



CAST

Bryce Allen (FENRIS- Community Cast) is an actor born and raised in Arizona. He's been doing theater for 5 years, enjoying playing a variety of roles. This will be his second show with Places! Productions, succeeding Urinetown.

Paisley Andersen (EAGLE- Youth Cast) is a 5th grader with a passion for all things musical theater. *Narnia* is Paisley's first regular season show with Places! Productions, after making her Places! debut as Sunny in the summer production of *We Are Monsters*. Her prior theater experience includes ensemble in *Aladdin, Jr.*, Young and Middle Elsa in *Frozen, Jr.*, and the Princess (from the Princess & the Pea) in her school's production of *Character Matters*. When she's not pursuing her love of theater, Paisley enjoys writing, drawing, painting, and planning activities with her neighborhood friends. She is grateful for the opportunity to learn from her awesome instructors and peers at Places!

Griffin Avery (EDMUND- Community Cast) is a thirteen-year-old homeschooled eighth grader. This is Griffin's third performance with Places! Productions. He previously starred as Pugsley in *The Addams Family* and Bert in *Mary Poppins*. Other credits include The Prince of Slumberland in *The Frog Prince*, Young Simba in *The Lion King Jr.*, Palace Guard in *Aladdin Jr.*, Tom in *School House Rock Live! Jr.* and Drake in *Annie*. In addition to theater, Griffin enjoys golf, soccer, show choir and playing video games with his friends.

Naomi Avery (OWL- Community Cast) is a nine-year-old homeschooled fourth grader. This is Naomi's third performance with Places! Productions. Naomi got her start in theater as an orphan in *Annie* at six years old and previously starred as Michael Banks in Places! Productions' *Mary Poppins!* Other credits include Vanny in *We Are Monsters*, Queen Titania in *The Little Mermaid*, Shopkeeper/Ensemble in *Aladdin Jr.*, Featured Ensemble in *School House Rock Live! Jr.*, and a Pig in *The Little Red Hen*. In addition to theater, Naomi enjoys participating in show choir, playing volleyball, and mostly loves spending time with her friends.

Ava Chiappetta (MRS. MACREADY/GORGON- Youth Cast) is a sophomore at Gilbert High School. She is in advanced choir and improv. Some of her favorite roles include Grandma (*The Addams Family*- Places! Productions), Mrs. Peacock (*Clue*- Limelight Zoni nominated), Mrs. Millenium (*Urinetown* -Places! Productions), Mrs. Brill (*Mary Poppins Jr* -Places! Productions), Madame Thenardier (*Les Miserables*- Limelight), Denise (*Play That Goes Wrong*-Zoni nominated, NYA award (Limelight), Pumbaa (*The Lion King Jr*-Zoni nominated (Limelight), Miss Hannigan (*Annie Jr*-Mesa Encore), and Georgi (*Miss Nelson is Missing*- Zoni nominated (Limelight). Ava would like to thank the production team for this opportunity!

Eden Chon (HAG- Youth Cast) This is Eden's 6th production at Places! She has been so grateful for this role and to be a part of this amazing production. Other than theatre, Eden loves to participate in her yearbook class at junior high. She is looking forward to more productions from Places! and she would like to thank all her directors, cast members, family, and friends who have supported her.

Lacey Davis (SPECTER- Youth Cast) This is Lacey's sixth play, fourth with Places! Productions. She would like to thank her mom & dad for looking after her, daddy for his squishy cuddles, mommy for helping her sing & act to get the best role she can, sister for playing with her, big sister for make up tips, brother for playing games. She would also like to thank Miss Abby, Miss Lily, & Miss Brianna for working so hard on *Narnia*. Thank you everyone for coming to support Places!

