### Campbell Webster Entertainment Presents









Music: Bob Johnston & Nancy White
Book: Jeff Hochhauser
Lyrics: Nancy White, Bob Johnston & Jeff Hochhauser
Orchestrations: Tom Leighton & Bob Johnston

Producers: Campbell Webster & Joe Byrne

**Director:** Wade Lynch\*

**Assistant Director:** Matt Kinney

Choreographer: MacKenzie Cutcliffe

**Assistant Choreographer:** Bradley Kelly

Music Director: Don Fraser

Assistant Music Director: Laurie Forsyth

**Production Manager:** Beth Rogers

Technical Director/Lighting Designer: Pat Caron

**Audio:** Dylan Smith

Stage Manager: Samantha Bruce\*

Assistant Stage Manager: Sarah Bruce

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Publicity & Marketing: Campbell Webster & MacKenzie Cutcliffe

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### From The Original Producers...

Anne & Gilbert, The Musical is an unusual Canadian theatre story. Since its launch in 2005 it has become one of the most successful and critically acclaimed new musicals in Canada. With rave reviews in Variety, The Toronto Star, The Ottawa Citizen and many other publications around the world including Australia, Singapore, Detroit and Tennessee Anne & Gilbert continues to delight audiences wherever it is performed. Its popularity in Canadian theatres owes much to a small army of enthusiasts, none more important than the three gifted writers who started it all: Jeff Hochhauser, Bob Johnston and Nancy White. Their adaption for the stage of L. M. Montgomery's classic novels has been brought to life by many excellent performers, directors and designers. None of Anne & Gilbert's success would have happened without the original investors in the production: Fred Hyndman, Doug Hall, Peter MacDougald and David Carmody. Their early support made Anne & Gilbert possible.

Thanks you for being part of this unique Canadian theatre success story. In buying a ticket, you have made a contribution to an important development in Canadian cultural history.

Sincerely,
David Malahoff & Campbell Webster
Anne & Gilbert Inc.



David Malahoff has co-produced previous PEI productions of *Anne & Gilbert* (2005-2009). He was the co-producer of *The New, New Potato Time Review* featuring Patrick Ledwell and Tanya Davis. Previously, he was Executive Producer of CBC Radio's top rated *Basic Black*. At CBC Radio, he created the popular *Hum Line* musical quiz show featuring Arthur Black, Shelagh Rogers and Danny Marks. He also created and produced the music programs *Under the Covers and Duets*. Moving to CBC Newsworld, he was Senior Producer for CBC Newsworld's *Big Life*. Malahoff was the creator and writer of the documentary *Scars* on CBC-TV.



Campbell Webster has produced or licensed all productions of *Anne & Gilbert* since it first hit the stage at The Victoria Playhouse. In 1988, he founded Campbell Webster Entertainment which managed various artists including Lennie Gallant, Nancy White, and John Southworth. As a Founding Director of the East Coast Music Association, an event he chaired for two years, he created many of its signature events including the 72- *Hour Jam* and Radio ECMA. His television production career included two Gemini nominations, and credits as a Producer on the lifestyle series *My Messy Bedroom* and the animated CBC series *And Yet I Blame Hollywood*. His management company also runs the CW Foundation, a charitable foundation devoted to social justice in Atlantic Canada and Latin America. His more than a decade of writing columns for the PEI daily, The Guardian, resulted in a compilation of those columns, entitled *And Another Thing*.



Joe Byrne is ecstatic to return as producer on a show that he has enjoyed for more than a decade and a half. When he is not doing production tasks on Anne and Gilbert he is involved in his other passions of social justice and community development. He works on his communications skills through teaching driving to young people and newcomers to PEI.



