### REDFOOT YOUTH THEATRE INVITES YOU TO STEP INTO A WORLD OF PURE IMAGINATION



Book by David Greig Music by Marc Shaiman Lyrics by Scott Wittman and Marc Shaiman

Songs from the Motion Picture by LESLIE BRICUSSE and ANTHONY NEWLEY

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# PROM THE DIRECTOR

Tonight, let us transport you to the world of pure imagination. In Willy Wonka's' own words: "Beyond the curtain there is magic, but it must be believed to be seen." Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is based on the novel by Roald Dahl and his wonderful story has been adapted for the stage and includes songs from the original motion picture such as 'Candy Man' and 'Pure Imagination'. The story was inspired by Roald Dahl's experience of being a taste tester for a chocolate company as a boy.

We follow Chocolatier Willy Wonka's quest to find someone worthy enough to inherit his famous chocolate making factory. Only five lucky golden ticket winners are invited beyond the factory gates into a world filled with Oompaa Loompas, invisible corridors, a marshmallow cow and much, much more. Only one person is worthy enough to win Wonka's fabulous prize; someone who is kind, creative and loves his factory as much as he does. Wonka points out the competitor's flaws as he eliminates them one by one and his Oompa Loompas have some poignant messages as they tell us "Each day they text on their new toy their thoughts and their location, but OMG, will this destroy the art of conversation?" This is a friendly reminder to all of us to disconnect to connect.

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory ignites, or reignites, the imagination in all of us, young and old, and that is the pure joy of this production.

#### To the Cast

Thank you for your commitment, enthusiasm and energy. You have been adaptable, flexible and resilient under challenging times. Despite the effect of Covid, you have never wavered! From rehearsals being paused, to rehearsing inside, then outside; rehearsing with only half the cast to the full cast - all in masks - you have carried on undaunted. When we finally managed to rehearse and collaborate all together, that is when the "magic" happened. For quite a number of our young Redfoot cast members this is the first time they have performed in a musical or as part of a large cast and we thank you for your positivity, commitment and your eagerness to learn. To our senior seasoned Redfoot performers, we thank you for the support, guidance and friendship you offer to our newer members and to each other. It is all of you together who make this production special. It is you who made your audiences smile and ignited their imagination and we thank you for bringing us joy. It has been a delight and a privilege to work with each and every one of you.

From our one big "Oompa-Loompa family" to yours: come with us to a world filled with imagination and wonder.

We hope you enjoy!



# MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Welcome to our celebration of the upside-down, the back-to-front, the left-of-centre, the extra-ordinary, and all those who dare to imagine! We are thrilled to share this story about a boy who finds his place in the world because someone believes in him for who he is.

Tonight, you will hear classic songs from the 1971 film, *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, along with new songs and music written by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman for this 2017 Broadway production. It has been a treat to work with a young cast who find so much joy in singing, dancing, acting and being together. They have embraced the learning of every song wholeheartedly and I can't wait for you to experience their vibrant voices and energy in the theatre.

If you venture behind the gates of Wonka's factory on stage, you will find the orchestra playing the music live. I am grateful to be working with an outstanding team of musicians where students play alongside teachers. It has been a steep learning curve for our young musicians playing this challenging professional score. They have worked diligently and have all grown in their skills and confidence in presenting this wonderful music to you tonight.

The creative yet disciplined process of putting together a musical should not be underestimated. It is the collaborative effort of over 100 individuals bringing their best to create something greater. Our young cast, musicians and crew have embraced the challenges along with the thrills. Covid curve balls have presented us with opportunities to foster resilience and agility. It has taught us to care for each other and to be grateful for the places we have and the time we have together.

Redfoot Youth Theatre is as much about community as it is about striving for excellence. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory has been an excellent vehicle for this. Under the loving direction of Belinda Massey, we have imagined, played, practised and grown close as a community. I am particularly proud of those who are new to theatre and have found their singing voice and light on this stage. To our seasoned Redfoot artists taking their final bows; May you always find that golden ticket to draw you into the theatre and remember . . . "If you want to view paradise, simply look around and view it. Anything you want to, do it. Wanna change the world? There's nothing to it!"

Thank you for being our audience tonight. It is now time for you to experience our creation of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.





**JACK FOGGO** as CHARLIE BUCKET (Year 8)

**JACK HADLOW** as GRANDPA JOE (Year 12)

**SOPHIA COUTTS** as MRS BUCKET (Year 12, Methodist Ladies' College) **CHRISTOPHER ENGELHARD** as MR BUCKET (Year 12)

CHRISTOPHER MUTZIG as GRANDPA GEORGE (Year 12), YASH NAMJOSHI as GRANDMA JOSEPHINE (Year 11) XAVIER TORRE as GRANDMA GEORGINA (Year 10)

### **GOLDEN TICKET WINNERS**

**OLIVIA ALLAN** as MRS TEAVEE (Year 12, Methodist Ladies' College) **JOE DIMATTINA** as MIKE TEAVEE (Year 10)

**LUCY GARRATT** as VERRUCA SALT (Year 9, Methodist Ladies' College) **JARED ASHLEY** as MR SALT (Year 12)

**LUCY LUMBY** as VIOLET BEAUREGARDE (Year 12, Methodist Ladies' College) **APURVA MUWANWELLA** as MR BEAUREGARDE (Year 10)

HARRISON GROVE as AUGUSTUS GLOOP (Year 11)
SKYLAR LLOYD as MRS GLOOP (Year 12, Methodist Ladies' College)



TIARA VOLK as CHERRY (Year 11, Methodist Ladies' College)

THOMAS WATSON as JERRY (Year 12)

MICHAEL DOWDEN as MRS GREEN (Year 11)

