

25TH ANNIVERSARY
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 PRESENTS

RICHARD O'BRIEN'S
THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW
 - IN CONCERT -

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OCTOBER 31 & NOVEMBER 1

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with

Nick Arceo Sara Dolins Josh Frink Lili Galluzzo
Jeri Hart Alex Iacobucci Christopher Johnson Erin Kelley
Grant Morenz Peter Ruger
Karylin Veres Korey White Jake Ziman

ARTISTIC TEAM

Music Director/Co-Producer Aaron Kaplan	Producer Michael Galloway	Stage Manager Wendy Galloway
Lighting Designer Joel Zishuk	Choreographer Sara Dolins	Asst. Stage Manager/Props Alexandra Raffini
Costume Designer Cindy Moon*	Social Media Coordinator Leah Brock	Sound Designer Sean Slaber
Associate Music Director Kevin Zhou	Directed by Wyatt Kent	Intimacy Coordinator Jessi Hersman

*Member USA829

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 Alexandra Raffini, Artistic Operations Manager
 Sean Slaber, Sound Engineer/Interim Sound Supervisor
 Travis Hoying, Marketing Director
 Leah Brock, Social Media Coordinator
 Bryan Wlas, Audience Services Director

Aaron, Wendy, Grant and Myself would like to dedicate this show to Jim Dobbs. Jim was not only a part of one of our casts in Champaign (Dr. Scott), but one of the kindest and funniest people you could have met. We lost Jim this year and it has been very rough. So, Jim this one is for you!

Michael G.



MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

Overture	JAM Orchestra
Science Fiction Double Feature	Usherettes, Phantoms
Damn It, Janet	Brad, Janet, Phantoms
Over at the Frankenstein Place	Janet, Brad, Riff Raff, Phantoms
Time Warp	Riff Raff, Magenta, Columbia, Narrator, Phantoms
Sweet Transvestite	Frank, Brad, Riff Raff, Magenta, Columbia, Phantoms
The Sword of Damocles	Rocky, Narrator, Riff Raff, Magenta, Columbia, Phantoms
I Can Make You a Man	Frank, Riff Raff, Magenta, Columbia, Brad, Janet, Phantoms
Hot Patootie	Eddie, Riff Raff, Magenta, Columbia, Brad, Janet, Phantoms
I Can Make You a Man (reprise)	Frank, Janet, Riff Raff, Magenta, Columbia, Phantoms

ACT II

Entr'acte	JAM Orchestra
Touch-A Touch Me	Janet, Magenta, Columbia, Phantoms
Once in a While	Brad, Columbia, Phantoms
Eddie's Teddy	Full Cast
Planet Schmanet	Full Cast
The Floor Show / Rose Tint My World	Full Cast
I'm Going Home	Frank, Columbia, Dr. Scott, Janet, Brad, Rocky, Phantoms
Super Heroes	Brad, Janet, Narrator
Science Fiction Double Feature (Reprise)	Usherette, Usher

CAST

Cast Members (in order of appearance)

Usherette	Jeri Hart
Usherette	Erin Kelly
Brad	Christopher Johnson
Janet	Karylin Veres
Narrator	Korey White
Riff Raff	Jake Ziman
Columbia	Sara Dolins
Magenta	Lili Galluzzo
Frank 'N' Furter	Grant Morenz
Rocky	Alex Iacobucci
Eddie Dr. Scott	Josh Frink
Phantom	Nick Arceo
Phantom	Peter Ruger

Production Staff

Director	Wyatt Kent
Music Director/Co-Producer	Aaron Kaplan
Choreographer	Sara Dolins
Stage Manager	Wendy Galloway
Assistant Stage Manager/Props Designer	Alexandra Raffini
Costume Designer	Cindy Moon
Lighting Designer	Joel Zishuk
Sound Engineer	Sean Slaber
Intimacy Coordinator	Jessi Hersman
Producer	Michael Galloway
Associate Music Director/Rehearsal Accompanist	Kevin Zhou
Keyboard Programming	Kevin Zhou

ADS



Aaron Kaplan, artistic director & conductor

An Evening with Nathan Gunn & Friends

January 11, 2025

Nichols Concert Hall, Evanston

7:30pm

Join us for an evening of music theatre featuring music from the worlds of Broadway and Opera. Nationally renowned baritone Nathan Gunn will be joined by 5 vocal superstars for an evening of music across different theatrical genres, accompanied by the JAM Orchestra performing the original orchestrations.

