

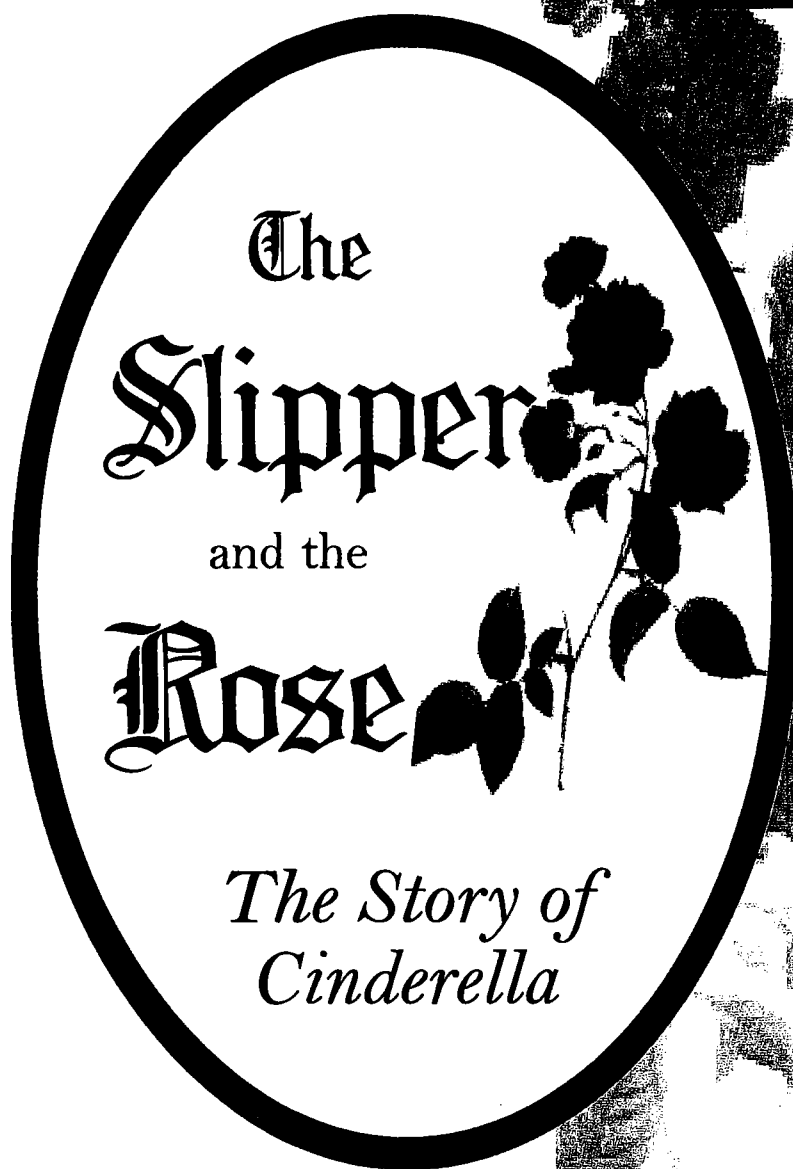


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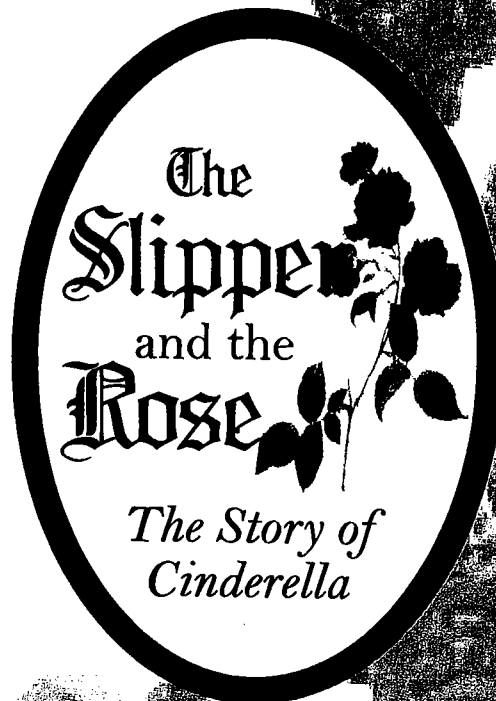
Technical Director: *Will Abrahamse*

