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MARCH 27, 28 & 29, 2026
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Reif Theater Arts Presents

THE WIZARD of OZ

BY **L. Frank Baum**
 WITH MUSIC AND LYRICS BY **Harold Arlen**
 and **E. Y. Harburg**
 BACKGROUND MUSIC BY **Herbert Stothart**
 DANCE & VOCAL ARRANGEMENTS BY **Peter Howard**
 ORCHESTRATION BY **Larry Wilcox**
 ADAPTED BY **John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare Company**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Soul Asylum Acoustic

Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Opener 6:30pm | Soul Asylum 7:30pm

The Reif: Wilcox Theater

Valencia Baryton Project

Sunday, April 12, 2026 @ 2:00pm

The Reif: Ives Theater



John Jorgenson Bluegrass Band

Friday, May 8 @ 7:00pm

The Reif: Wilcox Theater

Reif Dance: Spring Show

June 12, 13 & 14

Friday & Saturday @ 7:00pm

Sunday @ 2:00pm

The Reif: Wilcox Theater

An Afternoon on LaPlant Road w/ special guest Landon Pahl

June 21, 2026 @ 2:00pm

The Reif: Ives Theater

Josh Blue

Friday, June 26, 2026 @ 7:00pm

Yanmar Arena: Pavilion

Reif Repertory Theater Presents: 9 To 5: The Musical

July 10, 11 & 12 AND 17, 18 & 19

Fri. & Sat. @ 7:00pm

Sun. @ 2:00pm

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Reif Theater Arts Presents: Wunder Kids

August 7 & 8

Friday @ 7:00pm

Saturday @ 2:00pm and 7:00pm

The Reif: Wilcox Theater

You Oughta Know – 90's Dance Party

August 14 @ 7:00pm

Yanmar Arena: Pavilion

THE FABULOUS ARMADILLOS: What's Going On: Songs From The Vietnam War Era

September 11 @ 7:00pm

The Reif: Wilcox Theater

Doug Stone Farewell Tour

September 18 @ 7:00pm

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McCullough Bros & Friends with Horns: Tribute to the Blues Brothers Show

September 24 @ 7:00pm

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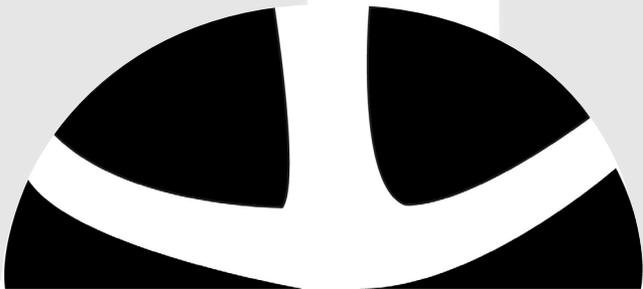
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THE
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of
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Directed and Choreographed by **Katie E. Smith**

Music Director **Linda Benge**
Production Assistants **Mike Magner & Glen Key**
Tech Director **John Miller**
Set Design **John Miller, Jim Smith, Katie Smith, Adriana Kabotoff**
Set Construction **Greg Johnson & Buzz McCullough**
Sound Board Operator **Stephani Crecelius**
Light Board Operator **Phoenyx**
Projections Operator **Mila Adams**
Qlab Programmer **Melanie McCoy**
Follow Spot Operators **Janelle Benson & Kenna Christiansen**
Stage Crew **Greg Johnson**

Rainbow Choreography by **Kendall Gunderson & Elia Maki**

COSTUMES

Amy Savela, Amy Stovall, Katie Smith, Kenna Christiansen, Emily Nielsen, Adriana Kabotoff, Lucille Kabotoff, Callan Rutherford, Melissa Resch, Lydia Resch, Lauren Kostiuk, Amanda Kostiuk, Melanie Duek, Abbie Edminster, Trinity Hemmila, Avery Schultz, Jody Schultz, Dakira Dagenais, Fox Schneider, Emma Coronado-Rands, Anna Daigle, Theresa Stark, Teran Germscheid

PAINTING CREW

Katie Smith, Adriana Kabotoff, Lucille Kabotoff, Dakira Dagenais, Makea Niewind, Glen Key, Brooklyn Simmons, Elia Maki, Fox Schneider, Callan Rutherford, Shelby Brown, Anna Daigle, Lauren Kostiuk, Poppy Kreitzer, Calvin Mann, Emma Coronado-Rands, Hunter Hemmila, Prestyn Thompson

MONKEY MAKEUP

Sammi Benson & Diana Magner

PROPS

Katie Smith, Glen Key, Mike Magner, Calvin Mann, Callan Rutherford, Makea Niewind, Adriana Kabotoff, Lucille Kabotoff, Shelby Brown