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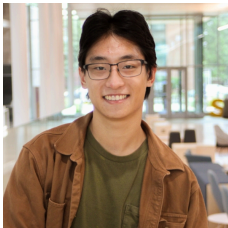
WHO'S WHO



Alexandra Raffini

Assistant Stage Manager/Props Designer

ALEXANDRA RAFFINI - (she/her) is a Chicago suburb native excited to collaborate with JAM Orchestra and Youz Guyz Entertainment for the first time! During the day, she works for Metropolis Performing Arts Centre as the Artistic Operations Manager, booking shows for the Metropolis Presents series and assisting in the production of the MainStage season as well. Recent MPAC Credits include: *Sister Act* (ASM), *Cabaret* (ASM), *A Christmas Carol* (ASM), *The Legend of Georgia McBride* (SM), *Ragtime* (SM), *Xanadu* (Crew Swing), *The Addams Family* (ASM), *9 to 5: The Musical* (ASM) and *Cinderella* (ASM).



Kevin Zhou

Associate Music Director/Rehearsal Accompanist

KEVIN ZHOU - (he/him) is excited to be joining Rocky for the first time and has been in Chicago 1 year. Recent show credits: *Cinderella* (Metropolis), *Les Mis* (Uptown Music Theatre), *On The Twentieth Century* (Blank Theatre Company), *Ragtime In Concert* (Highland Park Players), *The Music Man in Concert* (Metropolis). Big thanks to Aaron Kaplan for involving him in the show!



Joel Zishuk

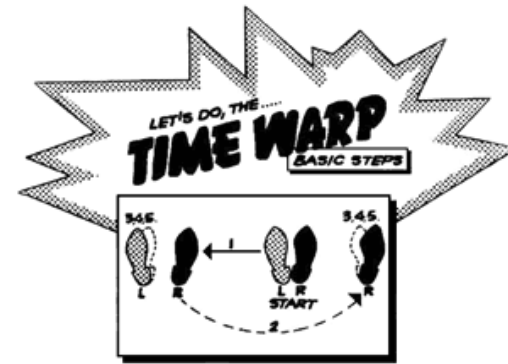
Lighting Designer

Joel Zishuk - (he/him) is a Chicago based Lighting and Projection Designer. He currently works as the Technical Director at Highland Park High School. Other professional credits include *Beehive: The 60's Musical* (Lighting, Cumberland County Playhouse), *Silent Sky* (Lighting, Citadel Theatre), *FORTS! 2023* (Lighting, filament & Writer's Theatre), *How I Learned What I Learned* (Projections, Gablestage), *Rubenology* (Projections, GableStage), *Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill* (Lighting, Florida REP), *Lobby Hero* (Lighting & Projection, Florida REP), and *The Addams Family* (Lighting, Uptown Music Theater). He received his BFA in Theatre - Design and Technology from the University of Central Florida. www.JoelZishuk.com

THE BAND

JAM Orchestra

Music Director/Keyboard 2	Aaron Kaplan
Assoc. Music Director/Keyboard 1	Kevin Zhou
Guitar	Colin Hanus
Bass	Leo Finan
Drums	Craig Buckner
Tenor Saxophone	John Havrilla



- 1. (It's just a) JUMP TO THE LEFT, with hands UP.**
- 2. A STEP TO THE RIGHT (Time-Warper RICHARD O'BRIEN suggests a very WIDE step.)**
- 3.* (With your hands on your HIPS) YOU BRING YOUR KNEES IN TIGHT.**
- 4. (Then) THE PELVIC THRUST (if repeated FIVE times, it nearly drives you insa-a-ane)**
- 5. HIPSWIVEL (if not driven insa-a-ane by step four)**
- 6. LET'S DO THE TIME WARP AGAIN!**