Lighting Designer: *John Chenault*

Costume Designer: *Joan Schlegel*

Set Designer: *Judy Cullen*

Scenic Artist: *Dori Conklin*



*Duration: Act I - 55 minutes, Act II - 65 minutes*

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## Cast of Characters

*In Order of Appearance*

Stepmother .....	Kae Blum
Isobella .....	Christine Riippi
Palatine .....	Kasha Browning
Cinderella .....	Elise Campello
Major Domo .....	Walter Johnson
Prince Edward .....	Kody Bringman
John .....	Jon Huntsman
Lord Chamberlain .....	John Miller
King .....	Doug Phillip
Queen .....	Arlene Phillip
Dowager Queen Mother .....	Marilee Johnson
Montague .....	Lucas Blum
Fairy Godmother .....	Diane Bozzo
Ensemble .....	David Frasier, Brynne Geiszler, Jayme Jones, James Knight, Katiedawn Leacy, Samantha Lobberegt, Paul Morgan, Taylor Niemeyer, Carol Richmond, Elizabeth Richmond

# Synopsis of Scenes & Musical Numbers

## Act One:

**Overture** ..... Orchestra

**Scene 1: Long ago, in the Kingdom of Euphrania. The Graveyard.**

**Scene 2: The Kitchen Quarters of Cinderella's House.**

*Once I Was Loved* ..... Cinderella

**Scene 3: The Palace of the King of Euphrania.**

*Why Can't I Be Two People* ..... The Prince & Chorus

*What Has Love Got To Do With Getting Married?* ..... King, Queen, Montague & Chorus

**Scene 4: The Graveyard.**

*Once I Was Loved (Reprise)* ..... Cinderella

*What A Comforting Thing To Know* ..... The Prince & John

**Scene 5: Cinderella's Kitchen.**

**Scene 6: The Palace.**

*Protocoligorically Correct* ..... King & Chorus

*A Bride Finding Ball* ..... The Prince & Montague

**Scene 7: Cinderella's Kitchen.**

**Scene 8a: A Hallway in the Palace.**

**Scene 8b: Outside the Dressmaker's Shoppe.**

**Scene 9: Cinderella's Kitchen.**

**Scene 10: The Graveyard and Cinderella's Kitchen.**

*Suddenly It Happens* ..... Fairy Godmother, Cinderella & Chorus

**Scene 11: Cinderella's Kitchen.**

~ *There will be one 15-minute intermission.* ~

## Act Two:

**Scene 1: The Palace Ballroom at Christmastime.**

*Polonaise, Minuet and Polka* ..... Orchestra

*Waltz* ..... Orchestra

*Secret Kingdom* ..... The Prince

*She Danced With Me* ..... The Prince

**Scene 2: Cinderella's Kitchen.**

*He Danced With Me* ..... Cinderella

**Scene 3: The Palace.**

**Scene 4: On a Street in the Village.**

*Secret Kingdom (Reprise)* ..... The Prince & Cinderella

**Scene 5: The Palace.**

**Scene 6: On the Street and at the Palace.**

*Position and Positioning* ..... John, Prince, Major Domo & Chorus

**Scene 7: The Palace Throneroom.**

*Tell Him Anything But Not That I Love Him* ..... Cinderella

*I Can't Forget The Melody* ..... The Prince

**Scene 8: A Land, far away.**

*I Can't Forget The Melody (Reprise)* ..... Cinderella

**Scene 9: The Palace.**

*Secret Kingdom (Reprise)* ..... Cinderella & the Prince

*She Danced With Me (Reprise)* ..... Chorus

*Finale* ..... Company

# Meet The Cast...

## Kae Blum - *Stepmother*

Kae returns to TMP after just appearing as 'Rita LaPorta' in Lakewood Playhouse's *Lucky Stiff*. Other TMP appearances include: *Beauty and the Beast* ('The Wardrobe'), *Urinetown* ('Penelope Pennywise'), *Big River* ('Miss Watson'), *My Fair Lady*, *The Full Monty*, *Grease* and TCMT's *Pinocchio*. Look for her next as 'The Spelling Bee' in the upcoming TCMT production of *The Phantom Tollbooth*.

