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Come Get Maggie

Book by **Diane Frolov** Music by **Susan Justin** Lyrics by **Diane Frolov** and **Susan Justin** Directed by **Michael Pressman** Choreography by **Brooke Wendle**

featuring in order of appearance

MELANIE NEILAN*, MELISSA JOBE*, BRUCE NOZICK*, PHILIP CASNOFF*, DENNIS RENARD*, CHASE RAMSEY*, EDDIE VONA*, JACQUELIN LORRAINE SCHOFIELD*, BETH EGAN*, NICOLE LEDOUX, SARAH HINRICHSEN, ALAN TRINCA*

Music Supervision, Arrangements and Incidental Music Albin Konopka

> Associate Director Krysta Hibbard

Sound Design Christopher Moscatiello**

> Video Design Nicholas Santiago

GRAPHIC DESIGN MICHELLE HANZELOVA-BIERBAUER

Production Stage Manager Rachel Ann Manheimer Music Director Michelle Do

Production Design Stephanie Kerley Schwartz**

> LIGHTING DESIGN **RIC ZIMMERMAN**

Costume Design Dana Rebecca Woods**

Associate Set Design Property Design Glenn Michael Baker

Associate Producer Rebecca Larsen

Technical Co-Directors Joe McClean & Dane Bowman

Produced by John Perrin Flynn

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CAST AND CHARACTERS

In order of appearance

MELANIE NEILAN* Young Maggie/Grown Maggie

MELISSA JOBE* Mrs. Wyberry/Linda/Shopper/Alien/Abductee

BRUCE NOZICK* Mr. Wyberry/Gen. Winthrop/Shopper/Alien/Police Photographer/Beat Cop

> PHILIP CASNOFF* Detective Ziskin/Dr.Floyd

DENNIS RENARD* VAREX/PLANET/STAR/SCIENTIST/SHOPPER/ELVIS PRESLEY/AIR FORCE OFFICER/BEAT COP

CHASE RAMSEY* Hugh Hinkle/Graduate/Scientist/Air Force Officer/Secret Service Agent/Alien

Eddle Vona* Rodney/Planet/Star/Graduate/Scientist/Minister/Donna/Shopper/Alien/Abductee/ Air Force Officer/Sgt.O'Malley/The President of the United States

JACQUELIN LORRAINE SCHOFIELD* Auntie Ruthie/Planet/Star/Graduate/Beautician/Paula/Abductee

BETH EGAN* Little Ruthie/Planet/Star/Graduate/Beautician/Neighbor/Sandra/ Shopper/Alien/Abductee/Junior Officer

NICOLE LEDOUX

Kwee/Planet/Star/Graduate/Beautician/Neighbor/Bobette/Shopper/ Abductee/Press Photographer

> SARAH HINRICHSEN......Female Swing Alan Trinca*.....Male Swing



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Time: 1930s, 1950s

Place: Earth, The Space Around Earth

This performance will run for two hours with one 15 minute intermission

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Additional Crew for Come Get Maggie:

Sound Engineer: Nick DePinto Assistant Sound Designer: Iain Thomas Keyboard Programmer: Marc Macalintal Lead Electrician: Matt Schumacher Electricians: Greg Crafts, Brian Dawson Lighting Assistant: Alexander Freer Assistant Stage Manager: Vanessa Hanish Stage Manager: Rich Wong Assistant Costume Design: Ashley N. Medina Costume Assistant: Teak Piegdon Associate Choreographer: Anna Aimee White Recording Engineer: Matt LaPoint Social Media: Angelea Kelly "After the last two years of incredible adversity and isolation, I wanted to work on a joyful piece of musical theater that would share optimism and humor with all ages."

- Michael Pressman, Director

When Michael Pressman approached me about producing *Come Get Maggie*, a world premiere musical, I immediately said no. We don't do musicals. Michael knew that we did do development workshops on plays we might not produce. Michael asked if we'd do a week workshop on *Maggie* with him directing. I am not saying Michael is sly but, here we are, producing our very first musical.

This production owes a lot to the wonderful work of Brooke Wendell, our choreographer, Albin Konopka, our music supervisor and arranger, and Krysta Hibbard, Michael's associate director.

A musical is the work of many hands. Several people have worked above and beyond the call of duty. This stuff is hard. So, thanks to the extraordinary design team and the equally extraordinary production team. You rose to a considerable challenge.

There were a lot of factors in choosing to produce *Come Get Maggie*, in addition to Michael's persistence. He does know a good thing when he sees it. Diane Frolov and Susan Justin's play is beautifully written and scored, funny, whimsical and, best of all, it leaves me hopeful. Hope is a precious commodity these days. Maybe love can win.

