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A Christmas Carol

BY CRISPIN WHITTELL

December 15 - 23, 2023

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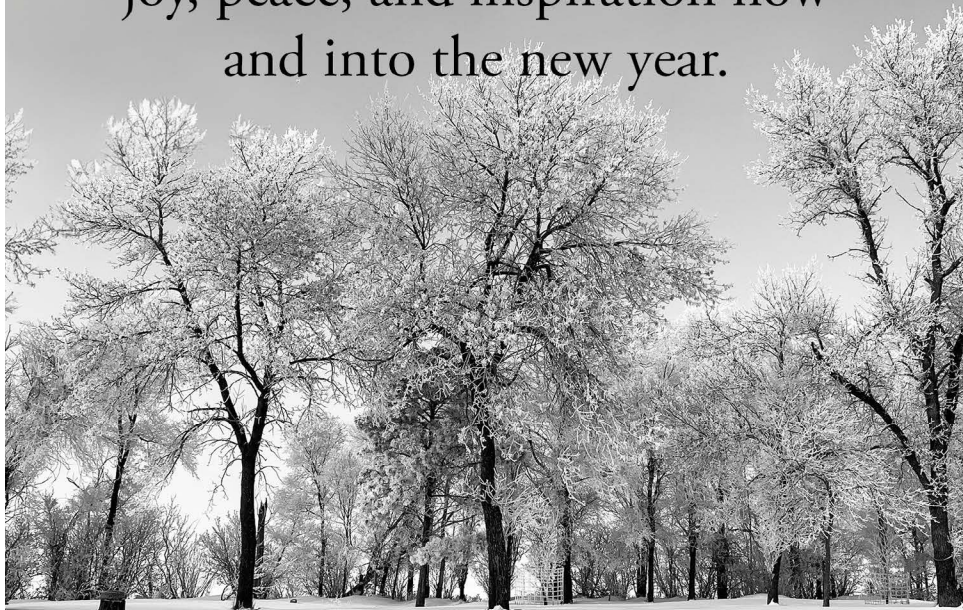


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by Crispin Whittell

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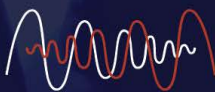
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Welcome all to our third production of A Christmas Carol. I'm sure you have a favorite memory of this story, whether it's the Alistair Sim film, a radio play version, or even the Muppet's take on this fabulous Christmas perennial. Our sincere hope is that this newer version originated at the Guthrie Theater – already has or will become one of your favorites.

When I first read it three years ago the sense of humor mixed with compassion for this troubled man truly stood out. There were also plot and character elements that I had never seen before, all of which enticed me into directing it. Even with the daunting weight of overseeing a show with almost fifty cast members, combined with a staff and technical support team of over twenty, I was gratified when The Premiere Playhouse asked me back to direct for one final time.

Lucky for me (and hopefully for you as well) this production succeeds on the shoulders of a phenomenal group of people (designers, builders, volunteers, returning veteran actors as well as “newbies”, and parents) who have dedicated much of their lives over the last three months to the goal of making this the best return to A Christmas Carol possible. If we have succeeded, we hope to see you back here next year to celebrate this new family holiday tradition with us.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to you all.

And as Tiny Tim would say... well, I'm sure you know what he would say!

Lary B. Etten

Stage Director



About The Show

SYNOPSIS

A Christmas Carol recounts the story of Ebenezer Scrooge, an elderly miser who is visited by the ghost of his former business partner Jacob Marley and the spirits of Christmas Past, Present and Yet to Come. After their visits, Scrooge is transformed into a kinder, gentler man.

