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Disney
PRESENTS
THE LION KING

Music & Lyrics by
ELTON JOHN & TIM RICE

Additional Music & Lyrics by
LEBO M, MARK MANCINA, JAY RIFKIN, JULIE TAYMOR, HANS ZIMMER

Book by
ROGER ALLERS & IRENE MECCHI

Starring
GARETH SAXE ALTON FITZGERALD WHITE TSHIDI MANYE
ESTEBAN OLIVER BEN JEFFREY FRED BERMAN
AARON NELSON CHANTEL RILEY
JAMES BROWN-ORLEANS BONITA J. HAMILTON ENRIQUE SEGURA
COLE BULLOCK CALEB McLAUGHLIN TESHU THOMAS KACI WALFALL

LAWRENCE ALEXANDER LAMAR BAYLOR INDIA BOLDS ELISHAH BOWMAN DERRICK DAVIS LINDIWE DLAMINI
BONGI DUMA ANGELICA EDWARDS CHRISTOPHER FREEMAN MUKELISIWE GOBA
PIA HAMILTON JAMAL LEE HARRIS LINDSEY HOLMES KENNY INGRAM JOEL KARIE RON KUNENE LISA LEWIS
MDUDUZI MADELA KIMBERLY MARABLE JAYSIN McCOLLUM RAY MERCER KYLE LAMAR MITCHELL
WILLIA-NOEL MONTAGUE S'BU NGEMA SINDISIWE NXUMALO JAMES A. PIERCE III CHONDRA La TEASE PROFFT
JACQUELINE RENÉ KELLEN STANCIL ROBBIE SWIFT THULISILE THUSI NATALIE TURNER
DONNA MICHELLE VAUGHN THOM CHRISTOPHER WARREN CAMILLE WORKMAN KYLE WRENTZ

Adapted from the screenplay by
IRENE MECCHI & JONATHAN ROBERTS & LINDA WOOLVERTON

Produced by
PETER SCHNEIDER & THOMAS SCHUMACHER

Scenic Design
RICHARD HUDSON

Costume Design
JULIE TAYMOR

Lighting Design
DONALD HOLDER

Mask & Puppet Design
JULIE TAYMOR
& MICHAEL CURRY

Sound Design
STEVE CANYON
KENNEDY

Hair & Makeup Design
MICHAEL
WARD

Associate Director
JOHN
STEFANIUK

Associate Choreographer
MAREY
GRIFFITH

Associate Producer
ANNE QUART

Technical Director
DAVID BENKEN

Production Stage Manager
RON VODICKA

Production Supervisor
DOC ZORTHIAN

Music Supervisor
CLEMENT
ISHMAEL

Music Director
KARL
JURMAN

Associate Music Producer
ROBERT
ELHAI

Music Coordinator
MICHAEL
KELLER

Orchestrators
ROBERT ELHAI
DAVID METZGER
BRUCE FOWLER

*Music Produced for the
Stage & Additional Score by*
MARK MANCINA

*Additional Vocal Score,
Vocal Arrangements
& Choral Director*
LEBO M

Casting
BINDER CASTING/
MARK BRANDON, C.S.A.

Fight Director
RICK SORDELET

Choreography by
GARTH FAGAN

Directed by
JULIE TAYMOR





Gareth
Saxe



Alton Fitzgerald
White



Tshidi
Manye



Esteban
Oliver



Ben
Jeffrey



Fred
Berman



Aaron
Nelson



Chantel
Riley



James
Brown-Orleans



Bonita J.
Hamilton



Enrique
Segura



Cole
Bullock



Caleb
McLaughlin



Teshi
Thomas



Kaci
Walfall



Lawrence
Alexander



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Dlamini



Bongsi
Duma

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CAST

(in order of appearance)

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| RAFIKI | Tshidi Manye |
| MUFASA | Alton Fitzgerald White |
| SARABI | Chondra La-Tease Profit |
| ZAZU | Esteban Oliver |
| SCAR | Gareth Saxe |
| YOUNG SIMBA | (Tues., Wed. Mat., Fri., Sat. Eve.) Cole Bullock (Wed. Eve., Thurs., Sat. Mat., Sun. Mat.) Caleb McLaughlin |
| YOUNG NALA | (Tues., Wed. Eve., Thurs., Sat. Eve.) Teshi Thomas (Wed. Mat., Fri., Sat. Mat., Sun. Mat.) Kaci Walfall |
| SHENZI | Bonita J. Hamilton |
| BANZAI | James Brown-Orleans |
| ED | Enrique Segura |
| TIMON | Fred Berman |
| PUMBAA | Ben Jeffrey |
| SIMBA | Aaron Nelson |
| NALA | Chantel Riley |
| ENSEMBLE SINGERS | Derrick Davis, Lindiwe Dlamini, Bongsi Duma, Mukelisiwe Goba, Jamal Lee Harris, Joel Karie, Ron Kunene, Mduduzi Madela, Kimberly Marable, S'bu Ngema, Sindisiwe Nxumalo, Chondra La-Tease Profit, Thulisile Thusi |
| ENSEMBLE DANCERS | Lawrence Alexander, LaMar Baylor, India Bolds, Elishah Bowman, Christopher Freeman, Pia Hamilton, Lindsey Holmes, Lisa Lewis, Jaysin McCollum, Ray Mercer, Donna Michelle Vaughn, Camille Workman |

SWINGS AND UNDERSTUDIES

(Understudies never substitute for listed players
unless announced at the time of the performance.)

