

HITSBILL



May 8 @ 7:00 PM

May 9 @ 11:30 AM

**HITS Theatre
311 W. 18th Street, Houston, TX 77008**



HITS Theatre

presents

SHREK
The MUSICAL KIDS

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture
and the book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by
DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE

Music by
JEANINE TESORI

Originally produced on Broadway by
DreamWorks Theatricals
and **Neal Street Productions**

Original Production Directed on Broadway by
Jason Moore and Rob Ashford

"I'm A Believer" by Neil Diamond

Director
BRENNAN ASHLEY

Music Director
ÆRIN GRAY

Scenic Designer
KYLE MOORE

Choreographer
DANA LEWIS

Costume Designer
OLIVIA CLAYTON

Stage Manager & Props Designer
KAREN CLAYTON

Lighting Designer
MARIA VARGAS

Assistant Stage Manager
JOSH PERCY

is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

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CAST

Aiden Kulkarni.....	Pied Piper
Alana Salazar.....	Duloc Performer Solo
Alex Merhan.....	Donkey
Amelie Meyer-Shkliarevsky.....	Teen Fiona
Anabel Carter.....	Storyteller 3/Pig 3
Annabelle Siesennop.....	Pinocchio
Annie Lichlyter.....	Baby Shrek/Baby Bear
Ari Gibson.....	White Rabbit
Ariana Bell-Martinez.....	Storyteller 2/Pig 2
Caroline Lahad.....	Storyteller 1/Pig 1
Eloise Schroder.....	Young Fiona
Emma Tischler.....	Ugly Duckling
Hadley Klein.....	Wicked Witch
Hannah Borden.....	Fiona
Harlow Donovan.....	Duloc Performer/Dwarf
Hazel Martinez.....	Duloc Performer/Bishop
Henry Welch.....	Farquaad
John Gonzales.....	Guard
Kara Gibson.....	Duloc Performer
Levi Honeycutt.....	Captain of the Guard
Luke Tinnel.....	Gingy
Maya Buening.....	Mama Ogre/Mama Bear
Moses Greer.....	Peter Pan/Rooster
Price Sparacino.....	Guard
Riley Motes.....	Shrek
Sophia Ahmed.....	Dragon
Sophia Kay.....	Big Bad Wolf
Thomas Bell.....	Humpty Dumpty
Troy Franks.....	Papa Ogre/Papa Bear
William Horstman.....	Guard

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**Aiden
Kulkarni**



**Alana
Salazar**



**Alex
Merhan**



**Amelie
Meyer-Shkliarevsky**



**Anabel
Carter**



**Annabelle
Siesennop**



**Annie
Lichlyter**



**Ari
Gibson**



**Ariana
Bell-Martinez**



**Caroline
Lahad**



**Eloise
Schroder**



**Emma
Tischler**



**Hadley
Klein**



**Hannah
Borden**



**Harlow
Donovan**



**Hazel
Martinez**



**Henry
Welch**



**John
Gonzales**



**Kara
Gibson**



**Levi
Honeycutt**

CAST



**Luke
Tinnel**



**Maya
Buening**



**Moses
Greer**



**Price
Sparacino**



**Riley
Motes**



**Sophia
Ahmed**



**Sophia
Kay**



**Thomas
Bell**



**Troy
Franks**



**William
Horstman**



SYNOPSIS

Beauty is in the eye of the ogre in *Shrek The Musical KIDS*, based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film and fantastic Broadway musical. It's a "big bright beautiful world" as everyone's favorite ogre, Shrek, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and find true acceptance. Part romance and part twisted fairy tale, *Shrek KIDS* is an irreverently fun show with a powerful message for the whole family.

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

I have loved Shrek ever since I was a little girl, far too obsessed with princesses. I remember being confused when Fiona didn't turn into the tall, slim redhead from the beginning of the story. But after a long heartfelt discussion with my mom on the car ride home from the theatre, I realized that *was* the happy ending. She didn't need to change to be strong, beautiful or worthy. Come on, that's a way better message.