### WILLA BATEMAN Diana Barry; U/S Anne Shirley REBEKAH BROWN Anne Shirley

TREK BUCCINO\* Jonas/Paul/Alonzo; U/S Moody Spurgeon MacPherson

JULIA CERISANO Josie Pye/Priscilla Grant; U/S Philippa Gordon, Barbara Shaw

MACKENZIE CUTCLIFFE Philippa Gordon/Barbara Shaw; U/S Rachel Lynde

BRADLEY KELLY Billy Andrews, Jim Elwood; U/S

Anthony/Alec/Alonzo/Sloane/Robert Bell/Prof. Woodleigh/Fred Wright/Luigi

MATT KINNEY Mr. Sloane/Fred Wright/Robert Bell/Prof. Woodleigh/Luigi

Broadbottom; U/S Royal Gardener

**GRAYSEN LAPOINTE** Gilbert Blythe

ADIA LAUREIJS Prillie Rogerson, Allie Boon; U/S Josie/Jane/Priscilla

MARIUS LAVOIE Anthony Pye/Alec; U/S Paul Irving

HAYDEN LYSECKI Moody Spurgeon MacPherson

KADE MCCLOUD Royal Gardener/Benji Sloane; U/S Gilbert Blythe

HOLLY PERRY Alice Penhallowin/Stella Maynard; U/S Prillie/Annetta/Mrs.

Pye/Allie Boon/Christine Stuart

**GABRIELLE RODDY** Rachel Lynde **BETH ROGERS** Marilla Cuthbert

LAUREN TAYLOR SCOTT Annetta Bell/Dorothy Gardener; U/S Diana/Stella

DAVID WALLACE Billy Andrews/Jim Elwood; U/S

Anthony/Alec/Alonzo/Sloane/Robert Bell/Prof. Woodleigh/Fred Wright/Luigi

CHARLEE WHITTY Mrs. Pye/Ruby/Christine Stuart; U/S Marilla Cuthbert



DON FRASER Piano
LAURIE FORSYTH Cello
JEFFERY BAZETT-JONES Violin

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## Creative Team

WADE LYNCH\* Director
MATT KINNEY Assistant Director
MACKENZIE CUTCLIFFE Choreographer
BRADLEY KELLY Assistant Choreographer
DON FRASER Music Director
LAURIE FORSYTH Assistant Music Director
SAMANTHA BRUCE\* Stage Manager
SARAH BRUCE Assistant Stage Manager
SUSAN BRUCE Costume Designer
RACHEL FARMER & SARAH BRUCE Assistant Costume Designers

## Production Team

BETH ROGERS Production Manager
JOE BYRNE Production Assistant
PAT CARON Lighting Designer/Technician
DYLAN SMITH Sound Technician
HAILEE WHITE Dresser/Stitcher
PEGGY PINEAU Stitcher
SARAH BRUCE Head of Props/Head of Wigs/Graphics
MARK SHERIDAN Carpenter
GLORIA HASTIE House Manager
JANE FOLLWELL Lead Usher
Technical Services Provided by Acting Badly Inc.

### Musical Numbers

### Act 1

Mr. Blythe	Josie & Girls of Avonlea
Gilbert Loves Anne of Green Gables	Full Company
Averil's Ideal	Anne
Carried Away By Love	Gilbert, Anne & Ensemble
You're Island Through and Through	Full Company
Polishing Silver	Anne & Diana
Saturday Morning	Gilbert
Hello Gilbert!	Gilbert & Josie
All You Can Do Is Wait	Gilbert
A Jonah Day	Anne & Ensemble
Our Duty	Rachel Lynde & Marilla
Averil's Ideal Reprise	Diana
Someone Handed Me The Moon Today	Anne
Blessed Be The Avonlea Bride	Full Company

### Act 2

The Days Ahead	. Anne, Gilbert, Philippa & Ensemble
Seesaw Girl	Philippa, Alec and Alonzo
When He Was My Beau	Marilla
May I Offer My Umbrella?	Roy & Anne
Gilbert Would Never Compose a Son	net To My Eyes Diana & Anne
You're Never Safe From Surprises 'Til	You're Dead Rachel Lynde
Hot House Flowers	Gilbert & Female Ensemble
That Little Fiddle Player	Philippa, Alec & Alonzo
Forever In My Life	Anne
Gilbert Loves Anne of Green Gables F	Finale Full Company



WILLA BATEMAN
(she/her)

Diana Barry/
Jane Andrews



REBEKAH BROWN
(she/her)

