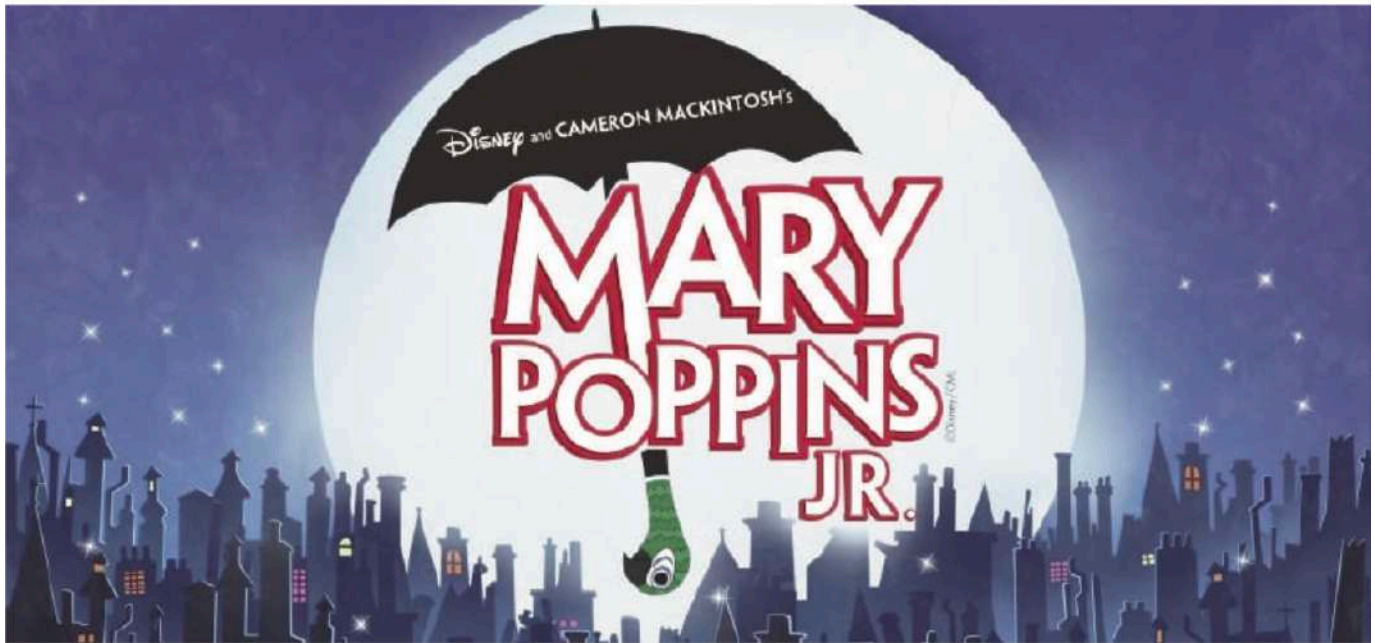




# THEATRE MEMPHIS

production of



A musical based on the stories of P.L. Travers  
and the Walt Disney film

Original Music and Lyrics by  
**Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman**

Book by  
**Julian Fellowes**

New Songs and Additional Music and Lyrics by  
**George Stiles and Anthony Drewe**

Co-Created by  
**Cameron Mackintosh**

Adapted by iTheatrics under the supervision of  
**Timothy Allen McDonald**

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Directed by **KEIA JOHNSON**  
Choreography by **STEVEN PRINCE TATE**  
Music Directed by **DR. ASHLEY KEITH DAVIS**  
Executive Producer **DEBBIE LITCH**

Production Manager/Tech Director  
**MICHAEL COMPTON**

Costume Designer  
**ALLISON WHITE**

Lighting Designer  
**NICOLE NORTHINGTON**

Scenic and Properties Designer  
**JACK NETZEL-YATES**

Sound Designer  
**JASON ESCHHOFEN**

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**JAYLIN HEMPHILL**

Costume Shop Manager  
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**BECKY CASPERSEN**

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Stage Managers  
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MARLOWE LEIBOVICH, LYDIA SMITH, NINA MAHINTORABI,  
ADAM BLUMENTAL, JOHN SCHUESSLER, LANDON HATCHEL,  
CALEB JEFFRIES, KAYLEE WEBB, GRACEN RAWLINSON,  
AIDEN MCGUIRE, EVIE O'CONNELL, DANIEL MARSHALL,  
MAGGIE LOUDERBACK, ANDERSON THOMAS**

