



SATURDAY APRIL 24, 2021 SUNDAY APRIL 25, 2021 2:00pm

> Northshore Center for the Performing Arts 9501 Skokie Blvd. Skokie IL

Welcome to our beautiful performance of Cinderella! I am filled with gratitude that our studio continues to provide safe, full length ballet performance opportunities for our dancers. I want to give a heartfelt thank you to our students, teachers, parents, board, and volunteers who have worked tirelessly since January to make this a reality.

We are thrilled to welcome back our virtual audience and overjoyed to have a limited live audience for this performance. The dancers connect with the audience's energy and cannot wait to share their months of hard work with you.

The Spring Ballet is always a bittersweet time of the year for our studio. As the Artistic Director, I love creating and retelling the stories during our Spring Show classical ballets and giving our dancers the opportunity to perform these iconic stories. On the other hand, the spring ballet closes a chapter for our seniors who are performing their final roles in an LBP show. This year we say goodbye to three of our long-time dancers. Our talented Cinderella, Jill Mark, follows in her older sisters' footsteps in this role. Our star stepsisters, Sigrid Smith, and Avery Travis, are also celebrating their last performances. I can still envision Jill in my Kinderclass dancing to "One" in her fringe costume and top hat, Sigrid in my basic ballet class, and Avery as a helpful assistant and comic relief in Perfection ballet. It has been an honor and a privilege to watch these three girls grow from itty, bitty ballerinas to amazing dancers and women. I could not be more proud of their accomplishments and wish them great things in their new adventures.

Cinderella is one of my favorite ballets to both choreograph and direct. It offers romance, tragedy, and comedy all in one. I invite you to come on this journey with Cinderella as she sets out to find true love while overcoming the loss of her mother and her difficult life, laugh watching the stepsisters and their antics, and rejoice with Cinderella and the Prince when they find true love and each other again. Enjoy the show!

Gratefully,

Elizabeth Johnson

Artistic Director

ACT ONE 🔷 Scene 1

Once upon a time there lived a young girl named Cinderella. Since the death of her mother and her father's remarriage, her life has been hard. Her stepmother bullies her and treats her as a servant, while her two daughters, jealous of Cinderella's beauty, allow her only rags to wear. Cinderella's father weakly allows himself to be dominated by his shrewish second wife and does nothing to help his own ill-treated daughter.

The family is going about their regular business -- the stepsisters fighting amongst themselves, Cinderella daydreaming about a better life and spending time with her friends the Mouse and Cat, the stepmother bullying Cinderella into doing menial chores -- when an old beggar woman appears at the door. The stepmother and her daughters attempt to chase her away, but Cinderella is moved by pity and gives bread to the old woman.

Later, a messenger arrives with an invitation to a ball at the palace, and the news throws the house into turmoil. Cinderella's father is sent out to procure new clothes and shoes for them to wear. A dressmaker and a jeweler arrive, and attempt to outfit the stepsisters, while a dance master tries to teach them to dance. They noisily depart for the ball, leaving a sad and shabby Cinderella behind, and do not notice the reappearance of the beggar woman. The old woman's rags fall away and she reveals herself as none other than Cinderella's Fairy Godmother.

CAST

| Cinderella | Jill Mark |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| Anastasia | Avery Travis |
| Drizella | Sigrid Smith |
| Stepmother | Cori Kolasinski |
| Father | Tony Madonia |
| Cat | Natalie O'Brien |
| Mouse | Penny Lee |
| Maids | Ada Grey, Maiah Sol |
| Royal Messenger | Rachel Bullock |
| Dance Master | Lawrence Powell Jr. |
| Fiddler | Scott Kalmus |
| Jeweler | Katie Frendreis |
| Tailor | Eric Cuevas |
| Fairy Godmother | Anna Lee |

ACT ONE 🦃 Scene 2

With a wave of her magic wand, the Fairy Godmother conjures up four fairy queens and their attendants who gift Cinderella with the elements to transform her into a radiantly beautiful princess. The Fairy Godmother warns Cinderella that she must leave the ball by midnight, otherwise all her finery will disappear. Summoning the Twelve Hours, the Fairy Godmother commands them to warn Cinderella when midnight comes. In a golden coach drawn by unicorns, surrounded by the fairies and a magical entourage, Cinderella sets off for the palace.

CAST

Fairy Godmother Anna Lee

Spring Lalah Brown

Summer Lara Motyka

Autumn Anna Estep

Winter Ella Bullock

Corps de ballet Tatiana Bahena, Emily Evans, Audrey Fuder,

Ada Grey, Vicki Lee, Lyndsey Linton, Angeles Pineda, Penelope Silvia, Mary Shea, Maiah Sol, Jane Smith, Campbell Travis

Little FairiesHannah Becker, Naomi Chase, Clara Cuevas, Courtney Harrell, Katrina Hench, Nora Pleitt,

Juliet Saunders, Daniella Warman

Hours Norah Cuevas, Annie Eskew, Marlo Frampton,

Abigail Gasperin, Elizabeth Harr, Kennedy Hughes, Allie Johnson, Abby Mueller, Gigi O'Doherty,