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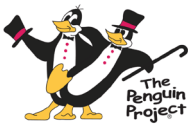
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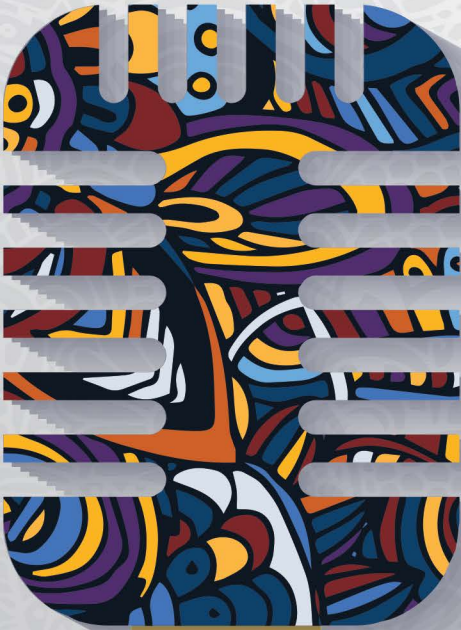
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Belle's Daughter, Ignorance, Mistletoe Seller	Alivia Dice
Belle	Amanda McMillan
Mrs. Cratchit	Ashley "Annie" Laird-Blau
Martha Cratchit	Avianna Steen
Bob Cratchit	Bart Workman
Mrs. Dilber	Beth Olsen
Vicar Polkinghorne	Bill Kubat
Peter Cratchit, Party Guest	Christian Heiberger
Mr. Fezziwig, Mr. Bear	Dave Baumeister
Dora Fezziwig	Emily Piper
Mrs. Polkinghorne	Etta McKinley
Belinda Cratchit	Hanalei Barrett
Mrs. Wimple, Jane	India Johnson
Young Ebenezer Scrooge, Topper	Jackson Heiberger
Donald, Lamplighter	Jamie Bowden
Beggar Boy	Jaxson Boen
Dick Wilkins	Jim McLain
Fred Scrooge	Joshua Hunter
Daniel, Priest	Joshua Maldonado
Ghost of Christmas Future	Joshua Sauer

Cast



Mrs. Fezziwig, Bumble	Kjerstin Smith
Belle's Son	Leif Moritz
Mabel, Party Guest	Malia Buchanan
Wimple Child, Want	Marley Boen
Bunty, Party Guest	Morgan Moritz
Youngest Ebenezer Scrooge	Perrin Boraas-Getman
Mr. Sykes, Mr. Bull	Phil Kappen
Young Fanny, Daisy Fezziwig	Rachel Row
Ghost of Jacob Marley	Rod Pierce
Old Joe, Party Guest	Rodney Bergeson
Deirdre Fezziwig, Sally	Rosita Contreras
Merriweather	Terry Zerfas
Ghost of Christmas Past	Tiffany Clanton
George, Ghost of Christmas Present	Tom Chleborad
Ebenezer Scrooge	Tom Roberts
Mr. Wimple	Thomas Andrew Simmons
David, Turkey Deliverer	Torrance Serck
Tiny Tim	Wyatt Cooper
Belle's Daughter	Zoey Weber



Cast

Carol Singers

Amanda McMillan, Bill Kubat, Etta McKinley, Jim McLain,
Malia Buchanan, Phil Kappen

Ladies & Gentlemen of London

Abby Kustak, Christian Heiberger, Emily Piper, India
Johnson, Jackson Heiberger

Students, Urchins, Children of London

Students: Alivia Dice, Gryphon Boraas–Simmons, Leif Moritz,
Marley Boen, Zoey Weber **Urchins:** Gryphon Boraas–Simmons,
Leif Moritz, Zoey Weber **Children of London:** Alivia Dice,
Marley Boen, Zoey Weber

Understudies

Mrs. Cratchit: Amanda McMillan **Young Fanny:** Avianna
Steen **Ghost of Christmas Past:** Bekki Kniep **Merriweather:**
Beth Olsen **Mr. Fezziwig:** Bill Kubat **Sykes:** Christian Heiberger
Young Scrooge: Christian Heiberger **Ghost of Christmas
Present:** Clinton Store **Kitty Scrooge:** Emily Piper **Bumble:**
Emily Piper **Mrs. Fezziwig:** Etta McKinley **Topper:** Jamie
Bowden **Ghost of Jacob Marley:** Jesse Jensen **Bob Cratchit:**
Jim McLain **Fred Scrooge:** Jon Buchanan **Tiny Tim:** Leif
Moritz **Belle:** Malia Buchanan **Martha Cratchit:** Marisa
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Cratchit:** Torrance Serck **Belinda Cratchit:** Zoey Weber

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Meet The Cast



Abby Kustak / *Kitty Scrooge, Lady of London*

Abby is ecstatic to be returning to *A Christmas Carol* but this time on stage. You may have seen Abby in past productions like *The Little Mermaid* and *Cinderella*. Abby enjoys doing theater with her husband and two children. Abby is the education assistant for TPP and loves working with kids to help grow their theater passion.