## Lucas Blum - *Montague*

Lucas is glad to be returning to TMP's mainstage. Most recently he has been seen as 'Vincent DiRuzzio' in Lakewood Playhouse's *Lucky Stiff*, TMP's *Beauty & the Beast* and *Urinetown*, and as 'Geppetto' in TCMT's *Pinocchio*. ~ *Much love to my wife, Kae.*

## Diane Bozzo - *Fairy Godmother*

Diane is pleased to back on the TMP stage where she was seen in *Beauty & the Beast*, *Damn Yankees* and *Urinetown*. Other local credits include: *The Sound of Music*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Once Upon a Mattress*. Diane also directs plays at Bonney Lake and Cascade Christian High Schools. ~ *Thanks to my husband Alex for your love and support.*

## Kody Bringman - *Prince Edward*

This is Kody's fourth show with TMP where he was recently seen as 'Sonny' in *Grease* and 'Pete Monroe' in TCMT's *Bunnicula*. Kody is thrilled to have been performing with TMP for the last year and looks forward to whatever future shows may come. ~ *For my family and friends... "I love you!"*

## Kasha Browning - *Palatine*

Kasha is a Freshman at the University of Washington majoring in Drama and Spanish. You may remember her as 'Frenchy' in last summer's *Grease*, or as the Salt Shaker in *Beauty & the Beast*.

## Elise Campello - *Cinderella*

Elise is so grateful to be playing 'Cinderella.' TMP audiences may remember her recent performances as 'Esther' (*Meet Me in St Louis*), 'Belle' (*Beauty & the Beast*) and 'Dorothy' in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. She has just completed a run as 'Belle' in Lyric Light Opera's *Beauty & the Beast*, and is currently performing with the 5th Avenue Theatre's *Adventure Musical Theatre Tour* and Village Theatre's *Gypsy King* workshop.

## David Frasier - *Ensemble*

David is thrilled to be joining the cast of *The Slipper and the Rose* and the TMP family. This is his first production with the company and he is hopeful that this is the first of many more. ~ *Thanks to everyone for your support.*

## Brynne Geiszler - *Ensemble*

Brynne was seen last in *South Pacific* and is excited to be working with TMP again! Favorite roles include: 'Gabriella' (*High School Musical*) and 'Lois Lane' (*Kiss Me, Kate*), as well as roles in *Seussical*, *Oklahoma!* and *Sweeney Todd*. ~ *Thank you to all who support me!*

## Jon Huntsman - *John*

Jon is thrilled to be returning to TMP where his favorite roles have included: 'LaFou' (*Beauty & the Beast*), 'Rocky' (*Damn Yankees*) and the 'White Rabbit' in TCMT's *Alice in Wonderland*.

## Marilee Johnson - *Dowager Queen*

Marilee has been working with TMP for several seasons and has loved every show she has been a part of. This cast is not just talented but fun to be on stage with. A theater family is special and Marilee is thankful for all of her "theater relatives"! Of course, she thinks Jon and Jeff are the best directors ever!

## Walt Johnson - *Major Domo*

Walt has been acting at TMP since 2002 and enjoys the roles he's received. He especially likes the camaraderie between actors. Walt was last seen as the commissioner in *Damn Yankees*. ~ *"It's fun talking and sharing with the younger generation. They're so talented and have so much energy!" Thanks Jon and Jeff!*

## Jayne Jones - *Ensemble*

Jayne has enjoyed performing in theater since high school. Favorite roles are 'Lillie' in *Swingtime Canteen* and 'Annie Oakley' in *Annie Get Your Gun*. Currently, she enjoys teaching and coaching small children in music and cheerleading. ~ *Thanks to my family for all of the love and support over the years.*

## James Knight - *Ensemble*

James is excited to be making his TMP debut performance in *The Slipper and the Rose*. He is a recent graduate from Emerald Ridge High School. ~ *Thanks to family and friends for all of your support!*

## Katiedawn Leacy - *Ensemble*

This is Katiedawn's second TMP production where she was last seen in *Grease*. Having participated in over 50 productions in her life, she enjoys everything about theater...from backstage work to front-and-center.