***Special Thanks:***  
**To all of the parents and teachers**  
**who have made this production possible!**

Program Layout by Michael Gravois

## CAST

(in order of appearance)

Bert ..... **JOSEPH BRYCE GOODSON**  
George Banks ..... **RICKEY FONDREN, III**  
Winifred Banks ..... **ANNELIESE LUM**  
Jane Banks ..... **BRYNN LOFTIES**  
Michael Banks ..... **NOAH MELUGIN**  
Katie Nanna ..... **KAYLEE WEBB**  
Mrs. Brill ..... **BRYLEE HARBER**  
Robertson Ay ..... **WILSON THOMAS**  
Mary Poppins ..... **ANGELINA DAVID**  
Neleus ..... **NOAH BARNETTE**  
Bird Woman ..... **HANNAH MOORE**  
Miss Smythe ..... **McKENZIE D. LITTLEJOHN**  
Chairman/ Policeman ..... **CONNOR GILLESPIE**  
Von Hussler ..... **AMELIA MELUGIN**  
John Northbrook ..... **AIDEN ANDERSON**  
Mrs. Corry ..... **SANIYA FLEMING**  
Miss Andrew ..... **LUCY SULLIVAN**  
Messenger ..... **CARTER JUZESZYN**

Park Strollers, Statues, Clerks, Vagrants, Buskers,  
Passersby, Customers, Kite Flyers, Chimney Sweeps .....  
..... **AIDEN ANDERSON, LILAH BENJAMIN,**  
..... **AMELIA MELUGIN, CLARA HEDGE,**  
..... **SYDNE L. ROBERTSON, DANIELA RENEA DAHMAN,**  
..... **MARY ELIZABETH MORTON**

Honey Bees ..... **SADIE GLASER, MEGAN SPILLYARDS,**  
..... **KATIE SANDERS, NORAH BENJAMIN**

Ensemble ..... **ABBY MILLEN, MISHIKA MUKHOPADHYAY,**  
..... **ELLA DEDMAN, JOSSLYN GREER, ANSH TALWAR,**  
... **SHREYA TALWAR, MILA THAKKAR, EISLEY PEARSON,**  
... **LOU CATE MYERS, ALAINA HARBER, LIAM JANECEK,**  
..... **HERA (ARROW) WILBANKS, NICHOLAS HARPER,**  
..... **CORA THOMAS, BREKEN ROSE CUNNINGHAM,**  
..... **CALEB DETER, AVA MATHIES, KATE HILL,**  
..... **GABE EDWARDS, HALLE FRANCIS, OLLIE HALE,**  
..... **MADDEN HAGOOD, REAGAN SHETTLES,**  
..... **LUCINDA (LULU) ISBELL, NORAH BENJAMIN**

## **SCENES AND MUSICAL NUMBERS**

### **PROLOGUE: CHERRY TREE LANE**

Prologue ..... Bert, Company

### **SCENE 1: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Cherry Tree Lane (Part 1) .... George, Mrs. Brill, Robertson Ay

The Perfect Nanny ..... Jane, Michael

Cherry Tree Lane (Part 2) ..... George, Mrs. Brill,  
Robertson Ay, Winifred

### **SCENE 2: CHERRY TREE LANE, NURSERY**

Practically Perfect ..... Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael

### **SCENE 3: A PARK**

Practically Perfect (Playoff) ..... Bert

Jolly Holiday ..... Bert, Park Strollers, Jane, Michael  
Neleus, Statues, Mary Poppins

### **SCENE 4: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Winds Do Change ..... Bert

A Spoonful of Sugar ..... Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael,  
Honey Bees, Winifred,  
Mrs. Brill, Robertson Ay

### **SCENE 5: INSIDE THE BANK**

Precision and Order (Part 1) ..... Clerks

Precision and Order (Part 2) ..... Clerks, John Northbrook

A Man Has Dreams ..... George

### **SCENE 6: THE CATHEDRAL STEPS**

Feed the Birds ..... Bird Woman, Mary Poppins,  
Jane, Michael, Ensemble

### **SCENE 7: MRS. CORRY'S SHOP**

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious .... Mary Poppins, Mrs. Corry  
Bert, Jane, Michael,  
Customers