Enjoy,

John Perrin Flynn, Producing Artistic Director

Welcome To Rogue Machine Theatre at the storied Matrix Theatre on Melrose.

The photos on the wall are from past productions at the Matrix and reveal the historical importance of this great theater. Take a few minutes to walk the halls and see who has performed on this stage in the past. You will be amazed. We hope to add to that history.

Tonight we are proud to present the world premiere of Come Get Maggie, our first ever musical. Written by Diane Frolov with music by Susan Justin and Lyrics by Frolov and Justin, this frothy fantasy of a smart woman in a very dumb world will entertain you, make you laugh and hum, and in the end, think. Bringing us back to the good old bad days of the 1950s where everyone knew their place, we meet Maggie, the smart girl, and then woman, who can't possibly fit into a world that excludes people like her. But Maggie doesn't just have a world view, she has a vision of the universe and longs for her "Beam me up Scotty" moment.

We are so happy to welcome director Michael Pressman back to Rogue Machine and extend the red carpet to Diane and her team. Together we will expand our horizons and take you with us.

Now, more than ever, we need your help to continue bringing new and important works to Rogue Machine. Go to our new, revamped website at roguemachine.org and donate. The arts are not a luxury. They are a necessity.

Best regards, Neek Jwomen Neely Swanson

Chair, Rogue Machine Theatre Board of Directors

WHO IS WHO: CREATIVE CREW

DIANE FROLOV (Book and Lyrics)

Diane Frolov received her MFA in playwriting from UCLA. She became a member of Theatre West in Los Angeles, and then began to write and produce television. She co-wrote NBC's science fiction mini-series V and was a writer/ producer on Fox's *AlienNation*. Ms. Frolov won Emmy, Golden Globe and Peabody awards for her work on CBS' *Northern Exposure*. She also received an Emmy and a Writers Guild Award for her work on HBO's *The Sopranos*. Ms. Frolov co-created and produced Showtime's *The Chris Isaak Show* and WB's *Easy Money*. She is currently writing a television pilot for Fox Television Studios with her partner, Andrew Schneider.

MICHAEL PRESSMAN (Director)

Come Get Maggie marks Michael Pressman's return to LA theater and to Rogue Machine where he last directed *Finks*, a play about the struggle of actors during the McCarthy period of the 1950's. He also directed the acclaimed revival of Come Back Little Sheba at the Kirk Douglas Theater for which he won the NAACP award for directing. The Sheba production moved to Broadway for a successful run and S. Epatha Merkerson was nominated for a Tony award for her portrayal of Lola. Other theater credits include the West Coast premiere of To Gillian On Her 37th Birthday in which he also directed the film version starring Michelle Pfeiffer, Claire Danes, Peter Gallagher, and Kathy Baker. He also directed the award winning play Days and Nights Within at the Back Alley Theater. Pressman has moved back and forth from theater and television and films. He has directed numerous TV series, among them Law and Order: SVU starring Mariska Hargitay, Chicago Med, Weeds, In Treatment, Justified, and others. He is a two time Emmy Winner as producer/ director for the TV series Picket Fences, which was the beginning of a ten year working relationship with David E. Kelley. They worked together on *Chicago Hope*, and several other series. Among his movie credits are *Boulevard Nights* (recently named to the Library of Congress), Some Kind of Hero starring Richard Pryor and a film called Those Lips Those Eyes, about Summer Stock starring Frank Langella. Come Get Maggie re-unites Michael with Diane Froloy, where they worked together on *Chicago Med*, and with John Flynn, the head of Rogue Machine. It's like bringing a family back together, and that's what Michael loves most about working in Los Angeles theater. www.Michael-Pressman.com

SUSAN JUSTIN (Musical Composer and Lyrics)

Susan Justin studied music at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Copenhagen and earned a BA in music at UCLA. While working at Santa Monica College as Staff Pianist and Vocal Coach for many musicals, she fronted her own band as singer songwriter and played the LA Club Circuit for ten years. Ms. Justin started her film composing career working for Roger Corman, blending New Wave and Sci-Fi in one of the first fully realized electronic film scores. Her work continued with such directors as Andy Davis and Joe Roth and her most recent work in documentaries has been heard on TBS, TNT, LIFETIME, SHOWTIME and PBS. Ms. Justin is also a choral music educator for Santa Monica Malibu USD, whose notable music program is nationally acclaimed.

BROOKE WENDLE (Choreographer)

Brooke is a creative producer, stage director and choreographer for multicam variety television, scripted television, live concerts, and musical theater. Her work has been seen all over Asia, Europe, the Middle East and across the United States. A few of her credits include *Dancing with The Stars, American Idol, America's Got Talent, World's Got Talent*, Fox's avatar singing competition *Alter Ego, The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Orange Is The New Black,* Franco Dragone's *Taboo*, Cirque du Soleil's *Paramour* on Broadway and *Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson* for which she won a Broadway World Regional Theater award for choreography. Brooke has directed and choreographed global stage shows for Adam Lambert and Condé Nast. She lives in between Los Angeles and New York with her husband and creative partner, Peter, and their miracle embryo, Evyn Reign.

