

Book by Joe Tracz Music & Lyrics by Rob Rokicki Adapted from the book THE LIGHTNING THIEF by Rick Riordan

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Book by **Joe Tracz**Music & Lyrics by **Rob Rockicki**Adapted from the book *The Lightning Thief* by **Rick Riordan**

Co-Directed by **Vivienne M. St. John** and **Daria Allen**Music Director **Eduardo Guzman**

with

Laurel Burrer	Set Design
Jonathan Bynum	Costume Design Donna Southern Schmidt
Michael Chiavone	Lighting Design Hudson Davis
Tyler Galindo	Sound Design Shawn W. St. John
Ainsley Hylton	Properties Design Corey Nance
Kinley Pletzer	Choreography Daria Allen
	Stage Manager Amanda Adwers

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Percy Jackson	Michael Chiavone
Annabeth	Laurel Burrer
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DJ Cerebus	Miriam Soto
Swings	Matt Hurt, Shannon Nichols

Setting New York Metropolitan Museum of Art/ Percy's Home/ Beach/ Camp Half Blood/ The Attic/ The Lake/ Aunty Em's/ Amtrak Station/ The Lotus Hotel/ The Underworld/ DOA records/ The Portal

PRODUCTION STAFF

Theater for Youth Production Manager	Danielle Docwra
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Scenic Artist	Charly Topper
Scenic Painter	Lauren Davis
Sound Engineer	Hayley Christensen
Run Crew	Von Gipson, Chichi Iwuorie, Ellis Wehrer
Stage Manager Intern	Karley Morris
Wardrobe Assistant	Amanda Adwers
The costumes for this production are provide	ed in part by the Costume Connection of Houston.

Performed in two acts with one 20 minute intermission.

If you must exit the theater before intermission, please do so as quickly and quietly as possible. Re-admission to the theatre will occur at the sole discretion of the house manager, in the nearest available seats. Re-admittance during the act is not guaranteed.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I	
Prologue/The Day I Got Expelled	Luke, Annabeth, Silena, Grover,
	Clarisse, Half-Bloods, Percy, Chorus
Strong	Sally, Percy
The Minotaur!/The Weirdest Dream	Percy, Chorus
Another Terrible Day	
Their Sign	Chiron, Percy, Luke
Put You In Your Place Clarisse, Anna	abeth, Grover, Percy, Luke, Silena, Chorus
Clarisse Makes a Splash	
The Campfire Song	Luke, Annabeth, Katie, Grover,
	Chiron, Silena, Percy, Campers
The Oracle	Oracle, Clarisse, Percy, Annabeth,
	Grover, Luke, Chiron, Echoes
Good Kid	Percy, Chorus
Killer Quest!	Grover, Annabeth, Chiron, Silena, Chorus
ACT II	
	Annabeth, Grover, Percy
•	Grover, Annabeth, Percy, Ares, Chorus
	Percy
The Tree on the Hill	Grover
D.O.A	Charon, Janis, Mozart, Kurt, Chorus
Son of PoseidonPe	rcy, Sally, Annabeth, Grover, Ares, Chorus
The Last Day of Summer	Percy, Campers
Bring on the Monsters	Company
Bows/Exit Music	Company

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The videotaping or audio recording of this performance by any means is strictly prohibited.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Rick Riordan is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of over twenty novels for young readers, including the *Percy Jackson* series.

For fifteen years, Rick taught English and history at public and private middle schools in the San Francisco Bay Area and in Texas. While teaching in San Antonio, Saint Mary's Hall honored him with the school's first Master Teacher Award.

While teaching full time, Riordan began writing mystery novels for grownups. His *Tres Navarre* series went on to win the top three national awards in the mystery genre – the Edgar, the Anthony and the

Shamus. Riordan turned to children's fiction when he started *The Lightning Thief* as a bedtime story for his oldest son.

Today, over 190 million copies of his books are in print worldwide, and rights have been sold into more than 37 countries. Rick and his wife Becky are both executive producers overseeing TV/film adaptations of his works including *Percy Jackson, The Kane Chronicles* and *Daughter of the Deep*.

