

Directed by David Woodrow Musical Direction by Belinda Smith Produced by Terri Cummings

Danville Light Opera Presents

Music & Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim • Book by James Lapine Originally Directed on Broadway by James Lapine

From The Director

"Careful the things you say, children will listen"...not just poignant lyrics from this show but a masterful social lesson as relevant today as any day. I was drawn to this show by the haunting melodies and clever dialogue, but I have been fascinated watching this group of talented young people teach the lessons that we need to be taught. The lessons are for our time and any time, our town and any town. These "kids" are wise beyond their years and represent the real faces of today's young people. It's my hope that you, the audience, will see past the fairy tales and folly and into the wisdom and knowledge that **Into The Woods** will bring. David Woodrow

Do You Know About DLO?

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Our volunteers have also been giving a wide variety of free performances for over 50 years, in addition to helping with activities such as Make A Difference Day and the HALO Painting Blitz. Some of the free performances we currently give each year include a performance of the Youth Musical for youth, parents and mentors of youth organizations such as the Boys & Girls Club, Laura Lee Fellowship House & Your Family Resource Connection, and performances for the Veterans Affairs Hospital, Nursing Homes and local Service Organizations. We also perform a 90-minute show at Arts in the Park each summer and will begin our 14th season of providing National Anthem singers for the Danville Dans baseball team. In addition, DLO entertains at the Festival of the Trees, and Polar Express. DLO provides entertainment for many charities & fund-raisers including the Lincoln Park Garden Walk, Vermilion County Museum, Red Mask Players and the Fischer Theatre.

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Into The Woods

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Cast

(in order of appearance)

Act I Narrator/Baker's Son Cinderella Jack Jack's Mother Baker Baker's Wife Cinderella's Stepmother Florinda Lucinda **Red Riding Hood** Witch Cinderella's Mother/Granny/Giant Mysterious Man Wolf/Act II Narrator Rapunzel Rapunzel's Prince Cinderella's Prince Steward Fiancée/Princess

Ben Lohrberg Claire Cummings **Dalton Halls** Jan Marken Johnny Howard Flyn Williams Stephanie Keller Maggie Reeves Amanda Coutant Lauren Smith Nancy Henderson Jeanne Roberts Trevor Walker Josh Bough **Cindy Nichols** Michael Howard Erick Henderson **Skyler Foster** Narissa Britt

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Musical Numbers

Act I - The Woods

Prologue – Into The Woods Hello, Little Girl	
I Guess This Is Goodbye	_
Maybe They're Magic	
I Know Things Now	Red Riding Hood
A Very Nice Prince	Cinderella, Baker's Wife
First Midnight	
Giants In The Sky	
AgonyCinderelle	a's Prince, Rapunzel's Prince
It Takes Two	Baker, Baker's Wife
Second Midnight	The Company
Stay With Me	Witch
On The Steps Of The Palace	Cinderella
Ever After	

- There will be one 15 minute intermission -

Act II - The Woods, later

Prologue	The Company
	Cinderella's Prince, Rapunzel's Prince
Lament	Witch
Any Moment	Cinderella's Prince, Baker's Wife
Moments In The Wo	oodsBaker's Wife
Your Fault Jack, B	Baker, Cinderella, Red Riding Hood, Witch
Last Midnight	Witch
No More	Baker, Mysterious Man
No One Is Alone	Cinderella, Baker, Jack, Red Riding Hood
Finale: Children Wil	Il Listen Witch, The Company

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Orchestra

Piano	Mary Lou Mauck
Bass	Todd Gallagher
Clarinet	Amanda Bruce
Drums	"Doc" Bromley
Flute	Randy Ashton
French Horn/Trombone	Jenny Taylor
Keyboard	Pamela Starr
Trumpet	Mark Lindvahl
Violin	

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THE COMPANY





Josh Bough



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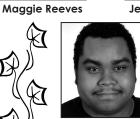
David Woodrow





Lauren Smith





Trevor Walker

Jan Marken



Jeanne Roberts



Flyn Williams

Biographies

Josh Bough (Wolf/Act II Narrator) A graduate of Oakwood High School, Josh participated in Chorus, Student Council, Cross Country, Journalism and Art Club. Currently a freshman at DACC, he is involved in College Singers and the Drama Department. This is his first DLO show, but he has previously been in several productions at Oakwood High School and with CUTC. In his spare time he likes to "hang out with his friends, talk to pretty girls, dance like crazy and sing karaoke".

Narissa Britt (Narrator's Fiancée) A sophomore at Danville High School, Narissa is a member of Contemporaires Show Choir and participates in Track, Key Club, Library Club and Young Women Aware. She serves on the Teen Council at Laura Lee Fellowship House and is a member of the Inspirational Choir at her church. This is Narissa's second DLO show. She also does church plays and appeared in Grease at DHS last spring.