JOHN PERRIN FLYNN (Producing Artistic Director)

John is Rogue Machine's founding Artistic Director and he has produced all of our mainstage productions. For RMT, he has directed World Premieres of John Pollono's *Lost Girls* and Henry Murray's *Treefall*; Enda Walsh's *The New Electric Ballroom* and *Penelope*; Samuel D. Hunter's *Pocatello, A Permanent Image* and *A Bright New Boise; The Sunset Limited; Oppenheimer;* and our inaugural production, *Compleat Female Stage Beauty*. John was the Executive Producer and Director of Lifetime's long-running series *Strong Medicine* and has produced two other series and 14 television movies or miniseries including the Emmy-nominated *Burden of Proof.* In 2012, he received the Career Achievement Award for Theatre from the LA Weekly. John is a proud member of the Chickasaw Nation.

ALBIN KONOPKA (Music Supervision, Arrangements and Incidental Music) Albin has enjoyed an international career as a pianist, producer, composer, musical director/supervisor, vocal/dance arranger, and orchestrator. Recently, he was the music director for A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder for the Jupiter Theatre in Naples, FL, pianist for King Lear with Glenda Jackson, pianist for Wicked, Amazing Grace and Billy Elliot on Broadway, associate musical director on the Gentleman's Guide and Anything Goes national tours, and musical director for Cirque du Soleil's O. His musical, The Gay No More Telethon, was part of the NYC Fringe Festival and he composed Ambra (in Italian) and She Shtups To Conquer! Other highlights include producing Magic in the Mirror in Korea, Smart Women, Foolish Choices in Tokyo, two shows for the White House for Ronald Reagan, and touring the globe with Liza Minelli. Besides, English, Albin speaks Italian, Spanish, German, and French.

KRYSTA HIBBARD (Associate Director)

Krysta is a director/producer with recent television credits: *Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade* (NBC), *ANNIE Live!* (NBC), the *Tonys* (Paramount+ & CBS), *Broadway's Back* (CBS), the *Kennedy Center Honors* (CBS), and Dick Clark's *New Year's Rockin' Eve* (ABC). Her theater credits include: *Wanderer* (Paper Mill), *Arrabal* (ART), *Wildflower* (The Apollo), *Acolyte, The Seafarer, Dark Clothes of Night*, and *Love Letters to a Dictator*. Select film and streaming credits: *Outlier, For Hope, VIVA Broadway!*, *Esther's Choice*, and *Reddy Records*. Krysta also serves on the board of THEE Productions, a bi-coastal non-profit theatre and film production company. Upcoming projects include: *The Spells or Dude*, *Where's My Cauldron*, and *The Outlier*. www.krystahibbard.com

MICHELLE DO (Music Director)

Dr. Michelle Do is an active pianist and musician based in Southern California. She has appeared as a soloist with the La Mirada Symphony Orchestra, Orange County Collegiate Orchestra, the Southern California Philharmonic, and the Indianapolis Philharmonic. Michelle is also a versatile collaborative pianist and music director. She serves as faculty in the Theatre department of Fullerton College, and has music directed productions such as *In the Heights, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Les Miserables, The Spitfire Grill, Mamma Mia!, Freaky Friday*, and others, in venues such as the Cupcake Theatre, the Bronwyn Dodson Theatre, and South Coast Repertory.

STEPHANIE KERLEY SCHWARTZ (*Production Design*)

Stephanie Kerley Schwartz is the resident designer for Rogue Machine Theatre, where her designs include the world premiere of *One Night in Miami* by Kemp Powers, among many others. For Center Theatre Group/ The Mark Taper Forum she designed costumes for *The Lieutenant of Inishmore*, and Randy Newman's *Harps and Angels*, and the set for *Good Grief* at The Kirk Douglas. Other theatres include; Ford's Theatre in Washington DC *Twelve Angry Men* directed by Sheldon Epps, A Noise Within Seven *Guitars, Gem of The Ocean, A Raisin in the Sun* all directed by Gregg Daniel, Laguna Playhouse, Artist's Repertory Theatre in Portland Oregon, Pasadena Playhouse, The Geffen Playhouse, South Coast Repertory, East West Players, Boston Court Pasadena, The Fountain, The Skylight, The Matrix Theatre and many others. Recipient of multiple awards and nominations, including the 2017 LADCC/Kinetic Award for Distinguished Achievement in Theatrical Design. **www.kerleydesign.com**

RIC ZIMMERMAN (Lighting Design)