Alivia Dice / *Student, Child of London, Belle's Daughter, Ignorance, Mistletoe Seller*

Alivia is so excited to return to the stage again in *A Christmas Carol*. Her favorite part about being in the show is spending time with the friends she has made. Alivia is a 5th grader at Adventure Elementary. When not on stage she enjoys Legos, dance, band, soccer and volleyball. She'd like to thank the cast and crew for being so kind and welcoming to her!



Amanda McMillan / *Carol Singer, Belle, Mrs. Cratchit U/S*

Amanda is honored to return for the third year of *A Christmas Carol*, sharing the stage with a talented cast that feels like family. She has previously performed as the Enchantress in *Beauty and the Beast*, as well as various other acting venues. In her spare time she enjoys reading, running, cooking, skiing, paddle boarding, and playing with her cats. You can also find her working as a Credit Risk Analyst for Vervent.



Ashley "Annie" Laird-Blau / *Mrs. Cratchit*

Ashley (Annie) is honored to return to the stage for the third time as Mrs. Cratchit. Her previous shows include *Beauty and the Beast* and *Cinderella*. She spends her free time reading, writing, creating, and going on as many adventures with her kids as they will allow her.



Avianna Steen / *Martha Cratchit, Young Fanny U/S*

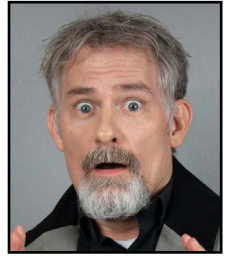
Avianna is very excited to be returning as Martha Cratchit and as an understudy for Young Fanny in *A Christmas Carol*. Throughout her nine years of theater experience, Avianna has valued sharing the joy and magic of theater with everyone around her. She would like to give a special thanks to her voice teachers Adam Ross Glickman and Amy Morrison, directors, family, friends, cast and crew for their support and encouragement.

Meet The Cast



Bart Workman / *Bob Cratchit*

Bart returns to the stage for the third year as “father” to the Cratchit family. The affection he has for this family is real. Bart has been a veteran of local theatre productions for over three decades. He fell in love with *A Christmas Carol* when he played Scrooge in 1989 at the old Washington High School. Bart has been blessed to be married to his beloved bride Barbara for over 27 years. They are empty nesters and are incredibly proud of their adult “kids”. Bart is an IT leader at Citibank where he has worked for over 33 years. Bart dedicates this performance to his acting mentor, Dale Reed Hart who taught him to “Act well your part; there all the honor lies”.



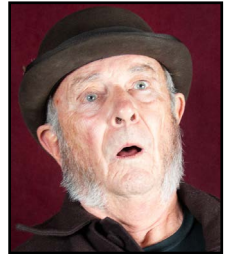
Beth Olsen / *Mrs. Dilber, Merrieweather U/S*

Beth first stepped back into theater 10 years ago after a long break. Since then she has performed with SECT, The Premiere Playhouse, Mighty Corson Art Players, Monstrous Little Theatre Company and Broad Cast Theatre, of which she was also a cofounder. She would like to thank her husband Greg for taking care of the dogs so she could participate!



Bill Kubat / *Carol Singer, Vicar Polkinghorne, Mr. Fezziwig U/S*

Bill is grateful to be returning for a second appearance as a Caroler and the Vicar. Years ago, Bill did a lot of community theatre (favorite roles: Elwood P. Dowd in *Harvey* and Oscar in *The Odd Couple*) and retirement allowed him the opportunity to participate in this wonderful theatrical/holiday indulgence. Working with this cast, this staff and Director Lary has been an absolute joy. May you enjoy and be blessed by this performance.



Christian Heiberger / *Peter Cratchit, London Gentleman, Party Guest, Sykes U/S, Young Scrooge U/S*

Make way for the Goose! Christian is back on stage for his 15th show since joining the theatre community in 2019. When not performing, he works at the Glory House. Outside of his love for performing, he enjoys D&D with friends, free running/climbing, baking, and appearing as various characters for Simply Ever After Entertainment. Special thanks to his brother Jackson for coming along for the ride for those first auditions.



Dave Baumeister / *Mr. Fezziwig, Mr. Bear*

This month marks the 59th year from Dave’s first on-stage role as a Tin Soldier in the *The Nutcracker* at St. Mary’s School. Between then and now, he has acted in 53 other shows and has been a part of the directing/running/technical crews for over 30 more. During that time, Dave has worked with some amazing people. This show has brought several of them back together on the stage which means so much.



