cape Town), ATCL and LTCL (Rita Maas Drama Academy (Royal Schools). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Immortal (The Castle of Good Hope; 2018), Porgy and Bess (Artscape Theatre Centre, Wales Millennium Stadium, Edinburgh Capital Theatre, London Coliseum, Tel Aviv and Haifa, Gwangju in Seoul Korea; 2012 -2018), Show Boat (Paris Théâtre du Châtelet, Sweden Malmo Opera House; 2005), Evita (Artscape Theatre Centre; 1995-2000), Into the Woods (Artscape Theatre Centre; 1998), Annie (Artscape Theatre Centre; 1997), Jesus Christ Superstar (Artscape Theatre Centre; 1993 -1996), Station 70 (Baxter Theatre Centre; 1993), Hair (Artscape Theatre Centre; 1993), Pact Drama Company (1985 – 1990). Film & Television: Louis Motors (SABC), Swart Kat (SABC), Westgate (SABC), The Sheltering Desert (Vine International Films)



#### TSHEPO NCOKOANE Angel, Ensemble | Lola / Simon Alternate

Training: National Diploma in Musical Theatre (Tshwane University of Technology). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: *The Color Purple* (Joburg Theatre; 2018), *Snow White The Pantomime* (Joburg Theatre; 2018), *Camelot* (Sneddon Theatre; 2018), *Priscilla, Queen of The Desert* (Artscape Theatre Centre, Montecasino, Hong Kong Academy of Performing Arts; 2017), *Robin Hood & The Babes In The Wood* (Joburg Theatre; 2016), *Shrek The Musical* (Lyric Theatre; 2016), *Sleeping Beauty The Pantomime* (Joburg Theatre; 2015)







#### PHILLIP SCHNETLER Angel, Ensemble

Training: National Diploma in Musical Theatre (Tshwane University of Technology). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: *Priscilla, Queen of the Desert* (Artscape Theatre Centre, Montecasino, Hong Kong Lyric, Norwegian Epic; 2017-2019), *Annie* (Artscape Theatre Centre, Montecasino; 2016), *Saturday Night Fever* (Pretoria State Theatre; 2016), *Reik Na Die Sterre* (State Theatre; 2014), *Ons Vir Jou* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2013), *Jesus die Musiek Blyspel* (State Theatre; 2013). Film & Television: *Onthou* (kykNET), *Koel Pixels* (kykNET & Kie)

#### CHESTER MARTINEZ Angel, Ensemble

**Training / Experience:** Three-time First Place at Dance to Las Vegas (Untimitive Dance Company), First Place at SASAFF (Gift of Dance). **Theatre:** For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: **Rockville 2069 The Musical** (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2014). **Film & Television: Honey 3** (Universal Pictures), **A Cinderella Story: If The Shoe Fits** (Warner Home Video)



#### EMILE DOUBELL Angel, Ensemble | Harry Cover

**Training:** International Diploma in Musical Theatre, ISTD Dance Qualifications (Waterfront Theatre School). **Theatre:** For The Fugard Theatre: **The Rocky Horror Show** (2013 - 2015). Other Theatre: **TUI Cruises Onboard Theatre Production Cast** (Mein Schiff German Cruise Liners; 2017 - 2018), **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat** (Theatre On The Bay, Montecasino, Port Elizabeth Opera House, Auckland Civic Theatre, Christchurch Isaac Theatre Royal, Wellington Opera House; 2016 - 2017), **Madame Zingara's Celebration Tour** (Grand Parade, Montecasino; 2015 - 2016). **Film & Television: High School Musical: Spotlight South Africa** (M-NET)



#### SHELLEY LOTHIAN Ensemble | Trish and Pat Cover | Resident Director

Training: B Tech Musical Theatre (Tshwane University of Technology). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: As Performer : *Cabaret* (2015); As Resident Director: David Kramer's *Langarm* (2019), *West Side Story* (2015, 2017, 2018), *King Kong* (2017 – 2018), David Kramer's *Orpheus in Africa* (2015), David Kramer's *District Six - Kanala* (2016). Other Theatre: *Show Boat* (UK/Ireland Tour, Artscape Theatre Centre; 2014), *Menopause! The Musical* (Theatre on the Bay; 2011), *Mamma Mia!* (Montecasino, Artscape Theatre Centre; 2011), *The Boys in the Photograph* (Joburg Theatre; 2010), *Fings 'Aint Wot They Used T'be* (Joburg Theatre; 2009), *We Will Rock You* (Asia Pacific International Tour; 2007/8), *Chef, Rattle and Roll* (Soundstage; 2007), *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (Joburg Theatre; 2007), *My Fair Lady* (State Theatre; 2006), *The Sound of Music* (State Theatre; 2005)



