Herron's Crown Opry Theater presents Cardinal Crown Theater Company's production of ALICE IN WONDERLAND

> A dramatiztion of Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking Glass by Alice Gerstenberg Directed by Kim Rutherford

7:30pm - June 13th & 14th 2:00pm - June 15th

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Thank you for joining us, and I consider it an honor for the Cardinal Crown Theatre Company to allow me to direct their 1st show of their 1st season. No pressure, right? This has been an amazing experience to do this show with such a wide array of talent. Some cast members have done theater or choir for some time, and then for some members, this is their 1st show. It has been my pleasure to watch them create their characters into what you will see tonight.

Please support the arts for the younger generation and take the time to volunteer as much as possible to help them. If we do not teach the young the arts, then the arts will die or the need for AI will become a necessity and not an option. The arts teach so much to not only our youth but also to ourselves. Theater teaches us to be respectful to everyone, how to take directions, creative thinking, problem-solving, be able to solve problems in the moment, and not only apply it to the task at hand but also consider it as feedback and not criticism, and there is so much more they learn. I cannot ask you enough to please support the arts, the young people, and get involved.

Kimberly Ruthenford

MESSAGE FROM THE PRODUCER

I would like to thank Mrs. Kimberly Rutherford for her amazing leadership in directing our inaugural production. Her spirit and obvious love of theater is truly inspiring.

I would also like to thank Mrs. Kerry Banzet for stepping into the role of Stage Manage for this show. Kerry has been amazingly helpful and a great asset to CCTC.

To the cast, I couldn't have wished for a better group of young people. Your hard work and dedication made this production what it is and I am so thankful to you all.

And lastly, to our amazing crew, both backstage and out front – we couldn't have put this together without you. Thank you for your hard work and commitment.

Cyndee Green Owner, CCTC

Cast

Alice	ELLA CHAMBERLIN
	TY BANZET
Red Queen	ABIGAIL ISBELL
White Queen	ALEX SCOTT
White Rabbit	CAMBRY BACCUS
Humpty Dumpty	ABIGAIL DOUBERLEY
Gryphon	
Mock Turtle	CLAIRE JUMPER KAELEIGH RIPPY
March Hare	KAELEIGH RIPPY
Dormouse	HARPER JOHNSON
Frog Footman	
Dutchess	
Cheshire Cat	AUBRIE GOODE
	EMILY MAXWELL
	EMERSYN SMITH
Tweedle Dum	
King of Hearts	
INTERNAL AND A CONSIST.	BRINLEY SMITH
Queen of Hearts	ELVA LYLES
Two of Spades	REAGAN SOWARDS
	HAPRER HANEY
Seven of Spades	LUCY COOK

Crew

Directed by	KIMBERLY RUTHERFORD
Produced by	CYNDEE GREEN
Stage Manager	KERRY BANZET
Costumes	WHITNEY FISK
Sound Engineering	HERRON'S CROWN OPRY THEATER

Thank you to everyone who helped during rehearsals, backstage, in the lobby, behind the concessions stand and everywhere else we needed help. Without you, this production wouldn't have been possible.

Scenes

ACT I	
Scene One	Alice's House
Scene Two	The Room in the Looking Glass
Scene Three	The Hall with Doors
Scene Four	
ACT II Scene One	INTERMISSION
ACT III	
Scene One	
Scene Two	The Court of Hearts
Scene Three	Alice's House

<u>There will be a 15-minute intermission between Act I & Act II.</u> <u>Concessions available in the lobby.</u>

Alice in Wonderland themed souvenirs available in the lobby courtesy of Enchanted Children's Bookstore and T3 Coffee Co.

Cast



ELLA CHAMBERLIN (Alice) - Ella is 11 years old and thrilled to make her debut performance as Alice! She enjoys acting, practicing taekwondo, and playing the piano. Ella looks forward to many more years of fun, growth, and friendship through theater.



TY BANZET (Mad Hatter/Lewis Carroll) - Ty is a passionate and emerging talent in the Oklahoma community theater scene. With performances in *Robin Hood*, *Trap*, *The Barnstormers of Space*, and *Order Up*, Ty has quickly established himself as a dedicated and versatile performer. Known for his natural stage presence and energetic commitment, he brings authenticity and enthusiasm to every role. Ty continues to grow as an actor, always seeking new opportunities to connect with audiences and deepen his craft through live performance.