RAFIKI: Angelica Edwards, Mukelisiwe Goba, Thulisile Thusi; MUFASA: Derrick Davis, Jamal Lee Harris; SARABI: Kimberly Marable, Sindisiwe Nxumalo, Jacqueline René; ZAZU: Enrique Segura, Robbie Swift, Thom Christopher Warren; SCAR: Derrick Davis, Thom Christopher Warren; SHENZI: Lindiwe Dlamini, Angelica Edwards, Kimberly Marable; BANZAI: Kenny Ingram, Joel Karie, Mduduzi Madela; ED: Kenny Ingram, Jaysin McCollum, Robbie Swift; TIMON: Enrique Segura, Robbie Swift; PUMBAA: Robbie Swift, Thom Christopher Warren; SIMBA: Joel Karie, Mduduzi Madela, Kyle Lamar Mitchell; NALA: Sindisiwe Nxumalo, Chondra La-Tease Profit, Jacqueline René

SWINGS: Angelica Edwards, Kenny Ingram, Kyle Lamar Mitchell, Willia-Noel Montague, James A. Pierce III, Jacqueline René, Kellen Stancil, Natalie Turner, Kyle Wrentz

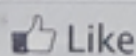
DANCE CAPTAINS: Willia-Noel Montague, Kellen Stancil

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SPECIALTIES

CIRCLE OF LIFE VOCALS: Mduduzi Madela, S'bu Ngema; MOUSE SHADOW PUPPET: Joel Karie; ANT HILL LADY: Donna Michelle Vaughn; GUINEA FOWL: Lawrence Alexander; BUZZARD POLE: Christopher Freeman; GAZELLE WHEEL: Pia Hamilton; GAZELLE: Jaysin McCollum; LIONESSE CHANT VOCAL: S'bu Ngema; ACROBATIC TRICKSTER: Ray Mercer; STILT GIRAFFE CROSS: Elishah Bowman; GIRAFFE SHADOW PUPPETS: Mduduzi Madela, Jaysin McCollum; CHEETAH: Lisa Lewis; SCAR SHADOW PUPPETS: Lawrence Alexander, Mduduzi Madela, Jaysin McCollum; SIMBA SHADOW PUPPETS: LaMar Baylor, Christopher Freeman, Ray Mercer; ONE BY ONE VOCAL: Bongzi Duma, Sindisiwe Nxumalo; ONE BY ONE DANCE: Bongzi Duma, Ron Kunene, S'bu Ngema; FIREFLIES: Lindsey Holmes; PUMBAA POLE PUPPET: Mduduzi Madela; NALA POLE PUPPET: Lisa Lewis; LIONESSE/HYENA SHADOW PUPPETS: Lindiwe Dlamini, Mukelisiwe Goba, Sindisiwe Nxumalo, Ron Kunene, Thulisile Thusi

Mukelisiwe Goba, Mduduzi Madela, Sindisiwe Nxumalo and Thulisile Thusi are appearing with the permission of Actors' Equity Association.

Esteban Oliver is appearing with the support of Actors' Equity Association.

ORCHESTRA

Conductor—Karl Jurman

Keyboard Synthesizer/Associate Conductor: Cherie Rosen;

Synthesizers: Allen Farnham, Paul Ascenzo; Wood Flute Soloist/Flute/Piccolo: David Weiss; Concertmaster: Francisca Mendoza; Violins: Krystof Witek, Avril Brown; Violin/Viola: Ralph Farris; Cellos: Eliana Mendoza, Diane Barere; Flute/Clarinet/Bass Clarinet: Robert DeBellis; French Horns: Patrick Milando, Alexandra Cook, Greg Smith; Trombone: Rock Ciccarone; Bass Trombone/Tuba: Morris Kainuma; Upright and Electric Bases: Tom Barney; Drums: Carter McLean; Guitar: John Benthall; Percussion/Assistant Conductor: Rolando Morales-Matos; Mallets/Percussion: Valerie Dee Naranjo, Tom Brett; Percussion: Junior "Gabu" Wedderburn

Music Coordinator—Michael Keller

Based on the Disney film

THE LION KING

Directed by Roger Allers and Rob Minkoff; Produced by Don Hahn

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WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

GARETH SAXE (*Scar*). Broadway: *The Homecoming*, *Heartbreak House*. Off-Broadway: *Nikolai and the Others* (Lincoln Center); *Harper Regan* (Atlantic); *Richard III*, *The Winter's Tale* (Public); *The Duchess of Malfi* (Red Bull). Regional: *Hamlet*, *Dangerous Liaisons* (Shakespeare Theatre of NJ); *Sexual Perversity in Chicago* (ACT); *iWitness* (Mark Taper Forum). Film and TV: Michael Mann's *Public Enemies*, "Law & Order: SVU," "Law & Order." NYU, MFA.

