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**THE LION KING** JR.















## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Ben Thomas

On behalf of Taieri Musical it is my great pleasure to welcome you to this spectacular Disney Double Feature: *Frozen Jr* and *The Lion King Jr*.

Taieri Musical is proud of our reputation for pushing the envelope, so when we decided to stage not one but two iconic stories in 2023, of course we couldn't help but aim for the stars.

And speaking of stars, it has been a delight to welcome 39 talented and enthusiastic young performers to the Taieri Musical family - some returning but many for the first time.

Pulling off two shows in one requires significant work behind the scenes and I must acknowledge the huge number of volunteers who have worked on this production as well. Alongside long-serving members of our production team are parents, relatives and guardians who have been wrangled in to help with wardrobe, stage crew, hair and makeup, and any other department you can think of. We could not produce these productions without the generosity and commitment of everybody involved - thank you.

There are far too many to name but I must acknowledge our tireless production managers Emma Morey and Sarah Knowles for the countless hours they have spent, as well as our fabulous directors Denise Henderson and Emma Donaldson. Heading up these productions they have created something we can all be very proud of, and hopefully something that young performers and audience members alike will remember for a long time.

Thanks must also go to our sponsors, funding partners, the passionate Taieri Musical committee, and also to you, our audiences. We could not do this without your support.

Taieri Musical's purpose is "to provide a safe environment for all people to share their love of musical theatre, and preserve it for future generations". I hope you will agree with me that the future of musical theatre looks bright.

## TAIERI MUSICAL COMMITTEE

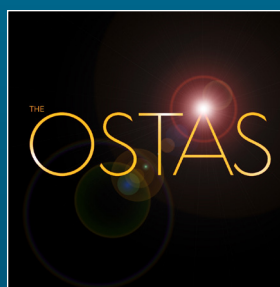
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<b>Vice-President</b>	Tania Graham
<b>Treasurer</b>	Courtney Adams
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<b>Immediate Past-President</b>	Blair Hughson

### Committee:

Tom Acklin, Lisa Caton, Peter Hocking, Ben Johnson, Rowena Monson, Emma Morey, Sandra Nixon.

### Life Members:

Leona Pine, Mike Harris, Jenny Keogh, Vera Parsons\*, Ngaire Sutherland, Inez Robertson\*, Vera Polson\*, Julie Judd, Graeme Read, Bruce McDowell, Tania Graham, Sandra Nixon, Rowena Monson. \*Deceased









**TAIERI MUSICAL'S  
PRODUCTION OF**

**Disney**

# **FROZEN JR.**

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY  
KRISTEN ANDERSON-LOPEZ & ROBERT LOPEZ

BOOK BY  
JENNIFER LEE

BASED ON THE DISNEY FILM WRITTEN BY JENNIFER LEE  
AND DIRECTED BY CHRIS BUCK AND JENNIFER LEE

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# CREATIVE TEAM



## Denise Henderson **DIRECTOR/CHOREOGRAPHER**

Denise is one of New Zealand's most respected and successful Tap-Dancing teachers, having run her studio since 1982. With over 150 students over two studios teaching Tap, Jazz & Musical Theatre, together with her amazing teaching staff, Denise is kept busy also enjoying adjudicating throughout New Zealand.

Having performed in musicals since the age of 14, Denise has many fond memories, including *South Pacific*, *Oklahoma* (Taieri Musical), *Grease*, *Chicago*, *Annie*, *Oliver*, *Les Misérables* (twice), and *Beauty and the Beast*. Her favourite roles would be Maggie Jones in *42nd Street*,

Miss Hannigan in *Annie* (Taieri Musical), The Wardrobe in *Beauty and the Beast*, and Madame Thenardier in Taieri Musical's 2013 production of *Les Misérables*.

Denise now enjoys more directing and choreographing of musicals, with such credits as *42nd Street*, *Anything Goes* (Musical Theatre Dunedin), *My Fair Lady* and *The Sound of Music*, both for Taieri Musical, *Anything Goes* for Bayfield High School, *Beauty & the Beast* for South Canterbury Drama League and most recently *High School Musical* for Columba College. Denise is excited to be back with the fantastic Taieri Musical team and this amazing cast of young talent in *Frozen Jr*. A special shout-out to Christine Wedlake for the making and coordinating of all our beautiful costumes, Ben Johnson as Vocal Director, our crew, Production Managers Emma and Sarah, volunteers, and her husband Murray for making the props!

