

Executive Producer/Director Hugh Hallinan Presents



Written by	Andrea Pane
Directed by	
Choreographed by	Cassie Peterpaul
Music Directed by	Aron Smith
Costume Design by	Lesley Neilson-Bowman
Scenic Design by	David Kievit
Light Design by	Sophie Bardos
Sound Design by	Holly Rybnick
Multimedia Design by	Sasha Mishaman

THE CAST

Hansel	JoJo DeVellis
Gretel	Ashley DePascale
Belinda/Swing	Carly Jurman
Papa/Hobbs	Cory Murphy
Stepmother/ U/S Belinda	Emily Pisarra
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SCENES

ACTI

Prologue

Scene 1	The Woodsman's Cabin
Scene 2	In The Woods
Scene 3	Outside the Candy House
Scene 5	Inside the Candy House

Scene 1 Outside the Candy House

ACT II

Scene 2	Inside the Candy House
Scene 3	•

PRODUCTION STAFF

Music Director	Aron Smith
Costume Designer	Lesley Neilson-Bowman
Scenic Designer	David Kievit
	Sophie Bardos
Sound Designer	Holly Rybnick
	Sasha Mishaman
Stage Manager	Kaitlyn Herr
Props Master	Allison Parker
Deck Chief / Carpenter	Justin Chapman
Scenic Charge	Tamar Klausner
Head Costume Technician	
——————————————————————————————————————	Kyra Proto
Dressers	Krista Rocco, Thomas Gordon, Kyra Proto
Sub Deck Chief	Deya Scott

THEATRE STAFF

Producer	Carly Jurman	
Costume Department Manager	Lesley Neilson-Bowman	
Bookkeeper	Karen Rizzo	
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Hansel and Gretel Cast



Ashley DePascale Gretel

Ashley is back for what will be her 16th year and season on the cabaret stage. She was last seen as Princess Poppyseed in *Puss in Boots*, Cinderella in *Cinderella* and Jimmy the Gingerbread Man in *Santa Story 2*. She's been a veteran company actor since 2008 for both Theatre for Young Audiences and Main Stage. Over the last two years she has added directing to her resume. Some of her favorite past productions include *Little Witches, Sherlock, Robin Hood, The Christmas Elf, Little Red Riding Hoods, Princess and the Pea, James & the Giant Peach, Princess and the Frog, The Man in <i>Black*, and *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Ashley holds a BFA in Drama from the University of Connecticut where she appeared in several Connecticut Repertory Theatre Productions. Additionally, Ashley has performed for HersheyPark Entertainment as well as a number of commercials. Huge thanks to her amazing family, Hugh, Susan, the cabaret staff, crew and actors for their

constant love and support. And a special shout-out to her nephew

Dylan for being the best scene partner to practice lines with.



Cory Murphy Papa / Hobbs

Cory was born Bridgeport, CT. Downtown Cabaret Theatre credits include: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Beauty & The Beast, Wizard of Oz, A Christmas Carol, Winnie the Pooh, Alice in Wonderland, Cinderella, and most recently, Puss in Puss in Boots! Cory has been dancing for many years and loves the experience and fun of the Cabaret's stage.



Carly Jurman Belinda / Swing

Carly joined the TYA company in 2022 and has performed in every show since. Writing credits include *Cinderella, Santa Story 2*, and *Winnie the Pooh*, some of which she also directed. She has choreographed nine TYA productions over the past three seasons. Favorite TYA roles include the Scarecrow (*The Wizard of Oz*) and Duffy (*Cinderella*). On the Mainstage, she appeared as the Beggar Woman (*Sweeney Todd*) and Fritzie (*Cabaret*), and worked as assistant director (*We Will Rock You*) and choreographer (*RENT*). Carly also serves as a producer, helping shape the theatre's creative vision on and offstage. Beyond DCT, she is an Artistic Associate at Celebration Barn Theater, collaborating with artists like Bill Irwin and SITI Company. She holds an M.A. from RADA in London and has performed with American Repertory Theater, Reagle Music Theatre, and NYC dance companies. In 2019, she was nominated for an Off-West End Award for her solo show, *Unlovable*.



Stepmother / U/S Belinda

Emily Pisarra

Emily is thrilled to be appearing in their second season with TYA. You may have seen them last season as a variety of dancing and riffing animals including the Bee in *Winnie the Pooh*, the Dormouse in *Alice in Wonderland*, the Mouse/Coachmen in *Cinderella*, and most recently as Joy in *Santa Story 2*, and Trixie Twinkletoes in *Puss in Boots*. Em is also a regular member of the backstage crew here at DCT as well as a theater educator working primarily with the Regional Center for the arts. Em and JoJo also recently produced their first educational show in collaboration with Earth Place in Westport and look forward to continuing to grow their programming there. Follow @thatcrazytheatregirl on instagram for any performance and teaching opportunities! Big thanks to the cast and crew at the cabaret for love and support on this journey!



Hansel JoJo was most recently seen as Tom in *Puss in Boots* and Jolly in

JoJo DeVellis

Cinderella, Alice in Wonderland, and A Christmas Carol. DCT Mainstage credits include Commander Khashoggi in We Will Rock You, Benny Southstreet in Guys & Dolls, and Cliff in Cabaret at the Downtown Cabaret. Other favorite roles are Trunchbull in Matilda, Pulitzer in Newsies, and Pharaoh in Joseph and the Amazing

Santa Story 2. Past TYA credits also include Winnie the Pooh,

Pulitzer in Newsies, and Pharaoh in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat with NewArts. Offstage, JoJo is an emotional educator, painter, and playwright. Follow on Instagram: @whatsstudiojojo.

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