

Lisa Portes, Artistic Director



by Madeline L'Engle adapted by John Glore

Director – Ernie Nolan Scenic Designer – Jillian Rothman Costume Designer – Kara Dent Lighting Designer – Chris Barker Sound Designer/Composer – Mikey Moran Dramaturg – Karly Bergmann Stage Manager – Sarah Geis

October 23 - December 1, 2012

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CAST (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

Meg Murry	Megan Henricks
Dad/Camazotz Man	
Charles Wallace Murry	Daniel Mozurkewich
Mom/Storyteller/Camazotz Woman/Aunt Beast	
Mrs. Whatsit/Storyteller	
Calvin O'Keefe	Ryan Semmelmayer
Mrs. Who/Storyteller	Meredith Johnston
Mrs. Whatsit/Storyteller	
Man With Red Eyes/Storyteller	Ian Bartelt

This production includes the use of strobe lights and theatrical haze.

This play will be performed without intermission.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

"You have to write the book that wants to be written. And if the book will be too difficult for grown-ups, then you write it for children." ~Madeleine L'Engle

A year ago, I read an article titled Scholastic Experts Issue List of "Ten Trends in Children's Books." In it the President of Scholastic Book Clubs stated, "We've seen some exciting innovation in children's publishing." On this contemporary list, such "innovations" included books that expanded the young adult audience to grown ups, dystopian fictions, fantasies, special needs protagonists, and the paranormal... essentially the elements of Madeleine L'Engle's *A Wrinkle in Time*. Today Katniss Everdeen of *The Hunger Games* and Beatrice "Tris" Prior of *Divergent* may lead current trends , but fifty years ago L'Engle created the ultimate original young adult heroine, Meg Murry.

Until *A Wrinkle in Time* was published, science fiction was considered a male dominated literary genre. L'Engle broke with conventions and used science fiction storytelling elements to help a young adolescent character literally find their place in the universe. Combining Einstein's theories with good old-fashioned imagination, she trusted that young people would identify with Meg's personal and cosmic struggles.

In 1962 *A Wrinkle in Time* didn't just create a trend, it blended science fiction, fantasy, and myth to create a timeless and universal story set in our very own unexplored universe.

"All of the best of children's books... Alice in Wonderland, The Wind in the Willows...Little Women, The Secret Garden, Huckleberry Finn... They partake of the universal language and that is why we turn to them again and again when we are children, and still again when we have grown up." ~Madeleine L'Engle

~ Ernie Nolan

DRAMATURG'S NOTE

It's easy to take stars for granted in a city like Chicago. It's even easier to forget that they exist at all.

But did you know that you and I are composed of the atoms of dead stars? We are all literally stardust! You see, when the death of a star, called a supernova, occurs, the explosion scatters enriched star guts throughout space. This event helps create the building blocks of all life and matter as we know it.

In her Newbery Awards speech for *A Wrinkle in Time* in 1963, Madeline L'Engle proposed that, "A book too can be a star, 'explosive material, capable of stirring up life endlessly,' a living fire to lighten the darkness." Certainly L'Engle herself was a star, inspiring children and expanding their thoughts of the universe.

By L'Engle's definition, you — whether teacher, parent or young theatre-goer — are stars as well. Each of you is a "living fire to brighten the darkness." I'm sure L'Engle was addressing each and every one of you when she finished her Newbery speech with:

"You are all very special lights in a frequently dark world, and we need you. Thank you, thank you."

BIOGRAPHIES

Ian Bartelt (Man with Red Eyes/Storyteller), 4th year BFA/Acting. Ian's Theatre School credits include The Diary of Anne Frank, directed by Daniel Kerr-Hobert; DNA, directed by Ernie Nolan; The Seagull, directed by Natalie Turner-Jones; Broadsword, directed by Ian Frank; the Ghost in Hamlet; and The Master Builder, directed by Richard Corley.

Lauren Blakeman (Mrs. Whatsit/Storyteller), 4th year BFA/Acting. Lauren is a Midwestern native from Chatham, Illinois. Her recent Theatre School credits include Anne Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank*, directed by Daniel Kerr-Hobert; Jessica in *DNA*, directed by Ernie Nolan; Amanda in *The Glass Menagerie*, directed by Jennifer Markowitz; Wren in *A Body of Water*, directed by Reshmi Hazra; Becca in *Broadsword*, directed by Ian Frank; and Sadie in *Breach*, directed by Krissy Vanderwalker.