#### SHALEENI RANCHHOD Ensemble | Nicola Cover

Training: Bachelor Degree in Musical Theatre, Acting for Film and TV (New York Film Academy), Acting Diploma (Trinity Guildhall London). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Seth's Cabaret Show (Don't Tell Mamma) (Off Broadway, New York; 2015), Wedding Singer (Connelly Theatre, New York; 2014), Footloose (Rhodes Theatre; 2011), Mamma Mia (Rhodes Theatre; 2009). Film & Television: Walk the Walk (Mark Olsen 2014), Cinderella Waltz (Blanche Baker; 2013), Favors (Blanche Backer; 2014), Grey's Anatomy (ABC Studios, Touchstone and others), How to Get Away With Murder (ABC Studio and others), Black Mirror (Netflix), The Mysteries of Laura (NBC), Orange is the New Black (Netflix), American Monster (Arrow Media), Deep State (Endor Productions, 6 Degree Media)



#### CATHERINE ISAACS Ensemble

Training: Bachelor of Arts in Dramatic Arts (University of the Witwatersrand), Classical Opera and Jazz (Trinity College London). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Shattered (Market Theatre; 2016), Antony and Cleopatra (Joburg Fringe; 2016), Romeo and Juliet (Joburg Fringe; 2015), Government Inspector (Wits Theatre; 2014), Love Happened Here (Hillbrow Theatre; 2011). Film & Television: Rat Race Season 1 (SABC)



#### **DEAN DE KLERK**

Richard Bailey, Ensemble | Don, George Cover and 2nd Harry Cover

Training: Trinity London Drama Associate, Music Theory, Grade 7 Classical Guitar (Trinity London), ISTD Advanced Modern Dance Theatre and Tap Dance, LTCL Musical Theatre (Waterfront Theatre School). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Ordinary Days (Baxter Theatre Centre; 2019), Sondheim etc (Alexander Bar Theatre; 2018), Gardening and Other Distractions (National Arts Festival, Makhanda; 2018), Rent (Artscape Theatre Centre, Joburg Theatre; 2017)



#### NATHAN MULLER Simon Senior, Ensemble | Angel Swing

Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: David Kramer's Langarm (2018-2019). Other Theatre: The Full Monty (Roxy Revue Bar; 2017), Hairspray (Milnerton High School; 2012), Grand West High School Jam; (Grand West; 2011, 2013), District Six (Milnerton High School; 2010). Film & Television: Long Walk to Freedom (Videovision Entertainment and others)



#### JULIO JANTJIES Ensemble | Angel Swing

Training: Diploma in Dance Education (University of Cape Town), Acting Technique 1 (Bonnie Rodini). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: David Kramer's *Langarm* (2018-2019), *West Side Story* (2018). Other Theatre: *Giselle* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2018), *A Spartacus of Africa* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2015), *Spring & Fall* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2014)



#### LEE VAN DER MERWE Swing | Dance Captain

Training: Diploma in Performing Arts (Cape Academy of Performing Arts). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: West Side Story (2018). Other Theatre: The Good, the Bad and the Fugly (Alexander Bar Theatre, The Drama Factory; 2018-2019), 5 Lesbians Eating a Quiche (Artscape Theatre Centre, Galloway Theatre, Theatre Arts Admin Collective; 2018-2019), The Third Force (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2018), Immortal (The Castle of Good Hope; 2017-2018), Laced (Alexander Bar Theatre, National Arts Festival, Grahamstown; 2017), Sacred Space (Artscape Theatre Centre, National Arts Festival, Grahamstown; 2016-2017), A Thousand Shepherds (National Arts Festival, Grahamstown, Klein Karoo Nasionale Kunstefees, Artscape Theatre Centre; 2016)



#### ALEXANDER WALLACE Young Charlie

**Training:** Ballet, modern, tap, hip-hop, drama and musical theatre (Waterfront Theatre School). **Theatre:** For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: **Priscilla, Queen of the Desert** (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2017), **Tiger Bay** (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2017). **Film & Television: The Forgiven** (Light and Dark Films), Various TV commercials and movies



#### DANIEL WOLSON Young Charlie

**Training:** Drama (CB Speech and Drama School), Vocal (Amy Campbell), Piano (Jean-Pierre Steyn), Dancing (Claddagh Dancing School). **Theatre:** For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: *Blueberry Toast* (Theatre at the Foundry; 2018-2019), *The Sound Of Music* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2018), *Evita* (Artscape Theatre Centre; 2017 - 2018)



#### FINN NEWHAM-BLAKE Young Charlie

Training: Vocals (Kronendal Music Academy). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Film & Television: International television commercials





#### **OSWALD PIETERSE** Young Lola / Simon

Training: Dance training (B2D School of Dance and LMRI School of Dance), Vocal training (Blouberg International School). Theatre: For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: Little Shop of Horrors (Blouberg International School; 2019), The Lion King (Blouberg International School; 2018), Eisteddfod: 2 x Solo, 2017. Hip Hop Dance Competitions: Dance Star: 2017, 2018; SABOD: 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017; Hip Hop International: 2016, 2017; SA Dance School Championships: 2015, 2016