Denise would also like to wish Emma & Irene all the very best for their production of *The Lion King Jr*.



## Ben Johnson **VOCAL DIRECTOR**

Ben is a graduate of the University of Otago (Bachelor of Performing Arts).

Working with singers is part of everyday life for Ben as he is a proud singing teacher at The Voice Lab nz. He really enjoys working with clients of all ages to help foster their love of singing and acting.

Previously, Ben has vocal directed *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* and *Fame* for Bayfield High School

Performance credits include: *NOW. HERE. THIS.* (Arcade Theatre co.), *Chicago* (Taieri Musical) *Wicked*, *Les Misérables*, *Jersey Boys*, and most recently: *Legally Blonde* (Musical Theatre Dunedin).

While *Frozen Jr* and *The Lion King Jr* are running, Ben will be up in Christchurch playing Hanschen in *Spring Awakening* (Ovation Musical Theatre). Next year he is looking forward to teaming up with his partner, the incredible Max Beal, to put on StarKid's *Firebringer* in March of 2024 as part of the Dunedin Fringe Festival (Musical Theatre Dunedin).





Isla Kamo  
**ELSA**







Immy Morey  
**ANNA**





 Ada Silva  
**MIDDLE ANNA**



 Jeila Morrison  
**MIDDLE ELSA**



 Isabelle Geary  
**LITTLE ANNA**



 Eden Bezett  
**LITTLE ELSA**



 Joseph Kelly  
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**ENSEMBLE**



 **Taj Geary**  
**ENSEMBLE**



 **Jamie Hannagan**  
**ENSEMBLE**



 **Poppy Hussey**  
**ENSEMBLE**



 **Mikayla Lindsay**  
**ENSEMBLE**



 **Oliver Lodge**  
**ENSEMBLE**



 **Lucie Scott**  
**ENSEMBLE**



 **Stasa Tucker**  
**ENSEMBLE**







# Disney FROZEN JR.

## SCENE 1- SUMMER FESTIVAL

*Let the Sun Shine On* - Young Anna, Young Elsa, King Agnarr, Queen Iduna, Townspeople

## SCENE 2 - CASTLE INTERIOR

*A Little Bit of You* - Queen Iduna, King Agnarr, Young Anna, Young Elsa, Snow Chorus

*First Joik* - Queen Iduna, Pabbie, Bulda, Hidden Folk, Young Elsa, King Agnarr, Young Anna

## SCENE 3 - CASTLE INTERIOR, A FEW MONTHS LATER

*Do You Want to Build a Snowman?* - Young Anna, Young Elsa, Queen Iduna, King Agnarr, Middle Anna, Middle Elsa, Ensemble

## SCENE 4 - CASTLE INTERIOR, THREE YEARS LATER:

*For the First Time in Forever* - Anna, Elsa, Kristoff, Sven, Hans, Bishop, Castle Staff, Townspeople

## SCENE 5 - CASTLE INTERIOR: CORONATION CEREMONY

*Dangerous to Dream (Queen Anointed)* - Bishop, Anna, Hans, Townspeople, Elsa, Steward, Anna, Townspeople

## SCENE 6 - CASTLE INTERIOR: CORONATION BALL

*Love is an Open Door* - Elsa, Anna, Steward, Weselton, Hans, Townspeople

## SCENE 7 - SNOWY MOUNTAINSIDE

*Reindeer(s) Are Better Than People* - Kristoff, Sven

*You're Hired* - Kristoff, Anna, Olaf

*In Summer* - Olaf, Sven, Kristoff, Anna, Ensemble

## SCENE 8 - WANDERING OAKEN'S

*Hygge* - Oaken, Kristoff, Sven, Anna, Olaf, Oaken's Family

## SCENE 9 - NORTH MOUNTAIN

*Let It Go* - Elsa

## SCENE 10 - MOUNTAIN PATH

- Hans, Weselton, Townspeople

## SCENE 11 - ELSA'S PALACE

*For the First Time in Forever (Reprise)*

- Anna, Kristoff, Sven, Elsa, Snow Chorus

*Mountain Fall*

- Anna, Kristoff, Sven, Olaf, Snow Chorus

## SCENE 12 - FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN

*Kristoff's Joik/Fixer Upper* - Kristoff, Sven, Anna, Pabbie, Bulda, Olaf, Hidden Folk, Dance Ensemble Group 2