Molly Fisher (Mom/Storyteller/Camazotz Woman/Aunt Beast), 3rd year MFA/Acting. Molly graduated from St. Lawerence University in 2008 with a BFA in Speech and Theatre. Her Theatre School credits include Hilda Wangel in *The Master Builder*, Margot in *The Kid Thing*, and Lush in *Hot House*.

Megan Henricks (Meg Murray), 3rd year BFA/Acting. Megan hails from Mundelein, Illinois. Last year she was seen in Waiting for Lefty, Holy Days, and Careless Love.

Meredith Johnston (*Mrs. Who/Storyteller*), 4th year BFA/Acting from Oakland, California. Her previous Theatre School credits include *Richard III, In Regards to the Shark,* and *The Seagull.* She is a member of the improv team Daaang Judi Dench and trains at IO Theatre.

Miriam Lee (*Mrs. Whatsit/Storyteller*), 3rd year BFA/Acting. Miriam comes from the suburbs of Chicago. Past credits include Carmen Bernstein in *Curtains* and Babe Williams in *The Pajama Game*.

Daniel Mozurkewich (Charles Wallace Murray), 3rd year BFA/Acting. Daniel is from Ann Arbor, Michigan. At The Theatre School, Daniel has appeared in Waiting for Lefty, directed by Jennifer Markowitz; The Chekhov Machine, directed by Ann Wakefield; and Careless Love, directed by Andrew Gallant.

Ryan Semmelmayer (*Calvin O'Keefe*), 4th year BFA/Acting. Ryan is from the San Francisco Bay Area. Prior credits include *Moby Dick, Richard III*, and *The Blue Room*.

Noah Simon (Dad/Camazotz Man), 3rd Year MFA/Acting. Noah has been acting in Chicago since 1997 and has worked with such companies as Goodman Theatre, Factory Theater, The Hypocrites, American Theater Company, and Strawdog Theatre Company, where he is an emeritus ensemble member. He is an artistic associate with Lakeside Shakespeare Theatre.

Ernie Nolan (Director) Theatre Studies faculty. Ernie is a director, choreographer, and playwright dedicated to reimagining stories for young audiences. As Producing Artistic Director of Emerald City Theatre in Chicago, he has directed over 15 productions including the Broadway in Chicago transfer of Pinkalicious. A resident artist of The Coterie Theatre in Kansas City, Missouri, he made his Off-Broadway debut as a choreographer with *Lucky Duck* at the New Victory Theatre last year. An Assistant Professor of Theatre Studies at The Theatre School at DePaul University, he has directed The Witches, The Giver, and The BFG for Chicago Playworks. His work as a TYA playwright has been featured both nationally and internationally. Ernie's plays A Fairy Tale Life, Snow White and Beasts are published and licensed by Dramatic Publishing. His adaptation of Eileen Christelow's Five Little Monkeys has been staged in Milwaukee and Washington D.C. His new play A Lonely Boy's Guide To Survival

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(And Werewolves) premieres at La Jolla Playhouse this winter. Ernie currently serves as the Vice-President of Theatre for Young Audiences USA and sits on the board of the Illinois Theatre Association. A graduate of both the University of Michigan Musical Theatre Program (BFA/Musical Theatre) and The Theatre School at DePaul University (MFA/Directing), Ernie has been awarded an Anne Shaw Fellowship and was featured as one of DePaul University's "14 Alumni Under 40" in 2011.

Katrina Dion (Assistant Director), 3rd year BFA/Theatre Arts, with a concentration in Directing. At The Theatre School, Katrina assistant directed *Breach* by Egan Reich, directed by Krissy Vanderwarker. She also worked on the Wrights of Spring Ten-Minute Play Festival and The Theatre Arts Lab Series. Outside DePaul, Katrina has interned for Redmoon Theater working as an Assistant Director on their Summer Urban Interventions Series.

Caroline Byrne Donnelly (Assistant Director), 4th Year BFA/Playwriting. Caroline is a Chicago native. Her Theatre School credits are assistant director *The Seagull* and playwright of *The Love Song of F. Getrude* Doyle. She has completed internships at Lookingglass Theatre and Victory Gardens Theater and is currently an assistant teaching artist at Lincoln Park High School. She will also be directing a LAB in the spring.