Zack Desmangles (PETER- Youth Cast) is 16 years old and is more than excited for his second show at Places! Productions. His previous show with them was *Urinetown* as Senator Fipp. This is Zack's 11th show as he has done most of his shows with State 48 Theatre Company and has been seen in shows like *Guys and Dolls Jr.* (Nicely Nicely Johnson), *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* (Ephriam Pontipee), *Hamlet* (Horatio), *Pirates: a Love Story* (Snaggle), and many others. In his off time, Zack likes to play video games and especially loves playing music. He is included in his church's jr. high/highs school worship team playing instruments like the drums, guitar, bass, and singing. He would like to thank

his director, Brianna for putting on this amazing show, and his choreographers for making the show come to life.

Leah Dodge (DOG- Community Cast): Leah Dodge is excited to rejoin Places! Productions for her second community theater play. She loves how fun *Narnia* is and can't wait for her son to see her frolicking with the good guys on stage! She would like to thank everyone working with Places! for creating such a supportive creative environment.

Emma Douglas (LUCY- Community Cast) is excited for her upcoming role of Lucy Pevensie in the musical, *Narnia*. She recently played Oozy Lumpa this summer in Places! Production of *We Are Monsters* and Jane Banks in *Mary Poppins* last fall. Emma is an 8th grader attending Basis Mesa School and is in their advanced Drama program. She has played Dorothy in the *Wizard of Oz* and Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast* school's musicals. Emma loves reading books in her free time, singing Broadway musicals, and hanging out with her friends.

Traci Esposito (UNICORN- Community Cast) For many years, Traci sang melodies in a myriad of musical groups. When cancer surgery altered her voice, it created the chance for harmonies to unfold, not just in music, but in her heart and home as well. Now she fulfills a lifelong dream by prancing onstage in her theatrical debut as the Unicorn. Traci wishes to thank Places! Productions for this truly magical opportunity, one full of laughter and learning. She extends an infinitely grateful heart to her helpful and devoted husband, Greg, her sweet and encouraging daughter, Rosellani, as well as her remarkable family members and beautiful friends for their continued love and support.

Lindsay French (WHITE STAG- Community Cast) is 16 years old and in the 11th grade at Higley High School. Her favorite roles have included Karen Smith in *Mean Girls HS* (HHS), Brit in *We Will Rock You* (Places! Productions), and Iris Kelly in *Fame Jr* (AYT). In her spare time, she is on the Pom team at Higley High School and enjoys dancing. She would like to thank Brianna and Allison for the opportunity in this show even with her crazy football/pom schedule.

Alex Frost (WHITE WITCH- Community Cast) is a teaching artist and theater educator making her debut with Places! Production. She would like to thank her incredible family and friends for their love and support and the cast and crew for an amazing opportunity!



Zaq Gibson-Wetterholt (FATHER CHRISTMAS/BULL- Youth Cast, BULL- Community Cast) is very excited to make his Places! Productions debut in this show! He's been in several other productions with East Valley Children's Theatre and his former school, New School

for the Arts and Academics. His favorite credits include *Heathers: The Musical: Teen Edition*, *Urinetown: The Musical* (NSAA), and *The Three Musketeers* (EVCT). When he's not on stage, you can find him behind the camera taking rad pictures.

Alec Gordon (MR. BEAVER- Community Cast) is pumped to be in another production at Places! Some of his past roles at Places! consist of Officer Barrel (*Urinetown*), Professor Callahan + Kyle (*Legally Blonde*), and Khashoggi (*We Will Rock You*). He thanks Brianna, Jung, Abby, Mills, Lily, Heather, and Allison for an incredible opportunity!

Ayden Iwan (ASLAN- Youth Cast) is very excited to be returning to the stage in Places! Production's cast of *Narnia: the Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe*. His favorite past roles include Marius (*Les Mis*), Conrad Birdie (*Bye Bye Birdie*), Dickon (*The Secret Garden*), Bert (*Mary Poppins*), and Gomez (*The Addams Family*).

