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# PLAYBILL

## The Night Before New Year's

A colorful illustration of a clock tower with a pointed roof, set against a dark blue night sky filled with stars. A large, yellow crescent moon with a spiral pattern is in the upper right. Several bursts of colorful fireworks (pink, purple, yellow, and blue) are exploding in the sky. The clock tower has silhouettes of people inside, and its windows are lit up.

**A LAAPA Original Musical**

**Sunday, December 18th - Fuhrmann Auditorium**

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# THE NIGHT BEFORE NEW YEAR'S

Written and Directed by

Rachel Theriot & Elle C. Jones

*A magical, musical adventure where four downhearted middle schoolers journey back in time to undo the previous year's mistakes. Guided by destiny, they explore the past through song, comedy, drama, and of course...dance! Destiny assembles the most unlikely characters to join them such as swimmers, football players, younger siblings and even Christmas Carolers! They discover more about themselves and how to become the best selves they can possibly be in the new year, 2023!*

## Order of Show

Prologue: The Realm of New Year's Magic

Scene I: The Party of the Year

Scene II: A New Year's Destiny

Scene III: The Destiny of Theo St. Cloud

Scene IV: Sister, Sister

Scene V: A New Year's Dream

Scene VI: Lyric's Reckoning

Scene VII: The Party Isn't Over!



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# Crew & Additional Credits

## Music Composition

Kilian Afzalirad, Olivia Gonzalez

## Lyrics

Daniel Jones

## Instrumentation

Aaron Boudreaux

## Rehearsal Directors

Rachael Knaps, Olivia Gonzalez, Kendra Unique Wills

## Choreographers

Elle C. Jones, Kendra Unique Wills

## Technical Design

Ryan Cullen

## Graphic Design

Aubry Brayard

## Lighting

Jamie Morris

## Costume Design

Rachel Theriot

## Special thanks to all of our incredible backstage volunteers!

Vanessa Flores, Iman Nawash, Peggy Rinderle, Shawna Smith, Layla Brumfield, Sonya Janssen, Briel Quinn, Kay Martin, Ana Pelingon, Irina Tomkovitch, Mary Eagan, Melissa Newman

# Cast of Characters

Destiny ..... Amani Nawash

Molly Meagler ..... Samantha Porche

Theo St. Cloud ..... Jace King

Lyric Hamilton ..... Sophia Pelingon

Penny Harper ..... Yasmine Abaza

Pepper Harper ..... Marlowe Corbett

Charlie Chatterson ..... Soraya Brown

Bailey Blue ..... Lucas Creamer

Sage White ..... Jackson Outlaw

Jenny Green ..... Allison Mayeur

Quinn Crunchfield ..... Abigail Newman

Mrs. Harper ..... Rachel Zaeringer

Mr. Harper ..... Adrian Garrido

Funny Footballer 1 ..... Delilah Noble

Funny Footballer 2 ..... Lanna Shipp

Funny Footballer 3 ..... Michelle Martin

Funny Footballer 4 ..... Mae Kenning

Swim Team Captain.....Rachel Zaeringer

Swimmer 1 ..... Eden Vorkauf

Swimmer 2 ..... Carson Varnado

Swimmer 3 ..... Violet Brown

# Cast of Characters (ctd.)

Swimmer 4 ..... Alena Gutierrez  
Swimmer 5 ..... William Fowler  
Swimmer 6 ..... Adrian Garrido  
Swimmer 7 ..... Rhett Robert  
Sam Villarubia ..... Nolan Kirby  
Coraline Evans..... Spencer Johnson  
Gloria Glaviano..... Natie Anglin  
Juniper Sunshine ..... Stella Crowe  
Winnie Frost ..... Wylie Janssen

## Destiny's Divas:

Spencer Johnson, Natie Anglin,  
Stella Crowe



## Mermaid Dancers:

Nevaeh Anderson, Rebekah Brockway, Lauren Bishop,  
Emma Verrett, Vivian Robert, Soraya Brown

## Tik Tok Dancers:

Haroly Green, Chloe Seruntine,  
Rihawna Smith, Elizabeth Duarte,  
Leigha Silve, Mayamiko Vinson



## Winter Formal Dancers:

Haroly Green, Chloe Seruntine,  
Rihawna Smith, Elizabeth Duarte,  
Leigha Silve, Mayamiko Vinson

Christmas Caroler 1.....Isabella Smith  
Christmas Caroler 2.....Logan Labrador

## Christmas Carolers:

Charlotte Phillips, Sophia Huang,  
Wylie Janssen, Serenity Hamilton, Jaxsen Landry

Little Sibling 1.....Felicity Tran  
Little Sibling 2.....Leyann Nawash  
Little Sibling 3.....Skylar P. Smith  
Little Sibling 4.....Leilany Martinez  
Little Sibling 5.....Skylar Smith

## Little Siblings:

Travis Tournillon, Leah Main, Olivia Williams, Mary Elizabeth  
Verrette, Sophia Papale

## Magic Dust Singers:

Sophia Huang, Grace Robinson, Isabelle Wolf

## Magic Dust Dancers:

Serenity Hamilton, Gunnar Smith, Avery Brumfield,  
Aoibheann Lash, Mia Vazquez