

Johnson County Community Arts Mapping

We're asking for your help! To find the artists and organizations left out of mainstream circles. The Arts Council of Johnson County and our partner ArtsKC are trying to identify and map ALL of the art assets in Johnson County. That means knitting circles and marching bands, food pop-ups, poetry slams to welders, bands and jam sessions, venues, and collectives.

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JCDS EMERGING ARTISTS

The JCDS Emerging Artists is an art as employment program under Johnson County Developmental Supports. (JCDS) Participants in the program are adult artists with IDD who are passionate and driven to create. Artwork can be purchased at the studio located in the Arts and Heritage Center Monday-Friday from 9am -3pm or on the online store.







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WHITE CHRISTMAS

Based Upon the Paramount Pictures film

Written For the Screen by Norman Krasna, Norman Panama & Melvin Frank

Music & Lyrics by

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DAVID IVES & PAUL BLAKE

Original stage production directed by

WALTER BOBBIE

Orchestrations by

Vocal & Dance Arrangements by

Larry Blank

Bruce Pomahac

starring

Nathan Anderson Morgan Ball McKenna Bizal Rob Clark Johnny Dinh Phan Krista Eyler Jenna Gaston Ava Greenberg Chris Halford Jasmine Hall Bre Hays Liv Hollan Brian Houchin Connor Kelly-Wright Haley Knudsen Tom Nelson Tori Porteous Ben Renfrow Jennifer Renfrow Mishi Schueller Cayden Shelly Pam Sollars Erynn Symons Alec Walberg Wyatt Walberg

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Assistant Choreographer

Costume Designer/Coordinator

Kevin Bogan

Ben Renfrow

Scotty Wiggins

Lighting Designer

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Jayson Chandley

Brady Rose

John Hollan

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Scenic Designer

Tress Katzenmeier

Tim Bair

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Asst. Stage Managers

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Chuck Harper Amelia O'Berg

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Production Manager

Technical Director

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Sarah Saugier

David Powell

Directed & Choreographed by

Kacy Christensen



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CAST

Bob Wallace	Tom Nelson
Betty Haynes	Krista Eyler
Phil Davis	Mishi Schueller
Judy Haynes	Jennifer Renfrow
* *	Chris Halford
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Pam Sollars
Susan Waverly	Erynn Symons
Mike Nulty/Mr. Snoring Man	Brian Houchin
· ·	Rob Clark
	Alec Walberg
Rhoda	Haley Knudsen
Rita	Tori Porteous
Mrs. Snoring Man/Quintet/Tessie	Liv Hollan
	Jenna Gaston,
•	Connor Kelly-Wright, Ben Renfrow
Ensemble	• •
	McKenna Bizal, Johnny Dinh Phan,
	Ava Greenberg, Jasmine Hall, Bre Hays,
	Cayden Shelly, Wyatt Walberg

Orchestra

Kaytee Dietrich - Reed 1 • Cameron Lynn - Reed 2
Anne Sneller - Reed 3 • Adam Shelton - Reed 4

Blake Ulrich - Reed 5 • Jerry Old - Horn • John Burgess - Trumpet 1
Lee Hake - Trumpet 2 • Cynthia Szczesny - Trumpet 3
Andrew Beckstrom - Trumpet 3 • Lee Finch - Trombone 1
John Burke - Trombone 2 • Louis C. Neal - Trombone 3
Blake Vignery - Drums • Drew Szczesny - Percussion
Jack Renfrow - Keyboard 1 • Kevin Bogan - Keyboard 2

Sarah Shipley - Violin • Ky Townsend - Cello • Frank Annechinni - Bass

Musical Numbers

ACT I

Happy Holiday	Bob, Phil & Sheldrake
White Christmas	
Happy Holiday/Let Yourself Go	Bob, Phil & Ensemble
Love and the Weather	Bob & Betty
Sisters	Betty & Judy
The Best Things Happen While You're Dancing	Phil, Judy & Quintet
SnowPhil, Judy, Mr. Snoring Man, M	rs. Snoring Man & Ensemble
What Can You Do with a General?	Bob & Phil
Let Me Sing and I'm Happy	Martha
Count Your Blessings Instead of Sheep	Bob & Betty
Blue Skies	Bob & Ensemble

There will be one 15 minute intermission.