Erin Johnson (FOX- Community Cast) is a sophomore at Heartwood Montessori and has been performing in youth theater for the past 5 years. Some notable roles she has had were in *Charlie Brown* (Sally), *SpongeBob the Musical* (Mayor of Bikini Bottom), *Junie B. Jones* (Camille), and *Percy Jackson the Musical* (Vienna Boy's Choir). Erin would like to thank her parents and aunt for supporting her interests, Miss Allison for giving her this amazing opportunity, and Addie Beattie for inviting her into the Places! community.

Emily Johnson (ZOMBIE- Youth Cast) attends Heartwood Montessori and has been performing in youth theater for the past 3 years. Some roles she has held were in *James and the Giant Peach* (Little Spider), *Matilda* (Student), *Jack the Pumpkin King* (Witch), and *We Are Monsters* (Werewolf 3). Emily would like to thank her parents for all of the love and support they've provided through her theater journey.

Mady King (TUMNUS- Youth Cast) is excited to join the cast of *Narnia!* She loves performing with Places! and her favorite credits include Places! Productions *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Mary Poppins), *Addams Family* (Morticia), *Les Miserables* (Cosette), *Bye Bye Birdie* (Kim), and *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* (Belle). In addition to musical theater, Mady enjoys being a part of Places! Productions PRESTO Show Choir. She sincerely thanks her family and the Places! Team for all their love and support!

Cecily Kinnaman (UNICORN/NYMPH- Youth Cast, NYMPH- Community Cast), 12, is bringing her graceful moves and enchanting spirit to the stage as a nymph in *Narnia!* This is her sixth production with Places! Productions, and she's always a joy to watch. Cecily has a knack for making every role her own, with some of her favorite past performances including the energetic Sunny in *We Are Monsters*, the quirky Cousin Helga in *The Addams*

Family, and the bubbly Judy in *At the Bandstand*. Get ready to be mesmerized by her talent and charm as she dances her way into *Narnia*!

Eliza Kinnaman (SQUIRREL- Community Cast), 7, is thrilled to be scurrying onto the stage as the rambunctious squirrel in *Narnia*! This is her third show with Places! Productions, following her energetic performances in *At the Bandstand* and *We Are Monsters*. She's no stranger to the world of beloved stories, having previously charmed audiences as Piglet in *Winnie the Pooh* and the young Anna in *Frozen Kids*. Eliza loves bringing characters to life with her vibrant personality and infectious energy. Keep an eye out for her – she might just steal the show with her bushy tail and playful antics!

Marliese Kinnaman (REINDEER/SECOND CRUELIE- Youth Cast), 9, is hoofing her way into the magical world of *Narnia* as one of the White Witch's reindeer! This is her third show with Places! Productions, following her performances in *At the Bandstand* and *We Are Monsters*. She's also had the honor of portraying the beloved Winnie the Pooh in the musical adaptation! Marliese is a dedicated performer with a twinkle in her eye and a talent for bringing characters to life with charm and enthusiasm. Get ready to be enchanted by her reindeer magic!

Melinda Kinnaman (MRS. BEAVER- Community Cast) is absolutely beaming to be making her stage debut as Mrs. Beaver in *Narnia The Musical*! After years of dreaming about performing, she's finally taking her love of musical theater from the audience to the stage. She's especially thrilled to be performing alongside her daughters, making this a truly special family affair. Melinda wants to express her deepest gratitude to her supportive husband, who has been the reason she's been able to see this dream through.

Rigley Kirkpatrick (MR. BEAVER- Youth Cast) is thrilled to be in *Narnia* with Places! Productions! He plays the funny role of Mr. Beaver. He has loved all of his previous plays that he has done so far. In his free time he likes to play Roblox, have sleepovers with friends, go to the lake, and ski in the winter time. Rigley would like to thank all of his friends and family who always support him.

Luke Kirkpatrick (REINDEER/BOGGLE- Community Cast) is so excited to be a part of *Narnia*! He plays the roles on Reindeer and Boggle. This is his third play with Places! Productions, and he has so much fun! In his free time he loves to play VR and ski in the winter time. Luke would like to thank his family and friends who always support him.

