

Kirwan State High School

Presents



*Follow the Yellow
Brick Road*



Executive Principal's Welcome

Kirwan High continues its tradition of outstanding musical entertainment with this year's production of *The Wizard of Oz*. This will be a high energy performance filled with fantastic singing and dancing.

This tradition began thirty-two years ago and we have enjoyed great community support and success each year since. In fact, our musical has become a highlight in Townsville's entertainment calendar.

The Director, Jamie Hunt, has had considerable experience in local musical theatre along with many of our talented, committed staff who have spent thousands of hours of work bringing *The Wizard of Oz* to life on stage for you tonight.

Every student will contribute their piece of magic. You will all be highly entertained and our school community will be very proud.

Enjoy the show!

Meredith Wenta
Executive Principal

A Message from the Director

Following on from the success of *Hairspray!* last year has been no easy feat. The response that we received from our audiences was overwhelming, with closing night a sell-out. It took the musical team months to decide on a show that could match the sensation of *Hairspray!*, but after lengthy conversations, we all agreed upon the family-favourite, *The Wizard of Oz*.

Our journey down the Yellow Brick Road began late last year, when 100 students auditioned for lead roles, and resumed in Term 1 of this year, with students rehearsing weekly. Like the teachers, the cast fell in love with the adorable characters and classic songs. They have worked tirelessly for the past few months and I am sure you will agree their hard work has paid off.

On behalf of the musical team, I hope you fall in love with this show as much as we have. Sit back and enjoy!

Thanks,

Jamie Hunt and the Musical Team





Synopsis

Dorothy Gale's life is turned upside down as a tornado hits Kansas and transports Dorothy to the magical Land of Oz. With her trusty sidekick and canine friend Toto by her side she navigates the Yellow Brick Road through Munchkin Land, Poppy Fields and The Dark Forest before arriving at the Emerald City, which hopefully holds the key to her going home. Along the way she meets Scarecrow who is dreaming of a brain, Tinman longing for a heart and Lion who is desperate for some courage. These four unlikely friends are all off to see the Wizard, the Wonderful Wizard of Oz, to ask for their heart's desires. With assistance from the Good Witch, Glinda and the magical ruby red slippers, Dorothy is just three heel clicks away from being home in Kansas.

Scenes & Musical Numbers

Act One:

- Opening Orchestra and Girls Chorus
- Over the Rainbow Dorothy
- Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead Glinda, Dorothy and Munchkins
- Yellow Brick Road..... Munchkins
- If I Only Had a Brain Scarecrow, Dorothy and Crows
- We're Off to See the Wizard Dorothy and Scarecrow
- If I Only Had a Heart Tinman, Dorothy and Trees
- We're Off to See the Wizard Dorothy, Tinman and Scarecrow
- Lions, Tigers and Bears..... Dorothy, Tinman and Scarecrow
- If I Only Had the Nerve Lion, Dorothy, Tinman and Scarecrow
- We're Off to See the Wizard Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow and Lion
- Poppies Glinda, Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion

Act Two:

- Entr'acte Orchestra
- The Merry Old Land of Oz..... Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion, Guard and Ozians
- The Merry Old Land of Oz (Reprise) Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion, Guard and Ozians
- If I were King of the Forest..... Lion, Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow
- March of the Winkies/Monkeys Winkies, Monkeys
- Jitterbug Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion and Jitterbugs
- Winkies March with Friends and Over the Rainbow (Reprise) Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion and Winkies
- Ding Dong! The Witch Is Dead (Reprise) Winkies
- Finale Act Two Orchestra



Cast



Dorothy Gale Darcie Fielding

Year 12 student Darcie makes her transition from orchestra pit to stage for her debut as Dorothy Gale in *The Wizard of Oz*. After being an orchestra member for Kirwan State High School's previous productions of *Disco Inferno*, *The Wedding Singer* and *Hairspray*, Darcie is ready to take everyone on a journey over the rainbow. She is excited about her new adventure and says the best thing about being in a Kirwan musical is "the sense of creativity and all of the singing". Darcie has adored bringing this classic story to life and hopes you love it!