Rick Riordan now writes full-time. He lives in Boston with his wife and two sons.

WHO'S WHO



Laurel Burrer (Annabeth) Main Street Theater: Chitty, Chitty, Bang Bang, Dragons Love Tacos (Tour); AD Players: It's a Wonderful Life: A Live

Radio Play; Raven Repertory Summer Theatre: Godspell, The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee; Firehouse Theatre: The Music Man; Sam Houston State University: Actually, She Kills Monsters, Assassins, Almost, Maine. Film: Cast member on The Studio Space YouTube channel. Education: Sam Houston State University.



Jonathan Bynum (Luke/Gabe Ugliano/ Ares/Minotaur/ James Brown) Main Street Theater: *The Wickhams: Christmas* at Pemberley, Last Stop On Market

Street, Dragons Love Tacos (Tour); Inspiration Stage: Newsies, Chicago; Stageworks Theatre: A Few Good Men; Art Park Players: Godspell; Moore Vision Entertainment: Grease, Godspell; Texas Southern University Theater Department: Eurydice, David's Mother. Education: Texas Southern University, Radio, Television & Film.

WHO'S WHO (continued)



Michael Chiavone (Percy Jackson) Main Street Theater: Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang, Charlotte's Web, Shrek The Musical, Goodnight Moon (2015), The Musical

Adventures of Flat Stanley, Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, James and the Giant Peach, The Best Christmas Pageant Ever (2013), Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat; Houston Grand Opera: Tristan and Isolde; The Italian Girl in Algiers; Standing Room Only Productions: The Who's Tommy, Next to Normal; Night Cap Theater: The Cabin; Island ETC (Galveston): Hair.



Tyler Galindo (Mr. Brunner/Chiron/ Poseidon/Hades/ Aunty Em/Kronos/ Kurt Cobain/ Greyhound Passenger 2/ Train Conductor/Farmer)

Main Street Theater: Cinderella, Last Stop on Market Street, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Pete the Cat; The Garden Theatre: While Childhood Slept; Alley Theatre: The Christians; Theatre Under the Stars: Beauty and the Beast; Island ETC: Hair, Spamalot, First Date; Bayou City Theatrics: Jesus Christ Superstar; Art Factory: Jasper in Deadland, Tuck Everlasting; Masquerade Theater: Urinetown the Musical; LSC Tomball Theatre: Shrek the Musical, Lend Me a Tenor; HFAC: Kissless (2011 NYMF selection). Film/TV: Sentai Filmworks. Education: Lone Star College Tomball.



Matt Hurt (Swing)
Main Street Theater:
Cinderella, Chitty
Chitty Bang Bang,
Pete the Cat; Lamar
University: So You
Can Look Ahead,
Twelfth Night, Luna

Gale, The Comedy of Errors, The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime. Education: B.S., Theatre and Dance, Lamar University.



Ainsley Hylton (Grover/Mr. D) Main Street Theater: Debut; Sam Houston State University: Once On This Island, Memphis, Creature; On the Verge

Theatre: *Runaways*; Inspiration Stage: *James and the Giant Peach*, *Newsies*.



Shannon Nichols (Swing) Main Street Theater: Pete the Cat, Ramona Quimby; Island ETC: Winter Wonderettes, Catch Me If You Can, The Who's Tommy; PMT

Productions: *Midtown Live 2015*; Art Park Players: *Oklahoma, Thoroughly Modern Millie, Hairspray, Legally Blonde*; Theater San Jacinto- Central Campus: *Grease, Santa's Christmas Magic, Seussical the Musical.* Education: Associates in Fine Arts, San Jacinto College-Central Campus.



Kinley Pletzer (Clarisse/Mrs. Dodds/Katie/ Gardner/Thalia/ Newscaster/Janis Joplin) Main Street Theater: Debut; Sam Houston State

University: *Men on Boats, Constellations*; The Garden Theatre: *Cruel Intentions*. Education: B.F.A., Acting and Directing, Sam Houston State University.



