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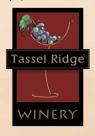
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We are excited by our next season, which we just announced. For The Kate Goldman Family Series, we have The Playhouse fan favorite, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. We follow that up with *Red Riding Hood* (imagine if the Wolf got to tell his story!), *The Lightning Thief*, and *Polkadots: The Cool Kids Musical*. This last musical was presented in 2021, outside in a tent with a very limited run. We liked it so much, we thought it should be experienced by more people. You know you will love every show, so why wait? Become a Playhouse season ticket holder today!

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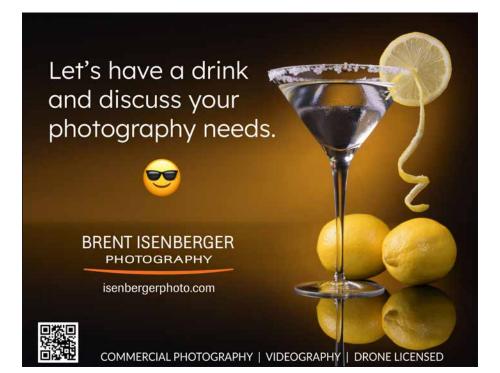
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An elevator between levels is located at the east end of the building.

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GUEST INFORMATION

#### Performance Content

The Playhouse does not rate subject matter as sensitivities vary from person to person. Questions about content, age appropriateness, or other aspects of the show such as strobe lights and other theatrical affects should be directed to the ticket office.

#### Performance Schedule

The regular Signature Series performance schedule is 7:30 PM Wednesdays through Saturdays and 2:00 PM Sundays. The regular Kate Goldman Family Series performance schedule is 7:00 PM Fridays, and 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM Saturdays and Sundays. The December performance schedule is 7:00 PM Thursdays and Fridays, and 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM Saturdays and Sundays. All times are subject to change.

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A preshow talk for each Signature Series performance, excluding the December show, will begin 30 minutes prior to curtain in the west lobby. The December show will have preshow music in the west lobby.

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Each audience member must occupy a seat and have a ticket, including infants.

#### **Ticket Office Hours**

The ticket office is open Noon to 5:00 PM, Tuesday through Friday, and 90 minutes before each performance. Tickets are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, online. Ticketing fees are the same whether purchased online, by phone, or at the ticket office.

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Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap Feb. 6-Mar. 1, 2026

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Legally Blonde July 10–26, 2026

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#### Cast

#### \*Indicates Playhouse Debut

AliceChloe Coffman*, Julia Neighbors	Red Queen/Cheshire CatLibby Waterbury*
White Rabbit Michael Howland	Tweedledum/Queen's Court/
Queen of HeartsKasey Dunifer*	5 of Spades/Others Charlie Syverson
Mouse/White QueenLisa Wiggins	Queen's Court/7 of Spades/
Caterpillar/Knave of HeartsAditya lyengar*	OthersAva Pourian*
Dormouse/OthersBenny Stieber*	Queen's Court/2 of Spades/
March Hare/Humpty Dumpty Oliver Thrun	Others Ellie Wharff
Mad Hatter/WalrusKatie Saldanha	Executioner/Others Abigail Burns*
Gryphon/Others Venya Pillai*	
Mock Turtle/Tweedledee John Flotho*	
King of Hearts <b>Conor McMahon*</b>	

Alice in Wonderland is performed with one 15-minute intermission.

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Abigail Burns (Executioner/ Others) is thrilled to be making her Playhouse debut. She is a third grader at Dallas Center-Grimes and has participated in Curtain Call Kids the past two summers. She recently appeared as Tack in

Panic in a Desk Drawer at The Playhouse's spring break camp. Abby enjoys playing soccer, softball, and piano, and loves music, musicals, and plays.



**Chloe Coffman** (*Alice 5/2, 5/4, 5/10, 5/13, 5/17, 5/18 1:00 PM only*) is making her Playhouse debut. While Alice is her new favorite role, she enjoyed playing a mermaid in *Peter and the Starcatcher* at Des Moines

Young Artists' Theatre. Chloe is an eighth grader at Southview Middle School in Ankeny who enjoys shopping, singing, and painting her nails.



Kasey Dunifer (Queen of Hearts) is making her Playhouse debut, but it's not her first trip to Wonderland. She played Alice in Newton High School's production in 2012. Kasey took acting classes at the University of Iowa before

receiving her degree in film studies. Kasey started her own business in 2024 as a freelance writer and video editor. She enjoys doing social media work for clients such as The Varsity Cinema – where you can often find her!



John Flotho (Mock Turtle/ Tweedledee) says his favorite role was Oscar Madison in The Odd Couple at Iowa State University, where he received his B.A. in performing arts. This is his Playhouse debut. In his free time,

John enjoys walleye fishing.



Michael Howland (White Rabbit) is a two-time Broadway World Des Moines winner for his turns as the Cowardly Lion in *The Wizard of Oz* (Urbandale Community Theatre) and Bert in *Cameron Mackintosh and Disney's Mary Poppins* 

(Newton Community Theatre). Some of his favorite area roles include Beast in *Disney's Beauty and the Beast* (Carousel Theatre, Indianola) and Captain Hook in *Tinker Bell* (Playhouse). He accomplished his goal of running a marathon AND singing the national anthem in all 50 states in March.