Kennedy Kirkpatrick (REINDEER- Community Cast) is excited to be in the cast of *Narnia*! She plays the role of Reindeer with her brother and Mom! She loves to sing and dance! In

her free time, she loves to play with Barbies and hang out with her Dad! She is in the first grade and loves school! Kennedy would like to thank her family for always supporting her!

Karrie Kirkpatrick (REINDEER/SECOND CRUELIE/HAG- Community Cast) is enjoying her first time on stage! She plays the roles of Reindeer, Second Cruelie, and Hag #2. She is a stay at home mom who stays very busy taking care of 4 kids and animals! She would like to thank her family and husband for always being so supportive in whatever she wants to do!

Neelan Kumar (FOX/SIXTH STATUE- Youth Cast) was born in 2009 in Gilbert, Arizona and has lived in Mesa her whole life. She started taking voice lessons in August of 2017 and continued for 4 years. She then became interested in piano and began lessons in 2018 and continued taking lessons until 2021. Neelan is a student at BASIS Mesa and is currently learning the tenor saxophone in her band class. At school she has been given many awards, such as citizenship and kindness certificates. Neelan joined NJHS in the 7th grade and became historian and parliamentarian of the organization in her 8th grade year. Neelan enjoys spending time with her family and friends, hiking, target shooting, and traveling. Neelan has visited many countries such as Italy, Switzerland, India, France, and Iran. Neelan joined Places! Productions in 2021 and has since been in *Pinkalicious*, *The Little Match Girl*, *Les Miserables*, *The Secret Garden*, *At The Bandstand*, *Mary Poppins*, *We Are Monsters*, and *The Addams Family*.

Danielle Lee (MRS. BEAVER- Youth Cast) is a senior at BASIS Mesa. This is her seventh musical with Places!. Her favorite shows include *Les Miserables* (Old Woman), *Bye Bye Birdie* (Mrs.Peterson), *Mary Poppins* (Ensemble), and *Addams Family* (Ancestor 4), as well as *Beauty and the Beast* at BASIS Mesa (Mrs.Potts). In her free time, she likes to be in the kitchen, hang out with friends, and participate in other school organizations. She thanks Places!, the cast, and her friends for supporting her through this very entertaining part, and she hopes the audience knows wot a good time they will have seeing the show!

Flowrence Persephone Malan-McDonald (NYMPH- Youth Cast), named after both Roman and Greek spring goddesses, is a force to be reckoned with. She is the third of six children and since birth has made sure to make her voice heard. She is and has always been loud in every direction. She has studied various forms of dance with Ballet Etudes and The Dance Barn. With Ballet Etudes, she performed two seasons in *The Nutcracker* along with several annual showcase concerts. Flowrence has also been awarded scholarships to attend dance festivals for Dance and the Child International (daCi) in Holland, MI and Lublijana, Slovenia. In addition to these, she has attended at least 10 regional daCi dance festivals. She is a member of a Phoenix based homeschool Shakespeare company and will perform in her first show with said company this coming spring. She is over the moon to get to participate in this production of *Narnia* with her best friend and younger sister.

Eleanore Malan-McDonald (NYMPH- Youth Cast) was born singing and dancing. She spends her days performing to the soundtrack she creates in real time. She is the fourth daughter in a theatrical family of six living children. As the daughter of a college dance professor, she has grown up in the theatre and has spent more time laying marley flooring and in theatre catwalk spaces than most adults spend in their lives. She loves to climb and be in nature, and when not in the theatre, can usually be found in the top branches of a tree or maybe darting through the neighborhood on her well-loved roller skates. "Nora" is a member of the international dance organization, Dance and the Child International (daCi) and has attended regional festivals since birth. Further, she has been awarded scholarships to attend daCi dance festivals in Holland, MI and Lublijana, Slovenia. She has performed as a "doll" in Ballet Etudes 2022 production of *The Nutcracker* and is currently studying dance at The Dance Barn. She is so excited to participate in this production of *Narnia*.