Amanda Coutant (Lucinda) Amanda is proud to be a part of her 13th Danville Light Opera production. Amanda started performing when she was only 9 years old, and she has loved it ever since! Amanda started performing in youth musicals and plays and has been seen on the DLO stage in *Fiddler On The Roof, Chicago, Ragtime,* and most recently *Nunsense*. She would like to thank the directors, the cast and her family for allowing her to be part of her favorite musical ever!

Claire Cummings (Cinderella) Claire has previously appeared in several DLO youth musicals in addition to performing at the Starlight Dinner Theatre, the Urbana Park District and with the North Ridge Drama Club. A freshman at Danville High School, she is a member of Delegation Show Choir and Madrigals. Claire is also on Student Council and the Swim Team. She has studied voice for the past 7 years and would like to thank her teacher for the knowledge and inspiration to keep doing what she loves.

Terri Cummings (Producer) Terri got started as a parent volunteer with two DLO youth musical productions her daughter appeared in. She has since "graduated" to producer, serving in that capacity for *Honk, Jr.*! and *Ragtime*. Terri also volunteers with the DHS Music Boosters. She is Director of Student Services at the University of Illinois at Urbana in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition. She thanks her family for their support while she has been working on *Into The Woods*.

Skyler Foster (Steward) Into The Woods marks Skyler's second appearance with DLO. He was also in Grease at Danville High School last spring. A sophomore at DHS, Skyler is a member of Delegation Show Choir, Triple D Dance Troup and Madrigals. He also participates in Track, Tennis, Library Club and Key Club. Skyler is active in his church music programs and is on the Teen Council at Laura Lee Fellowship House.

Dalton Halls (Jack) Dalton has appeared in several DLO youth and regular season shows as well as with the Beef House Dinner Theatre. A senior at Danville High School, Dalton is a member of Delegation Show Choir. He is active with his church praise band and youth group. Next year he plans on attending DACC and is thinking of a career in music. He would like to thank God for blessing him with his talents and for all the opportunities he has been given.

Erick Henderson (Cinderella's Prince) A junior at Danville High School, Erick is a member of Delegation Show Choir, Madrigals, Jazz Band, Symphonic I and Marching Band. In addition to appearing as Danny in Grease last spring at DHS, he has been in several DLO youth and regular season shows. Erick has appeared on the Beef House Dinner Theatre stage as Tom Sawyer in *Big River* and Sparky in *Forever Plaid*. He is also active with his church music programs and youth group.

Biographies

Nancy Henderson (Witch) Nancy first appeared on the DLO stage in 1989 and has been active both on and off stage ever since. A teacher at East Park, Nancy directs the DHS Players at Danville High School. She has also appeared with Red Mask, Sunshine II, Kankakee Valley Theatre and Beef House Dinner Theatre. She is thrilled to be on stage again with her son Erick, in one of her favorite musicals, having previously appeared as Cinderella in *Into The Woods* with Sunshine II Productions.

Johnny Howard (Baker) A student at DACC, Johnny has been active in theatre and music since junior high school. He has appeared on stage at Danville High School and The Beef House Dinner Theatre as well as Danville Light Opera. Most recently seen as Younger Brother in *Ragtime* last fall, Johnny also serves as the song leader at his church. He thanks his family and friends for all their love and support and also Tonya Rogers for being so patient with him.

Michael Howard (Rapunzel's Prince) Michael is a senior at Danville High School where he participates in Delegation Show Choir, Madrigals, Band and Marching Band. He is also on the Swim Team and the Student Advisory Board. Michael was in the cast of *Bye, Bye Birdie* and also appeared as Sonny in Grease at Danville High School, in addition to appearing on stage for the Beef House Dinner Theatre. Michael also finds time to work as a waiter at Monicals.

Stephanie Keller (Stepmother) Stephanie is pleased to be participating in her 13th local theatre production. She has helped behind the scenes and appeared in many Danville Light Opera shows, with her favorites being *Pippin, Annie Get Your Gun,* and *Ragtime*. Stephanie is a bookseller by trade and is considered an expert on children's literature. She would like to thank her family for supporting her theatre "habit".

Ben Lohrberg (Act I Narrator/Baker's son) *Into The Woods* is Ben's 4th Danville Light Opera show. He has appeared in two youth musicals and several Red Mask children's shows. Most recently Ben was on the DLO stage as Little Boy in *Ragtime*. A fifth-grader at Edison Grade School, Ben sings in the Edison chorus and St. James youth choir. Ben is also studying piano, voice and trombone and participates in Scholastic Bowl, Volleyball and Track at Edison.