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Emily Piper / *Dora Fezziwig, Lady of London, Kitty Scrooge U/S, Bumble U/S*

Emily is PUMPED to be on the cast list for *A Christmas Carol* this year! She was a part of the show's tech in both 2021 and 2022. This is her first full TPP show, although she has been involved with a few DAPA performances along with the 2 week *Snow White Jr.* camp a few years back. P.S. Thank you to my loving parents, and especially my amazing friends! I love you all. <3



Etta McKinley / *Carol Singer, Mrs. Polkinghorne, Mrs. Fezziwig U/S*

Etta (she/her) is thrilled to be returning to the premiere stage for her second show this season. You may have seen her as a certain crustacean in *The Little Mermaid* but now she's coming out from under the sea to help spread some Christmas Cheer this holiday season! She is very excited to be a part of such an amazing cast and would like to thank TPP for this opportunity.



Gryphon Boraas-Simmons / *Urchin, Student*

Gryphon makes his Premiere Playhouse debut as Urchin and School Child! He was previously seen as Scaredy Cat in *Pajama Party* with DAPA. Gryphon would like to thank his family for their loving support!



Hanalei Barrett / *Belinda Cratchit*

Hanalei (age 10) is delighted to return as Belinda Cratchit. Her other TPP productions include *The Little Mermaid*, *Cinderella* and *Beauty & the Beast*. When she isn't playing jokes on her beloved stage parents she is conspiring with her siblings (Ardiana, Hosea and Selah) at home. Her passion alongside theater is music. She aspires to be a composer. Currently she plays her violin in Harmony and cello in South Dakota Symphony Youth Orchestra.



India Johnson / *Mrs. Wimple, Jane, Lady of London*

India is back at it again playing the role of Jane in The Premiere Playhouses production of *A Christmas Carol*. India and her Boyfriend Jackson recently moved downtown to get closer to theatre, but she likes to play Mario Party, mix drinks, and sing karaoke with her friends. She's so happy to have her friends by her side to cheer her on with every production she does, and wants to give a shout out to her dad for exploring theatre with her and growing their relationship. She can't wait to be a part of future productions!

Meet The Cast



Jackson Heiberger / *Young Ebenezer Scrooge, Topper, London Gentleman*

Jackson (he/him) is thrilled to be back for his third run of *A Christmas Carol!* You may remember seeing him recently in a number of other Premiere Playhouse shows, including *Grease*, *Cinderella*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Cabaret*, *Footloose*, and *Blood Brothers*. When he's not acting, Jackson can be found working overnights at the Glory House, and playing piano, video games, and reading in his free time. Jackson would like to thank his brother Christian and his girlfriend India for all their support over the years. I love you guys!



Jamie Bowden / *Donald, Lamplighter, Topper U/S*

This holiday season will certainly be merry and bright for Jamie as he takes on the roles of Donald/LampLighter in TPP's telling of a Christmas classic, *A Christmas Carol!* Jamie's theater involvement began as a crew member for TPP's production of *Grease* and made his stage debut in *The Little Mermaid* as part of the ensemble. With an interest in theater/film, in his free time, Jamie enjoys screenwriting and developing new stage/screen ideas. He dedicates this performance in honor of his late grandfather, Donald A. Bowden.



Jaxson Boen / *Beggar Boy*

Jaxson (Jax) is excited to play the Beggar Boy for the third time! Jax has previously performed in several plays through the Orpheum and DAPA such as *Shrek Jr*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Beauty and the Beast Jr*, *Frozen Jr*, and the *Journey of the Noble Gnarble!* Jax also joins the stage once again with his sister, Marley Boen. When he's not busy practicing for performances, Jax takes piano and guitar lessons and also plays the clarinet through school. Jax also loves to play video games and hang with his friends in his free time!



Jim McLain / *Carol Singer, Dick Wilkins, Bob Cratchit U/S*

Jim is thrilled to be a part of his second TPP production. He was in the ensemble in *The Little Mermaid* and recently played Brad Majors in the Rocky Horror shadow cast. He has experience in Pierre Players and Riggs High School shows. Jim was a competitive swimmer from age 7 through college and is a proud Pierre Swim Team and SDSU Swim & Dive alum. Shoutout to the under the sea family and the offstage family for the inspiration!



Joshua Hunter / *Fred Scrooge*

Since moving from Indiana, Josh has fallen in love with South Dakota. He works full-time at Ballard Spahr as a closing coordinator and part-time at Legends on Lake Lorraine as a life enrichment assistant. In this, his first performance with The Premiere Playhouse, he is honored to storytell alongside such kind and wonderful people. It is his joy to "wish you a Merry Christmas."