ACT II

I Love a Piano	Phil, Judy & Ensemble
Falling Out of Love Can Be Fun	Martha, Betty & Judy
Love, You Didn't Do Right By Me/How Deep is the Ocea	anBetty & Bob
The Old Man	Bob & Men
Let Me Sing and I'm Happy (Reprise)	Susan
How Deep is the Ocean (Reprise)	Betty & Bob
The Old Man (Reprise)Bo	b, Phil, Sheldrake & Men
White Christmas	Company
I've Got My Love to Keep Me Warm	Company



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Who's Who in the Cast

Nathan Anderson (Ensemble) is very excited to be joining Theatre in the Park's family this summer! He is always thankful for the chance to work with wonderful artists and experience Christmas in July in a whole new way! Thanks for coming and enjoy the show!

Morgan Ball (Ensemble) is thrilled to be in his 9th show at Theatre in the Park! He was last seen as Louis/ Wells in Freaky Friday. He would like to thank his dance teacher Monica Renwick for his training and his family for their love and support!

McKenna Bizal (Ensemble) just

finished her sophomore year at the University of Kansas with a double major in dance and psychology. This is her second show at the Park, most recent being *Something Rotten*! She's forever thankful to her family and friends. @mckenna.bizal

Rob Clark (Ezekiel Foster/Quintet)

is excited to return to Theatre in the Park's Summer series for White Christmas! You may have seen Rob as "King Adam/Beast" in Disney's Descendants with Theatre in the Park Summer 2022 or "Ezekial Foster" in White Christmas through MTKC Pro Winter 2022.

Johnny Dinh Phan (Ensemble)

graduated in May (Dance BFA, KU) and is ecstatic to return for his 3rd show at Theatre in the Park! His recent credits include Newsies, The Music Man, Cabaret, Head Over Heels, White Christmas, The Bridges of Madison County, and The Underground.

Krista Eyler (Betty Haynes) Regional/ local: New Theatre, KCAT, Chestnut Fine Arts, MTH, Fishtank Theatre, KC Public, Barn Players, White Theatre, and New York Musical Festival (Off-Broadway). Krista is also the children's rockn'roller, Funky Mama, and is an Emmy-nominated composer. This is her 12th Park show. IG: @kristaeylerkc; sharpwomen.org

Jenna Gaston (Quintet/Ensemble)

is so excited to be celebrating the holidays this summer! Jenna is currently a junior musical theatre major. Some of her favorite shows she's been in are *A Chorus Line* and *Fugitive Songs*. Happy holidays and enjoy!

Chris Halford (General Henry Waverly)

first stepped on this stage 20 years ago, and he's so happy to continue to perform at this magical venue! All his love to Terry and Courtney.







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Jasmine Hall (Ensemble) (she/her) is absolutely thrilled to be making her KC debut with this stellar cast! She has recently time-stepped her way from Wichita where she played Carrie in Carrie the Musical (Roxy's), Swing/Backstage Crew in Ride the Cyclone (Roxy's), and most recently as Wanda in Beehive! (Forum). She would like to thank her family and friends, her loving partner Drew, the cast, crew, our designers, Catherine, Kacy, Kevin, and the audience who continues to support live local theater. Stay jazzy and let's have some fun!

Bre Hays (Ensemble) (she/they) graduated in 2022 with a BFA in Musical Theatre. She is so excited to be in her first show post-grad and her first Theatre in the Park show! They want to thank Connor and Nathan for

being the best gal pals. Much love!

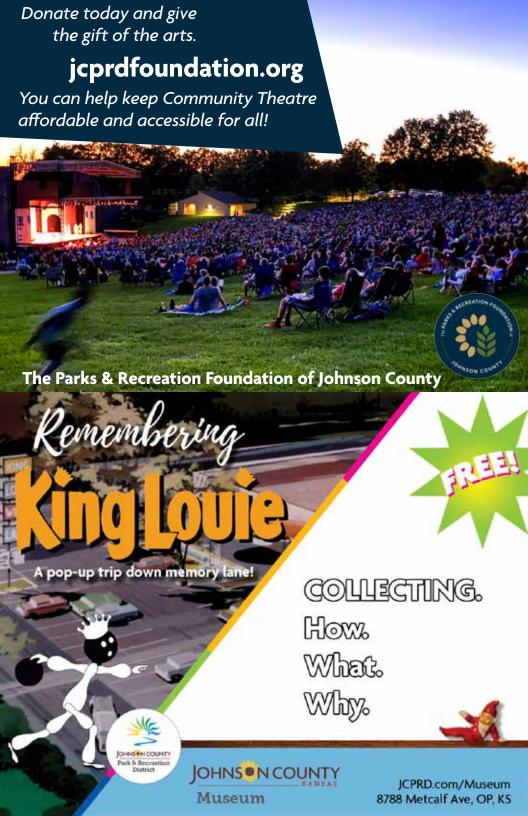
Liv Hollan (Mrs. Snoring Man/ Quintet/Tessie) As a firm believer of Christmas in July, Liv is stoked to be in White Christmas for her first Park show. She wants to send love to her friends and family for all their support. It's mutual... She's sure.