### **SCENE 8: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Twists and Turns ..... Bert

## SCENES AND MUSICAL NUMBERS

### **SCENE 9: CHERRY TREE LANE, NURSERY**

Playing the Game . . . . .Mary Poppins

### **SCENE 10: THE ROOFTOP**

Chim Chim Cher-ee . . . . .Mary Poppins, Bert, Ensemble

### **SCENE 11: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Cherry Tree Lane (Reprise) . . . . .Winifred, Jane, Michael  
Mrs. Brill, Robertson Ay, George

Brimstone and Treacle (Part 1) . . . . .Miss Andrew

### **SCENE 12: A PARK**

Let's Go Fly a Kite . . . . .Bert, Kite Flyers, Jane, Michael

### **SCENE 13: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Brimstone and Treacle (Part 2) . . . .Miss Andrew, Mary Poppins

Practically Perfect (Reprise) . . . .Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael

### **SCENE 14: THE ROOFTOP**

Step in Time . . . . .Sweeps, Bert, Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael

Step in Time (Playoff) . . . . .Bert, Sweeps

### **SCENE 15: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Step in Time (Playoff cont'd) . . . . .Bert, Sweeps

A Spoonful of Sugar (Reprise) . . . . .Bert

### **SCENE 16: CHERRY TREE LANE, NURSERY**

Anything Can Happen (Part 1) . . . . .Mary Poppins, Jane,  
Michael, Winifred

### **SCENE 17: INSIDE THE BANK**

Give Us the Word . . . . .George

Anything Can Happen (Part 2) . . . . .Winifred, Mary Poppins,  
Michael, Jane, George

### **SCENE 18: CHERRY TREE LANE, NURSERY**

Goodbye Then, Mary . . . . .Mary Poppins

### **SCENE 19: CHERRY TREE LANE, PARLOR**

Anything Can Happen (Finale) . . . .George, Winifred, Company

Bows . . . . .Company

## Original London and Broadway Production Credits:

Produced by  
**Cameron Mackintosh** and **Thomas Schumacher**

Co-Choreographer  
**Stephen Mear**

Lighting Design  
**Howard Harrison**

Scenic and Costume Design  
**Bob Crowley**

Co-Direction and Choreography  
**Matthew Bourne**

Directed by  
**Richard Eyre**

## WHO'S WHO IN THE COMPANY

### **AIDEN ANDERSON**

(John Northbrook/Chimney Sweep) is currently cast as Mungojerrie in *Cats*. He was recently Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz* & The Cat in *Seussical*. He'd like to thank Ms. Keia for this opportunity.  
@aidenanderson1111

**NOAH BARNETTE** (Neleus) is so excited to play the role of Neleus! You may have seen him as Sonny in *Grease* at Kudzu Playhouse! He hopes you love and enjoy the show!

**LILAH BENJAMIN** (Chimney Sweep) is a rising seventh grader at Lausanne. After performing in many shows including *Ragtime* at Theatre Memphis last summer, she is honored to be performing here once again.

**NORAH BENJAMIN** (Honey Bee/ Ensemble) is a rising 3rd grader at Lausanne. She is so excited to perform at Theatre Memphis where she received the Jr. Usher award last summer.

**VIA CASPERSEN** (Stage Manager) This is not her first time working at Theatre Memphis. She loves working here and is very excited to be part of this production. Thank you Chelsea, Keia, and Becky, my loving mom!

**BREKEN ROSE CUNNINGHAM** (Ensemble) loves being a competitive cheerleader, hanging out with family and friends, and playing the piano and singing.

**DANIELA RENE DAHMAN** (Clerk) is excited to be a part of *Mary Poppins, Jr.* This is her first role. I love you Mom, Daddy, & Anton!

## WHO'S WHO IN THE COMPANY (cont.)

**ANGELINA DAVID** (Mary Poppins) is so thankful to the entire production team for this opportunity to tell this story! In August, she will be playing Karen Smith in *Mean Girls* at NDCT before she moves to Los Angeles to pursue acting! angelina-david.com

**ASHLEY KEITH DAVIS** (Music Director) is from Memphis, Tennessee. He holds Doctoral, Masters & Bachelors degrees in Music & dual Masters degrees in Theology. He is also an MFA student at University of Memphis majoring in Theatre and specializing in Sound Design. Currently, Ashley is an Assistant Professor of Music at LeMoyné-Owen College. He is the recipient of various awards & honors including: 50th Anniversary Jubilee Gospel Concert Musical Director for Queen Elizabeth, Composer for the Emmy-nominated PBS documentary, "The Least Among Us," recipient of an Ostrander Award for *The Parchman Hour* and and a Broadway World Award for *Dreamgirls*.