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Meet The Cast



Joshua Maldonado / *Daniel, Priest*

Joshua, a passionate performer from Washington High School, eagerly joins Premiere Playhouse's third production of *A Christmas Carol*. Despite having minor roles, his love for theater and ambitions fuel his performance. Having performed in *Oliver!* previously, he's excited to continue his theatrical journey. He sends his thanks to the drama department at WHS for encouraging his love for theater.



Joshua Sauer / *Ghost of Christmas Future*

Joshua is excited to be back as The Ghost of Christmas Yet To Come, in the third annual production of *A Christmas Carol!* He says there is still more to discover while playing the ethereal specter, and hopes that the shadow of the future is as haunting to audiences as it was during the first run of performances! Or perhaps even more so...



Kjerstin Smith / *Mrs. Fezziwig, Bumble*

Kjerstin is thrilled to be among so many talented people in this production of *A Christmas Carol!* This is her fourth production with The Premiere Playhouse. Past credits include *Mamma Mia!* (Donna), *It's A Wonderful Life Radio Play* (foley artist/various characters), *The Odd Couple Female Version* (Florence Unger), *Stop, Kiss* (Mrs. Winsley/The Nurse), The Premiere Premieres *Broadly Speaking* (cast member). You can see her in The Premiere Playhouse's next production, *The Glass Menagerie*, where she will play the part of Amanda. Get your tickets for this production now at thepremiereplayhouse.com as seating is VERY limited. Love and thanks to my ever-supportive family.



Leif Moritz / *Student, Urchin, Belle's Son, Tiny Tim U/S*

Leif is thrilled to be back on stage for his third year as Street Urchin/Schoolboy and as an understudy for Tiny Tim. He is a fifth grader at Garretson Elementary, and his favorite activities include making and playing with friends and playing video games. He likes *A Christmas Carol* because he gets to hang out with friends during rehearsals, and gets bonding time with sister Morgan during practice.



Malia Buchanan / *Carol Singer, Mabel, Party Guest, Belle U/S*

Malia is excited to be in *A Christmas Carol* for the third year in a row! She's changed roles quite a bit over the years, from Young Fan to Dora Fezziwig and now a Carol Singer! She loves theater and has been involved in several productions with The Premiere Playhouse, as well as DAPA. Offstage, Malia enjoys marching band, English, and anything music. She would like to thank her parents for being so supportive and her friends for accepting her despite teasing her mercilessly for being a theater kid. Enjoy the show!

Meet The Cast



Marley Boen / *Wimple Child, Student, Child of London, Want*

Marley is excited to play a School Child, Wimple Child, and Want once again! Marley has previously performed in several plays through the Orpheum and DAPA such as *A Christmas Carol*, *Frozen Jr*, and *Freddie the Frog and the Jungle Jazz!* Marley is joining the stage once again with her brother, Jaxson Boen. When Marley's not busy practicing for plays, she enjoys reading, drawing and playing video games!



Morgan Moritz / *Bunty, Party Guest*

Morgan (she/her) is incredibly ecstatic to be returning to her third year of *A Christmas Carol*. This time as Bunty, counterpart to Bumble. An Augustana University student, Morgan is currently pursuing Theatrical Design and Educational Studies. Prior Credits include Augustana Theatre department's *All in the Timing* co-costume designer, Augustana's student-led Theatre (ACTS) *Murder on the Orient Express* understudy and assist. Hair/makeup, The Premiere Playhouse's *A Christmas Carol* (I & II), and many more.



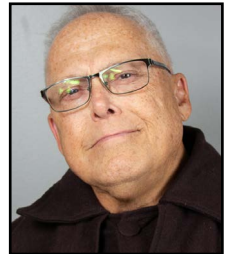
Perrin Boraas-Getman / *Youngest Ebenezer Scrooge*

Perrin is ecstatic (and surprised) to reprise his part as Youngest Scrooge for the third year in a row! Previous roles include: Patch in *101 Dalmatians Jr.*, Pinocchio in *Shrek Jr.*, Big Mike in *The Tale of Snow White*, Robertson Ay in *Mary Poppins Jr.*, Security Guard in *SpongeBob the Musical*, and Ensemble in *Newsies Jr.*, and *The Claw*. He would like to thank his family for sparking his interest in theatre.