Anne Shirley



TREK BUCCINO\*
( he/him)
Paul Irving/Alonzo
Jonas Blake

## Performers

HOMETOWN: Montreal, QC; Born in Rothesay, NB

ANNE & GILBERT- THE MUSICAL: Debut

THEATRE: Wendla in Spring Awakening (BU); Preps (New Plays Festival) Janet van der Graaf in The Drowsy Chaperone (BU); Kaliope in She Kills Monsters (BU); Interlude (TheatreActiv) Peggy in The Children's Hour (BU); Worthless (New Plays Festival) Godspell (BU); Ensemble in 9 to 5 (WISTA); Courtesan in The Addams Family Musical (WISTA) CHOIR: Carmina Burana (BU Singers); Magical Mystery Tour: An Evening with the Beatles (BU Singers); What Are Choirs For? (BUSingers) TRAINING: Bishop's University: B.A. Music (Honours), Musical Theatre (Concentration), Drama (Minor); Vanier College: Music (Classical Voice) SOCIAL MEDIA: LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/in/willa-bateman-041b01292/ OTHER: I'm super excited to be working on this fabulous show in beautiful PEI!

HOMETOWN: Charlottetown, PE

ANNE & GILBERT- THE MUSICAL: Josie Pye u/s, Diana Barry u/s, Phillipa Gordon u/s (2023), Swing, Ensemble (2018/19/22) THEATRE: Featured Performer in MUNSCHABLES (Confederation Centre of the Arts); Jo March in Little Women (8th Ave. Players); Lucinda in Into the Woods (The Guild); Heather Chandler in Heathers (Blackbox Theatre Co.) SOCIAL MEDIA: insta @rebekahebrown09 OTHER: I am thrilled to be back in Avonlea for my fifth season! Thank you to mom and dad for always supporting me, and to Carter, my biggest cheerleader! Enjoy the show!

**HOMETOWN:** Toronto, ON

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Debut

THEATRE: Benji in Priscilla, Queen of the Desert (Mirvish), Micheal Banks in Marry Poppins, John Darling in Peter Pan the Panto, Little Johnny in Italian Funerals and Other Festive Occasions (Drayton Entertainment). TV/FILM: Trek Henderson in Dino Dan Trek's Adventures, Dino Dan, Dino Dana, Dino Dana-The Movie and Dino Dex, Young Jacques in Murdoch Mysteries, Young Newt in Pacific Rim, O'Quinncy in Odd Squad, Mike the Knight in Mike the Knight, Night Ninja in PJ Masks, Flex in The Doozers. TRAINING: Completed Grade 8 Royal Conservatory of Music for Voice with First Class Honours with Distinction, Improv University with Canadian Improv Games. AWARDS: Various awards for tap dancing in competitions across Ontario as well as an invitation to join Canada's National Tap Team, Dino Dan Trek's Adventures Daytime Emmy Award Winner for Outstanding Children's Series, Shaftesbury Award winner for Outstanding Short Filmmaking. SOCIAL MEDIA: Instagram @trek\_buccino

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Julia Cerisano (she/her) Josie Pye/ Priscilla Grant



MACKENZIE CUTCLIFFE ( she/her) Barbara Shaw/ Philippa Gordan



(he/him)

Swing

**HOMETOWN:** Richmond, PE/Montreal, QC **ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL:** Debut

**THEATRE:** Jo March in Little Women (8th Ave. Players), Heather McNamara in Heathers (Blackbox Theatre Co.), Johnny Cade in The Outsiders (Blackbox Theatre Co.), Hodel in Fiddler on the Roof (TLT Co-op), Lucinda in Into the Woods (Fandango).

**OTHER**: I feel so blessed to be a part of this wonderful production! Hope you enjoy the show!

HOMETOWN: Charlottetown, PE

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Choreographer (2023/24), Assistant Director (2023), Assistant Choreographer (2022), Swing/us Mrs. Pye, Alec & Alonzo (2022) THEATRE: Rhoda in White Christmas, Whitney in Legally Blonde, Ensemble in Mary Poppins, Star to Be in Annie, Placard Girl in Reefer Madness, and Viola in Twelfth Night. MacKenzie performed as an original cast member in: Time Step - a tap dance revue, The Unseen - an immersive dance/theatre production, and Song & Dance Men - a comedy/tap dance cabaret.