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CAST

Dorothy	Poppy Kreitzer
Hunk/Scarecrow	Andrew Keating
Hickory/Tin Man	Prestyn Thompson
Zeke/Cowardly Lion	Makea Niewind
Almira Gulch/Wicked Witch	Greta Miller
Professor Marvel/Wizard	Hunter Hemmila
Glinda	Adriana Kabotoff
Aunt Em	Emma Coronado-Rands
Uncle Henry	Fox Schneider
Emerald City Guard	Benny Jurvelin
Toto	Nora Close
Mayor of Munchkin City	Blake Jewitt
Barrister	Mavis Bujold
Coroner	Anna Daigle
Lollipop Guild	Maddux Edminster, Lewis Resch, Odin Schack
Lullaby League	Olive L'Amie, Izzy Loes, Lydia Resch
Sweetlies	Leela Gambill, Lisey Klockow, Emery Miller, Kalani Nielsen
Munchkin Braggart	Quinn Anderson
City Father 1	Lincoln Hammerlund
City Father 2	Amelia Krum
City Father 3	Caden Bergren
Yellow Brick Road	Ella Monson
Nikko	Kaiden Johnston
Winkie General	Zelda Gephart
Crows	Shelby Brown, Graham Elsen, Greta Hemphill, Lucie Jackson, Lucille Kabotoff, Calvin Mann, Callan Rutherford, Payton Simmons
Trees	Dakira Dagenais, Maisel Freestone, Kinlee Johnston, Lauren Kostiuk, Audrey Skaudis, Avery Schultz

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Quinn Lynne Andersen	Breezy Jackson	Lydia Resch
Cole Benton	Blake Jewett	Odin Schack
Caden Bergren	Isla Johnson	Eve Scheffler
Atleigh Bilyeu	Kaiden Johnston	Suzette Walker
Eleanor Buchert	Lisette Klockow	Aubree Watkins
Mavis Bujold	Amelia Krum	Mahala Wourms
Rylie Churchill	Olive L'Amie	Reif Dancers
Nora Close	Tenley Lindquist	Gabby Bushman
Anna Daigle	Isabelle Loes	Gracie Giffen
Maddux Edminster	Kaylyn Mieszaniec	Kendall Gunderson
Billie Freestone	Emery Miller	Emma Jesness
Leela Gambill	Ryley Moberg	Clara Kastendick
Amelia Grigsby	Bryn Nelson	Elia Maki 7
Lincoln Hammerlund	Kalani Nielsen	Siena Maki
Ayla Hess	Daisy Oachs	Evelyn Varberg

POPPIES

Shelby Brown	Lucie Jackson	Summer Ross
Emma CoronadoRands	Kinlee Johnston	Avery Schultz
Dakira Dagenais	Lucy Kabotoff	Payton Simmons
Maisel Freestone	Lauren Kostiuk	Audrey Skaudis
Greta Hemphill	Ella Monson	Jada Zielke



SNOWFLAKES

Natalie Chiles	Ava Hemphill	Peter Myers
Levi Daigle	Elise Jefferson	Lyla Oachs
Robbie Elj	Benjamin Jurvelin	Amelia Rosen
Graham Elsen	Goldie Lowney	Callan Rutherford
Mariya Friesner	Summer Lueck	Fox Schneider
Zelda Gephart	Calvin Mann	Nora Skaudis
Blaikley Gropp	Brayden Meyer	Haivia Thoennes

EMERALD CITIZENS

Shelby Brown	Greta Hemphill	Peter Myers
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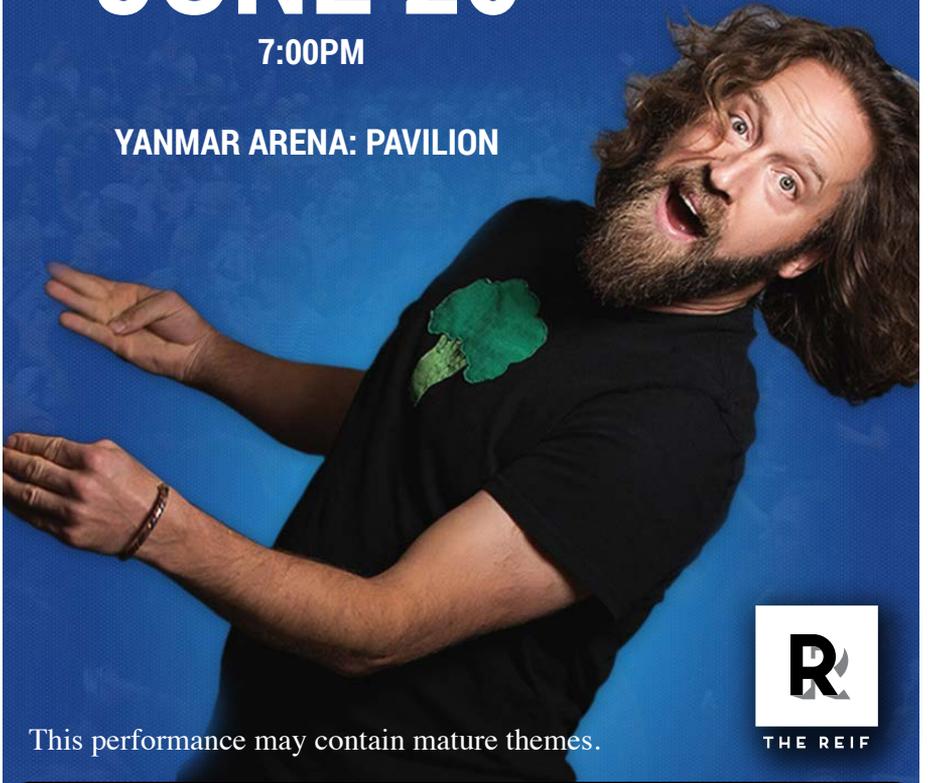
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FLYING MONKEYS