CAMBRY BACCUS (White Rabbit) - Cambry Baccus is a sixth grader making her theater debut as the White Rabbit. "When I got the opportunity to play the White Rabbit, I was so excited!" Cambry previously attended the Children's Theater Camp at TCC and is a big fan of the musical Hamilton—in fact, her audition video featured a monologue from the show! She hopes audiences enjoy the play as much as she's enjoyed being part of it. Cambry would like to thank Jon-Ray Cormier for "believing in me and initially distributing that video." She also extends heartfelt thanks to her parents for supporting her ambitions, and to her family and friends for encouraging her to follow her dreams.



ELVA LYLES (Queen of Hearts) - Elva is from Collinsville and attends Collinsville Middle School. She loves to sing and is a proud member of the school choir. A fan of Sabrina Carpenter, Elva also enjoys musicals—Hamilton and Heathers are her favorites. In her free time, she enjoys crafting and spending time with her beloved black cat, Hex. Her previous credits include *Anne Frank* and *Little Reindeer*.



AUBRIE GOODE (Cheshire Cat) - Aubrie is extremely excited to be part of the cast of Alice in Wonderland with Cardinal Crown Theatre Company! She just wrapped up 7th grade at Owasso Public Schools, where an incredible drama teacher helped spark her passion for acting. Aubrie made her stage debut last spring in Stagecraft: The Video Game and has been dreaming of her next role ever since. She is deeply grateful to her family for their constant support and encouragement as she continues to grow in the world of theater.



ABIGAIL ISBELL (Red Queen/ensemble) -

Credits: Mean Girls, Hadestown: Teen Edition, MAD, Robin Hood, A Christmas Carol Fiddler on the Roof



ALEX SCOTT (White Queen/ensemble) - Alex is an upcoming sophomore at Washburn University in Kansas, majoring in Anthropology with a minor in Museum Curation. She is thrilled to be playing the White Queen, sharing, "This has been such a fun part to play. Thank you for supporting the local arts in Collinsville." Her previous credits include *Matilda, Mamma Mia, and TRAPP*.



ABIGAIL DOUBERLEY (Humpty Dumpty/ensemble) - Abigail is an upcoming 8th grader at Owasso Preparatory Academy. A proud Christian and Empath, Abigail has a deep love for action movies and the band Twenty One Pilots. She actively trains in taekwondo and has studied voice for one year and piano for two. She shares, "I am very thankful to be playing the part of Humpty Dumpty in this play." Abigail is especially grateful for the support of her entire family and her amazing friends! Her past credits include *Goldilocks on Trial, Pirates of Penzance, The Adventures of Princess Atlantis,* and various church Christmas plays.



VICTORIA HERRON (Gryphon/ensemble) - Victoria is an upcoming 7th grader making her theatrical debut as the Gryphon in Alice in Wonderland. She has a passion for singing and cherishes spending time with her family. Victoria would like to thank her Nana, brother, sister, Kim, and Papa for their love and support on this exciting journey!



CLAIRE JUMPER (Mock Turtle/ensemble) - Claire is a sweet 8½year-old who just completed second grade in Owasso, where she was recognized for her kindness, friendship, and caring heart. From 2018 to 2022, Claire studied ballet, tap, jazz, and musical theater at Theatre Arts. She has also enjoyed playing soccer and cheering in Owasso. Claire dreams of continuing her acting journey, traveling the world, starting a family, and rescuing kittens along the way.



HARPER JOHNSON (Dormouse) - Harper is 11 years old and has performed in several school productions, including starring in the lead role of *All That Jazz*. She is also a competitive cheerleader and, in her free time, loves to read, watch TV, and act. She shares, "Thank you to my mom and dad for taking me to all of the rehearsals and being so supportive of me." Her past credits include *All That Jazz* and *The Wizard of Oz*.