Jillian Rothman (Scenic Designer), 4th year BFA/Scenic Design. Jillian is from Charlotte, North Carolina. Her past Theatre School scenic design credits include assisting on The Skriker, Much Ado About Nothing, The Witches, and Nancy Drew and the Sign of the Twisted Candles. She also acted as video designer for The Witches. Jillian has designed The Theatre School productions of Blood Wedding and The Rivals. She will be designing The Royal Hunt of the Sun for The Theatre School's New Director's Series in the winter. **Claudia Peterson** (*Technical Director*) 4th Year BFA/Theatre Technology. Claudia is from Geneva, Illinois. Theatre School credits include Technical Director for *The Death of Gaia Divine*, Assistant Technical Director for *A Lie of the Mind* and *Hedda Gabler*, and master carpenter for *The Witches*. Claudia has also worked for the Chicago Shakespeare Theatre and the Dorset Theatre Festival in Dorset, Vermont.

Seth Randall-Tapply (Assistant Technical Director) 4th year BFA/Theatre Technology. Seth is from Central New Hampshire. Theatre School credits include assistant technical director for Nancy Drew and the Sigh of the Twisted Candles and master carpenter for I Am Bradley Manning and Faustus. This past summer Seth was an Intern at the American Repertory Theatre at Harvard University.

Kara Dent (Costume Designer), 4th year BFA/ Costume Design. Kara Dent has designed costumes for The Theatre School's productions of Intimate Apparel and The Misanthrope. She's assisted on The Theatre School's Cabaret, The Monster Under the Bed, and Pinkalicious as well as working wardrobe on the feature film Contest and design for the short film Invention of Elliot and Mable.s.

Elise Petrucci (*Draper/Cutter*), 4th Year BFA/Costume Technology. Elise is from Stamford, Connecticut. Her Theatre School credits include assistant draper/cutter for *Much Ado About Nothing* and *The Ernie Play* as well as draper/cutter for *Intimate Apparel, Venus*, and *The Rivals*.

Olivia Ball (Assistant Draper/Cutter) 3rd year BFA/Costume Technology. Olivia is a native of Columbus, Ohio. Previous productions she has worked on include Barrio Grrrl! A Musical, A Lie of the Mind, and Faustus.

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Chris Barker (*Lighting Designer*), 4th year BFA/Lighting Design. Chris has designed the lighting for The Theatre School's productions of *Shipwrecked*!, *Celebration*, and *Richard III* and has assisted on *A View From The Bridge*, *Intimate Apparel*, and *Nancy Drew and the Sign of the Twisted Candles*. Chris recently completed an internship in Project Management at Electronic Theatre Controls in Middleton, Wisconsin and is currently an intern with the Controls Group at KSA Lighting in Hanover Park.

Zak Malsich (Assistant Lighting Designer), 3rd Year BFA/Lighting Design. In Los Angeles, Zak is a founding member of the SKITco theatre company and serves as their resident lighting designer. In Chicago, Zak works with High Concept Laboratories, a non-profit arts incubator, as the Design/ Technical Assistant. DePaul design credits: Breach, Celebrity Row, and Clybourne Park.

Mikey Moran (Sound Designer/Composer), 4th year BFA Sound Design. Theatre School design credits include *The Witches*, Venus, The Death of Gaia Divine and A View From The Bridge. Outside of school, he recently has designed Blagojevich, Blagojevich! at the Athenaeum and Anger/ Fly at Trap Door. As a pit musician, he has performed at DePaul in Cabaret and Spring Awakening. A primarily self-taught musician, Mikey learned to compose through study and error. Karly Bergmann (Dramaturg), 4th year BFA Dramaturgy/Criticism. Past dramaturgy credits include Much Ado About Nothing, Moby Dick, Venus, and The Rivals. She will be producing a laser light show this winter as part of The Theatre School Lab Series.

Catherine Miller (*Assistant Dramaturg*) 3rd Year BFA/Dramaturgy & Criticism. Catherine hails from San Diego, California, where she worked extensively as a dramaturg. Directing credits include *Heddatron* and *A Room Full of Strangers*. Dramaturgy credits include [*title of show*] at Diversionary Theatre and *The Waves* at Vox Nova. Assistant dramaturg credits include *Sweeney Todd* and *The History Boys* with Cygnet Theatre. Music Assistant credits include *Sammy, Whisper House*, and *Robin and the 7 Hoods* at The Old Globe. Later this year, Catherine will be the dramaturg for *Measure for Measure*.

