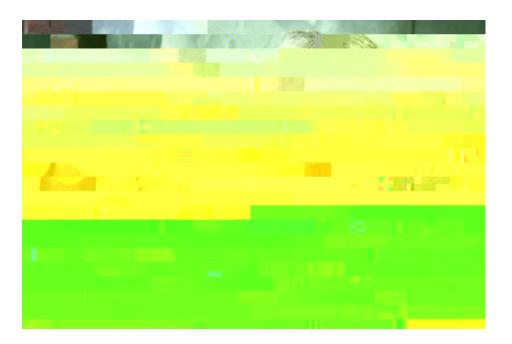


# Wichita State University School of Performing Arts Welsbacher Theatre

**PRESENTS** 

# About the Production

First, it is such an honor to be a part of the Wichita State University



irector is beyond thrilled to join the amazing Richard Biever faculty at WSU as Assistant Professor of Musical Theatre. And he is overjoyed to be directing his first show here. He is especially grateful for the new Musical Theatre Incubator Program, which provides funds to work on a new musical every year. Prior to moving to Wichita in early August, Rich and his family were in State College, PA, where he was Assistant Teaching Professor of Graduate Directing and Musical Theatre at Penn State. He also had his own professional theatre company called FUSE Productions, where he directed many shows. Among his favorites were und vin the rk with eorge ss ssins r de melot, and ome. He has also directed off-Broadway and at 54 Below in NYC. His music direction credits include the national and international tours of ittle hop of orrors and the European tour of est ide tory. His wife Heidi is helping to develop a musical theatre education program for

Katie Fox	Francie Robu
Maggie Fox	Catie Wolff
Mrs. Fox	Elaine Watson
_eah Fox	Crosby Dold
Elisha Kane	Ben Schwartz
Katie (u/s), Ensemble	Sophie Pickett
Maggie (u/s), Ensemble	Mckenna Lewis
Mrs. Fox (u/s), Ensemble	Alyssa Watson
_eah (u/s), Ensemble	Hayley Longacre
Elisha (u/s), Ensemble	Carter Stelting
Ensemble	Jonathan Banks, Cat Sanders, Lucas Shroyer, Jack Nichols, Christian Watkins
'Watch Them"	Leah, Ensemble
"Would You Believe"	Maggie
There's Nothing There"	Mrs. Fox
'God's Honest Truth"	Ensemble
The Way They Look At Me"	Katie
'Make A Living"	Leah
'Remarkable"	Katie, Maggie, Ensemble
Leah The Living"	Maggie and Katie
'Would You Believe (Reprise)"	Katie and Maggie
'Watch Them (Reprise)"	Leah
'Leave t Aivinghind"	Elisha and Maggie
'Dark Seance"	Katie, Maggie, Ensemble
'Make A Living (Reprise)"	Leah
'Never Left My Mind"	Maggie and Elisha

### Jonathan Banks

Jonathan Banks (Ensemble) is elated to be making his musical theatre debut at Wichita State University! Previous credits include *Descendants the Musical* (Wichita Heights High), *The Little Mermaid* (CYTheatre), and *Twelfth Night* (Music Theatre Wichita). Pursuing a BFA in Performing Arts-Musical Theatre, Jonathan is a member of Shockappella and the Black Student Union. Jonathan's mission statement



## Sophie Pickett

Sophie Pickett (Ensemble/Lily/Katie understudy) is so excited to be a part of this brand new musical! Sophie is a junior at Wichita State University, credits include (*Keepers of the Flame*) and (*The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*). Sophie would like to thank her family and her cast of friends for making this show so special. Come catch her in *The Crown Holiday Spectacular* at The Crown Uptown Theater and *Pippin* here at WSU later this season! @sophiagpickett



### Francie Robu

Francie Robu (Katie Fox) is thrilled to have the opportunity to perform with Wichita State University. She was most recently seen in *Noises Off* (Newton Community Theatre), *Urinetown* (Newton High School), and *David and Lisa* (Newton High School). Francie is a Sophomore at WSU and is majoring in Musical Theatre and English Lit.

### Cat Sanders

Cat Sanders (Ensemble) is so incredibly excited for their first show with Wichita State University! Previous shows include *Little Women, She Kills Monsters,* and *Singing in the Rain,* all with Shawnee Mission Northwest High School. Cat is pursuing a BFA in Performing Arts-Musical Theatre with a minor in Creative Writing.

### Ben Schwartz

Ben Schwartz (*Elisha*) is thrilled to be making his Wichita State University theatre debut. Previous credits include *Songs for a New World* (St. Olaf Colleg5so inp73Tda3/Pattern cs/P86.37F5r8 Tt8.03 WHO'S

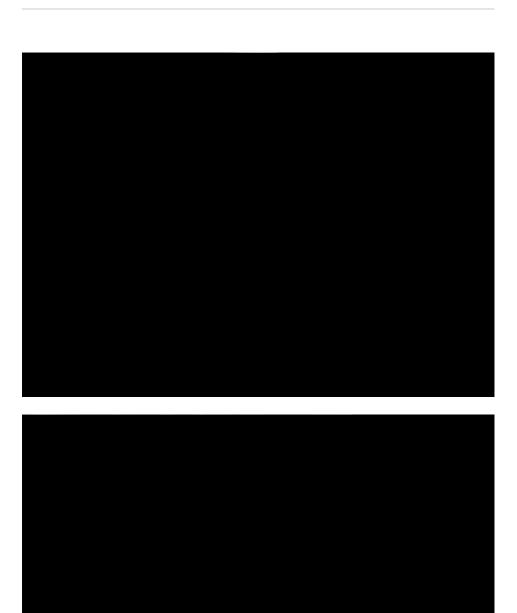


# Carter Stelling

Carter B Stelting (Ensemble/Elisha understudy) is performing his first show here at Wichita State University. He is studying musical theatre and vocal performance. He has participated in theatre regionally, and professionally in Kansas City. Carter also sings with Shockappella as the vocal percussionist & is actively on the cheerleading team here at WSU. Carter gives God all the glory.

#### Christian Watkins

Christian Watkins (Ensemble) is making his Wichita State University theatre debut. Previous credits include *The Pajama Game* (Butler), *Sherwood* (Butler), and *A Christmas Carol* (Butler). Christian is a



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