## Samantha Lobberegt - *Ensemble*

This is Samantha's first show at TMP. Favorite roles have included 'Gabriella' in *High School Musical* and 'Bottoms' in *A Midsummer Nights. Dream*. When she is not on stage, you may find her working as a Starbucks Barista.

## John Miller - *Lord Chamberlain*

This is John's second production with TMP where he was just recently seen as 'Luther Billis' in *South Pacific*. Favorite roles also include: 'Jesus' (*Jesus Christ Superstar*), 'Smokey' (*Damn Yankees*), and roles in *Pippin* and *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*. John is a trainer for Netdesk teaching Microsoft technologies.

## Paul Morgan - *Ensemble*

Paul is delighted to be a part of his third TMP production. He was also seen in *Meet Me in St Louis* and TCMT's *Pinocchio*. Paul loves acting and singing, and would like to dedicate this performance to his parents and his sister.

## Taylor Niemeyer - *Ensemble*

Taylor is thrilled to be making her TMP debut. She has studied dance for 13 years and has performed with Broadway Bound Children's Theater in Seattle. She is currently choreographing their production of *The Wizard of Oz*.

## Arlene Phillip - *Queen*

Arlene has done opera, oratorio and musical theater in the U.S. and Germany. She loves performing with husband Doug, and is glad to be back at TMP where she was last seen in *A Christmas Carol*.

## Doug Phillip - *King*

Doug has performed through the Pacific NW, California and Germany in opera, oratorio and musical theater. He has presented over a dozen roles on TMP's mainstage, with favorites including: 'Henry Higgins' in *My Fair Lady*, 'Tevye' in *Fiddler on the Roof* and 'Scrooge' in *A Christmas Carol*.

## Carol Richmond - *Ensemble*

Carol is absolutely thrilled to be making her TMP debut in this wonderful production. Recent local credits include: *Fiddler on the Roof* ('Golde'), *Black Coffee*, *The Sound of Music*, and *Auntie Mame* ('Vera Charles'). ~ *Many thanks to Jon and Jeff for this great opportunity, and to my kids for all of their support.*

## Elizabeth Richmond - *Ensemble*

Elizabeth was last seen at TMP in *Grease* and is excited to be back! She is a graduate of the American Musical and Dramatic Academy, New York, and a member of the first class of the Tacoma School of the Arts. Favorite local shows include: *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, *Seussical* and *The Geography Club*. ~ *Love to Mom and Taylor.*

## Christine Riippi - *Isabella*

Christine is delighted to be playing the wonderfully wicked 'Isabella!' She was last seen at TMP in *South Pacific*, *Grease* and most recently as 'Mrs. Monroe' in TCMT's *Bunnicula*. This production marks the second time Christine has played Cinderella's evil stepsister; she's thrilled to have found a role that suits

### **Jon Douglas Rake - Director/Choreographer**

Jon is Founder and Managing Artistic Director of TMP. He has spent nearly all of his adult life devoted to musical theater having begun his career as a professional dancer. Educated at the University of California, San Diego, Jon has produced, directed, choreographed or acted in well over 250 musical theater productions at the professional or community theater level on the West Coast, including working in the "Happiest Kingdom on Earth!" He is proud of the Board of Directors, actors and volunteers who have helped establish TMP as one of the largest, most successful community theaters in the NW.