**CHOREOGRAPHY:** Reefer Madness, Legally Blonde, and Bagels From Benny (NBC New York's list of must-see holiday shows).

**TRAINING:** Broadway Dance Centre NYC; UPEI: Bachelor of Arts (Minor in Theatre Studies)

**TEACHING:** Dance Teacher across PEI & NYC (Molloy College/CAP21, Circle in the Square Theatre School, 92nd Street Y, 24Strong, Island Dance Academy, and more)

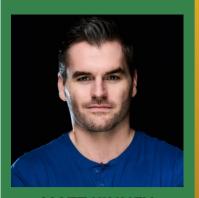
SOCIAL MEDIA: Insta @mackenziecutcliffe

**OTHER:** Thank you for supporting this wonderful, passionate, hard-working, cast and crew of Anne & Gilbert 2024! I'm honoured to be part of it. Enjoy the show!

**HOMETOWN:** Cornwall, PE

ANNE & GILBERT- THE MUSICAL: Debut

**THEATRE:** Ensemble in Anne of Green Gables (Charlottetown Festival), Director/Choreographer in One Night Only (Youth Creative Company), Kristof in Frozen Jr., Ensemble in Wizard of Oz, Carlos in Descendants (Studio 135). **TRAINING:** Acting: Brittany Banks, Jacob MacInnis, Michelle Bardach. Performance Program: Kristen Pottle and Lisa McNeil. Dance: Dawn Dames, Joe Dames, Jessica Burrett. Singing: Suzanne Campbell & Melissa Mackenzie. Thank you, everyone, for supporting live theatre! **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Insta: bradleykeppy1407 **OTHER:** Thanks to family, friends, and teachers for helping and guiding me.



MATT KINNEY

(he/him)

Mr. Sloane, Fred Wright,

Robert Bell,

Prof. Woodleigh,

Luigi Broadbottom



GRAYSEN LAPOINTE
(he/him)
Gilbert Blythe



ADIA LAUREIJS
(she/her)

Prillie Rogerson
/Allie Boon

**HOMETOWN:** Moncton, NB

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Mr. Sloane, Fred Wright, Stationmaster,

Professor, Head Waiter (2023)

**THEATRE:** Knifegrinder in Oliver!, Von Hussler in Mary Poppins, Ensemble, u/s Gaston in Beauty and the Beast, Ensemble/u/s Rocky in Rocky Horror Show, Crow/General in Wizard of Oz, Herr Zeller in Sound of Music, Jetsam in The Little Mermaid (Capitol Theatre); Peter in Jesus Christ Superstar (Hubcity Theatre); Frankie in Forever Plaid, Max in The Play That Goes Wrong (Hazy Grape); Sean Merrit in Halfway There (Hairy Tease Productions); and Jamie in Last 5 Years (1890 Junction Theatre Co.) **TV/FILM:** Death of a Spy **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Insta @maknny **OTHER:** Thank you everyone for coming to support the Island Theatre Festival! A special thank you to my family, and of course, to Rob.

**HOMETOWN:** Fredericton, New Brunswick

ANNE & GILBERT- THE MUSICAL: Gilbert Blythe (2024); Benji Sloane/Alec, and Roy

Gardner understudy (2023)

**THEATRE:** Doug and Ensemble in *Sweet Dreams: The Air Supply Musical* and New Brunswick Ensemble in *Broadway by the Sea* (Broadway By The Sea Summer Theatre Festival); Magnus the Escapologist and the Doctor in *Matilda: The Musical* (Impulse Productions); The Tin Man in *The Wizard of Oz* (TNB); Davey Jacobs in *Newsies* (STU); Sam Carmichael in *Mamma Mia!* (FHS); Marius Pontmercy in Les Misérables (FHS); Danny Zuko in Grease (FHS); Bert understudy and Ensemble in *Mary* 

Poppins (TNB) FILM: Background in Copperhead (Swordspoint

Productions) ALBUM: Christmas Together (The LaPointes with The Jolly Jazz

Band) TRAINING: St. Thomas University Musical Theatre Classes;

Theatre New Brunswick Theatre School; Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry (Honours), University of New Brunswick **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Instagram: @g.lapointe; Facebook: Graysen LaPointe **OTHER:** I am so grateful to be part of this amazing cast

and crew! We hope you enjoy the show!