**ELLA DEDMAN** (Ensemble) is a rising 7th grader. She most recently played the role of Amaryllis in her school production of *The Music Man*. She enjoys art and loves animals!

**CALEB DETER** (Ensemble) enjoys running cross country and track. He plays trombone for Arlington Middle's symphonic band. He likes to write short stories.

**GABE EDWARDS** (Ensemble) enjoys writing and playing songs on the piano. He comes from a family with a long tradition in the theatre.

**SANIYA FLEMING** (Mrs. Corry) would like to first thank God for this opportunity. I would like to thank my parents for pushing me this far. Lastly, I'd like to thank Ms. Keia for this opportunity.

**RICKEY FONDREN, III** (George Banks) This is a wonderful opportunity to be a part of and I'm excited for future opportunities with Theatre Memphis. Acting has always been a passion of mine and I'm grateful to be pursuing it to this capacity.

**HALLE FRANCIS** (Ensemble) is 13 years old and has always enjoyed singing and acting. I would like to thank Theatre Memphis for allowing us to be in *Mary Poppins, Jr.*

**CONNOR GILLESPIE** (Chairman/ Policeman) is excited to make his debut on the Theatre Memphis stage. He has enjoyed recent roles around the Mid-South with New Day, DFT, GCT, and Briarcrest.

**SADIE GLASER** (Honey Bee) has a love for the Arts! She was most recently in the Theatre Memphis production of *A Christmas Carol* as Tiny Tim and the year before as Annie Cratchit.

**JOSEPH BRYCE GOODSON** (Bert) played the role of Michael Mell this summer with New Spark and is ready to entertain as Bert in *Mary Poppins Jr.!*

**JOSSLYN GREER** (Ensemble) recently worked with Kroc Center in *The SpongeBob Musical* as Sardine and *Frozen Kids* as King Agnarr/ Kristoff. She enjoys playing multiple instruments with the orchestra and band at UMiddle.

## WHO'S WHO IN THE COMPANY (cont.)

**MADDEN HAGOOD** (Ensemble) is excited to be in the summer program of *Mary Poppins Jr.* Madden lives with her family in Memphis, TN.

**OLLIE HALE** (Ensemble/Mary Poppins Understudy) is an upcoming sophomore who is so excited to be the Mary Poppins understudy! She's so excited and can't wait to audition for more!

**ALAINA HARBER** (Ensemble) is a rising 6th grader at Bin Lin Middle School. She is thrilled to return to Theatre Memphis for the second summer!

**BRYLEE HARBER** (Mrs. Brill) is thrilled to join Theatre Memphis again. Last year, she starred in *Addams Family, Jr.* as Morticia Addams. She enjoys Theatre Memphis and hopes to do more shows here.

**NICHOLAS HARPER** (Ensemble) will be a high school freshman in the fall. He loves history, performing in school and camp performances and spending time with friends.

**CLARA HEDGE** (Chimney Sweep) has been acting since she was five. She would like to thank her family, teacher, friends, and everyone else who encouraged her.

**JAYLIN HEMPHILL** (Assistant to the Director) would like to thank Becky, Keia and Chelsea for letting him assist in this amazing production! @Jaylin.j.Hemphill

**KATE HILL** (Ensemble) is a fifth grader at St Mary's. She loves all things theatre, soccer, animals, and playing games with her family.

### **LUCINDA (LULU) ISBELL**

(Ensemble) *Mary Poppins Jr.* marks Lucinda's theatre debut. Lucinda is a rising 4th grader who enjoys listening to music, drawing anime characters, playing piano, and reading.

**KEIA JOHNSON** (Director/Teaching Artist at Theatre Memphis) is a local Memphian, an Artist and Actor. Keia has starred in *Once on this Island*, *Nina* and *Lady Day...* to name a few. Having directed several productions in the last few years, she's beyond excited to bring *Mary Poppins Jr.* to life at Theatre Memphis. Keep up with Keia & her Entertainment Agency @kj\_management on Instagram and her website KeiaJohnson.com

**LIAM JANECEK** (Ensemble) wants to be an actor when he grows up. He likes mountain biking and Taekwondo and is going to be in the sixth grade.

**CARTER JUZESZYN** (Messenger) is thrilled to be playing Messenger in his first community show. A previous role of his is Ebenezer Scrooge in DCHS's *A Christmas Carol*.

**McKENZIE D. LITTLEJOHN** (Miss Smythe) This is my first show with Theatre Memphis and I appreciate everyone it took to make this show possible.