Toto Olivia Cartwright

Kirwan High Interact Club Director Olivia takes to the stage for her final Kirwan High Musical. She has been a part of previous school productions lending her wonderful talents as a featured dancer in *The Wedding Singer* and *Hairspray*. Olivia loves to perform and is excited to end her last musical at Kirwan High with a bang. "They are the greatest experiences of my high school journey." Olivia wishes to thank all of her teachers for their time in preparing *The Wizard of Oz* and hopes you enjoy the show.



Glinda the Good Emily Smith

Emily is excited to add a third Kirwan High Musical to her belt after previously being a cast member in *The Wedding Singer* and *Hairspray*. She also made her Townsville theatre debut in Townsville Choral Society's *Annie* earlier this year. Emily would like to thank the many teachers who have helped her with her singing and dancing over a number of years and is excited that she is getting the chance to do what she loves the most... "Perform!" Emily would like to thank you for taking the time to come to our show and she hopes you think *The Wizard of Oz* is just as good as Glinda.



Scarecrow Sam Taylor

Year 11 student Sam is no stranger to performing at Kirwan High having appeared in *Disco Inferno*, *Wedding Singer* and *Hairspray*. Sam was awarded the Drama Excellence Award in Year 9 and credits this with his enduring love of acting. He enjoys "being able to step out of my comfort zone and just have fun!" Sam sends all of his love to his friends and family for their support and thanks the teachers for the long hours they have put in to make the show possible. Sam hopes Kirwan High's *The Wizard of Oz* makes all your dreams come true.



Tinman Gabe Williams

School Music Captain Gabe completes his Kirwan High journey with his fourth Kirwan High Musical, having been a cast member in *Disco Inferno*, *The Wedding Singer* and *Hairspray*. He enjoys "the space, the environment and the people" and welcomes everyone to get involved in the magic that is a Kirwan High Musical. Gabe wishes to thank all of the teachers who put in long hours to make the musical possible and he hopes your heart grows like his whilst you enjoy the show.

Cast



Lion Alex McDougall

Alex is a veteran of Kirwan High Musicals having made his debut in *All Shook Up* back when he was in grade 8. He has also been a cast member in *Disco Inferno* and *Hairspray*. When not on stage Alex enjoys playing his saxophone and guitar and competing at Eisteddfods in various music ensembles. Alex loves that the Kirwan High musicals let him “make new friends and admire the beauty of music”. Unlike the Cowardly Lion, Alex is excited to bring you all on the journey to the Emerald City.



Wicked Witch Madison Woodfield

The Wizard of Oz is Maddie’s third time being in a musical after appearing in Kirwan High’s *Hairspray* and Townsville Choral Society’s *Annie*, however she has shared her vocal talents in the Kirwan’s Got Talent competitions and the annual Arts Expo. Maddie enjoys the Kirwan High musicals letting her “have the opportunity to perform”. Maddie hopes you have a wicked time and enjoy Kirwan State High School’s *The Wizard of Oz*.



Wizard of Oz Jack Nosworthy

Stuart Sports Captain Jack is treading the boards for the first time after the shock and disappointment of receiving a C in Grade 8 Drama left him too upset to act for many years. During his time away from acting, Jack has represented many sports teams and is a current member of the Kirwan High Bears Rugby League Team. He says the best part about being in a Kirwan High Musical is “meeting new people and learning from great teachers”. Jack hopes you enjoy *The Wizard of ‘Noz’*.



Emerald City Guard Jacob McCarthy

After five years at Kirwan High, Jacob decides to end his school journey on a high note joining *The Wizard of Oz*. However Jacob is no stranger to the stage having appeared in Kirwan Primary’s production of *Cinderella* as well as competing in numerous Eisteddfod’s winning several drama awards. Jacob is proud to be “working with such a large group of people,” and is proud to show you all the hard work the entire musical team has put into this and assures you that the show will be nothing other than magical.