**HOMETOWN: PE** 

**ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Debut** 

**THEATRE**: Ensemble in Anne of Green Gables the Musical (Charlottetown Festival), Regina in Rock of Ages (Summerside Intermediate School), Mrs. Potts in Beauty and the Beast (Lori Linkletter MTS)

**TRAINING:** Voice - Melissa MacKenzie, Sandi Clark, Sung-Ha Shin-Bouey; Acting - Melissa Mackenzie, Dominique LaPierre; Dance - Sheree Gurnell, Mallory Burns. **AWARDS** - 1st Place at National Music Festival for Musical Theatre (Developing

Artist Stream)

SOCIAL MEDIA: Instagram - @adialaureijs

**OTHER**: Beyond grateful and excited to pursue my professional debut here in Avonlea. Lots of love to my family, friends, and teachers for supporting me all along the way!



MARIUS LAVOIE
(he/him)

Anthony Pye/ Alec/
Ronald



(he/him)

Moody Spurgeon

MacPherson



(he/him)

Royal Gardner/
Benji Sloane

HOMETOWN: Charlottetown, PE

ANNE & GILBERT- THE MUSICAL: Debut

THEATRE: Charlie Lee in *Radium Girls* (Vagabond Productions); Race in *Newsies* - as well as Dance Captain (Colonel Gray High School); Assistant Choreographer for *The Addams Family* (Charlottetown Rural High School); Performer in *The Songs of Anne & Gilbert* (The Guild); Hans/Oaken in *Frozen Jr*. (Havenwood Productions)

DANCE: Currently a dancer in Xclusiv Crew; Performed in the Island Fringe Festival in Rhythm Fusion; Attended Professional Ballet Summer School at the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the Quinte Ballet School of Canada LANGUAGES: French, English and Romanian fluent EDUCATION: Currently a voice student in the UPEI Music Program SOCIAL MEDIA: insta: @marius.lavoie

**HOMETOWN:** West Covehead, PE

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Debut

THEATRE: Mark Cohen in Rent (ACT PEI) Christopher in Munschables (Charlottetown Festival Young Company) Action in West Side Story, La Cienega in Bring It On, Sebastian in The Little Mermaid, Nathan Detroit in Guys and Dolls, Fagin in Oliver! (Oshawa Little Theatre) Emmett Forrest in Legally Blonde, Sam Carmichael in Mamma Mia!, Shaw Moore in Footloose, The Cat In The Hat in Seussical, Director of 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (First Act Youth Company) Jacob Mercer in Soldier's Heart (Borelians Theatre Company) VOICEOVER: Voice of Louis Carpenter in book trailer for LUNATION by David Espeut. TRAINING: Performing Arts Diploma and Specialist High Skills Major in the arts from O'Neill CVI, Broadway Student Summit participant (Hamilton and Chicago) Music Performance Diploma from Holland College, Current Bachelor of Music student at UPEI (Baritone/Countertenor), Vocal training under Hannah O'Donnell, Stephen Bouey, and Sung-Ha Shin Bouey. SOCIAL MEDIA: Insta @hayden\_lysecki OTHER: Thank you so much for supporting live theatre on the island!

**HOMETOWN:** Newfoundland, Canada / New York City, NY

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Anthony Pye/Alec/Roy (2023)

REGIONAL THEATRE: Brad Majors in The Rocky Horror Show, Production Tenor in Singin' in the Rain, Jamie Wellerstein u/s in The Last Five Years, Swing in Bandstand (Phoenix Theatre Company); Jack Kelly in Newsies, Jervis Pendleton in Daddy Long Legs, Prince Eric in The Little Mermaid (Hale Centre Theatre) - all in Phoenix, Arizona. Upcoming: Terry in Stan Rogers: A Matter of Heart (Island Theatre Festival). EDUCATIONAL THEATRE: Bill Cahoun in Kiss Me, Kate, Dick McGann in Street Scene, Man 3 in 35mm: A Musical Exhibition, Leading Man in The Musical of Musicals, Signor Nacarelli in The Light in the Piazza, Featured Soloist in Bernstein's Mass (Arizona State University). RECORDINGS: The Anxiety Project: Original Cast Recording on streaming platforms. TRAINING: M.M. in Music Theatre (Arizona State University); B.M. in Vocal Performance (Memorial University of Newfoundland). AWARDS: 2nd place International Voice of Musical Theatre in Llangollen, Wales, 2018. SOCIAL MEDIA: Instagram: @kademccloud; Website: kademccloud.com