**BRYNN LOFTIES** (Jane Banks) was the Coroner and a Munchkin in Playhouse on the Square's production of *The Wizard of Oz*. Brynn is very excited to go on adventures with *Mary Poppins, Jr.*



## WHO'S WHO IN THE COMPANY (cont.)

**ANNELIESE LUM** (Winifred Banks) is thrilled to be performing in *Mary Poppins, Jr.* She has loved the original movie, and dreamed of having a role in this production. Thank you, Theatre Memphis!

**ANNIE MARTIN** (Stage Manager) was a part of the backstage crew for *Beauty and the Beast* at Riverdale and worked as Assistant Stage Manager for *Matilda*.

**AVA MATHIES** (Ensemble) recently began her theatre journey with Arts Explore at the Orpheum. She will be attending 4th Grade at Harding Academy this Fall.

**AMELIA MELUGIN** (Von Hussler/Chimney Sweep) is excited for her debut on the Theatre Memphis stage having acted since the age of 5 in productions at Kudzu and DFT, as well as with local film directors.

**NOAH MELUGIN** (Michael Banks) is excited for his debut on the Theatre Memphis stage having acted since the age of 7 in productions at Kudzu, DFT and various films and commercials.

**ABBY MILLEN** (Ensemble) is 12 years old and loves acting and doing musicals. This was so much fun and I can't wait for next year!

**HANNAH MOORE** (Bird Woman) enjoys singing, acting, dancing, and music. She has been in several productions and her favorite role was Wednesday in *The Addams Family*, *Young at Part* at Theatre Memphis.

**MARY ELIZABETH MORTON** (Clerk) is excited for her Theatre Memphis debut. She started acting as a crocodile in *Peter Pan*, and played Gabriella in *High School Musical*, Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz*, and more.

**MISHIKA MUKHOPADHYAY** (Ensemble) is 10 years old and recently moved to Memphis from Illinois. She has previously been a part of the musicals *Beauty and the Beast* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. She also performs classical Indian dance.

**LOU CATE MYERS** (Ensemble) is 12 years old and going into 7th grade. He has been acting out comedies for his family since he was three.

**EISLEY PEARSON** (Ensemble) is excited to be a part of her first production! Thank you to my parents and family for your constant love and support.

**SYDNE L. ROBERTSON** (Clerk) is a rising 7th grader at University Middle School, where she is on the track team and plays violin in the orchestra.

**KATIE SANDERS** (Honey Bee) is currently a member of Lakeland Prep Theatre Company and West Tennessee Youth Chorus. This is Katie's second appearance on stage for Theatre Memphis.

## WHO'S WHO IN THE COMPANY (cont.)

**REAGAN SHETTLES** (Ensemble) is an 11 year old and singing has been a part of her whole life. Thank you mom, dad, Avery, Conner and Nana.

**MEGAN SPILLYARDS** (Honey Bee) was part of Orpheum High School Musical Theater Awards. She wants to thank her family, friends, and voice teacher for believing in her! She hopes that you enjoy this magical show!! (Jeremiah 29:11-14)

**LUCY SULLIVAN** (Miss Andrew) is a sophomore in high school. She is very excited to be able to be a part of *Mary Poppins Jr.* at Theatre Memphis. Past shows include *Big Fish*. She would like to thank the cast and crew as well as her parents.

**ANSH TALWAR** (Ensemble) is 10 years old. He is a rising 5th grader at Grahamwood Elementary. He enjoys playing tennis, music, math and science.

**SHREYA TALWAR** (Ensemble) is 9 years old. She is a rising 4th grader at Grahamwood Elementary. She loves art, dance, music and skating. She wants to be a fashion designer and musician.

**STEVEN PRINCE TATE** (Choreographer) is a Memphis native holding a degree in Theatre and Dance: minor in Gender Studies from Middle Tennessee State University. Steven has performed on SYTYCD, the Kennedy Center, American Dance Festival,

the Alvin Ailey School in choreography by Steffanie Batten Bland, Dwight Rhoden, Ysabelle Capitulé among others. In 2020, Steven went viral for choreographing a Beyoncé inspired "Baby Reveal"; featured in Essence Magazine, MSN.com, Yahoo! Life.com, and Blavity. IG: @steven.prince.tate

**MILA THAKKAR** (Ensemble) is delighted to be performing in her second production. She is a student at St. Mary's Episcopal School and rising into 7th grade. She also is a student at School of Rock.