KAELEIGH RIPPPY (March Hare) - Kaeleigh is a student at Collinsville High School and has been performing on stage since first grade. Her training includes choir, dance, summer acting camps, and active involvement in both the high school band and musical theater. A selftaught musician, Kaeleigh has learned to play several instruments including saxophone and flute—entirely on her own. She shares, "I would like to give a special thanks to my parents because they have always encouraged me to do the things that might benefit me with more skills, confidence, and enjoyment (whether I'm hard on myself or not)." Her past credits include *Lemonade, The Arkansas Traveler, Hansel and Gretel, Frog and Toad, Alice in Wonderland (dance),* and *The Nutcracker (dance)*.



THOMAS HATCH (Frog Footman) - Thomas is thrilled to be a part of Alice in Wonderland and has loved every moment of rehearsing and performing alongside his amazing castmates. Outside of the theater, Thomas enjoys collecting Toy Story memorabilia, watching classic silent comedy films, building train tracks, creating cartoon characters, working on LEGO projects, and playing Super Mario Brothers games. Previous credits include *The Wizard of Oz* and *Psycho Path Haunted Attraction*.



TORI CROWN (Duchess/ensemble) - Tori is an upcoming 9th grader at Collinsville High School and is excited to be part of this production. She has been involved in choir for the past four years and is currently a member of the high school's advanced choir. Tori also participates in the high school's musical theatre program and sings with the NCDA choir. She looks forward to continuing her passion for music and performance throughout high school.



EMILY MAXWELL (Caterpillar/ensemble) - Emily is 11 years old and will be starting 8th grade this fall. In her free time, she loves playing basketball and enjoys math as her favorite subject in school. Emily is a big fan of Olivia Rodrigo's music and loves watching Disney movies —Lilo & Stitch is her favorite! She has previously performed in her school's Thanksgiving pageants, and Alice in Wonderland marks her exciting debut in a stage play.



EMERSYN SMITH (Tweedle Dee/ensemble) - Emersyn is thrilled to be part of the cast of Alice in Wonderland! Her love for acting began after landing roles in two school productions, and she's excited to continue growing as a performer. Emersyn will be starting 5th grade this fall and looks forward to making wonderful memories both on and off the stage. She would like to thank her mom and dad for always encouraging her to follow her dreams. Previous credits include *Holly Jolly Jukebox* and *The Adventures of Princess Atlantis*.



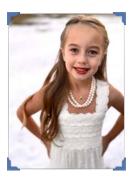
MAKINLEY DAVIS (Tweedle Dum/ensemble) - Makinley is 10 years old and absolutely loves community theatre! She has enjoyed taking on speaking and singing roles in school plays and musicals, and is thrilled to be part of this production of Alice in Wonderland. Outside of the spotlight, Makinley enjoys cheerleading, stunting, and spending time with her family and friends. She's known for making meaningful connections with everyone she meets. Previous credit: *The Adventures of Princess Atlantis*.



MYLZ FRANCO (King of Hearts) - Mylz is an upcoming 8th grader at Collinsville Middle School with a lifelong passion for acting. He dreams of one day making it to Hollywood as an actor and producer. This past year, Mylz participated in Collinsville's Musical Theatre program and made his stage debut in *Hadestown: Teen Edition* as a worker/ensemble member. A true creative at heart, Mylz loves 70s and 80s rock music, is a talented artist, and always enjoys making people laugh. He would like to thank Jim Carrey for inspiring him through his work—to chase his own acting dreams, and sends a special thank you to his family for their endless love and support.



BRINLEY SMITH (Knave of Hearts/ensemble) - Brinley is eagerly preparing for her acting debut in the production of "Alice in Wonderland" and is excited to be a part of the amazing cast. Her passion for dancing and cheering has fueled her excitement for this new opportunity. As she enters the 9th grade next year, she is looking forward to the fresh experiences that a new school will bring. Brinley is especially grateful to her mom and dad for their support and encouragement to explore new interests and embrace challenges.



REAGAN SOWARDS (2 of Spades/ensemble) - Reagan is so excited to make her stage debut in Alice in Wonderland! Full of creativity and imagination, she loves to draw, create, and dreams of becoming an author someday. At home, she's often found singing and dancing to her own beat, bringing joy and energy wherever she goes. Reagan is thrilled to be part of this magical production and can't wait to share the experience with you!