Aditya lyengar (Caterpillar/Knave of Hearts) was last on stage as Nicholas in Casserole (Carousel Theatre, Indianola). His previous and most enjoyable performances include playing Valentine/Officer in Twelfth Night (Iowa Stage Theatre

Company) and Second Narrator in *Charlotte's Web* (Tallgrass Theatre), among others. He performs with The Playhouse's Adventure Clubhouse troupe. Aditya enjoys learning and playing classical guitar, watching sports, movies, and TV shows (he's always looking for recommendations), and spending time with family and friends.



**Conor McMahon** (*King of Hearts*) is making his Playhouse debut, however he performed in productions of *Grease* and *Aladdin* at Stilwell Junior High in West Des Moines. He enjoys photography, biking, urban walks, and building

with LEGOS. Conor is a junior at Virtual Campus.



Julia Neighbors (Alice 5/3, 5/6, 5/9, 5/11, 5/16, 5/18 4:00 PM only) made her Playhouse debut in *The Hundred Dresses* as Peggy. She has been a mentor at The Playhouse with Penguin Project productions of *Frozen Jr., Disney*'s

High School Musical, and Annie Jr. She played Bill Slank in Peter and the Starcatcher and Cul in Marvel Plays, both at Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre. An eighth grader at Johnston Middle School, Julia runs cross country, is active in 4-H, and is learning American Sign Language (ASL).



Venya Pillai (Gryphon/Others) has performed with The Playhouse's teen improv class the past three summers and is now making her stage debut. Venya is an eleventh grader who plays the piano and violin. She enjoys singing and

writing fiction.



Ava Pourian (Queen's Court/7 of Spades/Others) has taken classes at The Playhouse and is now making her stage debut. She is a fifth grader at Bergman Academy where she will be playing King George in American Revolution.

Ava enjoys acting, dancing, singing, and playing the drums.



Katie Saldanha (Mad Hatter/ Walrus) loves performing at The Playhouse and has had some fun roles: Countess Andreyi in Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express (Dionysos Award nominee), Cook in Harriet The Spy

(Dionysos Award winner), and most recently as Susan Heffley in *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. She is also part of the theatre's Adventure Clubhouse cast. When she is not pretending to be someone else, she is mom to her three children and wife to her husband, Chris.



Benny Stieber (Dormouse/ Others) has participated in several Playhouse camps, his favorite being Percy Jackson, where he played Ares and Poseidon. He has been in the ensembles of Aladdin Jr., Moana Jr., and The

*Little Mermaid Jr.*, and was on the sound production team for *Alice in Wonderland Jr.*, all at Westridge Elementary in West Des Moines. A fourth grader, Benny enjoys playing the piano and violin, and the video game *The Legend of Zelda*.



**Charlie Syverson** (Queen's Court/ Tweedledum/5 of Spades/Others) made his Playhouse debut as Rowley in Diary of a Wimpy Kid but he has been taking Playhouse classes and camps since he was 5. At Des Moines Young

Artists' Theatre, he played Edmund in *The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Charlie is a sixth grader at St. Augustin School in Des Moines. He plays the trumpet and piano, participates in mock trial, speech, and debate, and likes singing and drawing.



Oliver Thrun (March Hare/ Humpty Dumpty) received his B.A. degree in thatre and dance from Minnesota State University, Mankato. His numerous Playhouse credits include The Miraculous Journey of Edward

*Tulane, The Velveteen Rabbit, and Harriet the Spy.* At Tallgrass Theatre he has appeared in *Rumors, Wonder of the World, Wait Until Dark, Equus, and Ripcord.* He recently made his Ankeny Community Theatre debut as Jonathan in *Arsenic and Old Lace.* In his free time, he enjoys biking, hiking, and playing video games.



Libby Waterbury (Red Queen/ Cheshire Cat) has regional credits including Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Narrator) and Cats (choreographer) at Waterloo Community Playhouse, A Midsummer Night's Dream

(Titania) at Black Hawk Children's Theater (Cedar Falls), and You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown (codirector) at Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre. A healthcare advertising writer for Highmark Health, Libby enjoys spending time with family and friends, wandering bookstores, and serving as a judge for the Iowa High School Musical Theatre Awards.



Ellie Wharff (Queen's Court/2 of Spades/Others) has taken Playhouse classes and served as a Penguin Project mentor. Among her school roles are Tumnus in The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe and, a favorite, Moana in

*Moana Jr.* Ellie is an eighth grader at Clive's Indian Hills Junior High where she plays vibraphone in the jazz band. She likes dancing, singing, and baking.



Lisa Wiggins (White Queen/ Mouse) first appeared on The Playhouse stage as Mother in The Hundred Dresses and more recently played Mrs. Gibbs in Our Town and Mrs. Arable in Charlotte's Web. She loves all

aspects of the theatre and has volunteered as a stage manager, run crew member, and with The Penguin Project. She has received a Playhouse Dionysos Award as Volunteer of the Year. Lisa enjoys reading, especially history books, and going on long walks with her husband, Dennis.



