

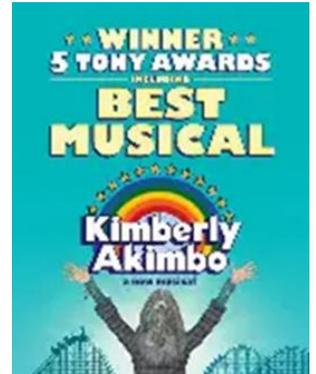
## A new musical about growing up and growing old (in no particular order)

**KIMBERLY AKIMBO** is the winner of 5 Tony Awards including Best Musical, Best Book of a Musical (book and lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire), Best Original Score (by Jeanine Tesori), Best Leading Actress in a Musical, and Best Featured Actress in a Musical.

Kimberly is about to turn 16 and recently moved with her family to a new town in suburban New Jersey. In this “howlingly funny heartbreaker of a show” (*The New Yorker*), Kim is forced to navigate family dysfunction, a rare genetic condition, her first crush ... and possible felony charges. Ever the optimist, she is determined to find happiness against all odds and embark on a great adventure.

Join Prof. Laura Rexroth in a preview of this warm, funny, and sad show about assumptions based on appearances and the human condition.

This will be an **excellent introduction** to our day trip to the play on Sunday, Feb. 22!



### Wednesday, February 11, 2026

### 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Hybrid class:** Online through **Yuja** and In-person at Tallent Hall, Room 182



**ABOUT OUR PRESENTER:** Laura Rexroth's ensembles are consistently praised for warmth of tone, musicality, and great care for the composer's intent. In addition to regularly scheduled concerts, her bands have performed for numerous special occasions and guests, including Jane Goodall, Warren Burger, Lady Margaret Thatcher and HRH Prince Charles. She joined the faculty of the University of Wisconsin - Parkside in 2014. As Associate Professor and Director of Bands, she conducts the Wind Ensemble and the Community Band, the annual High School Honor Band, the Commencement Ensemble, and teaches world music, conducting, music history, music theory, and courses in music education.

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**Register by: 02/09/2026**

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