Phil Kappen / *Carol Singer, Mr. Sykes, Mr. Bull*

Phil is excited to return for his third year in *A Christmas Carol*. He has long been a familiar face in the Sioux Falls theater community, first appearing on the Orpheum stage in 1978. Some of his favorite roles include the Emcee in *Cabaret*, Seymour Krelborn in *Little Shop of Horrors*, and Michael Wells in *Two Rooms*, and, of course Mr. Sykes in *A Christmas Carol*. He and his wonderful wife, Diana, live in Sioux Falls.



Rachel Row / *Young Fanny, Daisy Fezziwig*

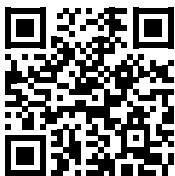
Rachel is ecstatic for her TPP main stage debut. Some of her previous credits include *Mystery on 13th St.* (Gloria), *Shrek Jr.* (Guard), and *Honk Jr.* (Dot). She goes to Tea Area Middle School and participates in choir, band (f horn, trumpet, and colorguard), cross country, track, and quiz bowl. Rachel would like to thank everybody involved, but would like to give an extra big thanks to her wonderful mom for giving so much time up.



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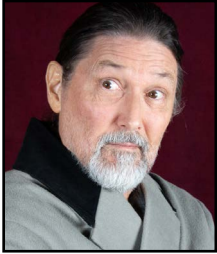


Meet The Cast



Rod Pierce / *Ghost of Jacob Marley*

Rod is a founding member of The Premiere Playhouse (formerly SECT). He has worked professionally with Chanhassen Dinner Theaters, Old Log, Illusion Theater, and Minnesota Opera, among others. Favorite roles include Billy Flynn (*Chicago*), Starbuck (*The Rainmaker*), Pat (*State Fair*), and Jesus (*Jesus Christ Superstar*). Rod is a charter member of the St. Joseph Cathedral Men's Schola, and sings in the bluegrass band The Crabgrass Crew.



Rodney Bergeson / *Old Joe, Party Guest*

Rodney's acting debut was 30 years ago embracing the role of "Jimmy" in Neil Simon's *The Gingerbread Lady*. Two actors had dropped out. The desperate director, called and asked "Have you ever done any acting?" "No, but I'm a character." Critics felt "Jimmy" should keep his day job. Fast forward, Rodney has quit his day job and received another call from a director. Thrilled to be part of this beautifully diverse cast, Rodney hopes "Old Joe" will be Epic!

* Rodney is a Filmmaker with After Hours Pictures



Rosita Contreras / *Deirdre Fezziwig, Sally*

Rosita (Rosie) is delighted to be back on the historic Orpheum stage pursuing her passion for music and the performing arts! When not performing, Rosie works in cancer genomics research at the Avera Cancer Institute, advocates for the Latinx community in healthcare by co-organizing health related events like Avera's 'Feria de Salud', and works towards improving Hispanic/Latinx representation in clinical trials and research. She would like to thank her loving parents, fiancée, and friends for their endless support.



Terry Zerfas / *Merriweather*

Terry has been on the theater scene spanning three decades, enjoying many roles, as well as working backstage. Favorite roles include *Driving Miss Daisy*, *The Dining Room* and most recently, *Steel Magnolias*. Community theater is where we gather to tell stories and where everyone is joyfully included. She is especially grateful for her husband Dan, who has been a loyal backstage volunteer for every show she has appeared in, for over 30 years.



Tiffany Clanton / *Ghost of Christmas Past*

Tiffany is excited to join the cast of *A Christmas Carol*. She is a veteran of the stage, having acted on the Corson, Worthing, and our beloved Orpheum stages. At Renaissance Faires- she's Renaissance MotherEarth- representing our world in garb. She's recently discovered a love for sewing.

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Weaknesses:she thinks she's funny.

Thank you to her supportive husband George. Mostly for his patience.

Meet The Cast



Tom Chleborad / *George, Ghost of Christmas Present*

Tom joining the cast of *A Christmas Carol* after a bit of an absence from the stage. When active, he was in shows for Sioux Falls Community Playhouse, SECT, Mighty Corson Art Players, Worthing Dinner Theatre and various other local theaters. Tom has two boys who he dragged to numerous rehearsals and 2 and 3/4 cats that really only miss him when they can see the bottoms of their food dishes. He's a Senior Loan Collections Specialist with First PREMIER Bank for the last 29 years. Thanks to all my family, friends and co-workers for their support



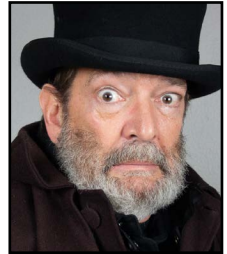
Tom Roberts / *Ebenezer Scrooge*

Actor/author/storyteller, Tom Roberts has written 8 Christmas books over the past twenty years as a vehicle to raise awareness and funds to benefit kids and families served by Children's Home Society of SD (see ad in this program). He enjoys visiting schools, churches, and community groups to present his book/program on mental health awareness called, *A NEW NORM*. His association with theater in Sioux Falls spans 40 years.