Previous work at Rogue Machine: Dutch Masters, Pocatello & Penelope. Other theatrical collaborators include: The Fountain Theatre, Circle X, Theatre of Note, Theatre Forty and many others. International dance work: Lula Washington Dance Theatre, Helios Dance Theatre, LA Contemporary Dance Company, Viver Brasil, Rhapsody in Taps. Television lighting credits include: The Howard Stern Show (musical guests), The Chase, Press Your Luck, ESPN, Al Jazeera. Corporate clients: Microsoft, Disney, Warner Bros., Verizon, Boeing, Google and more. www.litegeist.com

CHRISTOPHER MOSCATIELLO (Sound Design)

Christopher is a sound designer, composer and music director, with 2018 LADCC and 2015 Stage Raw Awards, and multiple Ovation nominations for Sound Design. He is a resident designer for Rogue Machine. Theater highlights: The Kennedy Center, Folger Shakespeare Theatre, Antaeus, Odyssey Theatre Ensemble, Rogue Machine, Fountain Theatre, Skylight Theatre, assistant conductor for the national tour of *Phantom of the Opera*. TV highlights: *The Walking Dead, Psych, Eureka, Human Target, The Cape, Caprica, Trauma*. He has scored series, specials and promos for NBC, HBO, BBC, Discovery, National Geographic and others, and he wrote a ballet commissioned by the Kirov Ballet Academy that had its world premiere in Washington, DC.

DANA REBECCA WOODS (Costume Design)

Dana is happy to be a member of the *Come Get Maggie* design team. Dana's theater designs include *The Story of Biddy Mason* at UC Irvine; *Miss Maude* for The AD Players at the George Theatre; *The Color Purple* at Sacramento Music Circus; *What I Learned in Paris* at South Coast Repertory; *Intimate Apparel* at Orlando Shakes; *A Medusa Thread, In the Red and Brown Water* at UC Santa Barbara; *Tiny Beautiful Things* and *Pipeline* at Ensemble Theater Cincinnati; *The Reclamation of Madison Hemings* at Indiana Repertory Theater; *Blues in the Night* at the Laguna Playhouse; *Shout Sister Shout, Fences,* and others for The Pasadena Playhouse. Film & TV design work includes John Sayles' *Go For Sisters*; and the telenovela *Watch Over Me.* Dana has taught at UCF, UCLA, and has been guest speaker at LA Trade Tech College.

NICHOLAS SANTIAGO (*Projection Design*)

Nicholas has worked for numerous universities and theatre companies around Los Angeles including the Pasadena Playhouse (*Ham*), Skylight Theatre (*Forever House, Church & State, Obama Ology*), Rogue Machine (*A Permanent Image, Oppenheimer, Honky*), USC (*Trojan Women, On the Town*), Theatre Planners (*PEMDAS, The Red Dress L.O.V.E.R.*), the Chance Theatre (*Tribes, Middletown, Big Fish*), The Road Theatre (*Nowhere on the Border, A Delicate Ship*), LA LGBT Center (*The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life Revisited*), and the Fountain Theatre (*Arrival & Departure, The Cost of Living*). He recently designed Cesar Millan's new one man show *Unleashed* that opened at the David Copperfield Theatre at the MGM in Las Vegas. He has received numerous award nominations including an Ovation nomination and a LA Drama Critic's Circle award for his work on Rogue Machine's *A Permanent Image* and an Ovation win for his work on The Fountain Theatre's production of *The Cost of Living*. **www.nsantiagodesign.com**

GLENN MICHAEL BAKER (Associate Scenic Designer & Properties Designer) Glenn is excited to help bring this wild and unique show to life! Recent associate design credits include Invincible (Wallis Annenberg Center) and several productions & escape rooms onboard Royal Caribbean ships (under Hariton/ Baral Design). Scenic design credits include the Ovation-nominated Burners (Moving Arts). Recent prop design credits include Assassins, Mamma Mia!, The Great Leap, Allegiance, Vietgone, Next to Normal (East West Players), as well as The Legend of Georgia McBride, The City of Conversation (Ensemble Theatre Company). Specializing in model-making, he has also designed large scale models for Penny Dreadful: City of Angels (Showtime). Glenn holds a BA in Dance from the University of California, Irvine. Portfolio at www.glennmichaelbaker.com

ANNA AIMEE WHITE (Associate Choreographer)