Marley Pickford (Year 10), Layna Stafford (Year 10, Carine Senior High School),
Nia Steenekamp (Year 10, Churchlands Senior High School),
Ashley Collins (Year 11, Mount Lawley Senior High School), Callum Fairweather (Year 11),
Saxon Flannagan (Year 11), Cedar Kerr (Year 11, Mount Lawley Senior High School),
William Sydney (Year 12)





Grace Torre (Year 8, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School),
Genevieve Clements (Year 9, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School),
Elina Ito (Year 9, John Curtin College of the Arts),
Erin MacDonald (Year 11, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School)

### **ENSEMBLE**

YEAR 7 YEAR 8

Leila Cumming (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School) Taylor Allan (Methodist Ladies' College)

Samuel Armstrong Zach Mathers Aran Delia Ethan Bellerby Julius Parker Jaxon Egan

Louis Caldow Anand Shah Lucca Grosvenor

Denzel Feifar Raahul Shah Alex New
Ollie Gardner Benjamin Stout Michael Re
Liam Griffin Max Wang Ethan Ribeiro
Arman Jeffs Dillon Yadav Henry Spencer
Tiger Li Leon Webber

YEAR 9 YEAR 10 YEAR 11

Henry Bunton Sam Belladonna Nick Parker

Peter Cebis Sam Boylen

Harris Goh Joshua Moxey with GUEST APPEARANCES

Reuben Mann Liam Panegyers Alex Perin (Year 12, Captain of School)

Abiman Muwanwella Matthew Perryman Mr Dean Dell'Oro (Headmaster)





Clarinet Matti Cooper (Year 10)

Will Terry (Year 11)

Bass Clarinet Ms Heather Bex

Flute & Reeds Ms Melissa Skinner

Trumpet Stefan Madden (Year 11)

Trombones Jack Garner-Dart (Year 10)

Mr Sam Hadlow

Jack MacNaughton (Year 10)

Keyboard 1 Mr Joel Bass

Keyboard 2 Isaac Leong (Year 12)

Violin 1 Mrs Andrea Mendham

Violin 2 Jaden Ngan (Year 10)

Nickolas Rooke (Year 12)

Cello Roshan Gobalakrishnan (Year 11)

Bass Mr Shane Pooley

Guitar Liam Scott (Year 11)

Percussion Jake Deurloo (Year 10)

Mr Jesse Vivante

Drums Mr Gavin Kerr

Conductor Mrs Su-Lyn Chong



**Lukis Bagley** (Year 7) Sean Brindal (Year 12) Nic Georgiou (Year 9) Ethan Guo (Year 8) **Yifan Henderson** (Year 10) Chenghan Lei (Year 8) Sebastian Metcalf (Year 8) Will Rigg (Year 9) **Christopher Ryan** (Year 8)

Ms Elissa Flemming Ms Skylar Chong Mrs Holly Sansalone Mr Kingsley Matheson Mr Marco Godi

Mr Scott Jennings Mr Alex Spartalis Mr Josh Tilson



## **PRODUCTION TEAM**

**DIRECTOR** Belinda Massey

MUSICAL DIRECTOR Su-Lyn Chong

STAGE MANAGER Elissa Fleming

COSTUME DESIGN and PROPS Holly Sansalone TECHNICAL COORDINATOR Kingsley Matheson

REPETITEUR and ASSOCIATE MD Joel Bass

CHOREOGRAPHY Melle Smith

DANCE CAPTAIN Skylar Chong

SET DESIGN & SCENIC PAINTER Sam Knox

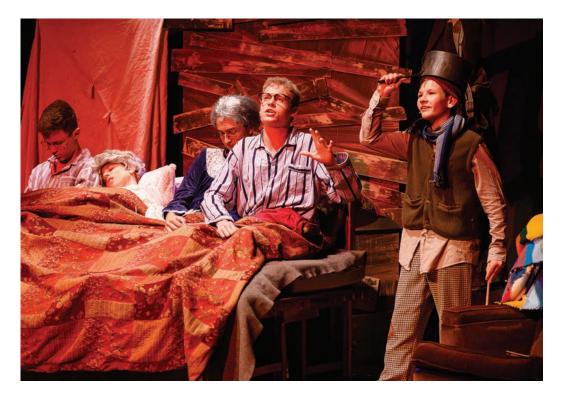
SET INSTALLATION Statewide Staging

SOUND DESIGN Scott Jennings

LIGHTING DESIGN Alex Spartalis

PRODUCTION TECHNICIAN Josh Tilson

REDFOOT ADMINISTRATOR Elethea Sartorelli





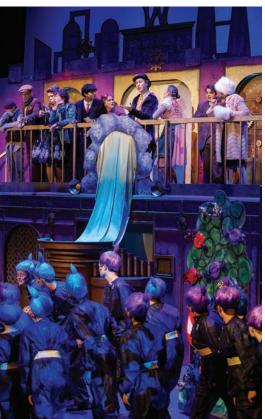








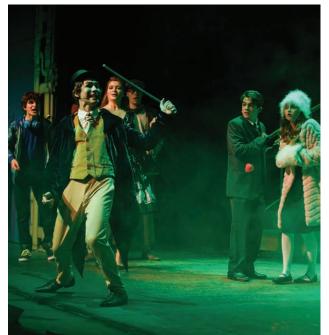






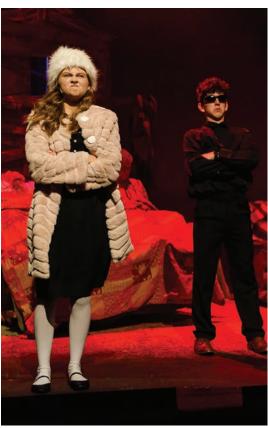




















All parents and guardians of our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory company.

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GIRLS FROM ANY SCHOOL
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