### **Jeffrey Stvrtecky - Musical Director**

Jeff began piano studies at an early age and was active in musical theater from childhood. He graduated in piano performance from Wheaton College, and earned his Masters and Doctoral degrees in Choral Music from USC. He has served as Music Director since the inception of TMP. He teaches voice and piano and serves as Music Director at First Christian Church. Jeff is founder of Tacoma Master Chorale and has conducted and accompanied concerts of both classical and contemporary music from So. Calif. to Washington.

### **Will Abrahamse - Technical Director**

After a three year stint as the Technical Director for Arts-West Playhouse and Gallery in West Seattle, Will is thrilled to be joining the TMP family. As the TD for Arts-West, Will also served as the Resident Set Designer and Scenic Artist. He has also worked extensively with the Drama Programs at Auburn Riverside and Enumclaw High Schools. Prior to moving to the Puget Sound Area, Will spent several seasons with Coeur d'Alene Summer Theatre and studied at Washington State University and the University of Idaho.

### **John Chenault - Resident Lighting Designer**

John is the Resident Lighting Designer at TMP and has been designing lights in Puget Sound theaters for over 15 years. His designs have been experienced at Puget Sound Musical Theatre, Driftwood Playhouse, Burien Live Theatre, Studio East, Encore! Playhouse and the Kirkland Performing Arts Center. Recent projects have included developing a moving light console for the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and Lighting Design for *Oliver!* at Kirkland Performing Arts Center.

### **Judy Cullen - Scenic Designer**

Judy has designed sets for numerous companies including: The Bathhouse Theatre, Portland' Musical Theatre Company, The Emmy Gifford Children's Theatre, Tacoma Opera, Lakewood Playhouse and the Western Washington Fair, as well as local PBS affiliate KBTC. From 1993-2007, she also designed over 35 settings for Tacoma Little Theatre productions. She holds a Bachelor's in Theater Design and Technology from Willamette Univ. and did graduate studies at Purdue.

## **Professional Production Staff**

Managing Artistic Director..... Jon Douglas Rake  
Business Manager..... Jeffrey Stvrtecky  
Office & Marketing Manager..... Maria Valenzuela  
Director of Education..... Chris Serface  
Director of Development..... Diana George  
Technical Director..... Will Abrahamse  
Lighting Design..... John Chenault  
Costume Design..... Joan Schlegel  
Set Design..... Judy Cullen  
Scenic Artist..... Dori Conklin  
Light Board Operator..... Cary Stacy  
Sound Board Operator..... Patrick Mangan  
Student Intern..... Bryce Stillman (UPS)  
House Managers..... Jim & Kat Dollarhide

### **Other Assistants:**

Box Office..... Shirley Knoop  
Stage & Paint Crew..... Lori Hardin, Cheryl Graham  
Costume Assistant..... Margot Webb  
Photography..... Kat Dollarhide

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## **TMP Orchestra**

*Directed by Jeffrey Stvrtecky*

### **Reeds**

Judy Lantz  
Susan Jacoby  
Bill Forsyth

*Substitute: Rick Loucks*

### **Trombone**

Mick Crosby  
*Substitutes: Benjamin Lee  
Gary Aleshire*

### **Percussion**

Barbara J. Burzynski

### **French Horn**

Mark Willis

### **Trumpet**

Jerry Huff  
Dan Harrington

### **Keyboards**

Jeff Andersen  
Stacy Merid

### **Joan Schlegel - Resident Costume Designer**

Originally from Middlesex, England, Joan had been the TMP costume shop assistant and seamstress for many years before taking on the costuming responsibilities for our mainstage productions two season ago. Joan encourages anyone looking for a rewarding experience to join her volunteers in the costume shop. *"Working behind the scenes at TMP has been a revelation and an education for me. I now can appreciate all of the hard work that goes into every production, and I am happy to play a part in it!"*

### **Dori Conklin - Resident Scenic Artist**

Dori has been an artist as long as she can remember. She has studied in Germany, and at the Universities of Nebraska and Texas. Her scenic artistry has been seen in countless TMP productions. She loves being part of the finished product here. *~ I would like to thank my very special volunteers,...you really help to get the job done!!*