Kiara Caridad Stewart (Sally Jackson/Silena Beauregard/ The Oracle/ Echidna/ Charon/Greyhound Passenger 1) Main Street Theater:

Debut; Scranton Shakespeare Festival: *Into the Woods, Ragtime*; Fresh Ink Theater: *The Earth Room*; New Ohio Theater: *Extinct Attractions*; The Modern Theater: *Everybody*. Education: Suffolk University.

Vivienne M. St. John (Co-Director) Main Street Theater: (Director) A Little House Christmas, The Diary of Anne Frank, Jackie & Me, Sideways Stories from Wayside School, Goodnight Moon, (Costume Design) Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business, Superfudge, Henry and Ramona, The Great Gilly Hopkins, If You Take a Mouse to School, Sideways Stories from Wayside School; Berkshire Theatre Festival: Assistant Production Manager, Visiting Mr. Green with Eli Wallach, Hay Fever with Joanne Woodward and Calista Flockhart, Jitta's Atonement with Dianne Wiest, Free Fall with Sandy Duncan. Bill Graham Presents with Ron Silver: Company Manager: Four of a Kind, Good Company, Woman in Mind with Marlo

Thomas and Elizabeth Franz, *Over the River and Through the Woods*; Production Manager: *The Ray Davies Show.* Worked at several Houston theaters including TheatreLab, Express Children's Theater, and The Houston Grand Opera. Main Street Theater's Theater for Youth Producing and Artistic Director since 2000.

Eduardo Guzman (Music Director/ Mozart) Main Street Theater: Last Stop on Market Street, Pete the Cat, Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical!. The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley (2020), Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, Curious George: The Golden Meatball, Hello, Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle, Bunnicula, Magic Tree House: A Night in New Orleans (Tour); The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley, Madeline's Christmas (2014); Other Music Directing Credits: Godspell, Always...Patsy Cline, The Rocky Horror Show, Big Fish, Grease, 9 to 5, All I Really Need to Know... Kindergarten, Alice in Wonderland, Forever Plaid, RENT, Spring Awakening (concert), A Chorus Line, Willy Wonka, Last Five Years, You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown. Directing Credits: Songs for a New World, MIDTOWN LIVE, tick, tick...BOOM!. Education: B.M., Houston Baptist University, Voice Performance. Mr. Guzman is Founder & Executive Director of PMT YAS! Studio. Friendswood, TX.

Daria Allen (Co-Director/Choreography)
Main Street Theater: (Choreographer)
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The
Musical!, Pete the Cat, Schoolhouse Rock
Livel, Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type,
Duck for President, Junie B. Jones and a
Little Monkey Business, James Joyce's The
Dead, If You Give a Pig a Party, (Director/
Choreographer) Sideways Stories from
Wayside School, Bunnicula, How I Became

a Pirate (Tour), Goodnight Moon (2015), (Director) Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Afternoon of the Elves, Winnie-the-Pooh, The Watsons Go to Birmingham – 1963, Bud Not Buddy; Celebration Theatre: Next Fall; Dionysus Theater: Choreographer, (Director) Aesop's Fables; Lone Star College, Cy-Fair: Choreographer since 2004, (Director) numerous productions; Interactive Theater: (Actor) Harriet Tubman, Aesop's Fables. TV: host of HTV's Build Green. Education: University of Houston, Theatre and Dance.

Hudson Davis (Lighting Design) Main Street Theater: *Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang, Junie B's Essential Survival Guide to School, You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, Curious George: The Golden Meatball.*

Torsten Louis (Set Design) Main Street Theater: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, A Little House Christmas, Darwin in Malibu, The Diary of Anne Frank, Jackie & Me, The Book of Will and many more. Torsten has also designed for Stages, Unity Theatre, A.D. Players, Opera in the Heights, Southwestern University, Baylor Opera Theater, Theatre Under the Stars Humphreys School at Miller Outdoor Theatre, Houston Grand Opera-To-Go, Horse Head Theatre, Mildred's Umbrella, Wildfish Theatre, HITS, several local private schools, Interlochen Arts Camp and Thunder Bay Theatre in Michigan, and the Berkshire Public Theatre in Massachusetts.