Thomas Andrew Simmons / *Mr. Wimple, Ebenezer Scrooge U/S*

Thomas Andrew Simmons is Wimple and Scrooge understudy. Favorite Orpheum roles include Fagin in *Oliver!*, Alan in *God of Carnage*, Starbuck in *The Rainmaker*, Stone in *City of Angels*, John/Judas in *Godspell*, Elyot in *Private Lives*, and Danny in *Grease*. He was Peter in *Jesus Christ Superstar* at First Avenue in Minneapolis, which was filmed for PBS, and in the movie *Crisscross* with Goldie Hawn. Thomas would like to thank his fiancée and family.



Torrance Serck / *David, Turkey Deliverer, Peter Cratchit U/S*

Torrance (Torry) is excited to participate in this year's production of *A Christmas Carol*. Torry is 16 years old and a sophomore in high school. He is passionate about music and Theater. He is active in his school choir and has participated in school plays and musicals. He has also been a part of multiple theatre camps over the past several years. He also was part of TPP's recent production of *The Little Mermaid*. His favorite role he has played so far was at the Olde Town Dinner Theater in worthing as Scar in *The Lion King Jr*. Torry's dream role is Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast*.



Wyatt Cooper / *Tiny Tim*

Wyatt is excited to take the stage for the third time as Cratchit family member, Tiny Tim! Previously he has graced the Orpheum Theater stage in TPP productions of *Oliver!*, *Mary Poppins*, and *Beauty and The Beast*. Wyatt is an 8th grader at Ben Reifel Middle School. He is grateful to his mom, dad, and sister Ainsley for their love and support.





Meet The Cast



Zoey Weber / *Belle's Daughter*

Zoey is excited to return to *A Christmas Carol* for her second year. Zoey is a 5th grader at Rosa Parks where she is active in student council and chess club. Zoey most recently performed as part of the ensemble for DAPA's *Beauty and the Beast Jr* and *Frozen Jr*. She enjoys performing on stage because "it just feels right".



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Alex Newcomb Weiland / *Production Manager*

Alex (She/Her) works as the Production Specialist & Education Coordinator at The Premiere Playhouse. She graduated from The University of South Dakota with a BFA in Musical Theatre/Dance Minor. Alex has worked with companies such as Bare Bodkins, Good Night Theatre Collective and The Black Hills Playhouse. She directed *Footloose* in Season 18 & *Cinderella* in Season 20 at The Premiere Playhouse as well as *Stop Kiss* with Monstrous Little Theatre Company. She wants to thank her partner, Nathan, her friends, family, TPP staff, production team & cast for their continued love & support. This is truly a community of giving! Enjoy the show!

Brittney Lewis / *Hair & Makeup Designer, Costume Coordinator, Costume Shop Manager*

Brittney graduated from the University of South Dakota in May 2022 with a degree in Costume Design and Construction. Her most recent credits are directing the world premiere of *The Theater at Night* and costume designing *The Little Mermaid*, *Grease* and The Penguin Project's *Seussical Jr.*

Elizabeth Wintering / *Assistant Stage Manager*

Elizabeth is proud to have come from doing odd jobs backstage at last year's ACC production to being ASM just a year later. Christmas is her second favorite holiday, just behind Christmas Eve; there's just something about the expectation of joyful times to come. Still, there's no time like the present, and no present like time well spent. She would like to thank her husband. Time with you is always well spent, my dearest.

Jake Cox / *Properties Artisan*

The only thing more haunting than the grim specter of Scrooge's future is Jacob "Jake" Cox, the mysterious Properties Artisan. You'll often find him lurking backstage and muttering, "Is that your prop?" at unwary passersby.

