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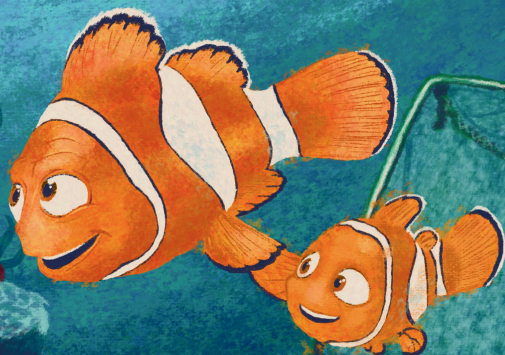
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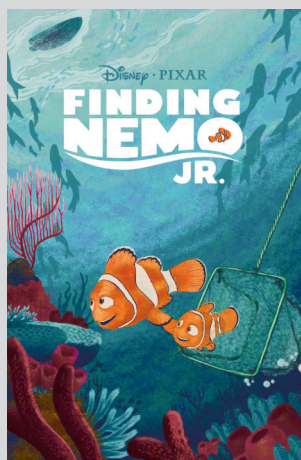
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FINDING NEMO, JR.

Book, Music, & Lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez

Book Adapted by Lindsay Anderson

Music and Orchestrations Adapted and Arranged by Myrna Conn

Based on the 2003 Disney/Pixar film Finding Nemo Written by Andrew Stanton, Bob Peterson, David Reynolds, and Directed by Andrew Stanton

Directed by Katie Umland

Music Directed by Anna Erikson

Choreographed by Megan Hoffman

Cast of Characters

Nemo	Henry Erikson
Marlin	Jonah Erikson
Dory	Camille Thomas
Coral / Kai	Josephine Davis
Professor Rey / Nigel	Caroline Davis
Pearl	Esther Colbert
Sheldon	Sidney Davis
Tad	Karleigh Ballue
Tad's Parent / Bubbles	Lennie Jean Zukowski-Faust
Pearl's Parent / Breeze	Leena Tunink
Sheldon's Parent / Crush	Carter Craven
Bruce	Kaylynn Ballue
Chum	ClaraAnn Kirkendall
Anchor/Scuba Mask Dancer	Skyler Kuhlman
Sharks	Jaxon Bergardt, Emmett Sand, Tanner Siefken, & Bentley Yankton
Fish Friends / Moonfish	Kylie Beville, Rosie Erikson, Patricia Francis, Kaysee Meyer, & Kodi Meyer
Squirt	Quinn Tietz
Gill	Vincent Viveros
Bloat	Lucas Cook
Peach	Marie Erikson
Gurgle	Sophia Tunink
Barracuda	Jurnee Boller

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Cast & Scenes

Cast of Characters, Cont'd

Vacationers	Jurnee Boller, William Bunch, Harlee Melroy, Kellyn Phillips, & Tanner Siefken
Angelfish	Kellyn Phillips
Damselfish	Paige Helmke
Sea Turtles	Elizabeth Blake & Aubree Robinson
Grouper	Kylie Beville
Lobsters	Rosie Erikson & Patricia Francis
Octopuses	William Bunch & Baylor Woodward
Electric Eels	Isabella Hirschler & Harlee Melroy
Jellyfish	William Bunch, Isabella Hirschler, Paige Helmke, Harlee Melroy, Kellyn Phillips, & Aubree Robinson
Seagulls	Aqua Donithan, Benedict Hespen, Ivy Smith, Quinn Tietz, & Baylor Woodward

Setting:

Great Barrier Reef, Australia

There will be no intermission

SCENES & SONGS

Prologue

SCENE ONE: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Big Blue World (Part 1)

Big Blue World (Part 2)

SCENE TWO: ABDUCTION TO SHARKS

The Drop-Off

Abduction / Big Blue World
(Reprise)

Dory's Ditty

Fish Are Friends Not Food

SCENE THREE: BOARDWALK

Seagulls 1

SCENE FOUR: MEET THE TANK GANG

Where's My Dad?

We Swim Together

SCENE FIVE: JOURNEY THROUGH THE SEA

Just Keep Swimming (Part 1)

Just Keep Swimming (Part 2)

SCENE SIX: BOARDWALK

SCENE SEVEN: THE PUMP IS OFF

Not My Dad

SCENE EIGHT: GO WITH THE FLOW

Go With the Flow

SCENE NINE: THE GAME, THE GOSSIP, THE ESCAPE

One Dedicated Father

That's My Dad

We Swim Together (Reprise)

SCENE TEN: BOARDWALK

SCENE ELEVEN: SYDNEY

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Just Keep Swimming Together

Finale (Part 1)

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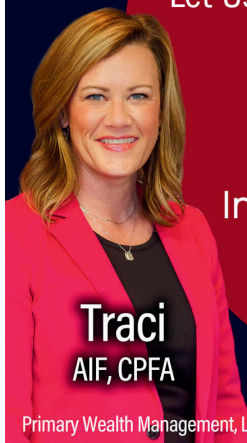
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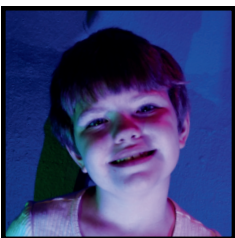
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Sidney Davis



Aqua Donithan



Henry Erikson



Jonah Erikson



Marie Erikson



Rosie Erikson



Patricia Francis



Paige Helmke

Meet the Cast



Benedict Hesper



Isabella Hirschler



ClaraAnn
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Skyler Kuhlman



Harlee Melroy



Kaysee Meyer



Kodi Meyer



Kellyn Phillips



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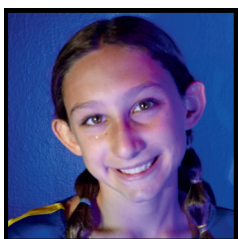
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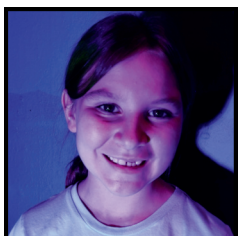
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