Associate Director/Choreographer: Blue's Clue's & You Live. Staging Supervisor: Disney Princess: The Concert. Choreographer: ABC's The Goldbergs, Netflix's On My Block, GMT's Cindy & The Disco Ball, Actor CoOp's Miracle on 34th St. Associate Choreo: Stephen Schwartz's The Secret Silk for PCL; Mamma Mia! at Bucks County Playhouse; Joseph at 3DT, The Root Beer Bandits at the GMT. Performer on Broadway: White Christmas, Grease (original 2007 company). NYC Encores!: Gentlemen Prefer Blondes; Bells Are Ringing; No No Nanette; Of Thee I Sing; Face The Music. Premiered Backwards In High Heels: The Ginger Musical as 'Ginger Rogers'. Anna has performed at The Kennedy Center, The Hollywood Bowl, The Muny, Papermill Playhouse, Garry Marshall's Happy Days. Film/TV: New Year's Eve; You Again; Valentine's Day; Princess Diaries 2; Raising Helen; Georgia Rule; The Goldbergs; and HBO's Tracey Ullman Live & Exposed.

ASHLEY N. MEDINA (Costume Assistant)

Ashley is a California based costume creative. She has assisted nationally and internationally at Fantasyland Theatre, Deaf West Theatre, Pasadena Playhouse, and Heiva Tahiti among others. She advocates for humanity's representation through an authentic multicultural perspective in her work. She also takes pride with her work on productions that magically bring fiction to life. New Works: *North, Sanctuary City*. Other Costume Work: *Mickey and the Magical Map, Paint the Night, Main Street Electrical Parade, Mickey's Soundsational Parade, Disneyland's A Christmas Fantasy Parade*. Ashley Nichole is thrilled to join the story telling of this production of *Come Get Maggie*.www. Ashnmcostumes.com

RACHEL ANN MANHEIMER (Production Stage Manager)

Having managed everything from original musicals to avant garde happenings, some of Rachel's favorite credits include Tim Crouch's *An Oak Tree*, The American Opera Project's *HAGOROMO*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* with the talented seniors at The Professional Performing Arts High School. You may have seen Rachel running around during the Hollywood Fringe Festival at The Broadwater, where they also ran the acclaimed original production of *The Art Couple*, by Emmy winner Brendan Hunt. As a Los Angeles native, Rachel is doubly proud to be 6 shows in with Rogue Machine in the historic Matrix Theatre. Ask them about the ephemeral power of the sense of wonder!

VANESSA HANISH (Assistant Stage Manager)

Hanish is a San Fernando Valley based creative who feels blessed to have grown up on the land originally cared for by the Chumash and Gabrielino peoples. They have cultivated a love for working on and creating impactful work that promotes intersectional social justice and equity. Hanish is an emerging director, writer, and performer. This is their third show with Rogue Machine. Credits: *Ex-Merry Wives of Whitehall, My Shot, Emily+John* (Director) *A Great Wilderness, Eight Nights, Little Theatre* (Assistant Director) *Ex-Merry, Importance of Being Earnest, Noises Off, Midsummer Nights Dream* (Actor). In their free time, they enjoy destroying the patriarchy.

TEAK PIEGDON (Costume Assistant)

Teak is a 2020 UCSC honors graduate with a major in Theatre Arts and a minor in Film and Digital Media. Previously, she has worked with the Rogue Machine Theatre Company as the Assistant Director for *The Beautiful People*, Assistant Scenic Designer for *On the Other Hand*, *Were Happy* and as the Assistant Stage Manager for *This Wonderful Life*. She has also stage managed several productions at the Pacific Resident Theatre, including *Albee/Pinter*, *Andy Warhol's Tomato* (which received the LA Times "Critic's Choice"), and *After the Revolution*.



RAMÓN VALDEZ (Membership Coordinator)

Ramón (he/him/his) is a graduate of USC where he received a BA in Theatre and an MS in Project Management. At Rogue Machine, Ramón has stage managed over 20 productions including *Three Views of the Same Object, The New Electric Ballroom, A Bright New Boise, Lost Girls, Gruesome Playground Injuries, Penelope, A Permanent Image, Dutch Masters,* and *Les Blancs.* Ramón is also on the board of the Los Angeles Contemporary Dance Company.

MICHELLE HANZELOVA-BIERBAUER (Graphic Design)

Michelle is a graphics/projection designer. Most recently she designed for Tim Venable's *The Beautiful People* and Mike Bartlett's *Earthquakes in London* at Rogue Machine (Ovation Nomination). During the pandemic, she has virtually stream managed multiple projects, including the world premiere of *Insulted: Belaru(sia)* by Andrei Kureichik, *The Divorce Comedy* (REDCAT) and a brand new comedy *Bride & Zoom*. She likes dark dusty theatres, her wife Amanda (yes, *that* Amanda), cats and laughing at existential crises. **www.MichelleHanzelova.com**

JOE MCCLEAN (Co-Technical Director)

After studying Shakespeare in college, nepotism from a construction worker Uncle in NJ delivered the education that would actually keep Joe fed. Over the years, his time swinging a hammer dwindled as he studied at the Royal National Theatre, acted in touring children's theater, wrote and directed two indie features and a dozen shorts, joined the WGA, and started a family... And on occasion, he still opens his toolbox. Keep an eye out in 2023 for *Viral*, written and produced by Joe, starring and directed by Blair Underwood, and also starring Sarah Silverman and Alfre Woodard.

