

INTO the WOODS

MEDIA RELEASE

Sondheim's modern classic Into the Woods set to fill the Mainstage with fairy tale magic

Music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim
Book by James Lapine
Originally directed on Broadway by James Lapine
Orchestrations by Jonathan Tunick
Directed by Kelly Thornton

January 12 – February 4 | Previews January 10 & 11

John Hirsch Mainstage

WINNIPEG, December 14, 2022 - Royal MTC will be singing in the new year with one of Stephen Sondheim's most popular musicals, *Into the Woods*.

Into the Woods follows a mash-up of fairy tale characters in pursuit of happy ever after. Their wishful thinking takes them deep into the woods where the wrong path can lead to very dark corners. Will their choices come back to haunt them? Featuring a beautifully complex and enchanting score, including the songs Children Will Listen, Stay With Me and No One is Alone, this Tony Award-winning musical from one of the giants of Broadway is a rare modern classic.

Into the Woods stars Vinnie Alberto as Rapunzel's Prince/Steward, Mariam Bernstein as Jack's Mother, Rochelle Kives as Lucinda, Sarah Luby as Rapunzel, Jennifer Lyon as The Witch, Jawon Mapp as Baker, Clea McCaffrey as Little Red Riding Hood, Laura Olafson as Florinda, Tracy Penner as Cinderella's Mother/Granny/Giant, Jade Repeta as Baker's Wife, Rhea Rodych-Rasidescu as Cinderella, Ray Strachan as Narrator/Mysterious Man, Melanie Whyte as Cinderella's Stepmother, Tenaj Williams as Cinderella's Prince/Wolf and Chase Winnicky as Jack and Matthew Fletcher, Katie German, Emily Meadows and Justin Stadnyk on standby.

The creative team features Director Kelly Thornton, Musical Director Andrew St. Hilaire, Choreographer Jillian Willems, Set and Costume Designer Gillian Gallow, Associate Costume Designer Joseph Abetria, Lighting Designer Hugh Conacher, Sound Designer Chris Coyne, Fight Director Jackie Loewen, Intimacy Director Sharon Bajer, Assistant Director and Assistant Choreographer Rebekah Jones, Assistant Musical Director Phil Corrin, Stage Manager Michael Duggan, Assistant Stage Manager Zahra Larche, Assistant Stage Manager Katie Schmidt and Apprentice Stage Manager Samantha Desiree.

Tickets for *Into the Woods* start at \$28 plus GST. For showtimes and ticket information, call the Royal MTC Box Office at 204 942 6537, toll-free at 1 877 446 4500 or visit royalmtc.ca.

B-roll will be sent to select media on January 11 and is also available upon request. A selection of photos will be available for download on our website on January 10. To access these photos, visit the MEDIA CENTRE at royalmtc.ca/mediacentre.

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