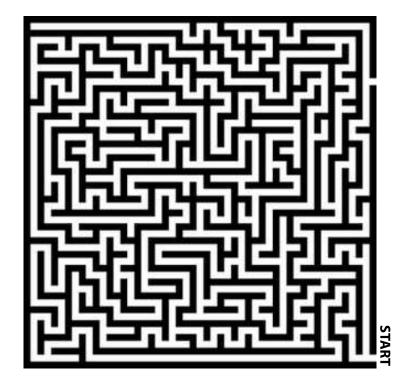
Sarah Geis (*Stage Manager*) 3rd year BFA/ Stage Management. Sarah hails from Jackson Township, Ohio. She has served as stage manager for *Venus* and as an assistant stage manager for *I Am Bradley Manning, Cabaret, Hedda Gabler,* and *Pinkalicious*. Sarah was the floor manager for the Collaboraction *Sketchbook Festival* this summer. This winter, Sarah will be interning at the Tony Award-winning Children's Theatre Company of Minneapolis.

CHICAGO PLAYWORKS PUZZLE

Complete the maze and be eligible to win twelve (12) tickets to the next Chicago Playworks production, *Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy.* This prize is valued at **\$120!**

> The winner will be notified by mail. The contest is open to young people ages 4 to 18.

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THE THEATRE SCHOOL AT DEPAUL UNIVERSITY

Mission Statement

The Theatre School at DePaul University educates, trains, and inspires students of theatre in a conservatory setting that is rigorous, disciplined, culturally diverse and that strives for the highest level of professional skill and artistry.

A commitment to diversity and equality in education is central to our mission. As an integral part of the training, The Theatre School produces public programs and performances from a wide repertoire of classic, contemporary and original plays that challenge, entertain, and stimulate the imagination. We seek to enhance the intellectual and cultural life of our university community, our city and the profession. For admissions information, telephone (773) 325-7999 or 1-800-4-DEPAUL.

Chicago Playworks for Families and Young Audiences

Chicago Playworks offers a live theatre experience to students, teachers and parents in the Chicago metropolitan area. It is our mission to provide theatre for children that reflects their experiences in a contemporary, multi-ethnic, urban environment.

Founded as the Goodman Children's Theatre in 1925, Chicago Playworks is the city's oldest continuously operating children's theatre. It has been the first theatre experience for audiences of Chicago's young people for more than seven decades and was one of the first major theatres for children in the United States. In 1997 and again in 2003, Chicago Playworks was honored by the Illinois Theatre Association with the Children's Theatre Division Award, for its outstanding long-term contribution to children's theatre. In 1980, Chicago Playworks was awarded the prestigious Sara Spencer Award by the Children's Theatre Association of America (now the American Alliance for Theatre and Education).

Chicago Playworks is a vital aspect of the training at The Theatre School at DePaul University. Students gain pre-professional experience in an extended run before a most demanding and appreciative audience. Chicago Playworks presents three unique productions to more than 35,000 young people each season and has entertained more than 1 million schoolchildren and families since 1925.

The Theatre School Showcase Contemporary Plays and Classics

Presenting diverse and exciting productions, The Theatre School Showcase blends imagination and cultural impact with three plays, and rounds-out the season with a fourth production featuring the graduating MFA in Acting candidates. The Theatre School Showcase offers a unique opportunity to see tomorrow's industry leaders today, by introducing the raw creativity and dedicated collaborations of artists at the beginning of their careers. Their work is powerful, imaginative, and new.

Merle Reskin Theatre

Celebrating a century of performances this season, the Merle Reskin Theatre, built as the Blackstone Theatre in 1910, was designed by Chicago architects Marshall & Fox. The stone façade and mansard roof of the Beaux-Arts style building have been modified only slightly over the years. The interior finish of French walnut and gold was designed by Plamondon & Tetze to give the appearance of a European opera house. Prior to DePaul's purchase of the theatre in 1988, it had been home to vaudeville, the Federal Theatre Project and the touring productions of the Shubert Organization. The Theatre School brings an audience of more than 35,000 people to the theatre each season.