Cheers!

Connor Kelly-Wright (Quintet/
Ensemble) is going to be a junior at
Southeast Missouri State University
next year. You might've caught him
last summer as Plankton in The
Spongebob Musical at Theatre in the
Park. He hopes you enjoy the show
for all of its frosty July goodness!

Haley Knudsen (Rhoda) is thrilled to
be back with Theatre in the Park and
to be working with such a talented
production team! A KC native,





Haley is a middle school theatre teacher and director, as well as local performer. She is also a big Christmas fan, yes, even in the summer. She wants to thank her loving family, partner, and friends, and her precious fur ball Bob Ross for the neverending support. Enjoy the show!

Tom Nelson (Bob Wallace) is so excited to help tell this beloved story. Recent theatre credits include Dentist in Little Shop (Padgett), Anthony in Sweeney Todd (Padgett), Nick Bottom in Something Rotten (White Theatre), and Scarecrow in Wizard of Oz (TIP).

Tori Porteous (Rita) is living her "mutually I'm sure" dreams this summer. She is the music teacher at Mission Trail Elementary and is just thrilled to be singing and dancing all summer at Theatre in the Park. Merry Christmas and HAGS! Colossians 3:23

Ben Renfrow (Quintet/Ensemble) is so excited to be performing at the Park for the third time. He has grown up training in dance, music, and theatre at Center Stage Academy of the Performing Arts in Warrensburg, Missouri. Ben is pursuing a BFA in Musical Theatre at Montclair State University starting this fall! Ben would like to thank his friends, family and cast mates for their constant love and support.

Mishi Schueller (Phil Davis) is so excited to revisit the show that changed his life - meeting his soulmate during a production of it many moons ago! Thanks to Kacy and the entire TIP staff for the chance to tap on stage again. Love you Megan!

Cayden Shelly (Ensemble) is excited

to be in his first Theatre in the Park

show! From Warrensburg, Missouri, he has trained and performed at Center Stage Academy for 13 years, and he is thrilled to perform in front of other communities! Cayden starts his senior year of high school this fall.

Pam Sollars (Martha Watson) is thrilled to be reunited with Kacy & Kevin in White Christmas, her favorite holiday movie. At TIP, she's been Mrs. Lovett, Mrs. Paroo, Aunt Polly, Rosie in Mamma Mia and Mae in Halftime. Recently, she played Grandma Helene in Freaky Friday. Happy holidays and happy summer to all of you.

Erynn Symons (Susan Waverly) age 9, will be a 4th grade student at Millbrooke Elementary in Olathe. Outside of theater, Erynn enjoys competitive gymnastics and playing the ukelele. She would like to thank the entire production team, her family, & cats for the support & opportunity to perform at Theatre in the Park.

Alec Walberg (Ralph Sheldrake) is returning for his 7th show with the Park, and he is happy to celebrate his favorite holiday all summer! Love to Kaitlyn and their 3 cats, without whom, he would be very sad.

Wyatt Walberg (Ensemble) is excited to step back onto the stage with his brother, Alec. Previous credits include Newsies, South Pacific, and Spamalot. He would like to thank Maddie, his parents, family and Shafer for their continuous support. Thank you for coming, and enjoy the show! It's all #ForTheCulture



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Who's Who in the Orchestra

Frank Annechini (Bass) is happy to be playing in the orchestra for *White Christmas*. Many thanks to his family for their love and support.

Kaytee Dietrich (Reed 1) enjoys playing in musicals and plays at several community and professional theaters. White Christmas is her 55th production at TIP and 193rd production overall. Kaytee received a Bachelor of Music in Flute Performance from KU.

Cameron Lynn (Reed 2) is going to be a freshman at KU this fall studying music education. Previously he attended Blue Valley Northwest High School. He would like to thank all of his teachers, friends, and family for helping him through everything.

Anne Sneller (Reed 3) This is Anne's 27th show at TIP and her 61st show in area theaters. Anne is a regular member of several bands and orchestras and also plays in her church playing both oboe and English horn and recently also added the oboe d'amore.

Blake Vignery (Drums) is excited for two things.....to be back at the park, and to be friends with Frank, who allows me to tag along and play shows.

Who's Who on the Production Team

Kevin Bogan (Music Director/ Conductor/Accompanist) returns to the Park for his 10th production having directed, musically directed, or acted in various productions including Children of Eden, Pirates of Penzance, Bye, Bye Birdie and Secret Garden. He is the director of Traditional Music at Resurrection, A United Methodist Church in Leawood. He most recently did musical direction for Prejudice and Pride which makes it's Off-Broadway debut this month in New York City. Kevin also had the pleasure of singing with Rosemary Clooney, the original Betty in White Christmas.