Quinn Andersen	Lincoln Hammerlund	Amelia Krum
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JITTERBUGS

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Act I

Scene 1 The Kansas Prairie
Song: Over the Rainbow

Scene 2 Marvel's Cart

Scene 3 The Twister

Scene 4 Munchkinland
Songs: Munchkin Musical Sequence & Ding Dong!, Follow the Yellow Brick Road

Scene 5 The Cornfield
Songs: If I Only Had a Brain, We're Off to See the Wizard

Scene 6 Tin Man's Woods
Songs: If I Only Had a Heart, We're Off to See the Wizard

Scene 7 The Wild Forest
Song: If I Only Had the Nerve & We're Off to See the Wizard

Scene 8 The Poppy Field
Song: Poppies

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Act II

Scene 1 The Emerald City
Songs: Optimistic Voices, Merry Old Land of Oz, If I Were King of the Forest

Scene 2 Wizard's Chamber

Scene 3 The Emerald City

Scene 4 The Gates of the Castle
Song: March of the Winkies

Scene 5 The Haunted Forest
Song: Jitterbug

Scene 6 The Witch's Castle

Scene 7 The Gates of the Castle
Song: The Winkie March

Scene 8 The Witch's Castle
Song: Ding Dong Reprise

Scene 9 The Wizard's Chamber

Scene 10 The Emerald City

Scene 11 The Kansas Prairie



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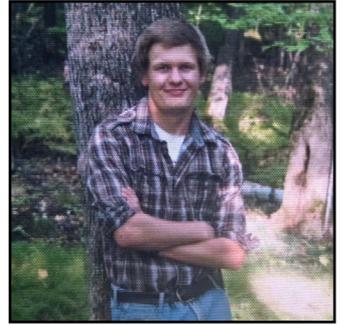
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Hunter Hemmila

I'm Hunter Hemmila and I've been doing theater since I was 11 years old. My favorite part of theater is entertaining people. After I graduate I plan on enlisting in the Marine Corps.



Adriana Kabotoff

I have been a part of this program for the past 6 years, and this will be my 22nd show! After high school I plan on going to college in Wisconsin, majoring in Elementary Education and minoring in theater! I love everything this program has brought me, and am so grateful for the opportunities I have had. Thank you for coming, and enjoy the show!



Makea Niewind

I have been a part of theater arts with Katie Smith as my director for almost 10 years, this show being my 23! I get to have my full circle moment by having Wizard of Oz as my first and last show, starting as a munchkin and ending as the cowardly lion. I have loved everything this program has offered to me. After high school I plan on attending college in Iowa to obtain my accounting degree. Thank you so much for coming, and enjoy the show!



Prestyn Thompson

I play tinman and I am extremely excited to be in my 17th show. Some of my previous roles include Mufasa in lion king, Davey in newsies, and Troy Bolton in highschool musical and many others. I am overjoyed and dreading this being my final show in high school with the reef theater arts program. But I couldn't have asked for a better cast to perform with.





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It is my privilege to welcome you to Oz and this incredible production. This cast has been the most magical group of young people I have ever led down the Yellow Brick Road. (This is my 8th time doing The Wizard of Oz, so that is saying something!)

I could not have done it without the help of MANY people. At the top of the list is our Music Director, Linda Bengé. She brings so much joy to every rehearsal and brings out the best in these young singers.

Mike Magner has been here nearly every day to help guide these kids. His kind and generous nature is such a gift and an amazing example for our students.

The team of people who got these kids costumed and ready to take the stage is long, but a few leading ladies deserve a round of applause for putting in many hours, week after week. Thank you, Amy Savela, Kenna Christiansen, and Emily Nielsen, for caring so much and giving so much of your time.

Of course, none of us would be here if it weren't for my incredible students. This show is beautiful because of them. They bring joy, focus, and determination to every rehearsal. They have worked so hard and this show is theirs.

Kids, you are my heart and the heart of this program. Keep shining and spreading goodness.

Enjoy the show!

Katie E. Smith, Artistic Programs Director





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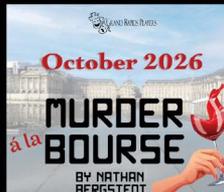
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