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EDUCATE PRESENTS

# PETER AND THE STAR CATCHER

Directed by  
William  
I.  
Schmidt

Sacramento Theatre Company's Production Of...

# PETER AND THE STARCATCHER

A Play By

Rick Elice

Music By

Wayne Barker

Based on the Novel by Dave  
Barry and Ridley Pearson

Originally productions on Broadway by Nancy Nagel Gibbs, Greg Schaffert, Eva Price, Tom  
Smedes, and Disney Theatrical Productions.

Directed by

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Miranda D. Lawson

Assistant Director

Kyle Swanegan

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William Schmidt

Costume Design

Rose Curfman

Lighting Design

Isaiah Leeper

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Alyssa Songco

Stage Manger

Alyssa Songco

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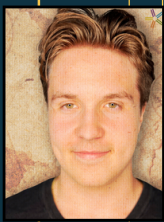
...Use your thoughts to hoist the sails and deck the ships awaiting us this early, gray, and misty dawn in 1885. We begin: 13 actors take the empty stage to tell a story of how the symbol of youth and vitality came to be about. I'm talking, of course, about the show you are about to embark on. I first read *Peter and the Starcatcher* in college, and I was immediately intrigued by how this story was going to be told. Fast forward a few months and I would find myself taking the stage in it. Theatre wouldn't be the same for me after. The way in which Rick Elice tells this story is beautiful, but what he has done so beautifully is leaving just enough room for each production to be unique to its actors. I love the use of minimal set and the use of actors in creating pictures on stage. And you're about to witness this magic today! The use of the word *Ensemble* is one I have used since the beginning of this process. Everyone in this cast is part of the ensemble: everyone not only plays THEIR roles, but acts as narrators to tell this beautiful story together. It has been a magical journey in the rehearsal process to see each student have lightbulb moments: finding something that excites them about the show or making a bold choice on-stage that pays off as they actively support one another and cheer each other on. It's those moments that not only warm my heart as an educator, but are the reason I do what I do. The students in this production have put in many hours of work, and I'm so immensely proud to have been there to witness it.

Both Neverland and Wasp Cast, Thank you for trusting me with guidance and not only creating an environment the inspired me to be a better director but inspired one another to excel. Your love, support, and trust of one another was nothing less than inspiring to be a part of. I would like to express my gratitude to the Families of both casts. The commitment for a show of this caliber is not an easy feat and you all made it possible for these students to be here everyday, putting their best foot forward, ready to make magic. Id like to Thank My team, Alyssa, Kyle. You two have not only kept me sane in my moments of directors block, but also for being amazing collaborators in the room. Thank you to Lyn and our Production team for helping bring my vision to life. A huge shout out to my mentor, collaborator, and bestfriend Miranda D. Lawson, for trusting me to make magic on this stage and seeing my potential as an educator and fostering it. Lastly, I would also love to thank my support system and my loved ones. Without your support and love I wouldn't be here today. Now that all that is out of the way I invite you to sit back, relax and enjoy as we take you on a magical adventure and remember, you are never too old to believe in magic. *HERE WE GOOOOO!*

**-William I. Schmidt**



**AMIRA  
FRANCISCO**



**ASHER  
WILSON**



**CAMRYN  
KARAM**



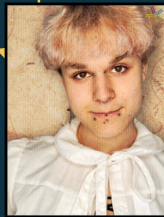
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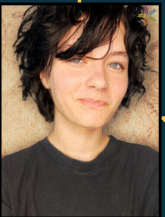
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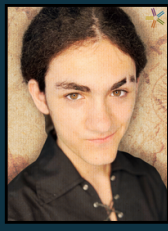
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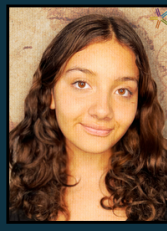
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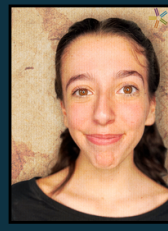
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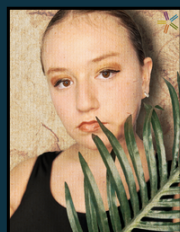
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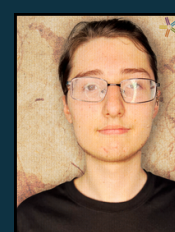
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TEVES**