**CORA THOMAS** (Ensemble) is an 8 year old who loves theatre. Her brother made her do this play. She sends love and thanks to her mom and dad for helping her.

**WILSON THOMAS** (Robertson Ay) We are so excited to see our son Wilson in *Mary Poppins Jr.* We are so proud of him and hope to see him doing theatre in the future.

**KAYLEE WEBB** (Katie Nanna) is a homeschooled rising freshman. When not doing theatre or volunteering she is competitively dancing. After *Mary Poppins, Jr.* she will be in *The Crucible* at Theatre Memphis.

**HERA (ARROW) WILBANKS** (Chimney Sweep) is enthusiastic about delving into worlds and characters, whether created by others or themselves. Theatre is among their favorite ways to express this passion.

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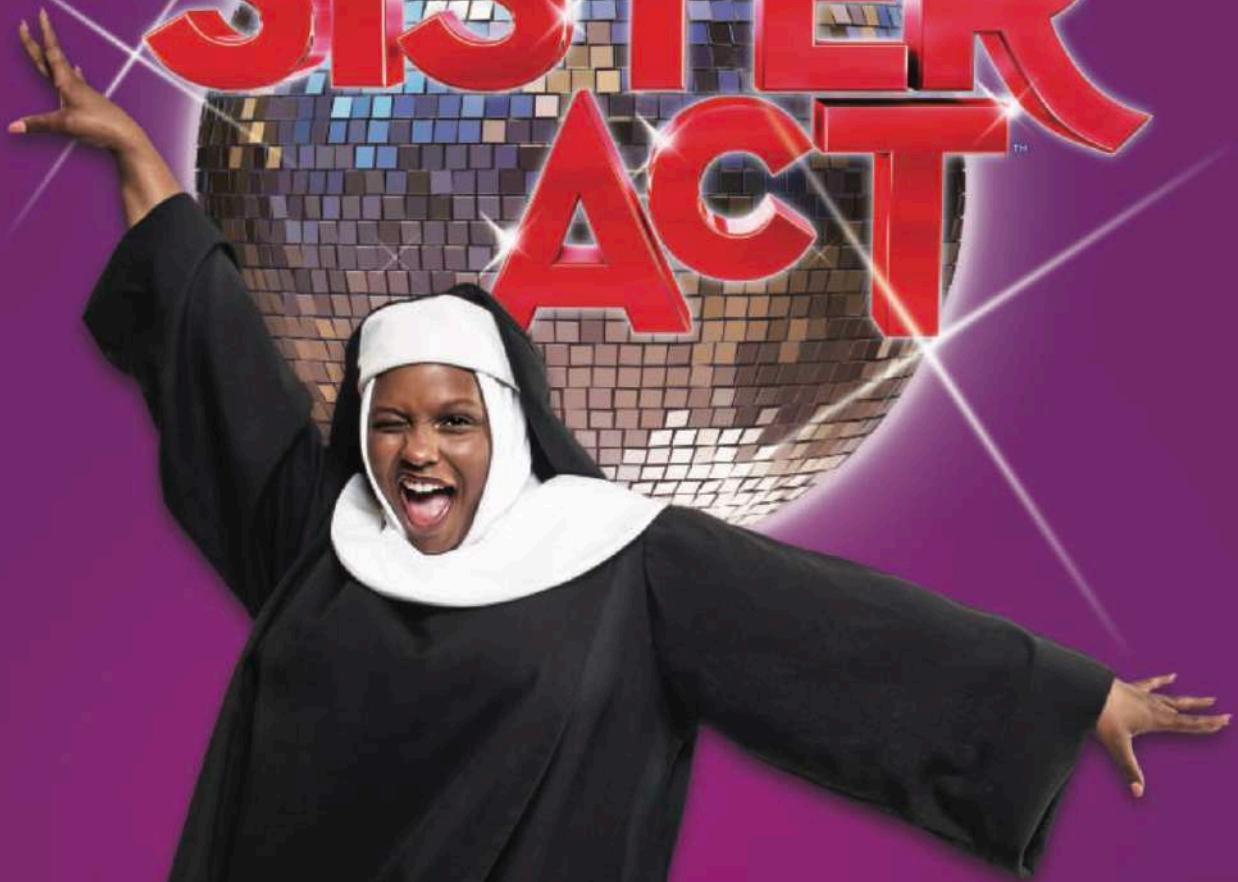
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