Jan Marken (Jack's Mother) Into The Woods marks Jan's 30th year with Danville Light Opera. She most recently appeared as Emma Goldman in Ragtime and has also appeared with Red Mask Players and the Beef House Dinner Theatre. In addition to appearing on stage, Jan has helped behind the scenes and served on the Board of Directors for DLO. She would like to dedicate this show to her husband Dave, and thank him for his love, encouragement and support through the years.

Mary Lou Mauck (Accompanist) Into The Woods is Mary Lou's 17th show as Show Pianist/Rehearsal Accompanist. Most recently, she enjoyed stepping back into the twenties to play for *Chicago*. Other DLO favorites include *Nunsense* and *Nunsense II*. Mary Lou served on the DLO Board of Directors for eight years and is a past president. She thanks her husband John for his love and support (Bravo!); together, they own and operate Mauck Appraisals, Inc.

Cindy Nichols (Rapunzel) Cindy is delighted to be appearing in her 13th Danville Light Opera production. Last season Cindy appeared in the title role in *Cinderella*. Past shows also include *Ragtime* and *Working*. Cindy is currently a sophomore at DACC and will be transferring to Indiana State University this fall. She would like to thank her family and friends for all their love and support.

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Maggie Reeves (Florinda) Into The Woods is Maggie's first DLO production but she is no stranger to performing. A junior at Danville High School, she is a member of Delegation Show Choir, Student Council, Advocates, Mayor's Youth Council and Student Ambassadors. She also performed in Madrigals and is active in her church youth programs. Maggie sends special thanks to her music teachers Jan Voorhees, Jennifer Woodrow, Joy Beebe and Marty Lindvahl for all their help.

Jeanne Roberts (Cinderella's Mother/Granny/Giant) This is Jeanne's first foray onto the stage since high school, but she has been active in other music and performing areas. She sings in her church choir and is the accompanist for solo and ensemble students at Jamaica High School. She is also the play director and flag corps coordinator at Jamaica and writes and directs church Christmas plays. Jeanne works as a substitute teacher and seamstress.

Belinda Smith (Music Director) Belinda has been involved with DLO in many capacities as music director, performer and board member. She has also performed with the DSO, CUTC and BHDT, and is thrilled to be directing this show with such a talented group of young adults and veterans. She is especially proud to be the real life mom to Little Red. Belinda is the choral director at South View Middle School. "Much love to Andrew and Larry."

Lauren Smith (Red Ridinghood) A junior at Catlin High School, Lauren has been performing with Danville Light Opera since she was 8 years old. She has also appeared with Champaign Urbana Theatre Company and at the Fischer Theatre. Lauren sings on the worship team at Catlin Church of Christ and is also active in the church youth group. She also sings with the band at Caltin High School.

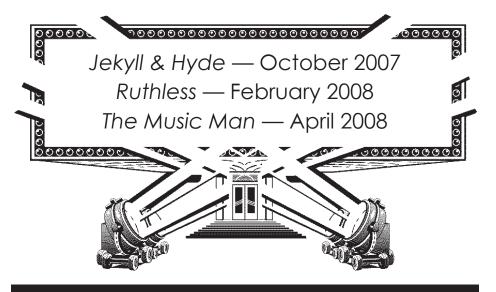
Trevor Walker (Mysterious Man) Trevor is no stranger to the DLO stage, performing in this season's Ragtime as well as in *Working* and in the DLO youth production *The Enchanted Sleeping Beauty*. Trevor is currently a sophomore at DACC, majoring in broadcast journalism. After he graduates from DACC this spring, he will transfer to Eastern Illinois University to continue his education. Trevor sends many thanks to his family and friends for their continued love and support.

Flyn Williams (Baker's Wife) A sophomore at Danville High School, Flyn participates in Contemporaires Show Choir, Marching Band and Madrigals. She has appeared in Grease at DHS and *Big River* at the Beef House Dinner Theatre and last summer in the DLO youth musical Honk, Jr.! Flyn is thrilled to be part of Danville Light Opera's Into The Woods, where she is reprising the role of the Baker's wife that she played in Into The Woods Jr., while at North Ridge Middle School.

David Woodrow (Director) David, with his talented wife Jennifer, has been directing theatrical events in the Danville area for the past eleven years, including DLO's groundbreaking production of *Ragtime* last fall. Some of his favorite directing credits include *The King & I*, *Forever Plaid*, 1776 and *Big River*. David is the artistic director of the Beef House Dinner Theatre where he will direct the new Elvis musical, *All Shook Up*, this summer.

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