

HITSBILL



May 10
2:30 PM & 5:00 PM

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
KYLE KINDRED

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).
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CAST

Akira Patel.....	Duloc Performer/Bishop
Arya Shaw.....	Guard
Crosby Nicholson.....	Storyteller 1/Pig 1
Crosson Matthews.....	Shrek
Eileen Johnston.....	Ugly Duckling
Eleanor York.....	Gingy
Ella Wright.....	Wicked Witch
Ellar Marks.....	Storyteller 3/Pig 3
Evan Henriquez.....	Peter Pan
Evie Fleming.....	Storyteller 2/Pig 2
Fiona Gibson.....	Pinocchio
Greyson Thigpen.....	Baby Ogre/Baby Bear
Kate Martinez.....	Guard
Layla'Mariee DGM.....	Dragon
Melisa Ceyhan.....	Fiona
Olivia Dickinson.....	Papa Ogre/Papa Bear
Pearl Coates.....	Farquaad
Penelope Bennett.....	Mama Ogre/Mama Bear
Rafael Ramos.....	Donkey
Sarah Katz.....	Duloc Performer Solo
Spike Breier.....	Teen Fiona
Talia Thomas.....	Captain of the Guard/Pied Piper
Violet Brimmer.....	Big Bad Wolf
Violette Gallatin.....	Duloc Performer/Dwarf
Vivienne LaBuz.....	Young Fiona

CAST



**Akira
Patel**



**Arya
Shaw**



**Crosby
Nicholson**



**Crosson
Matthews**



**Eileen
Johnston**



**Eleanor
York**



**Ella
Wright**



**Ellar
Marks**



**Evan
Martinez**



**Evie
Fleming**



**Fiona
Gibson**



**Greyson
Thigpen**



**Kate
Martinez**



**Layla'Mariee
DGM**



**Melisa
Ceyhan**



**Olivia
Dickinson**



**Pearl
Coates**



**Penelope
Bennett**



**Rafael
Ramos**



**Sarah
Katz**

CAST



**Spike
Breier**



**Talia
Thomas**



**Violet
Brimmer**



**Violette
Gallatin**



**Vivienne
LaBuz**



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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CREATIVE & PRODUCTION TEAM

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CHOREOGRAPHER.....	DANA LEWIS*
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SCENIC ARTISTS.....	MARY MCNEELY
LIGHTING BOARD OPERATOR.....	MARIA VARGAS
AUDIO ENGINEER.....	CRIS AGUILERA



The Choreographer is a member of the
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"BIG BRIGHT BEAUTIFUL WORLD" OR NOT, TONIGHT THAT STAGE IS YOURS. TAKE IT ALL IN, HAVE FUN, AND LET YOUR CONFIDENCE GLOW. WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU, GO MAKE SOME MAGIC ?

GILEEN JOHNSTON



CONGRATULATIONS, GILEEN! WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND LOVE WATCHING YOU SHINE!

GLEANOR YORK



NOT THE GUMDROP BUTTON! GLEANOR YOU CRUSHED IT. WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!



ELLAR MARKS



WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU FOR TRYING
SOMETHING NEW AND WORKING HARD. BE
BRAVE, SING LOUD, AND HAVE FUN!



EVIE FLEMING



EVIE, YOU SHINE SO BRIGHT ON STAGE! WE
ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU! LOVE, MOM,
DAD & LILY



MIONA GIBSON



WE ARE SO PROUD OF ALL YOUR
ACCOMPLISHMENTS CUTIE!



GREYSON THIGPEN



SO PROUD OF YOU FOR TRYING SOMETHING
NEW AND BEING BRAVE ON STAGE!

MELISA CEYHAN



SO PROUD OF OUR GIRL - SHE LOVES ACTING
AND SINGING, AND IT SHINES EVERY TIME
SHE'S ON STAGE. LOVE, ANNE, BABA AND
MURAT

VIOLET BRIMMER



VIOLET IS THRILLED TO BE STEPPING INTO THE SPOTLIGHT FOR THIS PRODUCTION! KNOWN BY THOSE CLOSEST TO HER FOR HER WONDERFULLY QUIRKY PERSONALITY AND VIBRANT ENERGY, SHE HAS FINALLY FOUND THE PERFECT PLACE TO SHARE THAT UNIQUE SPIRIT WITH THE WORLD. A NATURAL PERFORMER WITH A DEEP-ROOTED LOVE FOR MUSIC AND SYNCHRONIZED MOVEMENT, VIOLET BRINGS AN INCREDIBLE SENSE OF RHYTHM AND DEDICATION TO THE STAGE. SHE IS EXCITED TO TRANSLATE HER PASSION FOR PERFORMANCE INTO THE MAGIC OF LIVE THEATRE. VIOLET WOULD LIKE TO THANK HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR ALWAYS EMBRACING HER INDIVIDUALITY AND SUPPORTING HER AS SHE BEGINS THIS EXCITING NEW JOURNEY.



VIOLETTE GALLATIN



WE LOVE YOU AND ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!
SHINE BRIGHT!

A large, bright full moon is centered at the top of the poster. Two black bat silhouettes are flying across the moon. The background is a dark blue night sky with palm tree silhouettes on the sides.

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