DANE BOWMAN (Co-Technical Director)

Dane's love of theater began at the age of 6, watching a production of Shakespeare's *Much Ado*. Soon after, while playing Tiny Tim in *A Christmas Carol*, he was introduced to the joy of being a part of the theater community. In the years since, he's followed his passion across the country, performing in 48 states as well as landing roles in Film & TV and earning his BFA in Performance & Directing from Southern Oregon University. Along the way, he's done a little bit of pretty much everything: carpenter, dry cleaner, bartender... he was even a Lumber Jack for a while! On his happiest days, you'll find Dane at work and play in a theater.

REBECCA LARSEN (Associate Producer)

Rebecca is a dynamic multi-hyphenate who is always in search of projects and performances that hold a mirror to the human condition, or as she puts it- "touch the art spot." This June, Rebecca directed *Three Guys, One Groupon* at the 2022 Hollywood Fringe Festival, and premiered her film *Hey, Esther?* at the Dances With Films Festival. She's a powerful collaborator who finds deep satisfaction in delivering material that makes its viewer feel less alone, delighted, and nourished. Rebecca is an unapologetic nerd and an avid lover of puzzles, mathematics, non-fiction, mastering new skill sets, behind-the-camera work, and hyphens.

VICTORIA HOFFMAN (Casting Director)

Victoria is the Resident CD at Rogue Machine Theatre. Additional Casting Credits include For the Love of a Glove at The Carl Sagan & Ann Druyan Theater; Kiss of the Spider Woman at A Noise Within; How We Got On for Sacred Fools; Curious Incident & Herland for Greenway Court; Judas Kiss & A Streetcar Named Desire for Boston Court. Film projects include the AFI Thesis films Zenaida and The Fishmonger; Dog Lover at the DTLA Film Festival (among many), and USC Thesis Film Falling (an official selection at the Slamdance Film Festival (among many). Currently Manager of Casting at the AFI Conservatory. Acting credits include Julius Weezer for the Troubies, Sonneteer at the LA LGBT Ctr, and TV pop ups in Abbot Elementary and The Shrink Next Door. www.victoriahoffman.com @VicHoffmanLA

GUILLERMO CIENFUEGOS (Co-Artistic Director)

Guillermo Cienfuegos serves as Co-Artistic Director at Rogue Machine, where he has helmed numerous productions, most recently *The Beautiful People*, *Disposable Necessities, Ready Steady Yeti Go* and *Dutch Masters.* He also directed the RMT video productions of *Insulted:Belarus(sia)* and *Voices of the New Belarus.* Cienfuegos won both the Ovation and Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Awards for Best Director for his production of Shakespeare's *Henry V* at PRT. He has directed numerous productions at PRT, including Ionesco's *Rhinoceros,* Pinter's *The Homecoming* and *Safe at Home: An Evening with Orson Bean.* Other theatre directing credits include *Julia*, both at PRT and at New York's 59E59 theatre, Off-Broadway, *Christmas Contigo* at Oregon Cabaret Theatre, and the Los Angeles Premiere of Stephen Adly Guirgis' Pulitzer Prize winner *Between Riverside and Crazy* at The Fountain Theatre. Cienfuegos was featured in the 'People to Watch' issue of American Theatre magazine and is a graduate of the American Conservatory Theatre. Next up: *Much Ado About Nothing* at A Noise Within.

ELINA DE SANTOS (Co-Artistic Director)

Elina de Santos is the first woman to receive the LADCC award for Distinguished Achievement in Directing. World premieres: Rogue Machine include Rob Mersola's *Dirty Filthy Love Story*, John Pollono's *Razorback*, and Vince Melocchi's *Nice Things* as well as the American Premiere of *Daytona* by Oliver Cotton, West Coast Premieres: *Bhutan* by Daisy Foote, *Stop Kiss* by Diana Son, *Falling* by Deanna Jent. At Chance Theater, *Sweat* by Lynn Nottage, *Cry It Out* by Molly Smith Metzler, *Seminar* by Theresa Rebeck, at Skylight Theatre *Church & State* by Jason Odell Williams (WP), at Pacific Resident Theatre, *Smart Love* by Brian Letscher (WCP), *All My Sons, Orpheus Descending*, (LADCC Awards direction/production), *Rocket to the Moon*, (LADCC Nom), *Death of a Salesman*, (LADCC award), at Deaf West *Romeo & Juliet: Circus Verona*, (Ovation Nom), *Orphans* by Lyle Kessler at International City Theatre (OC Weekly Best Production). Pasadena Playhouse, *Vincent in Brixton*, Berkshire Theatre Festival, *Awake & Sing!*.