ALTON FITZGERALD WHITE (*Mufasa*). Alton has been truly blessed with his decade-long journey as King Mufasa and as a member of the Disney family! Alton is celebrating his gratitude with a new, critically acclaimed recording: *Disney: My Way!*, full of wonderful Disney classics, that is available in the lobby and on his website, www.altonfitzgeraldwhite.com. To find out more about Alton's bio, updates, videos and recordings, please visit his website, become a fan on his Facebook Fan Page or follow him on Twitter. Thank you and God bless! :-)

TSHIDI MANYE (*Rafiki*) toured Europe and Japan with M. Bongeni Ngema in the hit musical *Sarafina*. *The Lion King* marks her 2004 Broadway debut. Other stage credits: *Rafiki* in the Toronto production, *Daughter of Nebo* by Hillary Bletcher, *Mfowethu* by Gibson Kente, *The Stick* by Aubrey Sekhabi. Honored to have performed with legendary artists such as Paul Simon, David Byrne, Hugh Masekela, Jabu Khanyile, Vusi Mahlasela. Album: *Sisters of Joy*. "It is time" for you to check out my NEW debut album, *Wildflower*, now available on iTunes and CD Baby. Follow me at www.tshidimanye.com. Thank You God!

ESTEBAN OLIVER (*Zazu*) is making his Broadway debut straight from *The Lion King* Spain, where he also played Zazu (originated the role) and was a Scar u/s. His Spanish credits include *Hello, Dolly!* (Ambrose); *Beauty and the Beast* (Cogsworth); *The Producers* (u/s Roger, u/s Franz); *The Phantom of the Opera* (Lefevre); *Victor/Victoria* (Sal Andretti); and *Mamma Mia!* (Bill). He would like to thank his love, family and friends for their support.

BEN JEFFREY (*Pumbaa*) is pumped to be making his Broadway debut! Ben holds an MFA (Acting) from Rutgers University, where credits included *Antigone*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *In the Sawtooths* and more. His BFA (Acting/Musical Theatre) is from Abilene

Christian University, where credits included *Jane Eyre* and *Seussical*. TV: "The Good Wife," "Louie." Endless thanks to God, his incomparable wife and the family.

FRED BERMAN (*Timon*). Broadway debut! Off-Broadway: *The Normal Heart* (Public Theater), *Shockheaded Peter* (Little Shubert), *Bury the Dead* (Transport Group), *Room Service* (Soho Playhouse), *The Vocal Lords* (St. Clements). Regional: *The Producers* (North Shore Music Theatre), *Of Thee I Sing* (Paper Mill), *Biloxi Blues* (Geva), *The Mystery of Irma Vep* (New Repertory), *Tin Pan Alley Rag* (Cleveland Play House). Tour: *The Buddy Holly Story*. Film: *Putzel*, *The Judge*, *Twelve Thirty*, *A Very Special Episode*. TV: "Smash," "L&O," "L&O: CI," "Daily Pops," "All My Children." Award-winning narrator of more than 100 audio books. Love to Kate, Benjamin and Isabella! For Mom and Dad.

AARON NELSON (*Simba*) is making his Broadway debut as a brand-new member of *The Lion King* family. A proud Chicagoan, Aaron received his BA in arts management from Columbia College, Chicago. His regional theatre credits include *columbinus 2.0* (ATC), *Rent* (ATC) and *Dreamgirls* (Theater 47). He made his television debut as Kyle in NBC's "Chicago Fire." Love to Ashley and Aaydin, his parents and the rest of his family. He dedicates his performances to his uncle, Dr. Larry E. Ross.

CHANTEL RILEY (*Nala*). Broadway debut! I'm excited to be given this opportunity after having my first audition and theatre experience that landed me the role as Nala in *The Lion King* Germany. Dreams do come true! Thank you Jesus for continuing to be faithful and keep me strong. Family and friends I love you and thanks for your support and prayers. @chantel_riley, www.chantelriley.com

JAMES BROWN-ORLEANS (*Banzai*) originated the role of Banzai on *The Lion King* Gazelle Tour and is thrilled to be part of the Broadway company. James can be seen as Doc Motors in Disney's *The Princess Diaries*. He is also the founder of Protected by Imagination Inc. "media to inspire" (protectedbyimagination.com). Check out his website to find out more about his passion to empower.

BONITA J. HAMILTON (*Shenzi*). Broadway debut. Hallelujah! Native of Montgomery, AL, Bonita is overjoyed to join