Reece Markham (REINDEER/SPECTER/FOURTH CRUELIE/OGRE- Community Cast) Although *Narnia* is Reece's first show in a community theater, she has been perusing theater long before then. Little did she know that first middle school theater class was just the beginning of her passion for performing. Since then, she has participated in every show her school had to offer and is most proud of her performance as Sandy in *SpongeBob the Musical*. While *SpongeBob* was her last show with her school, she is extremely excited and thankful for the opportunity to perform with Places! Productions. She would like to thank her family and friends who have supported her for all these years.

Kendal Martinez (SQUIRREL- Youth Cast) LOVES Places Productions! This fall, she has enjoyed playing Squirrel in *Narnia the Musical*. She has also played Tooth in *We Are Monsters*, Neleus in *Mary Poppins*, and a Sowerby/Crawford Kid in *The Secret Garden*. She is also a new member of Places! Productions' Ping. Kendal loves everything musical theater from singing, acting and dancing to the set and props! Kendal would like to thank Mrs. Allison for her continued knowledge, guidance and support. And a big thank you to Mrs. Brianna, Miss Lily, Miss Abby, Mr Mills and Mr. Joseph for making the fall musical so much fun!

Josephine McSpadden (BOGGLE- Youth Cast) is in the 4th grade at Gilbert Elementary School. Josephine likes to act and tries to get into every theater program she can. She is even writing her own play with her friend! In her free time she likes to read, draw, and ride her bike. Some day she wishes to be a famous actor.

Beau Morgan (DWARF- Community Cast) is so glad to be back on the stage with Places! He would like to thank his wonderful wife for always supporting him and hopes that you enjoy the magic of live theater!

Farrah McArthur (LUCY- Youth Cast), age 12, is so excited to perform the role of Lucy Pevensie in *Narnia* for Places! Farrah most recently played the role of Oozy Loompa in *We are Monsters* and Mary Poppins in *Mary Poppins Jr.* also with Places! Prior to that, she was *Oliver Twist* with Limelight productions and Mary Lennox with Places! *The Secret Garden*. Music and performing have always been a passion of Farrah's from the start. In the past 2 years, she has won awards and accolades for her poem recitations (The Bard Competition) reciting verses from *William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet*, as well as multiple singing competitions (NATS) placing first in both categories of Classical and Musical Theater two years in a row. Her all-embracing love of the theater is easily witnessed in every rehearsal and performance. She would like to thank Allison Houston for her diligent voice coaching and continuous encouragement and her family members for their unwavering love and support.

Payten Moore-Vannoy (RABBIT- Youth Cast) is so happy to be returning to Places! productions for her second show. She was previously in the summer show, *We Are Monsters* as a werewolf. She's also in her first season with the show choir with Ping!

Malia Pascua (OWL/THIRD STATUE- Youth Cast)- comes from a long line of performers and has a deep passion for the arts. She attends a specialized school focused on Performing Arts, where she hones her skills with the dream of becoming a professional entertainer. Performing is not just a hobby for Malia—it's in her blood.

Jeremy Poehls (FATHER CHRISTMAS- Community Cast) is excited to bring the magic of Father Christmas to life in *Narnia The Musical*. After a 24-year hiatus, he made his return to the stage earlier this year in Places! Productions *Urinetown* and has since rekindled his love for the theater. Past credits include *Bye Bye Birdie*, *South Pacific*, *The Odd Couple*, and *Much Ado About Nothing*. Playing Father Christmas allows Jeremy to infuse the role with his own sense of joy and generosity—traits he's always believed can spread a little Christmas cheer, much like singing aloud for all to hear.

Beyond the stage, Jeremy balances a busy life as a luxury real estate professional, a digital garment decoration expert and trainer, and a YouTube content creator. A multi-instrumentalist, he also finds time for outdoor adventures like mountain biking, hiking, snorkeling, and scuba diving. Jeremy is grateful to his wife, Rachel, for always supporting his dreams—especially the crazy ones. Oh and his kids, Michael and Josie, are pretty cool.