*** Those with LIMB DISABILITIES may find it necessary to ALTER or DELETE this action, but NO EXCUSES for alterations to steps four and five.**

WHO'S WHO



Nick Arceo

as Phantom

NICK ARCEO - (he/him) is excited to perform on the Metropolis stage again for the first time post-pandemic. Credits: *The Brass Teapot* (CMTF 2024 with Kokandy at Steppenwolf); *On the Twentieth Century*, *Merrily We Roll Along* (Blank); *Assassins* (Theo Ubique - Jeff Award: Best Ensemble); *Bright Lights, Big City* (Beautify City Project); *A Man of No Importance* (Pride); *Funny Girl, Parade, Pippin* (Revival Theatre Company).



Sara Dolins

as Columbia

SARA DOLINS - (she/her) is thrilled to be making her Metropolis Theatre debut! Sara has been performing in the Chicago area since graduating from the University of Illinois in 2021. Recent performance credits include *Les Misérables*, *On The Twentieth Century*, *A Bronx Tale*, *Rocky Horror Picture Show*, and *Catch Me If You Can*. Sara has been choreographing professionally since 2021, and is also a dance teacher/coach at multiple Chicago area studios. Sara is immensely grateful to her family and friends for their continued support!



Josh Frink

as Eddie Dr. Scott

JOSH FRINK - (they/them) is so thrilled to be returning to the Metropolis stage to perform such an amazing and fun show with an exceptionally talented team! Halloween is Josh's favorite holiday and they cannot wait for everyone to have a party right here in the theatre! Fans of Metropolis may recognize Josh from previous productions such as *Ragtime*, *The Addams Family*, *A Christmas Carol* and *The Music Man In Concert!* In Josh's free time every waking second is spent playing Pokemon or hanging out with his girlfriend Chloe. Josh would like to thank his family, friends and the RHS team for being so amazing and supportive! @joshuarfrink

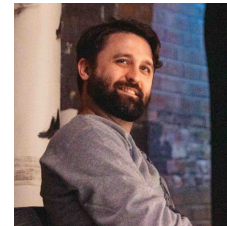
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Aaron Kaplan

Music Director/Co-Producer

AARON KAPLAN - (he/him) is excited to be doing his third production of *RHS* with Mike, Wendy, and Grant. Aaron has been the music director/conductor for over 90 productions. His worked has been recognized by the non-equity Jeff Awards with 2 nominations for Music Direction for *The Wild Party* (2022) and *Promises, Promises* (2023). Aaron is the Artistic Director of the JAM Orchestra, Orchestra Director at Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South High Schools, conducts for the Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra, and is co-director of the Chicago Suzuki Institute. Special thanks to this wonderful cast and staff for their talent and hard word, the JAM Orchestra for their musicianship, Kevin for his musical partnership, Mike for going on another strange journey together, Tiffany, David, Travis and Alex at MPAC for supporting this project and the audience for supporting live performing arts in the community! This one is dedicated to Jim Dobbs.



Wyatt Kent

Director

WYATT KENT - (he/him) serves as co-Artistic Director of Red Theater. For Red, he most recently directed *Hamlet* and previously received a Non-Equity Jeff Award nomination for his direction of the premiere of Mora V. Harris' *Indoor Cats* (Winner of 2 Non-Equity Jeff Awards, including Best New Work). Other recent credits include directing *The Mad Ones* for Blank Theatre. Further directing credits include immersive and devised work (*The Wild Party*, *Out of Many, De/Ascending*), Shakespeare adaptations (*Romeo and Juliet et al.*, *Macbeth*, *Julius Caesar*) and new play development.