WHO IS WHO: CAST



PHILIP CASNOFF (Ziskin)

Broadway: Billy Flynn opposite Bebe Neuwirth in *Chicago*, and Blackthorn in the musical *Shogun*. Freddy in *Chess* (Theater World Award, Dir: Trevor Nunn) and starred opposite his wife (Roxanne Hart) in Shaw's *Devil's Disciple* (Circle In The Square). *Grease* (Original Production). Off-Broadway: TFANA - Helicanus in *Pericles* (Dir: Trevor Nunn). NYSF: the lead in Todd Rundgren's *Up Against It* (Drama Desk

nom.). In residence with the Dodgers theater company at BAM and the NYSF. Leading roles in classical, contemporary plays and musicals at Yale, Longwharf, Arena Stage and ACT. TV: A regular on *Strong Medicine* where he directed several episodes, as well as two episodes of *Monk*. Stanislavsky on HBO's *Oz*, Leading roles in several miniseries including *North and South* and the title role in *Sinatra* (Golden Globe nom.). Guest Star on numerous shows including *City on a Hill, Homeland, One Mississippi, Grey's Anatomy, CSI, Scream Queens* and more recently *All Rise*, and *Manifest*. Film: Several films including *The Post*, and most recently *Rachel Hendrix* (premiering at Santa Barbara film festival). He is a founding member of Rogue Machine Theater Company.



BETH EGAN (Little Ruthie)

Beth is thrilled to be back on stage to be a part of the World Premiere of *Come Get Maggie*! She is a graduate of the musical theatre program at DeSales University, home of the Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. Regional theatre credits include *Les Miserables, Julius Caesar, Loves Labours Lost,* and *The Little Mermaid*. She currently studies acting with best selling author and teacher Ivana Chubbuck. This show is for my family who continue to

support my dream through thick and thin (and a pandemic). IG: beth_egan



SARAH HINRICHSEN (Female Swing)

Sarah is thrilled to be sharing space with the amazing artists of *Come Get Maggie* and Rogue Theatre Machine! She spent the last two years touring the country as Rachel in Jimmy Buffett's *Escape to Margaritaville*, and has performed Off-Broadway, in multiple concerts (*Broadway in Bryant Park, Fleet Week, Broadway Barks,* 54 below), and Pre-Broadway workshops. Favorite Regional: Katherine Plummer (*Newsies*), Jo March

(*Little Women*), Gabrielle (*Cinderella*), Belle (*Beauty and the Beast*) and many more. Endless love to this cast and creative team for all the laughs, M+D and Chris for the constant support. **More:** @sarahhin and sarahhinrichsen.com

MELISSA JOBE (Mrs. Wyberry)



Melissa is an actress, singer, writer and producer based in Los Angeles. Melissa originated the role of Wallis Simpson in the stage production of *That Woman!* at the 2018 Edinburgh Festival Fringe to rave reviews. Theatre: *The Trials and Tribulations of a Trailer Trash Housewife, Cinderella, Damn Yankees, Fiddler on the Roof, Evita, The Music Man, Hedwig and the Angry Inch, The Rocky Horror Show, 1776, How to Succeed in Business, Allegro,*

All the King's Men. Film/TV: Jane the Virgin, DARK/Web, Forget-Me-Not, Real Heroes, Cowboy's Girl, Pink and Green, The Wandmaker; Voice acting: Chinook, That Woman!, Presto Change-o. Melissa is also a producer and content creator with the talk-show, Dr. G: Engaging Minds. www.melissajobe.com



NICOLE LEDOUX (Kwee)

Nicole (she/her) is a queer actor, indie filmmaker, and musical comedy writer with a BFA in Acting from Emerson College. She was last seen as Joanne in Coeurage Ensemble's production of *Rent*. Other favorite roles include Whatsername in *American Idiot*, Viola in *Twelfth Night*, and Judy Turner in *A Chorus Line*. In 2022 Nicole completed post-production on the LGBTQ musical comedy pilot that she co-wrote and starred in, *Groovy Tuesdays*. More at **www.nicoleledoux.com**.



MELANIE NEILAN (Maggie)

Melanie is a versatile actress and trained classical ballerina with appearances in Steppenwolf plays and popular TV shows such as *Criminal Minds: Beyond Borders* and *NCIS: LA*. In addition to her acting career, Neilan spent many years as a member of the Makkai Ballet Company and appeared in Stephen Cone's film, *Henry Gamble's Birthday Party*, which won a Silver Hugo award. Offstage, she enjoys playing the piano, composing music, and exploring her passions for

electronics and software engineering. She is also working towards a Math degree and can often be found riding her unicycle in her West Hollywood neighborhood.