Corey Nance (Properties Design) Main Street Theater: Cinderella, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Charlotte's Web, Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical; Alley Theatre: Christmas Carol, Clue; 4th Wall Theatre: Gloria; Techland Houston: Little Shop of Horrors, The Lion King; Queensbury Theatre: Annie; University of Houston: Haroun and the Sea of Stories, Spirits to Enforce, Romeo and Juliet; HITS Theatre: 101 Dalmatians; San Jacinto Community College: August: Osage County. Education: B.F.A., University of Houston, Theatre Production.

Donna Southern Schmidt (Costume Design) Main Street Theater: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Charlotte's Web, Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley (2021), A Little House Christmas, The Diary of Anne Frank, The Wickhams: Christmas at Pemberley (2019, 2022), The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, Goosebumps the Musical: Phantom of the Auditorium, Jackie & Me, The Book of Will, Schoolhouse Rock, Live (Tour), Pinkalicious The Musical, Sideways Stories from Wayside School, Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook (Tour), A Charlie Brown Christmas, The Wizard of Oz; A.D. Players, resident costume designer for 25 years; Express Children's Theatre: The Yellow Boat, Arabian Nights, To Africa With Love, African Delight, Pablo's Wonderous Wishes; InterActive Theater Company: Around the World in 80 Days; The Days and Nights of King Arthur; Actor's Workshop: Cat on a Hot Tin Roof; Louisiana Tech University: The Music Man. Education: Louisiana Tech University; Fashion Institute of Technology, New York. dlsoutherndesigns.com

Miriam Soto (DJ Cerebus/Percussion) Main Street Theater: Debut; Houston credits include Music Box Theater, PMT YAS! Studio, and Arena Theater. Education: B.M., Performance Percussion.

Shawn W. St. John (Sound Design) Shawn is an award-winning sound designer, composer, producer, audio

engineer and voice artist. He has worked with Tony Award winning sound designer Tony Meola, as well as notable actors, playwrights and directors, including Eli Wallach, Sandy Duncan, Christopher Fitzgerald, Joanne Woodward, Calista Flockhart, Arthur Storch, Joe DiPietro, Beth Henley, John Rando, Jason Nodler and Mickle Maher. Sound designs include Main Street Theater: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Pete the Cat, Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical!, Junie B.'s Essential Survival Guide to School, Men On Boats, A Year with Frog and Toad, Jackie and Me, Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley, Wolf Hall, RFK, Shrek the Musical, Silent Sky, The Giver, The Coast of Utopia, The Year of Magical Thinking, Arcadia; A.D. Players: Miss Maude, Dear Jack, Dear Louise, Miracle on 34th *Street*; The Catastrophic Theatre: *Baby* Screams Miracle, Speeding Motorcycle, Booty Candy, First Suburb, Tamarie's Field Trip, Small Ball, Rhinoceros, Evening at the Talk House, Trevor, Buried Child. The Danube; Unity Theatre: Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, Becky's New Car; Berkshire Theatre Festival: Quills, Wilder Wilder; Additionally, Mr. St. John designs/mixes musicals for several educational theaters. and is a voice over artist and voice actor. Education: B.A., Rollins College, Theatre. www.fiver.com/stjohnstudios

Amanda Adwers (Production Stage Manager) Main Street Theater: (SM) Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang, The Hard Problem, Enemies, (ASM) The Book of Will, Peace in Our Time, Girls Only, Civil War Christmas, Goosebumps, Jackie and Me, Pinkalicious, Sideways Stories; Jewish Community Center: (SM) Metamorphosis, Clue, Pride and Prejudice; Theater Under the Stars: (ASM) Dreamgirls, Into the Woods, How To Succeed, In The Heights,

Million Dollar Quartet, Oliver, Mary Poppins, A Christmas Story; Additional credits include Catastrophic Theatre, Unity Theatre, Horse Head Theatre, and Houston Shakespeare Festival. Education: B.F.A., University of Houston, Technical Theatre.