Cora Redwitz (RABBIT- Community Cast) is so excited to play the Rabbit in *Narnia*. She has also played the role of July in *Annie Jr.* This is her first performance in local theatre. She loves the story of *Narnia* and is grateful to be a part of the show. She wishes all her new

friends good luck on their performances and thanks those who come to support her and watch her perform.

Izzy Redwitz (WHITE WITCH- Youth Cast) loves musical theatre and is so grateful for the opportunity to be at Places! Productions. Some of her favorite roles from the past include Alice in *Addams Family*, Mrs. Medlock in *Secret Garden*, Ensemble in *Les Miserables*, Dean in *All Shook Up*, and Josephine Strong in *Urinetown*. She would like to thank everyone who made this show what it is and is so excited to perform for you all! She also wants to thank everyone for coming to watch the show and hopes they enjoy it!

Jennifer Redwitz (EAGLE/SECOND STATUE- Community Cast) is a life-long fan of musical theatre and still remembers the moment she fell in love with theatre, as a young child going to see *Cats* with her parents. It's been a very long time since she stepped on a stage herself, however, and is grateful to her daughters for asking and encouraging her to audition. She's been a fan of many of the performers on stage with her and is blessed to be part of this production. She wants to thank everyone who has helped her children over the years in theatre, dance, and voice and those who have encouraged her to get involved with her children as well.

Juliana Salaiz (HAG/THIRD CRUELIE- Community Cast) is a Freshman at Gilbert High School. She is in Concert Band at her school and she has played the trumpet for the past 6 years. She has been in numerous musicals with StageDoor Studios since 2017 and has performed with Places! Productions. She has always enjoyed the stage life. Off stage, Juli loves spending time with her family and her friends. She especially loves her 2 dogs, Gordo and Flaka!

Madison Salstrom (NYMPH/DRYAD- Community Cast) is an 8th grader at Payne Jr. High School. She joined theater because she wanted to be on stage; she continued theater because she loves the people she gets to build relationships with, and also the music. The music is phenomenal! She loves watching theater as much as she loves performing and takes any chance she can get to see a live show. Madison thanks God for the strength He gives her in times of need. He is always there for her and has changed her life forever. And she thanks her family for supporting her and being her crutch when times are too hard to get through alone.

Zion Schneider (TUMNUS- Community Cast) is thrilled to return to Places! Productions, especially in her favorite role from the Narnia series. Her recent credits include Hope Cladwell in *Urinetown*, Sister Robert Anne in *Nunsense*, and Scar in *The Lion King*. In addition to her acting career, Zion is pursuing studies at the Wildflower Skin Institute to become a licensed aesthetician. She is also working on developing a new theater project

aimed at young adults. Zion is very thankful to her family and friends for their unwavering support.

Piper Searcy (SUSAN- Community Cast) has been in love with musical theater since the age of seven. Her favorite roles of all time have been Mayzie in *Seussical*, Scar in *Lion King*, and Miss Andrew in *Mary Poppins*. This is her seventh show with Places!, and she is so excited to be playing Susan in *Narnia the Musical*!! Recently, she got a drama award at her school for Scar in *The Lion King* and Mayzie in *Seussical*! One of her greatest achievements outside of theater was getting her black belt in karate! She would like to thank her friends and family for being so supportive of her passion!

Brielle Spears (NYMPH/DRYAD- Youth Cast) has been performing from a very young age. She started her training at Cincinnati Ballet and Reflextions Dance Arts. Upon moving back to the valley, she began training with Ballet Etudes, where she performed in three seasons of *The Nutcracker*. This year, Brielle decided to pursue her love for singing under the instruction of Danica Hill and is thrilled to be performing in her first musical.