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BRUCE NOZICK (*Gen. Winthrop/Mr. Wyberry*) Bruce is happy to be appearing in his third show with Rogue Machine. Previously with Rogue he appeared in *Finks* (also directed by Michael Pressman) and *Honky*. He began his career in New York after graduating from NYU, appearing at multiple Regional Theatres, Off-Broadway and with the first National Tour of Neil Simon's *Lost in Yonkers*. Since moving to Los Angeles he has appeared in over 100 TV shows and films, including

multiple seasons on *Weeds* and *The Last Ship*. He is grateful to have made a living in this crazy industry with the support of his wonderful wife, Terry, and two fantastic sons, Lucas and Will. **www.BruceNozick.com**



CHASE RAMSEY (Hugh)

Chase was last on stage in *The Book of Mormon* musical on Broadway playing Elder Cunningham. Next up he can be seen in Kevin Costner's epic *Horizon Series* (WB), *Falling for Christmas* (Netflix), *Sweet Pecan Summer* (Hallmark), *Yellowstone* (Paramount), *The Storied Life of AJ Fikry*, and a great episode of *Law and Order*. Also known for his work as past food network host as well as a director for the Walt Disney company, The Guthrie

Theatre, Berkeley Rep. And four feature films. Chase is a published playwright and produced screenwriter. Instagram: @chaseramseyreally



DENNIS RENARD (Varex)

Dennis is excited to be making his Rogue Machine debut among such a talented group of artists. Since graduating UCLA's School of Theater, Film, and Television, he's been making a home of the LA theater scene. His recent theater credits include *Choir Boy* with Dezart Performs, *The City of Conversation* at Coachella Valley Repertory, *Apollo 11* at the Rose Bowl, and *12 Angry Men* at the Laguna Playhouse. He performed in

the immersive theater shows: *Stranger Things* and *Arcane*. TV/Film credits: *Book of Queer* (Discovery+), *Mississippi Requiem* (Elysium Bandini), *Sinister Minister* (Lifetime). He'd like to thank his family and friends for the undying support, as well as the other artists responsible for making this such a fulfilling experience. @thedenren



JACQUELIN LORRAINE SCHOFIELD (Auntie Ruthie) Jacquelin is a proud Air Force Veteran, who hails from Brooklyn, NY, and is also a very gifted home chef. She is an Ovation and NAACP Theater Award winner, for her performances in *The Color Purple*. After a successful summer run of *In The Heights* (La Mirada Theatre), as the first Afro-Latina to play Abuela Claudia, she is excited to be joining RMT for the world premiere of Diane Frolov's musical, *Come Get Maggie*. Other

Theatre Credits: *The Crucible* (Theatricum); *The Color Purple, A Musical* (Greenway); *Sister Act, The Musical* (CASA) *Bronco Billy, The Musical* (Skylight); *Bad Habits* (Ruskin Group); *How We Got On* (Sacred Fools); *Rapunzel Alone* (The Wallis/24 th Street); *Camille* (Santa Clarita Shakes); and *A Great Wilderness* (Rogue Machine). #IcandoallthingsthroughChrist



ALAN TRINCA (Male Swing)

Alan makes his Rogue Machine debut with *Come Get Maggie*. He was last seen off-Broadway in *MSTRIAL* at New World Stages in NYC. Previous off-Broadway credits include *Friends the Musical* (Joey), *Love's Labor's Lost* (Navarre), and *90210 the Musical* (Dylan McKay). Alan has been featured as both on-camera and voice talent, most notably for: Dreamworks Animation (*TBA*), MTV (*Rio Shore*), CBS (*Bull*),

and Hasbro/Netflix (*Transformers: Rescue Bots Academy*). He co-runs the production company Good Life Ent, writing and producing short films and developmental series. www.Wearegoodlifeent.com | @alantrinca



EDDIE VONA (President/Rodney)

Eddie is thrilled to be performing with Rogue Machine for the first time! Recent credits include: Under Milk Wood and The Secret in the Wings (Coeurage Ensemble), Chisme y Queso (Center Theater Group), Girlfriend: The Musical and Hand to God (Dezart Performs), Darkside (Garage Theater), In Love and Warcraft (Artists at Play, West Coast Premiere), Little Man (LA New Court, World Premiere) 50 Shades of Shakespeare (Hollywood Fringe Festival). He toured with Kaiser Permanente

Educational Theatre from 2015-2020 as a swing, performing 11 roles across 6 shows. He holds a BFA from NYU Tisch. Check out his website: **www.eddievonaactor.com**. And for something completely different find him on Instagram and TikTok **@sugar.otter.flour**

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