

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

**ROALD
DAHL'S**
CHARLIE
AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

5-7 May

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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FROM 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 Oompa 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!

BELINDA MASSEY



FROM THE 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 & 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*.

"We must hesitate without delay. Let's go!"

SU-LYN CHONG



SIMON TOSENOVSKY (Year 12)
WILLY WONKA



THE BUCKET FAMILY

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)



SMALL ENSEMBLE

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)



GOLDEN TICKET WINNERS



BUBBLEGUM DIVAS

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

ENSEMBLE

YEAR 7

Leila Cumming (*St Mary's Anglican Girls' School*)
Samuel Armstrong **Zach Mathers**
Ethan Bellerby **Julius Parker**
Louis Caldow **Anand Shah**
Denzel Feifar **Raahul Shah**
Ollie Gardner **Benjamin Stout**
Liam Griffin **Max Wang**
Arman Jeffs **Dillon Yadav**
Tiger Li

YEAR 8

Taylor Allan (*Methodist Ladies' College*)
Aran Delia
Jaxon Egan
Lucca Grosvenor
Alex New
Michael Re
Ethan Ribeiro
Henry Spencer
Leon Webber

YEAR 9

Henry Bunton
Peter Cebis
Harris Goh
Reuben Mann
Abiman Muwanwella

YEAR 10

Sam Belladonna
Sam Boylen
Joshua Moxey
Liam Panegyrs
Matthew Perryman

YEAR 11

Nick Parker

with GUEST APPEARANCES

Alex Perin (*Year 12, Captain of School*)
Mr Dean Dell'Oro (*Headmaster*)





ORCHESTRA

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**



CREW

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

THE 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**











Redfoot Youth Theatre with the Performing and Creative Arts Department would like to acknowledge:

All of our Hale School colleagues;

Teaching staff for our female cast members from Carine Senior High School, Churchlands Senior High School, John Curtin College of the Arts, Methodist Ladies' College, Mount Lawley Senior High School and St Mary's Anglican Girls' School; and

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

We thank you all for your support and contributions to this production. **We could not have done it without you!**



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