Jayda Vannoy (LEOPARD/FIRST STATUE- Youth Cast) is very thankful to be returning to the stage with Places! Productions. She also played Cousin Helga in *The Addams Family*, Fargogle in *We are Monsters*, The Poor in *Urinetown*, Chimney Sweep 4 in *Mary Poppins*, and Nancy in *Bye Bye Birdie*. She is also in her second season in the show choir, Presto.

Carter Waller (EDMUND- Youth Cast), 13, attends the 8th grade at Learning Foundation and Performing Arts in Gilbert. This is his first year with Places! Productions. Originally from Montana, Carter has performed in several shows, including roles as Simba and Rafiki in *The Lion King Jr.*, Peter Pan in *Peter Pan Jr.*, and Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* He is so grateful for the opportunity to join this new company and continue pursuing his passion for musical theater. He would like to thank the directors for their hard work and Mr. Mills for encouraging him to audition.

Erika Wright (MRS. MACREADY/GORGON- Community Cat) As a wife, nanny, and mom to three daughters, 4 dogs, 1 cat, a tortoise, and 17 fish, Erika wears many hats, but decided at age 41 to try on one more by auditioning for her first play. After playing Josephine Strong in Places! Productions' *Urinetown the Musical*, she kept up the momentum as Mrs. Peacock in Limelight Performing Arts' *Clue*. Now, almost a year later, Erika is thrilled to be back where her love for the stage began as she performs as Mrs. Macready and Gorgon. A million thank yous to our director and assistant directors, Brianna, Abby, and Mr. Mills, Allison Houston, and the entire casting committee for offering Erika a space for adventure and personal growth- it has been a completely worthwhile experience!

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Abby Gordon (Co-Assistant Director) is delighted to return to the creative team for Narnia! She was most recently seen on the Places! stage as Shelby in *Steel Magnolias*, Little Becky Two-Shoes in *Urinetown* and Martha in *The Secret Garden*. Past production credits include *We Are Monsters* (Assistant Director), *Rock and Roll Forever* (Director) and, *At the Bandstand / Bye Bye Birdie* (Stage Manager). She would like to thank Brianna, Mills, Lily, Heather, Jung, and Allison for a another great experience!

Jung Eun Lee (Music Director), based in Mesa, Arizona, began her musical journey in Korea, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Vocal Performance. She furthered her education at Arizona State University (ASU), obtaining a second bachelor's degree in Piano Performance and Music Education. This was followed by a Master's in Choral Conducting and Music Education from ASU. Her post-graduate mentors include Dr. Baruch Meir, Dr. George Umberson, and Dr. Gregory Gentry from ASU's School of Music. Additionally, she has enriched her knowledge under renowned figures like James Jordan, Charles Bruffy, Bruce Chamberlain, Sabine Horstman, and the internationally acclaimed educator and conductor, Weston Noble. Since June 2007, Ms. Lee has dedicated herself as the Music Director at Love of Christ Lutheran Church. Her responsibilities encompass directing the Chancel Choir, Women's Ensemble, Youth Bell Ringers, Alleluia Ringers, Children's Musical, and the Children's Chime Choir. She also annually conducts the Christmas Cantatas.

Professionally, Ms. Lee has been an active member of the American Choral Directors Association, the Music Teachers National Association, and the Handbell Musicians of America since 2004.

In the community, Ms. Lee showcased her talents as a solo and duet performer at the Chandler Center of the Arts during the Chinese New Year celebrations in 2015 and 2016. She served as a clinician at the vocal choir workshop at New Life Presbyterian Church and orchestrated the mass choir for Arizona's 500th Reformation Choral Festival in 2017. That same year, she conducted the mass choir and performed a handbell solo at the 8th Anniversary Choral Festival in Kingston, Jamaica. More recently, in January 2022 and 2023, she was invited to conduct a piano ensemble for the East Valley Music Teachers Association. In July 2023, she had the distinct honor of working as a vocal coach alongside Musical Director Allison Houston of Place! Production Company for the musical *The Secret Garden* and *Urinetown*. Furthermore, she was invited to adjudicate a voice competition through the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) on July 29, 2023.