Jayson Chandley (Resident Lighting Designer) is excited to be designing at Theatre in the Park for the summer season. He has spent the last few years working with many Cedar Fair Amusement Parks, involved in many exciting projects like this years New Zambezi Zinger at Worlds of Fun! Other area technical and design credits include work at Kansas City Starlight. The White Theatre at the J; Eubank/Egads Productions; JCCC; Spinning Tree Productions; Musical Theatre Heritage; The American Heartland Theatre, as well as many other projects regionally, and internationally. "Thanks to Mom for being such a wonderful and encouraging force in my life! Through all of my crazy endeavors."

Kacy Christensen (Director/
Choreographer) is overjoyed
to be directing/choreographing
White Christmas this summer, it is
a sentimental and exciting show!
Directing credits include: School of
Rock and Curtains; both productions
here at TIP. Choreography credits:
Annie, Anything Goes, Cabaret,
Mary Poppins, Peter Pan, Shrek,
The Wiz, Adventures of Tom
Sawyer. This year marks Kacy's 21th
season choreographing competitive

showchoir, winning national awards for Best Show Design, Best Choreography and Grand Champion. By day, Kacy is a Physical Therapist Assistant. Welcome to Christmas in July, it's gonna be hot!

Chuck Harper (Assistant Stage

Manager) is pleased to return to the (back) stage at TIP following his ASM duties on *Newsies* in 2021 and driving the car by remote control from the wings in *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* in 2019. LNS to Brian.

Tress Katzenmeier (Props Designer/
Coordinator) is a scholarship student at JCCC studying technical theater specializing in props, makeup, costumes and stage management. Some past shows she's worked on are Wonder of the World and As You Like It. Her next steps after White Christmas are two originals: one for KC Fringe Festival working with Warehouse Ensemble on their production of On The Veranda and



Happily Ever After for the JCCC academic theatre.

Catherine Lewis (Stage Manager)

is thrilled to once again spend her summer out at the Park. She's truly "counting her blessings" to be able to work with this fantastic cast, staff, and crew. Recent TIP credits include Seussical, Curtains, and Annie.

Amelia O'Berg (Assistant Stage

Manager) This is Amelia's second show as part of Theatre in the Park and as an assistant stage manager. She is very proud of the work of the cast and crew and looks forward to working with the Park again!

Scotty Wiggins (Costume Designer/

Coordinator) relocated to Kansas City 4 years ago after living in NYC for many years. While there he worked for a professional costume house and feels lucky to have spent those years working on Broadway Shows, National Tours, Circuses, Rock Concerts, Theme Parks and much more. This fall Scotty will be starting his fourth year as Adjunct Professor and Costume Designer for The Performing Arts Dept. at William Jewell College.

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Sound DesignerBrady Rose
Sound InternsHenry Cahoone,
Caitlyn Marshall
Lighting InternsNathan Bigler,
Kendric Santos-Briggs, Francis Sheehan
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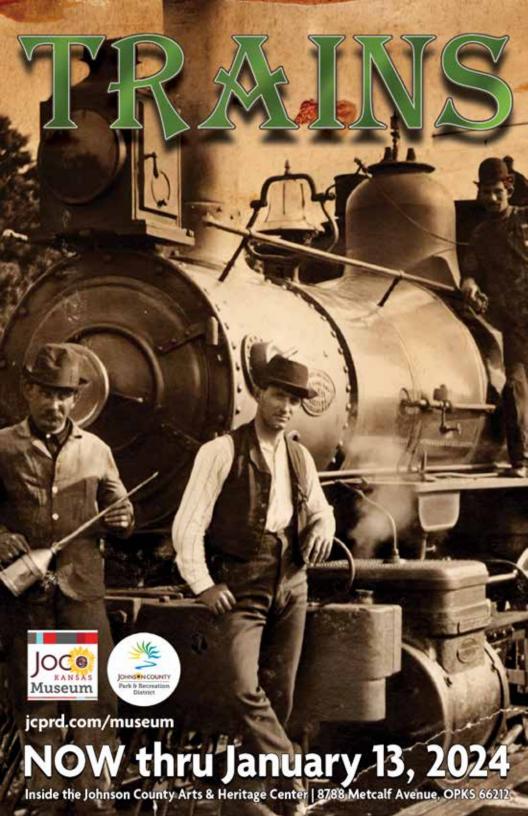


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