**RAMONI  
DOWNEY**



**RHYS  
WONG**



**STELLA  
MYERS**



**TOMMY  
HOLLENMAN**





# CAST

BOY/PETER.....ELLIOT RIORDAN/GIULIA CASCIO

PRENTISS.....RHYS WONG/EMMA KOLITSOS

TED.....DEVYN LLOYD/RAMONA DOWNEY

LORD LEONARD ASTER.....DANIEL TEVES

MOLLY ASTER.....LOLA CARDENAS-CAMPOS/NAYA GANT

MRS. BRUMBRAKE.....ELIOT POPOVIC MEYER

CAPTAIN ROBERT FALCON.....GIANNA BENNETT/PETER TEVES

GREMPKIN.....IRENEERISMANN/MALAINA FRIEDMAN

BILL SLANK.....AMIRA FRANCISCO/STELLA MYERS

ALF.....TOMMY HOLLEMAN/CAMRYN KARAM

MACK/SANCHEZ.....LUZ CORTEZ/NATALIE BOLES

BLACK STACHE.....ASHER WILSON/HARUKA BOWMAN

SMEE.....ETHAN COLLINS/ELLA HADDAD

**CREW:** Harold Ny, Lilac Buckser, Ava Ordonaz



**Amira Francisco** is nine years old and is in 4th grade at Riverview STEM Academy. Amira is excited to be part of this talented cast for STC's first show of the season. This is Amira's second stage performance with STC. Her first show was with STC 2022-2023 production, *The Rainbow Fish*. This year, Amira joined STC's Conservatory program, CenterStage, for the first time and is excited to continue her journey and wish to thank her family and friends for their support.

**Asher D. Wilson** is a big fan of performing arts. He currently attends Mesa Verde High School where he actively participates in their programs, shows, events, and classes. He has been doing theater for around four years and has always been interested in pursuing performing as a career.

**Camryn Karam** is an honors student who is excited for the new experiences in this magical period piece, *Peter and the Starcatcher*. She has been in several STC classes and was recently in a show, *Rock of Ages!* Thank you to everyone who has helped bring this story to life!

**Daniel Teves** is a Senior at CK McClatchy High School, in the VAPA program. He has been at STC ever since 6th grade when he performed in Peter Pan. He is now in his 5th year in YPC. You may have seen him in *Carrie The Musical*, *Side Show*, and *Frankenstein*. He would like to thank you for coming to see the show.

**Devyn Lloyd** is in her 3rd year at STC and this is her 7th performance on this stage. Some of her favorite roles have been Beggar Child in *A Christmas Carol*, Marta in *The Sound of Music*, Fluffy in *Honk Jr.* and a Who Child in *Seussical The Musical*. She's a 6th grader at PFAA and would like to thank this awesome cast and crew!

**Ella Haddad** has always enjoyed theater and is happy to do productions onstage or assist backstage. Some of her favorite musicals include *Heathers*, *Legally Blonde*, and *Newsies*

**Eliot Popovic-Meyer** is over the moon to be in *Peter and the Starcatcher!* He's always had an abundant love for Performing Arts, coming to this show after starring as 'Franz' in *Rock of Ages*. Being a radiant optimist, he lights up the room with joy and brings positivity onto the stage!

**Elliot Riordan** is super hyped to be performing in *Peter and The Starcatcher!* Along with playing Boy/Peter, his other favorite role was as Jim Haller in *All Shook Up*. Thanks to family and friends for supporting Elliot in acting and all the other awesome stuff he likes to do. Enjoy!!

**Emma Kolitsos** is so happy to be back at STC playing Prentiss in this production. She has recently been in *A Christmas Carol* and *Macbeth* at STC and *Antigone* at St. Francis. She is taking Honors Theater Arts II at school and looking forward to more shows in the future.

**Ethan Collins** is in his second year at STC. He's very proud to play Snee and be part of this talented cast! His previous productions include *Godspell*, *Little Women*, *Sound of Music*, and *Rock of Ages*. He's grateful to his family, friends, and all STC teachers and fellow actors for their support!

**Gianna Bennett** is thrilled to take center stage at STC's theater! With enthusiasm, she is back for her third show, as Captain Robert Falcon Scott. Gianna's theatrical adventures have taken her on a deep-sea journey as the Snail, Octopus, and Tentacle in the *Rainbow Fish* production. Also her enchanting portrayal of Ester in the Emperor's New Clothes! Gianna's talent knows no bounds, and each role is a new treasure chest of excitement and joy!

**Giulia Cascio** is so excited to play Peter in STC's "Peter and the Starcatcher". She has performed in STC's productions of *Frankenstein*, *Addam's Family*, and Alice in *Alice in Wonderland Jr.* Giulia loves all things theater: singing, dancing, acting, etc. – if it has to do with theater, count her in.

**Haruka Bowman** is a young trans actor in The Centerstage program at STC. They have been in a few other productions with STC such as *Rock of Ages Teen Edition*, *Emperor's New Clothes*, and *Macbeth for Kids*. They hope to one day open their own Theatre Company called the Grimmsby.

**Irene Erisman** is thrilled to perform in *Peter and the Starcatcher!* Outside of theater, Irene enjoys cross country, shopping, and being with her friends. Favorite roles she's recently played include Ida in *Honk*, Rafiki in *The Lion King*, and a witch in *Macbeth*. Irene wants to thank her director, Will. Enjoy the show!

**Lola Cardenas-Campos** is thrilled to be playing Molly in *Peter and the Starcatcher!* She is a freshman at Christian Brothers High School! Her most recent roles have been JoJo in *A Night on Broadway* and Anita Bath in *Rock of Ages!* She thanks her friends and family! Enjoy!