HARPER HANEY (5 of Spades/ensemble) - Harper is 10 years old and attends school in Collinsville. She is thrilled to be making her stage debut in Alice in Wonderland! While this is her first play, Harper is no stranger to performing—she has been a competitive dancer for five years. She sings with heart, dreams in rhythm, and embraces every new adventure, whether it's a volleyball game or learning to play guitar. Harper would like to thank her family and friends for their endless love and encouragement on this enchanting journey.



LUCY COOK (7 of Spades/ensemble) - Lucy will be starting 4th grade this fall and is thrilled to be making her theater debut in Alice in Wonderland! She loves to sing, dance, and play football—because even Wonderland needs a quarterback. Lucy has performed in several school plays and brings her passion for storytelling, along with the high energy she's gained from cheerleading and tumbling, to the stage. She sends a big thank you to her mom for encouraging her to follow the White Rabbit (aka audition), her dad for being her trusty chauffeur, and God for blessing her with talent, energy, and just the right amount of sparkle.

No Photo **ATHENA JONES** (Ensemble) -Athena is 10 years old and has a big love for theater! Her stage credits include Barnstormers of Space and Into the Woods, and she's also honed her quick thinking and creativity through improv classes. Whether she's stepping into a character or making audiences laugh on the spot, Athena brings energy, enthusiasm, and heart to every performance..

Crew



KIM RUTHERFORD (Director) - Thank you for joining us, and I consider it an honor for the Cardinal Crown Theatre Company to allow me to direct their 1st show of their 1st season. No pressure, right? This has been an amazing experience to do this show with such a wide array of talent. Some cast members have done theater or choir for some time, and then for some members, this is their 1st

into what you will see tonight. I started doing theater when I was in the 9th grade and worked backstage with Tulsa Opera. I love working backstage and have done everything from Stage Manager, lights, costumes, producer, and sound, to acting on stage. I have had the pleasure to do 3 plays with my granddaughter and to assist her with Improv camp, and it warms my heart knowing that she is probably a better stage manager now than I will ever be.

I would like to thank Kerry for jumping in and being Stage Manager, and this is her 1st play to work as stage manager and the opportunity to work with her son, how exciting is that. We should be called "The show of 1st's."

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I would also like to thank my husband for being amazing and giving me the opportunity to follow my dreams.



CYNDEE GREEN (Producer) - Cyndee's love of the theater started at a young age with a trip to the theater with her mom to see "Annie". "I remember being in complete awe...all the moving parts, the kids singing dancing, all while the set pieces moved on and off the stage... I was completely mesmerized." In high school she worked as the Stage Manager for a school production of "Witness for the Prosecution" and she did lighting for their production of "Guys and Dolls".

It was this love of theater that led Cyndee to start Cardinal Crown Theater Company. Through this theater, she hopes to provide enrichment & empowerment to the people of Collinsville and the surrounding communities through the performing arts. "I want them to fall in love with theater and have a place where they can express that love! I want that guy or girl in the back of the classroom who is too shy and insecure to find a place in our group. I want to help them build their confidence so when they go out into the world, they know they can do anything they put their minds too!"

Cyndee has nearly 15 years of theater experience. From 2007 to 2016 and again from 2020-2022 as the Costume Director and Actor Coordinator for Psycho Path Haunted Attraction in Sperry, OK. From 2016-2018 she was the co-producer & co-director of the Collinsville Hometown Christmas Variety Show.

No Photo **KERRY BANZET** (Stage Manager) - Kerry is a devoted wife and proud mother of two sons—one of whom takes center stage as the Mad Hatter/Lewis Carroll in this production! When she's not cheering from the wings, Kerry enjoys spending time in her garden, caring for her beloved chickens, and serving others through mission work with her church. She recently launched her own business, Aquamation Cremation for Pets, combining her compassion with entrepreneurship. This marks her debut as a stage manager, and we are thrilled to have her as part of our crew!

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About Cardinal Crown Theater Company

Started in 2024, CCTC is dedicated to providing enrichment & empowerment to our community through performance art - Stage Plays, Writer's Nights, Camps, Workshops, and more.



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