Cast

Kara Banhuk
Ella Barton
Sean Bateson
Rhiannon Beerwald
Keely Brand
Charissa Brown
Lauren Buckland
Kayleigh Bull
Madasyn Burgess
Chloe Burgess
Taylor Buse
Chelsey Butcher
Petria Cahill
Allira Cameron
Tegan Carter
Olivia Cartwright
Alyssa Clay
Kiara Clay
Danielle Connolly
Abbie Cook
Alex Cox
Madison Craig
Tyla Craven-Griffiths
Garisen Dee
Skye Dodds
Emma Dorman
Darcie Fielding
Chelsea Freeman
Molly Gardner
Ella Gausden
Madison Greenhalgh

Hayden Gregory
Tayla Gregory
Katherine Groves
Matthew Hayes
Sheikra Hermann
Annie Hiller
Ashleigh Hine
Zearah Hockaday
Jacob Horton
Lauren Hughes
Rachel Humphreys
Rebecca Hutchinson
Jordyn Hutchinson
Sophie Jones
Emily Jones
Theo Kelly
Taleesha Laws
Tayla Little
Krystal Maeselee
Sirena Manicaros
Jacob McCarthy
Alex McDougall
Callysta Morris
Sebastian Morrison
Sharna Morrissey
Harley Murdock
Jack Nosworthy
Paige Nugent
Mariah Oxenburgh
Nikita Packwood
Hanna Perkins

Hunter Power
Rachel Pritchard
Taleisha Riley
Callum Riley
Tiarna Riley
Emily Rogers
Yazmin Schellhorn
Madison Schmidt
Courtney Searston
Rhiana Shaw
Patrick Shelley
Emily Smith
Simone Stendal
Jacob Staton
Sam Taylor
Jazmin Ticehurst
Lauren Tierney
Kaitlyn Tracz
Sule Tschirpig
Bridget Wegner
Chelsea White
Xanthia Williams
Carmen Williams
Gabe Williams
Paige Wilson
Sami Wilson
Kai Wilson
Jayden Wilson
Madison Woodfield
Mikayla Zahirovic



Orchestra

Flute Carra Barry, Lucy Gardner

Reed 1 Katie Hoffman, Chloe Suhr

Reed 2 Sarah Hill, Christie Campbell

Reed 3 Rianta Belford

Trumpet Derek Larsen, Roy Hosking

Trombone/Tuba Brett Northeast

French Horn Sue Darrigan, Angus Marsh-Brown

Piano Andrew Chen

Harp Nancy Nicholson

Bass Brad Quantrill

Violin Caroline Lloyd-Doolan, Susan Fraser

Cello Annaliese Palmer

Drums Ashley Baxter

Percussion Jono Chappell

Conductor Dale Hosking

Crew

Producer Jamie Hunt and Ashley Baxter

Directors Jamie Hunt and Lindsay Nobile

Choreographers Emma Baynes, Kylie Tillack
and Fiona Cochrane

Vocal Directors Dale Hosking, Suellen Onslow,
Nicole Oziganow and Brett Northeast

Musical Director Dale Hosking

Photography Melissa Ballard –
Year 11 and 12 photography Students.

Stage Manager Raelene Frantz

Assistant Stage Manager Chris Nobile,
Caitlin Brown and Nick Dean

Backstage Crew Nicole Oziganow,
Erin Darrigan, Skye Tranter, Jayden Rush, Brad
Palmer, Jasmine White, Katerina Johnson, Amy
Milne, Emily Surgeon, Sam Carpenter, Kodi
Tanerau, Logan Gregory, Chanae Dawson

Set Design Sarah Potts, David Gallagher

Set Painting Sarah Potts, John Cochrane,
Skye Tranter, David Gibbon, Veronica Potts,
Chris Reidy, Kellie Ballerino, Adriana Hering,
Rhonda Payne

Costumes Lisa Murray, Debbie Downie,
Jodie Rule, Debbie Quirk

Props Erin Darrigan and Olivia Croxson

Promotions Ashley Baxter, Joanne Thomson,
Jamie Hunt, Meredith Went, Lisa Hill

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Past Productions

1984 O What A Lovely War
1985 Oliver
1986 West Side Story
1987 The Boyfriend
1988 King and I
1989 Oklahoma
1990 Evita
1991 Puttin' on the Ritz
1992 Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
1994 Bugsy Malone
1997 Oliver
1998 Dazzle
1999 Wizard of Oz
2000 Viva Mexico
2001 Pirates of Penzance

2002 Back to the 80s!
2003 Annie
2004 Grease
2005 Oliver
2006 Disco Inferno
2007 Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
2008 The Sound of Music
2009 Grease
2010 Pirates of Penzance
2011 Back to the 80s!
2012 All Shook Up
2013 Disco Inferno
2014 The Wedding Singer
2015 Hairspray!





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