**Luz Cortez** is excited to be performing in *Peter and the Starcatcher* in the roles of Mack and Sanchez. This is Luz's 2nd show with STC, with hopefully more to come. Luz lives in West Sacramento and is a 9th grader at River City High. Luz also enjoys archery, playing ukulele, and drawing.

**Malaina Friedman** is thrilled to be making her debut with STC's CenterStage Program! This 7th grader loves performing and some of her favorite roles include Pepper (*Annie*), Nala (*Lion King*) and Joy (*Cinderella*). She would like to thank her family for their support and hopes you enjoy the show!

**Naya Gant** is in 10th grade at NP3 High School. This is her 5th year with The Sacramento Theatre. Naya is passionate about performing arts and is thrilled to be playing Molly in *Peter and the Starcatcher*.

**Natalie Boles** is excited to be in her 5th play! Last season her favorite role was "Puffer Fish" in *Rainbow Fish*. She is in 6th grade at Cobblestone Elementary and in the school band playing clarinet. She enjoys dancing, acting, drawing & singing. Thank you all who have supported her and she's excited to start the season!

**Peter Teves** is a ninth grader at CK McClatchy high school in the vasa band program. This is his third year with STC. Last year he performed in *Sideshow* and *The Actor's Nightmare*. He loves going to the park and fighting with foam weapons and DND. Thank you to all of the friends and teaching artists who have helped him along the way.

**Ramona Downey** is a proud member of Center Stage, and is a 6th grader at David Lubin Elementary. She enjoys drawing and was recently Clownfish in *Rainbow Fish*. Ramona wants to thank her family for supporting her!

**Rhys Thanh Mai Wong** is exhilarated to be a part of Peter and The Starcatcher at STC! They've been in many productions here including *Peter Pan* (Ensemble), *Once Upon a Mattress* (Songstress), and *Macbeth For Kids* (Macduff Understudy/Crew). Rhys currently attends NCS and hopes for a fantastic show!

**Stella Myers** considers STC as her home away from home as she begins her third season here. She has performed in *Rainbow Fish*, *Honk*, *Emperor's New Clothes*, *Macbeth*, and *Once upon a Mattress*. Never has there been a more supportive and encouraging group of youth and educators. Outside of theater Stella loves travel, skiing and pop culture. She is in 6th grade at St. John the Evangelist. Much appreciation to the cast, staff, patrons, friends and family!

**Tommy Holleman** is entering his first year as a Centerstage student and is currently a sophomore at Rio Americano High School. He is thrilled to share the stage with his fellow talented actors. He is grateful for William, his castmates, his mom, his family, and his dog Cosmo. He hopes you enjoy the show and look out for him in Heathers!

**William Schmidt** (*Director*) is proud to call STC home! Having grown with the company in previous years not only as a performer on stage but as an arts administrator and arts educator. Growing up singing, they found their passion on stage and studied at Sacramento State for a BA in Theater. Their passion for the arts as an educator and administrator is unwavering, and Their Passion for performing is never-ending. Some selected credits: *Clue: The Musical*(Mrs.White), *Seussical* (Horton), *Little Shop of Horrors*(AudreyII), *A Midsummers Night's Dream*(Oberon). He would like to thank his Loved Ones for their support and love.

**Alyssa Songco** (*Stage Manager*) Alyssa's stage management experience includes: the LA Performance Practice and This is theWilderness' production of *The Day Shall Declare It*, University of LaVerne's *Electricidad* and Chekov's *Three Sisters*, and numerous productions at STAGES theatre in Fullerton. She was also a teacher in Japan for 4 years.

**Kyle Swanegan** (*Assistant Director*) is new to professional and community theatre. After graduating from Humboldt State University, he found his home with Sacramento Theatre Company. Currently loving his roles as Education Assistant and Improv Teacher, Kyle is eager and willing to join any production to progress towards his goal of becoming a Director, starting with assistant directing for Peter and the Starcatcher!

**Miranda D. Lawson** (*Musical Director*) Miranda D. Lawson is the Education Program Manager, Artistry Series Creator, and Producer. Some of her credits include; *Curious Incident...*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Dreamgirls*, ... *Putnam County Spelling Bee*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Clue the Musical*, *Chess in Concert*, *Hair*, *Hairspray*, and many, many more. Miranda has a fierce love for the arts and for arts education. Helping shape future performers helps to shape the future of art and being part of that process is her passion.

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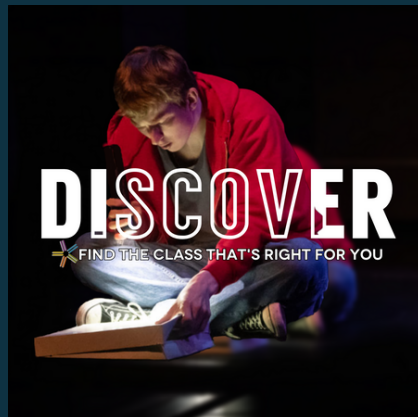


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