## SCENE 13 - CASTLE INTERIOR

- Hans, Weselton, Elsa, Kristoff, Sven, Anna, Olaf

## SCENE 14 - CASTLE EXTERIOR

*Colder by the Minute* - Hans, Anna, Elsa, Kristoff, Sven, Weselton, Townspeople, Snow Chorus, Ensemble

*Let It Go Reprise, Finale* - Elsa, Anna, Olaf, Kristoff, Sven, Hans, Ensemble





# Disney **THE LION KING**

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## **SCENE 1 - PRIDE ROCK**

*Circle of Life* - Rafiki, Ensemble, Mufasa, Zazu, Sarabi, Cub

## **SCENE 2 - SCAR'S CAVE**

Scar, Mouse, Zazu, Mufasa

## **SCENE 3 - GRASSLANDS**

*Grasslands Chant* - Rafiki, Grass Ensemble, Young Simba, Mufasa, Zazu

## **SCENE 4 - SCAR'S CAVE**

Scar, Young Simba

## **SCENE 5 - THE PRIDELANDS**

*I Just Can't Wait To Be King* - Young Simba, Zazu, Young Nala, Ensemble

## **SCENE 6 - ELEPHANT GRAVEYARD**

*Be Prepared* - Scar and Hyenas

## **SCENE 7 - THE PRIDELANDS AT NIGHT**

*They Live In You* - Mufasa, Young Simba, Zazu, Young Nala, Rafiki, Ensemble

## **SCENE 8 - THE GORGE**

*The Stampede* - Scar, Young Simba, Hyenas, Wildbeest, Zazu, Mufasa

## **SCENE 9 - THE DESERT**

*Hakuna Matata* - Timon, Pumbaa, Young Simba, Simba

## **SCENE 10 - SCAR'S CAVE**

Zazu, Scar, Hyenas, Nala

## **SCENE 11 - THE PRIDELANDS**

*Shadowland* - Nala, Lionesses, Rafiki

## **SCENE 12 - THE JUNGLE**

*Can You Feel The Love Tonight* - Timon, Pumbaa, Simba, Nala, Ensemble, Rafiki

*He Lives In You* - Rafiki, Simba, Mufasa, Ensemble, Timon, Pumbaa

## **SCENE 13 - PRIDE ROCK**

Scar, Hyenas, Simba, Nala, Timon, Pumbaa, Sarabi

*Finale/Circle of Life Reprise* - All





# TAIERI MUSICAL'S PRODUCTION OF



MUSIC AND LYRICS BY  
ELTON JOHN & TIM RICE

ADDITIONAL MUSIC AND LYRICS BY  
LEBO M, MARK MANCINA, JAY RIFKIN  
AND HANS ZIMMER

BOOK BY ROGER ALLERS & IRENE MECCHI

BASED ON THE BROADWAY PRODUCTION DIRECTED BY  
JULIE TAYMOR

MUSIC ADAPTED & ARRANGED AND ADDITIONAL MUSIC & LYRICS AND  
"LUAU HAWAIIAN TREAT" WRITTEN BY WILL VAN DYKE

"IT'S A SMALL WORLD" WRITTEN BY RICHARD M. SHERMAN AND ROBERT B. SHERMAN

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# CREATIVE TEAM



## Emma Donaldson DIRECTOR/CHOREOGRAPHER

Emma trained in Sydney in classical ballet, jazz, tap and contemporary dance from a young age. Her performance career took her around Australia, India and Taiwan on numerous corporate and theme park contracts.

Since moving to Dunedin in 2008, she has performed in various shows around New Zealand and also teaches classes in musical theatre, jazz, ballet and tap at Bennett School of Ballet and Jazz.

Emma made her musical theatre debut in 2014 as the choreographer of DKCM & Taieri Musical's *Mamma Mia!* Since then she has choreographed many musicals around the Otago region including: *Oklahoma*, *The Addams Family*, *Grease - The Arena Spectacular*, *Mary Poppins*, *Anything Goes*, *Priscilla Queen of the Desert*, *Wicked* and *Chicago*. She has won Best Choreography at the Otago Southland Theatre Awards in 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022.

*Lion King Jr* will mark Emma's 20th musical theatre production and her first time directing. She has thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of directing a show and working with her amazing cast and crew - she couldn't have done it without them.