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Spring Awakening

book and lyrics by Steven Sater, music by Duncan Sheik based on the play by Frank Wedekind directed by Damon Kiely, musical direction by Mark Elliott September 28 - October 7, 2012 (previews 9/26 & 9/27)

Angels in America: Perestroika

by Tony Kushner directed by Jane Drake Brody February 8 - 17, 2013 (previews 2/6 & 2/7)

Measure for Measure

by William Shakespeare directed by Catherine Weidner April 19 - 28, 2013 (previews 4/17 & 4/18)

MFA13, TBA

by Ike Holter directed by Dexter Bullard An ensemble piece to be performed by MFA III actors May 17 - 25, 2013 (previews 5/15 & 5/16)

CHICAGO PLAYWORKS FOR FAMILIES AND YOUNG AUDIENCES

A Wrinkle in Time

book by Madeleine L'Engle, adapted by John Glore directed by Ernie Nolan October 23 - December 1, 2012

Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy

book by Gary D. Schmidt, adapted by Cheryl L. West directed by John Jenkins January 19 - March 2, 2013

> The Coral King by James Ambrose Brown directed by Ann Wakefield April 2 – May 25, 2013

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In the Red and Brown Water

by Tarell Alvin McCraney directed by Marc David Pinate November 2 - 10, 2012 (previews 10/31 & 11/1)

The Royal Hunt of the Sun by Peter Schaffer directed by Ian Frank February 1 - 10, 2013 (previews 1/30 & 1/31)

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A Tribute to Thick Leonard by Gil Tanner director TBA May 4-13, 2012 (Previews 5/2& 5/3)

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The listings included the following selected alumni activities:

- Alumni worked at 119 different Chicagoland area theatre companies including Steppenwolf, Chicago Shakespeare, Goodman, Victory Gardens, TimeLine, Next Theatre and The Second City.
- Alumni worked at 55 different theatre and film festivals internationally including the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, West Hollywood International Film Festival, Cannes Film Festival, the 46th Annual Chicago International Film Festival, Chicago Humanities Festival, Just For Laughs Festival, and the San Francisco Film Festival.
- Alumni have worked at 104 different schools including NYU, Yale, Notre Dame, University of Chicago, UC Irvine, University of Houston School of Theatre, USC School of Theatre, The Art Institute of Chicago, Columbia University, Columbia College, Harvard, School at Steppenwolf , The American Film Institute, and Oakland University.
- Alumni worked on 63 Broadway/touring shows including Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind, Chinglish, That Face, 1001, Middletown, Twelfth Night, Peter Pan, Educating Rita, Puppet Up Uncensored, Logengrin, Hercules, The Front Page, The Seagull, Memory, Hot L Baltimore, Pinkalicious, Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?, House of Blue Leaves, The Tempest.
- Alumni worked at 88 other theatres on the East Coast.
- Alumni worked at 71 different theatres on the West Coast.
- Alumni worked in 40 different states.
- Alumni worked in 14 countries other than the United States including Sweden, Canada, Honduras, New Zealand, Portugal, Japan, Switzerland, England, Korea, Amsterdam, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Singapore, and Germany.
- Alumni worked on 104 films this year including Horrible Bosses, Unstoppable, The Other Guys, Cedar Rapids, Love and Other Drugs, Tron: Legacy, The Dilemma, Conviction, Hop, The Crazies, Dinner for Shmucks, Terri, Jack and Jill, and We Need to Talk About Kevin.
- Alumni worked on 415 theatre productions.
- Alumni worked on more than 28 different television channels ABC, FX, Disney, CBS, Nickelodeon, CW, Bravo, MTV, Showtime, SyFy, TBS, NBC, VH1, and HBO, on 50 different programs including *Boardwalk Empire*, *Southland, Vampire Mob, Bones, Desperate Housewives, Castle, True Blood, HawthoRNe, Rookie Blue, The Glades, The Event.*
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- Alumni worked at more than 25 production companies including Warner Brothers Pictures, Miramax, Tribeca Productions, Saturn Films, Spyglass Entertainment, MGM, 20th Century Fox Productions, Sony Pictures, Disney and New York Stage and Film.
- 45 alumni are Artistic or Co-Artistic Directors of theatres.
- Alumni were featured in numerous articles in publications including Time Out Chicago, The Advocate, Esquire, USA Today, gay.com, New York Times, Entertainment Weekly, Chicago Tribune, Chicago Reader, Chicago Sun-Times, American Theatre Magazine, and The New Yorker.
- Alumni were recognized with 28 awards or award nominations, including Tony Award, Fullbright Scholarship, Humanitas Prize
- Fellowship, Pulitzer Prize, After Dark Award, Lumen Award, Network One-Act Festival, the Claire Rosen and Samuel Edes Foundation Prize for Emerging Artist.

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