Jung Lee's life is a harmonious blend of her professional, personal, and artistic passions. While she is deeply committed to her musical endeavors, she cherishes the moments spent with her three beautiful children: two sons aged 16 and 13, and a daughter aged 10. They often travel together, exploring new places and creating lasting memories.

Beyond her musical pursuits, Jung is a certified Bodypump instructor, emphasizing weightlifting in her training. She is passionate about helping others become strong and maintain good health. This commitment to well-being extends to her flair for the art of makeup. She frequently travels to Los Angeles, where she showcases her skills as a makeup artist, beautifying models for various events. This artistic avenue allows her to express herself in a different medium, further highlighting her multifaceted talents.

Outside of her professional life, Jung is an avid reader with an insatiable thirst for knowledge. She believes in the profound connection between the body, music, and mind, advocating for a balanced life where none of these elements are neglected. Whether she's conducting a choir, guiding someone through a fitness routine, or enhancing a model's features, Jung's passion and dedication shine through in everything she does.

Heather McArthur (Co-Choreographer) is delighted to be a co-choreographer for Places! Productions of *Narnia*. This is Heather's second time choreographing for Places! This past summer she co-choreographed *The Addams Family*. Although Musical Theater has always been very dear to her heart, Classical ballet was her true calling. Heather danced ballet professionally for 5 years with Nevada Ballet Theater and 7 years with Ballet Arizona. During this time, Heather performed lead and supporting roles in *Giselle*, *Fairy Doll*, *Peter Pan*, *Cinderella*, *Swan Lake*, *Coppelia*, *Don Quixote*, *Raymonda*, *Les Sylphides*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *La Sulphide* and of course, *The Nutcracker*. She also had the privilege to dance in George Balanchine's *Rubies*, *Theme and Variations*, *Serenade*, *The Four Temperaments*, *La Valse*, *Divertimento No. 15*, *Concerto Barocco* and *La Sonnambula*. After retiring from dance to start a family in 2010, Heather began teaching ballet and choreographing to all levels of ballet all over the valley. Currently, she is teaching the highest level of dancers at Studio R, in Mesa. Heather has 3 daughters; her middle daughter Farrah frequently performs with Places! It has been such a fun and rewarding experience to work with so many young and highly talented performers. Heather wants to thank Allison Houston and the board of Places! for giving her the opportunity to expand her choreography to include the wonderful world that is Musical Theater. Enjoy the Show!

Tim Mills (Co-Assistant Director) is an Assistant Director for Places! Productions. He has acted with Director Brianna Fallon, but this is the first time directing with her. His assistant directing credits with Places! Productions before *Narnia the Musical* include *Annie Jr.*, *Aladdin Jr.*, *Hairspray Jr.*, *The Happiest Place on Earth*, *Footloose*, *Shrek the Musical*, the short film *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, *We Will Rock You*, *Legally Blonde Jr.*, *Les Miserables*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *Mary Poppins Jr.*, and *The Addams Family*. His Places! Directing credits include the one-act Play *Remember Me* and the Musical *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* He has enjoyed being a part of Places! since the beginning, and watching the theatre grow and having the privilege to work with such fine young actors! A big Thank You to both casts for

your efforts and desire to grow into even better performers! Thank you to our audiences for supporting the Arts and Places! Enjoy the Shows!

Lily Saba is thrilled to be once again working with Places! Productions. Lily is a Junior at ASU for Sports Journalism. She has been seen on stage as Amy March in Little Women, Elle Woods in Legally Blonde, and Penny Pingleton in Hairspray, all with Places! Productions. When not performing, you can find her at the Arizona Diamondbacks working as an MLB Dancer and as a Choreographer for Places! Productions. She extends her gratitude to Allison, as always, for guiding her on and off stage!