That's why I love *Shrek the Musical*. It's big, silly, and yes—full of fart jokes—but at its heart is a message that matters: find your freak flag and wave it high. The things that make you different are what make you powerful.

These young performers aren't just telling a story—they're learning to take up space, use their voices, and celebrate exactly who they are. So sit back, laugh a lot, and let your freak flag fly!

Brennan Ashley

Musical Numbers

Big Bright Beautiful World.....	Storytellers, Ogres and Townspeople
Story of My Life.....	Fairytale Creatures
What's Up Duloc?.....	Duloc Citizens
What's Up Duloc? Reprise.....	Lord Farquaad and Citizens
I Know It's Today.....	Young Fiona, Teen Fiona, Adult Fiona
Make A Move.....	Donkey, Pied Piper and his Mice
The Next Morning.....	Fiona
Freak Flag.....	Shrek, Donkey, Fairytale Creatures
Finale.....	Full Company
Believer.....	Full Company



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LIGHTING BOARD OPERATOR.....	MARIA VARGAS
AUDIO ENGINEER.....	CRIS AGUILERA



The Choreographer is a member of the
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AIDEN KULKARNI



WE LOVE YOU AND ARE SO PROUD, AIDEN!
CONGRATS AND BREAK A LEG!! LOVE, MOM,
DAD AND NOAH



ANABEL CARTER



HUGE SHOUT-OUT TO ANABEL IN HER HITS FINALE! WATCHING YOU
SHINE ON STAGE HAS BEEN SUCH A JOY. YOUR HARD WORK,
CONFIDENCE, AND LOVE FOR PERFORMING CONTINUE TO AMAZE US. SO
PROUD OF YOUR DEDICATION YOU HAVE PUT INTO ALL OF YOUR
PERFORMANCES OVER THE YEARS. CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT ROLE YOU
TAKE ON NEXT. WE LOVE YOU!! YOUR BIGGEST FANS
~DAD, MOM, KEVIN, & ZOE



ANNABELLE GIESENNOP



WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU, ANNABELLE! WE
CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU SHINE AS PINOCCHIO -
YOUR HARD WORK, TALENT, AND PERSONALITY ARE
GOING TO LIGHT UP THE STAGE!! LOVE, MOM AND
DAD



ARIANA BELL-MARTINEZ

YOU ROCK! WE LOVE YOU! XOXO



CAROLINE LAHAD

CONGRATULATIONS, CAROLINE! WE LOVE YOU!



HAZEL MARTINEZ

DEAR HAZEL, WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU! YOU FILL OUR HEARTS WITH SO MUCH JOY. WE KNOW YOU CAN ACHIEVE ANYTHING YOU SET YOUR MIND TO BECAUSE YOU ARE SO SMART AND EVERYTHING YOU DO, YOU DO WITH LOVE AND DEDICATION. NEVER FORGET HOW SPECIAL YOU ARE AND HOW MUCH WE LOVE YOU. WE WILL ALWAYS BE BY YOUR SIDE, SUPPORTING YOU AND CELEBRATING EVERY ACHIEVEMENT. WITH ALL OUR LOVE, MOMMY, MAMA & BORY ??



SEVI HONEYCUTT



WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU SHINE AS
CAPTAIN OF THE GUARDS! BREAK A LEG.
WE LOVE YOU



MOSES GREER



WE LOVE YOU MOSES! YOU ARE OUR
SHINING STAR!



PRICE SPARACINO



GUARD PRICE ON DUTY! SO PROUD OF
YOU IN SHREK KIDS—HAVE THE BEST
TIME ON STAGE.
LOVE, MOM AND DAD

RILEY MOTES



"BETTER OUT THAN IN," RIGHT? YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY
OGRE-THE-TOP AMAZING AS SHREK! WE'RE SO
PROUD OF YOUR HARD WORK AND CAN'T WAIT TO SEE
YOU STEAL THE SHOW. LOVE YOU TONS!

TROY FRANKS



BREAK A LEG, TROY! WE'RE SO PROUD OF
YOU FOR BRINGING YOUR CREATIVITY,
COURAGE AND BIG HEART TO THE STAGE!



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