Emma would like to thank Taieri Musical for this amazing opportunity, and for the constant support from a truly incredible society.



## Irene Mosley VOCAL DIRECTOR

On stage, off stage, at the piano, waving the baton or in governance; Irene's roots are firmly grounded in community theatre and its importance to both individual and community well-being.

Classically trained in piano and singing, Irene's first musical theatre involvement was in the 1981 South Otago Theatrical Society production of *Oliver* where she played the role of the Rose Seller. She has been musical director for several of their shows including *Annie* and *Wizard of Oz*.

Irene is currently on the Executive of Musical Theatre New Zealand and a trustee of the Otago Southland Theatre Awards (OSTAs) charitable trust, and was a judge for the OSTAs in 2018 & 2019. She sings in a Dunedin female choir and helped start a Brain Choir in Dunedin for people with brain injury or dementia.

*The Lion King* is one of Irene's favourite shows. Having seen the show in Sydney, New York, and London; the opportunity to be part of the team to bring this magic of *The Lion King Jr* to Mosgiel has been a dream come true. She acknowledges the talent of the young people in our community and hopes you enjoy the outcome as much as the cast and production team have enjoyed putting the show together.





Taj Morey  
**YOUNG SIMBA**



Poppy Hussey  
**YOUNG NALA**







Joseph Kelly  
**ADULT SIMBA**



Molly Wilson-Gallagher  
**ADULT NALA**





Jayla Paulo  
**RAFIKI**



Sam Kelly  
**MUFASA**



Declan Viljoen  
**SCAR**



Oliver Lodge  
**ZAZU**



Felix Kamo  
**TIMON**



Kalisito-James Tunoka  
**PUMBAA**



Isobel McKewen  
**SHENZI**



Lucia Morey  
**BANZAI**



Molly Peters  
**ED**





Nuka Breitbarth  
**SARABI**



Cassie Bloem  
**SARAFINA**



Isla Bell  
**ENSEMBLE**



Pippa de Boer  
**ENSEMBLE**



Hannah Geary  
**ENSEMBLE**



Matilda Gronne-Andersen  
**ENSEMBLE**



Mikayla Lindsay  
**ENSEMBLE**



Luisa Makanesi  
**ENSEMBLE**



Ada Silva  
**ENSEMBLE**







# PRODUCTION CREDITS

<b>Producer</b>	Taieri Musical Society
<b>Production Managers</b>	Sarah Knowles, Emma Morey
<b>Director/Choreographer Frozen Jr</b>	Denise Henderson
<b>Vocal Director Frozen Jr</b>	Ben Johnson
<b>Director/Choreographer The Lion King Jr</b>	Emma Donaldson
<b>Vocal Director The Lion King Jr</b>	Irene Mosley
<b>Stage Manager</b>	Bruce Clark
<b>Show Caller</b>	Ian McCabe
<b>Assistant Stage Manager</b>	Hugo Todd
<b>Production Accountant</b>	Courtney Adams
<b>Grants Managers</b>	Tania Graham, Rowena Monson
<b>Wardrobe HOD Frozen Jr</b>	Christine Wedlake
<b>Wardrobe HOD The Lion King Jr</b>	Jemma Dougherty
<b>Wardrobe Assistants</b>	Katherine Geary (coordinator), Sarina de Boer (coordinator), Ros Allison, Creina Beaman, Jo Bell, Lia Bezett, Mel Butson, Charlotte Dawson, Margaret Flockton, Tammy Foote, Rob Foote, Gus Geary, Sara Georgie, Tania Graham, Sarah Hussey, Amelia Kate-Keogh, Penny Kershaw, Heather Lindsay, Melissa Livesey, Katheryn Lodge, Kym Makaneski, Shari McCabe, Mel O'Brien, Kelesia Paulo, Claire Peters, Denise Ross, Jennie Scott, Linda Shanks, Hazel Silva, Cherie Stayer, Delia Viljoen, Degan Viljoen, Dean Viljoen, Demi Viljoen
<b>Sewers</b>	Janice Bacon, Carole Bezett, Anne Hughes, Andria McGhie, Amanda McKewen, Isobel McKewen, Janice Stead
<b>Hair HOD</b>	Lia Bezett
<b>Wig Stylists</b>	Jacqui Henderson, Carole Holt, Hayley Lyndom
<b>Production Designer</b>	Ben Thomas
<b>Set Construction</b>	Sam Bezett, Roger Caton, Bruce Clark, Chris Hinch, Blair Hughson, Jim Monson, Paul Mulholland
<b>Coreflute Signage</b>	Murray Davidson
<b>Stage Crew</b>	Sam Bezett, John Finlayson, Jim Monson, Gwyn Stevenson, Drew White
<b>Pack-in Crew</b>	Tom Acklin, Sam Bezett, Bruce Clark, John Finlayson, Matt Gray, Chris Hinch, Amber Midgelow-Marsden, Jim Monson, Paul Mulholland, Bryce Reichel, Gwyn Stevenson, Ashley Sturgess, Alex Templeton, Hugo Todd, Drew White
<b>Sound Designer and Operator</b>	Tom Acklin
<b>Lighting Design</b>	Tom Acklin, Alex Templeton
<b>Lighting Operator</b>	Alex Templeton
<b>Follow Spot Operator</b>	Matt Gray, Anne Gilkison, Dave Templeton
<b>Microphones</b>	Lisa Caton, Rowena Monson, Sophia Monson
<b>Props HOD</b>	Murray Davidson
<b>Makeup HOD</b>	Christal Allpress-Jenkins
<b>Marketing</b>	Blair Hughson, Ben Thomas
<b>Production Photographer</b>	Chris Sullivan, Seen In Dunedin
<b>Ticketing and Website</b>	Blair Hughson, Core Development
<b>Front of House HOD</b>	Sandra Nixon
<b>Front of House Team</b>	Mary-Jane Jarvis, Helen M, Courtney Adams, Olivia H, Kerri H, Jill Thomas, Laura M, Nyva, Sharyn Anderton, Neeka Wilson, Kaitlin Rodger, Riley Cooper, Bruce McDowell