Rebecca Greene Udden (Executive Artistic Director) Main Street Theater: (Director) Mother of the Maid, Darwin in Malibu, Elliot, a Soldier's Fugue, The Hard Problem, The Book of Will, Hecuba and The Trojan Women, Troilus and Cressida, An Iliad and Twelfth Night with Prague Shakespeare Company (MST collaborations), Holes, Enemies, Wolf Hall and Bring Up the Bodies (First American Productions), Silent Sky, Peace in Our Time, Heartbreak House, The Real Thing (1986 & 2013), The Coast of Utopia, The Year of Magical Thinking, The Heidi Chronicles (2010 & 1992), Arcadia (2010 & 1996), The House of the Spirits (Englishlanguage premiere), Caroline, or Change, An Empty Plate in the Café du Grand Boeuf, The Rice (World Premiere), and many more; (Actor) Private Lives (2019), Memory House, Richard III (with Prague Shakespeare Company), The Last Night of Ballyhoo, Third, The Busy World Is Hushed, Somebody's Sons, The Sisters Rosensweig, Hapgood, Hamlet, and more; (Costume Design) numerous productions; Prague Shakespeare Company: (Director) Twelfth *Night*. Catastrophic Theatre: Advisory Board. Wordsmyth Theater Company: Advisory Board. Member, American Leadership Forum Class XVI.

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These performances give children with learning differences the chance to experience theater in a way that accommodates their sensory needs. Specific technology and personnel are required to make these performances happen.

The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical

Audio Described Performance	January 29, 2023 at 2:30pm
ASL Performance	February 19, 2023 at 2:30pm

Miss Nelson Is Missing! The Musical

Sensory-Friendly/Relaxed Performance	April 7, 2023 at 10:30am
Audio Described Performance	March 12, 2023 at 12:30pm
ASL Performance	April 1, 2023 at 1:30pm

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical!

Sensory-Friendly/Relaxed Performance	March 14, 2023 at 1:30pm
Audio Described Performance	March 14, 2023 at 1:30pm
ASL Performance Saturday,	March 18, 2023 at 1:30pm

James and the Giant Peach

Sensory-Friendly/Relaxed Performance	April 30, 2023 at 12:30pm
Audio Described	April 30, 2023 at 3:30pm
ASL Performance	May 6, 2023 at 1:30pm

Junie B. Jones: Toothless Wonder

Relaxed / Sensory-Friendly Performance	July 17, 2023 at 10:30am
Audio-described Performance	June 17, 2023 at 1:30pm
ASI Performance	TRD

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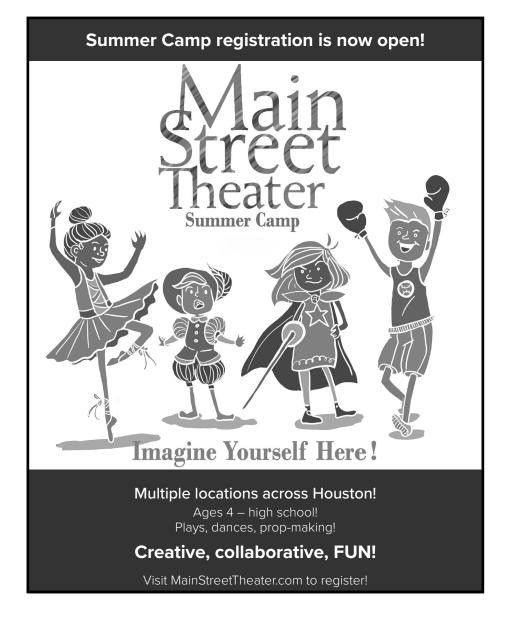
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