#### SETH ELLIS Young Lola / Simon

**Training:** Ballet, modern dance, tap, drama, street dance (hip hop) and musical theatre (Waterfront Theatre School). **Theatre:** For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: **Them and Us** (Waterfront Theatre Company; 2019), **The Willow Pattern Plate** (Waterfront Theatre Company; 2018). **Film & Television: The Last Post** (BBC), **24 Hours to Live** (Saban Films)



#### TRAVIS TURNER Young Lola / Simon

**Training:** Drama (Desire Swanich and Russel Drury), Vocal training (Sandy Clapperton and Mark Mitchell), Guitar (Peter Muhl), Flute (Tina Sheard), Contemporary Dance (Daphne Jubber Studios), Hip Hop (Cha Cha Dance Studio). **Theatre:** For The Fugard Theatre: Debut. Other Theatre: **Narnia** (Bishops Pre-Prep; 2017)

#### ERIC ABRAHAM PRESENTS A FUGARD THEATRE PRODUCTION



#### Cast

Charlie Lola / Simon Lauren Nicola Don Pat | Lauren Cover Trish, Ensemble Harry, Ensemble | Charlie Cover George (from 11 Jun – 20 Jul & 7 Aug – 13 Oct) George (from 21 Jul – 6 Aug & 14 Oct onwards) Mr Price, Ensemble Angel, Ensemble | Lola / Simon Alternate Angel, Ensemble Angel, Ensemble Angel, Ensemble | Harry Cover Ensemble | Trish and Pat Cover | Resident Director Ensemble | Nicola Cover Ensemble Richard Bailey, Ensemble | Don, George and 2<sup>nd</sup> Harry Cover Simon Sr, Ensemble | Angel Swing Ensemble | Angel Swing Swing | Dance Captain Young Charlie Young Lola / Simon

Darren Craig Earl Gregory Namisa Mdlalose Amy Campbell Nathan Ro Lucy Tops Candice van Litsenborgh Stephan van Huyssteen

**Ralph Lawson** 

Malcolm Terrey Glenn Swart

Tshepo Ncokoane Phillip Schnetler Chester Martinez

Emile Doubell

Shelley Lothian Shaleeni Ranchhod Catherine Isaacs

Dean de Klerk

Nathan Muller Julio Jantjies Lee van der Merwe Alexander Wallace Daniel Wolson Finn Newham-Blake Oswald Pieterse Seth Ellis Travis Turner



Assistant Musical Director, Band leader, First Keys	Dawid Boverhoff
Second Keys	Matthew Foster
Drums	Lumanyano "Unity" Mzi
Bass	Shaun Johannes
Guitar	Robert Jeffery
Second Keys Dep	Francois Botha
Drums Deps	Dylan Tabisher
	Shane Michael Corew
Bass Deps	•

#### Studio Musicians

Zeke le Grange Lee-Roy Simpson Dave Thompson

#### Production

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Harvey Fierstein	Book
Cyndi Lauper	Music and Lyrics
Jerry Mitchell	Original Broadway Production Direction and Choreography
Stephen Oremus	Orchestrations and Arrangements
Eric Abraham Daniel Galloway	Producers
Lamees Albertus	Co-Producer
Georgia Lahusen	Associate Producer
Matthew Wild	Director
Charl Jahan Linganfa	Marchael Discovery

Musical Director ( Choreographer I

Matthew Wild Charl-Johan Lingenfelder Louisa Talbot Set Design Lighting Design Costume Design Sound Design

Sound System Design

Associate Set Design Resident Director Directing Intern

Production Manager Technical Manager Technical Stage Manager Deputy Production Manager Stage Manager Company Manager |

Cover Stage Manager | Assistant Stage Managers

> Wardrobe Supervisor Production Assistant Accent Coach

Fight Choreographer Wacking and Heel Workshop Lighting Programmer Video Design Video Mapping and Programming

> Sound Operator Mic Technicians

Dressers

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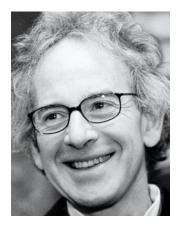
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#### ERIC ABRAHAM Producer

Eric Abraham is a South African-born television and theatre producer. He is best known for producing two Oscar-winning films – Kolya (Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film 1996, directed by Jan Sverak) and *Ida* (Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film 2014, directed by Pawel Pawlikowski). Both films won multiple other awards including, for Kolya, the Golden Globe and, for *Ida*, a BAFTA and Best European Film award. Kolya and Ida are two of the most widely seen foreign language films in the last twenty years. Eric is also known for producing Roald Dahl's Danny, the Champion of the World, starring Jeremy Irons and a host of British stars. Aside from producing and commissioning new work for the Fugard Theatre, Eric's West End and London stage credits include: the 2008 Olivier Award-winning The Magic Flute/ Impempe Yomlingo (Paris Crystal Globe for Best Opera) and Christopher Hampton's Embers featuring Jeremy Irons. He commissioned and underwrote the Fugard Theatre, becoming its Founding Producer.

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