Cindy Moon

Costume Designer

CINDY MOON - (she/her) is a Chicago-based freelance costume designer, originally from the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Her recent Chicago area design work includes *Les Misérables* (Uptown Music Theater); *The Mad Ones*, *On the Twentieth Century*, *She Loves Me* (Blank Theatre Company); *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Young People's Theatre of Chicago); *A Little Night Music*, *The Threepenny Opera* (Theo Ubique). She has held numerous positions at Steppenwolf, as well as receiving multiple Jeff Award nominations for her design work. Education: MFA in Costume Design and Technology, Virginia Tech. Proud Member USA829.

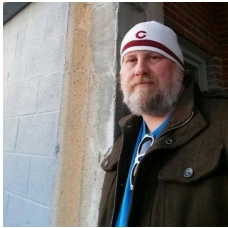
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Jessi Hersman

Intimacy Coordinator

Jessi Hersman - (she/her) is a Chicagoland native and resident who proudly serves as a teaching artist, director and acting coach for high schools, and theatres across the northern/northwest suburbs. She joins the production team to support Intimacy in the production, and is honored to work with such a talented team of artists, on and off stage. She would like to thank the creative team for the opportunity to share and create with them this fall. Jessi would like to remind everyone to vote on Tuesday November 5, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



Michael Galloway

Producer

MICHAEL GALLOWAY - (he/him) Michael's journey in theater began in third grade when he played the guard at Emerald City in *The Wizard of Oz*, igniting a lifelong passion for the stage. He has engaged in various roles within the theater world, including lighting, directing, acting, and producing. Michael studied musical theater at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York City and has managed three different theater companies across Michigan and Illinois. He extends heartfelt gratitude to his wonderful family: his wife Wendy, who serves as both stage manager at home and in the theater; Chandra, his little mini-me; AJ, who helps maintain his sanity; and Evan, who adds a touch of chaos. Love you all! Enjoy the show; I'm confident you will have a fantastic time. Don't dream it...be IT.



Wendy Galloway

Stage Manager

WENDY GALLOWAY - (she/her) began her onstage theater experience in very small town high school where she was consistently cast in roles left open by a lack of male performers. After 4 years of playing opposite the leading lady, she decided to try her hand behind the scenes--and that's where the love of theater blossomed. She may work behind the audience, but she always has a front row seat in the magic of the performance! Mike, Chandra, AJ, and Evan--You will always be my favorite cast!!

WHO'S WHO



Lili Galluzzo

as Magenta

LILI GALLUZZO - (she/they) is thrilled to be making her Metropolis debut! She holds a BFA in Musical Theatre from the Chicago College of Performing Arts and is proudly represented by Stewart Talent. Select credits include Susan in *Tick Tick Boom*, Gloria in *Boeing Boeing* (Dunes Summer Theatre), Hermia in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Big Noise Theatre), Agnes/Ensemble in *On the Twentieth Century* (Blank Theatre), Theo/Ensemble in *Pippin* (Towle Theatre). Film credits include Gabby in *Kombucha!* (Take Care Productions) and Kris in *Secret Admirer* (HiLa Productions), which is currently in pre-production. Love to M&D, Nana, Sami and Derek. Follow along at liligalluzzo.com.



Jeri Hart

as Usherette

JERI HART - (she/her) is thrilled to be back onstage with the JAM Orchestra! She has performed in numerous Chicago-area musicals, including *Les Misérables*, *Cinderella* (Marie), *[title of show]* (Heidi), *Hello Dolly!* (Minnie Fay), *Beauty and the Beast* (Babette), and more! By day, Jeri is a 5th grade teacher in Northbrook. Many thanks to the incredible cast and production team!!



Alex Iacobucci

as Rocky

ALEX IACOBUCCI - (he/him) is a performer imported from Italy and kindly adopted by the Midwest - like one of those hard-to-pronounce wines you can find at Jewel-Osco, and he can't wait to be wickedly created and come to life on the Metropolis stage! Recent credits include: *Carousel*, *The Producers*, *Pippin* (Music Theater Works), *Medium* (Chicago Opera Festival '24), *9 to 5*, *The Addams Family* (Metropolis Performing Arts Center), Rocky Horror in *The Rocky Horror Show* (Surging Films and Theatrics), Eldar Braithwaite in *Book of Merman* (MadKap Productions). A big grazie to his friends and family, to his kitties Mochi and Sasha, and to his amorcito Enzo. For more info, check out his website (www.alexiacobucci.com) or follow him on his IG (@spikealex)!