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Jesse Jensen / *Associate Stage Director*

Jesse's local directing work has been produced at The University of Sioux Falls (*Love's Labour's Lost*) and The Premiere Playhouse (*Lombardi*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Beauty & the Beast Jr.*, *God of Carnage*, *Of Mice and Men*). Jesse brings years of experience in both professional theatre and children's productions having worked with Chicago Shakespeare Theatre, Raven Theatre Company, and Piven Theatre Workshop in Chicago, IL; and City Circle in Iowa City.

Kendra Dexter / *Inaugural Costume Designer*

Owner of Designs By Dexter, Kendra designs many things from wedding gowns to pro wrestling costumes. Kendra's love of theater has helped her to work professionally in the industry for 20 plus years, designing and building beautiful show costumes which rent all over the Midwest. Kendra holds a Master's degree in Theatre, teaches and designs for the University of Sioux Falls where she received a Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival commendation for the design work on *Much Ado About Nothing*. She has costumed for a short film, (*Hutterite 2017*), done work for the South Dakota Symphony Orchestra, (*Tis the Season 2018*), and has recently directed for O'Gorman High School (*Play On! 2022*). She cannot wait for you to experience what is sure to be a masterpiece for the Premier Playhouse, this beautiful production of *A Christmas Carol*.



Production Team

Kevin Wintering / *Stage Manager*

ACC '22 was Kevin's first TPP production. So he is ecstatic to be back for his second year working on this phenomenal Holiday Tradition! Due to excitement, Kevin's Christmas Tree was up the week after Halloween; due to forgetfulness, it will probably be up until Valentine's day. All Kevin wants for Christmas is for his cat Dodger to not knock over said tree again. Thank you, my Darling Wife for making everyday Merry and Bright.

Lary B. Etten / *Stage Director*

As founder and Artistic Director of SECT (now The Premiere Playhouse), Lary B. Etten directed and designed over twenty productions, including *Chicago*, *I Hate Hamlet*, *The Sound of Music*, *The Miracle Worker*, *Sweeney Todd* and *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*. Since then, he has directed many local productions such as *The Fantasticks*, *Waiting for the Parade*, and *La Boheme and Candide* (with the SD Symphony Orchestra), as well as TPP's *Tuesdays with Morrie*. Lary is honored to be back for his third and final *A Christmas Carol*, and enjoys the amazing support of his wonderful wife Sue.

Matthew Walicke / *Music Director/Composer*

Matthew Walicke is thrilled to be in his third year as music director, music producer, and arranger for this production of *A Christmas Carol*. He is an active conductor, composer, singer, voice teacher, and organist / pianist, in his 14th year as Director of Music and Worship Arts at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church. Matt has served as music director for many recent productions at The Premiere Playhouse including *The Little Mermaid*, *Grease*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Annie Jr.*, and *Cabaret*. He enjoys cooking, hiking, and traveling with his wife Tasondra, their kids, Paul, Evan and Abi, and their two dogs, Arya and Rocko. Matt and Tasondra are also excitedly awaiting the birth of their next son this December.

Oliver Mayes / *Producer & Casting Director*

Oliver is a theatre & media artist whose work has been showcased in several states throughout the U.S. including Arkansas, California, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, South Dakota, and Virginia. With a background in acting, directing, producing, movement choreography, writing, and teaching, his credits span various mediums and genres. He is the recipient of several honors, including the Kennedy Center's 2020 Stage Directors & Choreographers Society Fellowship. Oliver is a scholarship alumnus of the Kennedy Center Directing Intensive and an associate member of the Stage Directors & Choreographers Society, the national union for professional stage directors and choreographers. He holds an MFA in Theatre Directing from University of South Dakota and a BFA in Music Theatre from AMDA College of the Performing Arts.

Pierce Humke / *Technical Director*

Pierce is pumped for round two (second season) with TPP and is super excited to be building both theatrical sets and community relationships. Most of his time is spent behind the curtains of a production to ensure a spectacular delivery. "There is truly something for everyone in this organization, and I will love to help you realize that. I encourage you to get involved, even just to observe or ask questions. You're invited!"

Tiffany Koppes / *Choreographer*

Tiffany is excited to return again this year to help bring dance to *A Christmas Carol*. She has choreographed for past shows such as *Cinderella*, *Newsies*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Oliver!*, and *Jesus Christ Superstar*. She hopes you enjoy the show and have a very Merry Christmas!

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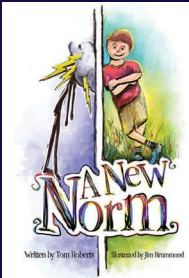
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