

Spirit  Borne

P R E S E N T S

ESTHER

— T H E M U S I C A L —



Welcome

"And who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this!"

~ Mordecai, Esther 4:14, New King James Version, Holy Bible

At some point or another in our life we will face a MILESTONE MOMENT - a moment that where we face a decision that could alter our life and / or the lives around us. Today, you will hear and see the journey of a young orphan girl who faced circumstances beyond her control which led to a milestone moment in her life and the life of her people.

We are thankful that YOU are here to experience the journey of Esther with us. Without you, our team of 31 students from 8 high schools and home school organizations would not have the opportunity to face this milestone moment of sharing their faith through musical theatre.

In Esther's story, her uncle Mordecai was instrumental, through his committed faith and understanding of the times, to help Esther grasp the significance of who she was and the impact that she could have. Our show director, **Mary Hills**, has poured her vision, understanding, time and talent into guiding students to bring this story to life on stage and in their hearts.

Just like Esther, we never reach milestone moments alone. We are thankful for: our God, who is Creator, who has given us the abilities that we share with you tonight; for Christian Theatre Publications for the research, writing, composing and adaptations of the script; for Quinte Youth Unlimited / Youth for Christ who has for 41 years provided a place where faith, theatre arts and youth can excel together; and, we are thankful for a team of students and volunteers who have the courage to share the story of Esther.

Sincerely,

Rikki-Anne McNaught
QYU PERFORMING ARTS DIRECTOR



Creative Team

QYU PROGRAM DIRECTOR—Rikki-Anne McNaught

SHOW DIRECTOR & CHOREOGRAPHY—Mary Hills

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/PROPS—Shirley Gearns

VOCAL COACHES—Chantelle Coolidge, Kai Evoy, Adam Batelaan

ACTING COACHES—Anne Reid, Eric Forbes

PRAYER MINISTRY & WORSHIP—Janice Hamilton

REHEARSAL & SHOW AUDIO—Jason McNaught, Sarrahe W.

REHEARSAL SUPPORT—Aly Brown

AUDIO CONSULTANT—Lance Jeffrey

LIGHTING DESIGN—Alex Jeffrey

TRAILER & TECH SUPPORT—Mark Windatt

SET CONSTRUCTION—Jason McNaught

COSTUMES—Helena Weyer, Linda Serres, Betty Allan, Dawn Gonyea, Barb Schwager,
Hazel Gonyea, Rikki-Anne McNaught

MAKE-UP & HAIR—Ami Perez, Mya Ashley, Students



Spirit Borne Team



Kaylie C



Willow F



Evan J



Jordan P



Daniel L



Sam H



Paige Y



Levi B



Shannon W



Caleb M



Daniel B



Hayden B



John B



Nate C



Anna L



Evelyn L

Spirit Borne Team



Marley G



Hailie D



Cliodhna E



Josiah V



Janaya F



Kaelynn J



Dreden H



Julia S



Lily C



Peyton D



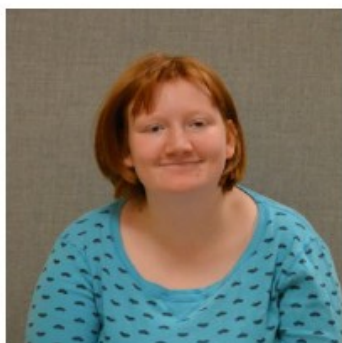
Grace K



Kendra M



Marilynn T



Sarrahe W



Michael V

The Characters



Esther Kaylie C, Willow F
Xerxes Evan J, Jordan P
Haman Daniel L, Sam H

Memucan Paige Y
Mordecai Levi B
Tala Shannon W
Vashti Evelyn L

Stooge 1 Caleb M

Stooge 2 Daniel B

Stooge 3 Hayden B

Stooge 4 John B

Stooge 5 Nate C

Zeresh Anna L, Marilyn T

Agatha Marley G

Daria Hailie D

Parisa Clodhna E

Hegai Josiah V

Hosts Janaya F, Kaelynn J

Teresh Nate C

Bigthan Dreden H

Crabby Julia S

Beauty Contestant 1 Lily C

Beauty Contestant 2 Peyton D

Beauty Contestant 3 Grace K

Beauty Contestant 4 Kendra M

Beauty Contestant 5 Marilyn T

Innocent Bystander Sarrahe W

Scribe Michael V

Ring Bearer Evan J, Jordan P

Cup Bearer Kaylie C, Willow F

Haman's Banner Bearer Daniel L, Sam H



Thanks



To all the **PARTNERSHIPS** that allow Quinte Youth Unlimited to offer to performing arts programs to students of all ages - **THANK YOU!**

Teenagers:

brave enough to step away from their comfort zones

Parents and Guardians:

who share their students with us, carpool, drive, volunteer and feed us

QYU Board and Staff:

who pray, strategize, and plan for ways to engage students in positive experiences and conversations about faith

Church Partners:

who provide weekly and weekend rehearsal spaces

Churches and Venues:

that host the team giving them a place to perform and sleep

Production Staff Volunteers:

who prepare, teach, train, costume, and improve our skills

Adult coaches:

who mentor and encourage our students EVERY week

Song leaders, Meal Co-ordinators, Prayer Team, Admin Assistance, Guest Teachers

who make sure that our spiritual and physical needs are taken care of

Financial Partners and Corporate Sponsors:

who provide the necessary resources to serve our youth and children

It takes all of us together to make this program possible for the youth of Quinte!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF THIS TEAM, VISIT: QYU.ca/performingarts

Donations

Spirit Borne Performing Arts and Quinte Youth Unlimited are a not-for-profit organization that directs its ministries towards youth and children.

Your donations are a significant source that provides these programs and experiences for youth. Donations above \$20 are eligible for a Charitable Donation Receipt.

You can donate by:

- **Inserting your cheque or cash donation** into the provided envelope and putting it in the donation box on your way out. Please complete the donation form if you would like a Receipt.
- **E-transfer to: info@qyu.ca** (Please enter "Spirit Borne-Esther" in the message box.
- **Credit Card or Debit:** Visit the Raffle table and use the debit/credit terminal or go online to: qyu.ca/donate



We are most grateful for the gift of your presence! Everything above that is a bonus!

Quinte Youth Unlimited / Youth for Christ

Quinte Youth Unlimited (YFC) is a chartered member of Youth for Christ Canada, an international, non-denominational Christian ministry that, for over 75 years, has passionately engaged young people to live their full life potential as designed by God.

We offer out-of-the-ordinary opportunities to live life to the fullest. We do this through genuine relationships and relevant programming.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

- Summer Arts Camps July 2024 (Grades 3-8)
- Spirit Borne Performing Arts (Grades 9-12)
- Opening Act Student Theatre Company (Grades 5-8)
- Bibles and Barbells (Strength & Character Training)
- Missions Trips to Bolivia

VISIT: www.QYU.ca



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