# PRODUCTION TEAM



Emma Morey  
**PRODUCTION MANAGER**



Sarah Knowles  
**PRODUCTION MANAGER**



Bruce Clark  
**STAGE MANAGER**



Ian McCabe  
**SHOW CALLER**



Courtney Adams  
**PRODUCTION ACCOUNTANT**



Ben Thomas  
**PRODUCTION DESIGNER**



Christine Wedlake  
**WARDROBE HOD**  
**FROZEN**



Jemma Dougherty  
**WARDROBE HOD**  
**THE LION KING**



Lia Bezett  
**HAIR HOD**





Tom Acklin  
**SOUND HOD**



Sandra Nixon  
**FRONT OF HOUSE HOD**



Blair Hughson  
**TICKETING & WEBSITE HOD**



Murray Davidson  
**PROPS HOD**



Christal Allpress-Jenkins  
**MAKEUP HOD**





# PAST SHOWS

2022: Chicago	2007: Grease	1989: Follow That Girl
2021: Moana Jr, That Bloody Woman	2006: Annie	1988: Bob's Your Uncle
2020: The Highlights (with Musical Theatre Dunedin & DKCM)	2005: Chess	1987: Salad Days
2019: Blood Brothers	2004: Footloose	1985: Time Scale Tapestry
2018: Ovation!	2003: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Eyes on the Stars	1983: Revue 83
2017: Mary Poppins (with DKCM)	2001: Jesus Christ Superstar	1982: Revue 82
2016: Grease: The Arena Spectacular (with DKCM)	2000: Bugsy Malone	1981: Revue 81
2015: Gourmet Broadway	1999: Variety Concert	1980: Grab Me A Gondola
2015: The Sound of Music	1998: The Sound of Music	1978: Calamity Jane
2014: Mamma Mia! (with DKCM)	1996: Springtime Variety Concert, The King and I	1977: Free As Air
2013: Les Misérables	1995: Oliver!	1975: Bless 'Em All
2012: Jesus Christ Superstar	1994: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat	1974: Golden Year of Musical Comedy
2011: My Fair Lady	1993: Oklahoma	1972: Revue 72
2010: Oliver!	1992: Brigadoon, Variety Concert	1971: Revue 71
2009: The Buddy Holly Story	1991: Carousel	1969: Revue 69
2008: Honk!	1990: Naughty Marietta	1968: Revue 68

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South Canterbury Drama League  
South Otago Theatrical Society  
Speedy Signs Dunedin

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