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HEADLINE: MVNU presents Cinderella at Memorial Theater

MOUNT VERNON, Ohio (March 13, 2023) — Mount Vernon Nazarene University's Music Department and Theatre Program presents *Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella (Broadway Version)* which features music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics and original book by Oscar Hammerstein II, and new book by Douglas Carter Beane.

Since its debut in 1957, Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* has enchanted fans of all ages. Originally written for television, the musical has been adapted four times since. The most recent adaptation, the Broadway version, premiered in 2013. It features all the favorite music of the original and a new book by Douglas Carter Beane. A timeless tale of overcoming the seemingly impossible with determination, faith, and a little bit of magic, *Cinderella* is sure to delight audiences of all ages.

Cast:

Judy Bennett — Cinderella

Chloe Hall — Cinderella's Understudy

Tyler Maddux — Prince Topher

Kenzie Potter — Marie

Logan Davis — Sebastian

Destiny Fullerton — Madame

Naomi Painter — Gabrielle

Taryn King — Charlotte

Ryan Veters — Jean-Michel

Nathaniel Dersom — Lord Pinkleton

Alex Pittman — Buttercup

Leandra Viscioni — Yvonne

Kara Jenkins — Coach Driver

Knights — Lucy Beaulieu, Caleb D'Imperio, Emily Driver, Ashley Farrar, and Abigail Ralston

Townfolk — Alyssa Fraley, Chloe Hall, Andrea Hoagland, Kara Jenkins, Bethany Rider, Halle Smith, and Mallery Thompson

The show's creative team is:

Zac Sherman — Artistic Director

Sabina Anderson — Music Director

Michelle Taylor — Choreographer

Marhin Chismar — Assistant Director/Make-Up
Sam Weaver — Assistant Director/Stage Manager
Kylee Dettmer — Assistant Choreographer
Noah Tucker — Sound Technician

“Cinderella is a magical show, in every sense of the word,” said Sherman. “To do that justice, we will be performing our musical, for the first time, at the Memorial Theater in downtown Mount Vernon. The cast and crew of the show have been hard at work and are thrilled to be able to perform in this beautiful venue.”

Performances are Friday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 15, at 2:30 p.m. All performances take place in The Knox Memorial Theater, 112 E High St., Mount Vernon.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for MVNU students, anyone under 18, or those with military ID. Tickets for all performances may be purchased online at theatre.mvnu.edu or at the box office beginning one hour prior to show time. Seating opens approximately 30 minutes prior to show time. This production is suitable for all audiences.

Cinderella is presented in arrangement with Concord Theatrical on behalf of The Rodgers & Hammerstein Organization. For more information, visit www.concordtheatricals.com.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit theatre.mvnu.edu, email theatre@mvnu.edu, or call the MVNU Theatre coordinator at 740-397-9000 ext. 4235. Follow MVNU Theatre on Facebook and Instagram to keep up with the latest program news and events.

[Mount Vernon Nazarene University](http://www.mvnu.edu) is a private, four-year, intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students, and working adults. With a 327-acre main campus in Mount Vernon, Ohio, MVNU emphasizes academic excellence, spiritual growth, and service to community and church. MVNU offers an affordable education both in-seat and online to nearly 2,000 students from 25 states and 11 foreign countries.

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