Katy Merriman (Director/Artistic Director) has been an active member of the local theatre community since moving to Des Moines in 2013. Her Playhouse directing credits include Our Town; Go, Dog, Go!; Guys and Dolls;

Rodgers + Hammerstein's The Sound of Music; the world premiere of Escaping the Labyrinth; A Love Offering (co-directed with Tiffany Johnson and Pyramid Theatre Company); and I and You. Other local performance and directing credits include Once (Girl) at The Playhouse and The Glass Menagerie (Laura), King Lear (Cordelia), Our Town (Emily), and Fun Home (director) with Iowa Stage Theatre Company. She has coached for Iowa High School Speech Association (IHSSA) and serves on the education committee for the American Association of Community Theatre (AACT). Prior to her time in Des Moines, Katy worked with numerous theatres in the Midwest as a performer, director, musician, and administrator.



Nicholas Amundson (Scenic Designer) earned his B.F.A in theatre design and technology from the University of South Dakota. Working on theatre all over town, he has designed in many different styles with

StageWest Theatre Company (Ugly Lies the Bone, Marjorie Prime), Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre (The Hobbit, James and the Giant Peach Jr.), Noce (bare: A Pop Opera), and Kata Klysmic Productions (The Rocky Horror Show, Reefer Madness). He served as scenic designer for The New Mel Brooks Musical Young Frankenstein, Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka, A Chorus Line, Choices, Disney's The Little Mermaid, Ragtime, Catch Me If You Can and many more at The Playhouse. In the 2019-20 season, he directed and designed James and the Giant Peach in the Kate Goldman Children's Theatre. His favorite thing about theatre is creating out-of-thebox ways to present a story that gives the audience something fun to experience.



Angela Lampe (Costume Designer) began her tenure with The Playhouse in 1993 and has designed costumes, sets, and props for 300 productions including Guys and Dolls, Meredith Willson's The Music

Man, A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder,

Ella Enchanted, The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane, Ragtime, Les Misérables, Disney's The Little Mermaid, West Side Story, Into the Woods, A Streetcar Named Desire, Sunset Boulevard, and Hairspray. She has a B.A. from Central College in Pella and an M.F.A. in theatre from the University of Nebraska. She is the recipient of four Cloris Awards for excellence in costuming and puppetry.



Virgil Kleinhesselink (Lighting Designer) owns VTEC Productions sound company and is technical director at Des Moines Hoover High School, where he designed lights for their production of Les Misérables High School Edition.

Virgil began his Playhouse career in 1979 and since then has been involved with more than 355 shows. He has held at least 17 positions in those shows, including stage manager for *Annie Get Your Gun* (John Viars's first show), props, dresser, box office, scenic designer, sound designer, run crew, and acting. Be sure to check Virgil out on our Playhouse Legends wall.



Kailee Martens (Stage Manager) is a tax attorney for the Iowa Department of Revenue. While at the University of Minnesota Law School, she performed with their Theater of the Relatively Talentless (TORT). Kailee was

active on stage and backstage at Bemidji (MN) High School. At The Playhouse, she was assistant stage manager for The Penguin Project production of *Disney's High School Musical Jr.* and stage manager for *Jersey Boys.* Kailee likes playing Dungeons & Dragons and board games, and also likes solving escape rooms.



Lindsey Nelson (Assistant Director) was assistant stage manager for Singin' in the Rain, backstage run crew for Rodgers & Hammerstein's The Sound of Music, and sound board operator for Kinky Boots, Little

Shop of Horrors, School of Rock, Disney's Beauty and the Beast and Jesus Christ Superstar, all at The Playhouse. When not at the theatre, they can be found listening to music, watching Formula 1 racing, playing Pokémon, or gaming.



Allison Crain (Assistant Stage Manager) worked backstage at The Playhouse on Jersey Boys and Dracula: A Comedy of Terrors. Audiences may have seen her on stage as Fan/Martha in A Christmas Carol at Iowa Stage

Theatre Company, Lady Catherine in Camelot at Tallgrass Theatre Company, or Meg March in Little

Women at Simpson College, where she received her B.A. in theatre arts and education. Allison is a teaching artist in The Playhouse's education program having served as a summer teaching intern in 2022. In her free time, she enjoys thrifting, bowling, and spending time with friends.



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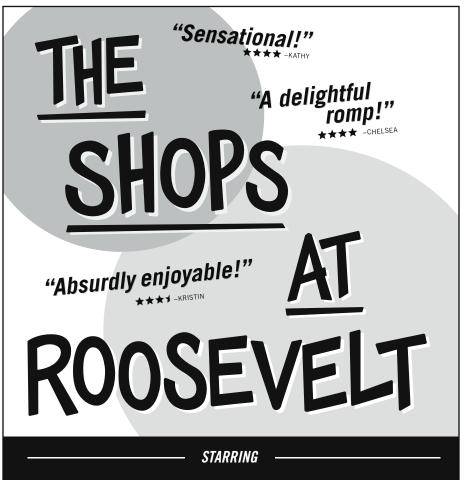
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