WHO'S WHO



Christopher Johnson

as Brad

CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON - (he/him) Recent credits include: Bruce Granit, *On the Twentieth Century* and Franklin Shepard, *Merrily We Roll Along* (Blank Theatre Company); Judge Turpin and Sweeney u/s, *Sweeney Todd* (Kokandy Productions); Mal Beineke, *The Addams Family* & Professor Callahan, *Legally Blonde* (Metropolis Performing Arts Centre); The Baker, *Into the Woods* (Big Noise Theatre). Off-stage, Christopher serves as Assistant General Counsel of Rotary International. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois and the Chicago-Kent College of Law. www.christopherjohnson.com



Erin Kelly

as Usherette

ERIN KELLY - (she/her) is excited to be a part of *The Rocky Horror Show!* She was most recently seen in Uptown Music Theater's *Les Misérables* as Mme. Thenardier. Previous credits include *Legally Blonde* (Elle Woods), *Guys and Dolls* (Adelaide), *Cinderella* (Fairy Godmother) and professional ensemble member of ComedySportz Chicago. Thank you to her friends and family for all their love and support. For Tom, Ben, and Abby.



Grant Morenz

as Frank 'N' Furter

GRANT MORENZ - (he/him) has performed all over the country and the world. Recently in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* (Frollo) , and *The Music Man* (Bass in Barbershop Quartet). This show is special to me. It's about sensual freedom. Don't dream it, be it! Thanks to Mike and Aaron for making this possible again!



Peter Ruger

as Phantom

PETER RUGER - (he/him) is thrilled to be performing in his first *Rocky Horror!* Peter graduated from the Chicago College of Performing Arts with a Masters Degree in Music in 2012 has since been performing in Chicago with many wonderful companies including Music Theater Works, Theo Ubique, Porchlight Music Theater, and Black Button Eyes Theater. Love to his endlessly supportive family and friends!

WHO'S WHO



Karylin Veres

as Janet

KARYLIN VERES - (she/her) is a Jeff-nominated actor, singer, and dancer originally from Tucson, Arizona. Recent credits include Blank Theatre Company's *The Mad Ones* (Kelly), *On The Twentieth Century* (Lily Garland), and *The Wild Party* (Queenie, Jeff-Nom). She was also seen in Music Theater Work's *The Producers* and Red Theater's *Indoor Cats*. She would like to thank her family and her fiancée, Brandon, for all of their support!



Korey White

as Narrator

KOREY WHITE - (he/him) Is excited to be returning to Metropolis Theatre! He was last seen as Lord Pinkleton in *Cinderella* with Metropolis. Other credits include *Ragtime* (Metropolis Performing Arts), *The Little Mermaid* (Music Theater Works), *She Loves Me* (Blank Theater Company), *Parade*, *The Full Monty* (Theatre Nebula), *Planted* (Rogue Elephant Productions), *If Scrooge Was a Brother* (eta Creative Arts), *Legally Blonde* (Fremont Street Theatre Company), *Ragtime* (St. James Theatre), *Company*, *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Devonshire Playhouse), *Man of La Mancha* (Company of Pittsburgh), *Rent*, and *Tarzan* (Pittsburgh Musical Theatre). Korey thanks his family, friends, the amazing and supportive cast and crew of *Rocky Horror*, and his emotional support Boris.



Jake Ziman

as Riff Raff

JAKE ZIMAN - (he/him) is so pumped for *Rocky Horror Show In Concert!* Jake is currently in *Milo Imagines the World* at Chicago Children's Theatre. Recent credits include Marius in *Les Misérables* (Uptown Music Theatre), Gabe Goodman in *Next To Normal* (Paramount Theatre), and more. Film: Albany Road in theaters November 15th! Recent Grad of Millikin University. Repped by Stewart Talent. Special thanks to Aaron, that dude rocks.