Daisy Polo, Adelaide Taylor, Elena Ulm

Unicorns Emily Espinoza, Nora Fox, Nora McNabb, Emily Potter

ACT TWO 🦃

The dancing begins as everyone eagerly awaits the arrival of the Prince. The two stepsisters clumsily display their dancing skills, Jesters dance to entertain the guests, Cinderella's family draws all eyes with their attention-grabbing antics. Finally, the Prince enters. Then, magical sounds announce Cinderella's arrival. Everyone is struck by the grace and beauty of the mysterious newcomer. The Prince offers Cinderella his arm and, as they dance, love is born in their hearts. The generous Prince offers the rarest fruit of his kingdom - oranges - to his guests. The stepsisters manage to each get one and dance around in ecstasy. Suddenly, the great clock lights up and the Twelve Hours appear. Cinderella tears herself from the Prince's arms and runs from the ballroom and out of the palace. The Prince rushes in pursuit, but only finds her sparkling slipper. He vows that he will not rest until he finds her again.

CAST

Prince Keenan Kangas

Prince's Friend Lawrence Powell Jr.

Ladies in Waiting Rachel Bullock, Emily Espinoza, Nora Fox,

Nora McNabb, Emily Potter

Party Gentlemen Eric Cuevas, Katie Frendreis, Scott Kalmus

Jesters Lily Bahena, Lola Frampton, Chloe Grzeca, Freyja Peterson, Imani Pettigrew,

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Orange Dancers

Sophia Bahena, Madeline Bolger, Anabella Gallo,
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Norah Cuevas, Annie Eskew, Marlo Frampton,
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ACT THREE Scene 1

All the women of the kingdom wish the beautiful slipper fit their foot, so they could marry the Prince. Sadly, they know it doesn't belong to them, though they are all determined to try the slipper.

Deciding that his Princess must have come from some distant land, the Prince sets off for the four corners of the earth to look for her. He meets countless ladies who all vie for his attention and a chance to try the slipper. In the West he meets a Spanish temptress and her companions, but the slipper will not fit her foot. In the Far East he is delayed by a Chinese Princess and her handmaidens, but even her delicate foot will not fit the slipper. Though the Prince and his Friend search far and wide, they cannot find his Princess.

CAST

Prince Keenan Kangas

Prince's Friend Lawrence Powell Jr.

Quinn Frey, Isla Gillan, Amanda Harr, Leah Johnson, Around the World Abby Kalmus, Harlowe Ngo, Tess O'Doherty,

Addy Penn, Jane Shellhorn, Caroline Silvia

Rachel Bullock, Emily Espinoza, Nora Fox, **Ladies in Waiting** Nora McNabb, Emily Potter

Spanish Temptress Ella Bullock

Spanish Attendants Lara Motyka, Maiah Sol

Lalah Brown **Chinese Temptress**

Chinese Attendants Anna Estep, Mary Shea

ACT THREE 🦠 Scene 2

After the ball, Cinderella finds herself in rags again and wonders whether her meeting with the Prince was all a dream. But no...a single jeweled slipper remains. Hiding the slipper, Cinderella goes about her chores. Then it is announced that the *Prince is traveling up and down the land, trying the slipper on every girl he meets.* Soon he arrives, and is now so desperate that he tries it on the large-footed sisters and even on their mother. Cinderella's Mouse friend boldly reveals her slipper and the Prince sees that this poorly dressed servant is the mysterious Princess who has awakened love in his heart.

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Natalie O'Brien Cat

Mouse Penny Lee

ACT THREE 🦣 Scene 3



Cinderella's Fairy Godmother appears and spirits the couple away into the enchanted forest. The Prince and Cinderella proclaim their love and set out to live happily ever after.

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SENIOR SHOUT OUT

We would like to recognize our seniors. We are so proud of them and so sad to see them go, especially all at once.



JILL MARK

SIGRID SMITH





AVERY TRAVIS

GUEST DANCER



Keenan Kangas was born and raised in Lansing Michigan. Struggling to fit in, Keenan tried just about every sport offered before finally taking his first ballet class at Lansing Community College at the age of 19. From LCC, Keenan transferred to Grand Valley State University where he eventually graduated with a B.S. in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and a Minor in Dance.

While at GVSU, Keenan was blessed to receive some of the best ballet instruction offered in the entire state of Michigan, not only at the college, but in private lessons, drop-in classes, and intensives with professional and pre-professional companies such as the Grand Rapids Ballet, Eisenhower Dance Detroit and West Michigan Youth Ballet.

After graduation, Keenan auditioned for Ardent Dance Company in Chicago, IL, where he is now an Apprentice. Aside from dancing, Keenan is currently a preschool teacher at Children's Learning Place Logan Square.



We sincerely thank our wonderful dance community for your overwhelming support. The past year has given our studio unprecedented challenges and we are incredibly proud that our studio is thriving. The exhaustive efforts of our volunteers, donors, teachers, dancers and families continue to inspire us and we are beyond grateful. It is through your continued dedication that LBP School of

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