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proudly presents



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SHREK

THE MUSICAL JR.

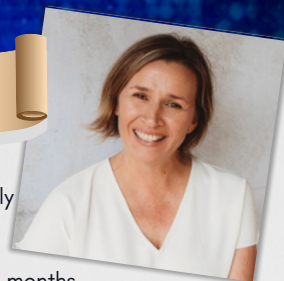


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JULY 2025

THEATRE @
ELKANAH HOUSE



NOTE FROM OUR
PRINCIPAL



Welcome to our magical adventure Shrek the Musical, Jr, our delightfully quirky and heartwarming production!

Productions like this don't just happen overnight. They are the result of months of dedication, creativity and passion from our students and staff. From the cast who brought the characters to life, to the crew behind the scenes, the costume designers, set builders, choreographers, musicians and directors, each one has poured their time and talent into making this production an unforgettable experience.

Thank you to the cast for bringing your energy, your humour and your big hearts to the stage. To our production team, a heartfelt thank you for your commitment, passion and belief in the magic of the arts and for giving our Senior Prep students the opportunity to shine on stage.

So, sit back, relax and get ready to laugh and cheer as we journey through Far Far Away, together.

Pippa Sinclair

THE
PRODUCTION
TEAM



Shrek the Musical Jr is Elkanah House Senior Preparatory's 7th licensed stage production. Building on a proud tradition of offering students the opportunity to be part of a comprehensive (*in fact, almost professional*) theatre experience has been a privilege for the production team. It embodies Elkanah's drive to give students learning experiences beyond examinations and beyond the classroom. The 8-month journey that culminated in this show week has been a privilege and a joy for us.



Watching the students' confidence and camaraderie grow as they embraced their characters, memorised songs, dialogue and choreography, has been fulfilling and heartwarming, and leaves us with a sense of pride at what young people can achieve when given an opportunity.



At the heart of this particular story is a simple, but vital message, a message that couldn't be more relevant in current times - being brave enough to accept yourself for who you are! This is a challenge for most in modern times, and even more so with the pressures that social media places on young people. While being part of the show will be a memory that will last forever, hopefully the message of courage and self-acceptance will change the way they go forward in the world.



The Production Team

Evie Nel, Taryn Williams, Thembi Mgoqi & Craig Bellwood

CAST & CREW



SHREK
MATTHEW VAN DER
MERWE



PRINCESS FIONA
ZARA GREEFF



DONKEY
TUMI RAMOHLOLA



LORD FARQUAAD
JACE HARMSSEN



GINGY
ARABELLA STEYN



YOUNG FIONA
SOPHIA MILLAR



OGRE FIONA
STACEY MUNRO



TEEN FIONA
EMMA LEECH



STORYTELLER
CHLOE EGAN



STORYTELLER
ISABELLA BARTON



STORYTELLER
JAKE EVANS



DRAGON'S VOICE
ALEXIS VAN WYK



PINOCCHIO
ETHAN LAING



PUSS IN BOOTS
ETHAN RAMCHARAN



PIED PIPER
LUMEN LANSEDELL



RED RIDING HOOD
OLIVIA BREMNER



LITTLE PIG
BISMARCK STOOP



LITTLE PIG
EMILEE TERBLANCHE



LITTLE PIG
LEA VAN DER BERG



BIG BAD WOLF
KHALIPHA NCETANI

CAST & CREW



ROOSTER
KYLIE LOUW



PETER PAN
JAMES WALKER



THE BISHOP
COOPER GILLIGAN



DWARF
EJ MANGWIRO



UGLY DUCKLING
KARABO RAMOHLOLA



BABY BEAR
ISABELLA ROSS



PAPA BEAR
LELO HLABISA



MAMA BEAR
TALITHA NCETANI



CPT OF THE GUARD
LITHA TINA



WICKED WITCH
CHLOE DUVERGE



RAT
CLEO MCINTOSH



RAT
DEA GELDENHUYS



RAT
KERREN JAMES



RAT
HARPER COOKE



RAT
OLIVIA BELL



RAT
PIPPA DIJKSTRA



GUARD & KNIGHT
BASTIAAN STOOP



GUARD & KNIGHT
JOHN-LUKE
BEZUIDENHOUT



GUARD & KNIGHT
MARCELL GOOSSENS



GUARD & KNIGHT
SEAN KONDO

CAST & CREW



DULOC PERFORMER
AMELIE WOUTERS



DULOC PERFORMER
ARIN LOURENS



DULOC PERFORMER
EMILY JOHNSON



DULOC PERFORMER
KAREN MACHUMI



DULOC PERFORMER
SASKIA GILLIGAN



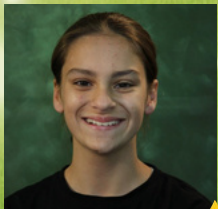
DULOC PERFORMER
MILA BISSCHOFF



DULOC PERFORMER
REBECCA LIEBENBERG



DULOC PERFORMER
SANCIA PAUL



DULOC PERFORMER
SIENNA AUSTIN



DULOC PERFORMER
SUMMER CARELSE



DULOC PERFORMER
SUMMER DE SAINT
PERN



PUPPETEER
SLOAN SLABBERT



PUPPETEER
ALICIA YOUNG



PUPPETEER
EMA KOPKE



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GABRIELA MATEUS



PUPPETEER
LAYLA SONG



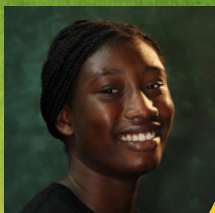
PUPPETEER
YIJIA SHI

 **SHREK**
THE MUSICAL JR.

CAST & CREW



BACKSTAGE
AURORA DE BEER



BACKSTAGE
ESTHER OMOKARO



BACKSTAGE
GRYPHIN CARELSE



BACKSTAGE
IMAGE BANGANI



BACKSTAGE
KWAKHANYA DLEPU



BACKSTAGE
LOGAN DU PREEZ



BACKSTAGE
MADISON LE ROUX



BACKSTAGE
SOPHIA BLACK





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OGRE-SIZED *thank you*

A production of this magnitude could not be staged without help. From the bottom of our hearts, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the following people;

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& JO-ANNE BEZUIDENHOUT** *for the late nights sewing costumes and for backstage makeup.*

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& HIGH SCHOOL AV TEAM** *for all the management around the Sound & Lighting*

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ELLA HOWE *prompt*

LAST BUT NOT LEAST ...

To all the members of staff and their family members who have helped to paint, glue, cut, clean and measure and encourage in a multitude of tiny ways!



SHREK

THE MUSICAL JR.

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by

DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE

Music by

JEANINE TESORI

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions

Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford.

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