(she/her) Stella Maynard





**GABRIELLE RODDY** (she/her) Rachel Lynde



**BETH ROGERS** (she/her) **Marilla Cuthbert** 

HOMETOWN: Charlottetown, PE

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Schoolgirl #1/Sophomore #3 (2023) THEATRE: Éponine in Fandango on Broadway; Multiple Characters in The Singing Christmas Tree (Fandango); Multiple Characters in Acadiennes D'Hier & D'Aujourd'hui, Multiple Characters in Down at The Shore Dinner Theatre; Multiple Characters in V'nez Chou Nous Dinner Theatre TRAINING: Holland College: Music Performance Diploma; UPEI: Bachelor of Science (Psychology) SOCIAL MEDIA: Insta @hollyp3rry OTHER: So honoured to be back in Avonlea for another season! Special thanks to my family and friends for their support.

**HOMETOWN:** Charlottetown PEI

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Rachel Lynde (2022, 2023)

THEATRE: Mom, Mom Runs Amok (Lorne Elliott, 2022, 2023); Grandma, Lobster in my Pocket (She Has the Tools Productions); Ruth Hickey, I'm the One for You (Benevolent Irish Society); She Who Sings, Radio Rooster Says That's Bad (Buddies in Bad Times Theatre); Snoopy, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown; Peggy, Godspell. Film/TV: 'Gong Show' contestant, Confessions of a Dangerous Mind (Miramax, George Clooney); On Air Promo Regular, YTV; Drive Thru Customer, Fries With That (YTV); The Widow in the animated The Lady of Names (No Gasoline Productions); Lavern, Bingo Road (Watch Out Productions). Music: Lead singer in original bands Brass Bikini and Ten Ton Pudding, various musical combos; Brachiosaurus in the award winning Dinostory (Howdy Tunes Productions); 'Quiet Please There's a Lady On Stage' with David Ramsden; numerous jingles and guest vocals. Training: Ryerson Theatre School; Royal Conservatory, David Dunbar and Elaine Overholt (Voice); National Ballet School and Studio 303 (Dance) OTHER: Fitness Instructor keeping people moving throughout their lives! SOCIAL MEDIA: @gabmoves FB, IG

**HOMETOWN:** Charlottetown, PE

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Marilla (2022, 2023)

THEATRE: 1987-Present: Highlights include Trina in Falsettos, Mrs. Johnstone in Blood Brothers, Mother Superior in Sister Act (Hamilton Theatre Inc.); Miss Sandra in All Shook Up, Mama Morton in Chicago (Sudbury Performance Group); LIVE PERFORMANCES: 1985-Present: Highlights include Concerts with Hamilton Youth Philharmonic and Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra; Stan Rogers Tribute concerts in London Ontario, Toronto Ontario, and Stan Rogers Folk Festival, Canso NS. **TEACHING:** 1993-Present: Voice Teacher and coach, Ontario and PEI **OTHER:** Beth is so happy to be returning for her third year as Marilla. She has made so many new and wonderful friends doing this show and looks forward to making many more this summer. Always and forever grateful to her husband, Roger, who supports her unfailingly as she treads the boards or stands behind a microphone.



LAUREN TAYLOR SCOTT
(she/her)

Annetta Bell/
Dorothy Gardener



DAVID WALLACE
(he/him)
Billy Andrews/
Jim Elwood



Charlee Whitty
(she/her)

Mrs. Pye/Ruby Gillis/
Christing Stuart

**HOMETOWN: HALIFAX, NS** 

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Debut

**THEATRE:** Rita Monk/Ensemble in Let's Bop (Terra Bruce Productions), Karen The Computer in The SpongeBob Musical; Lady #1 in Cabaret; Susie in Let's Dance (St Lawrence College). **TV & FILM:** Kent Supplies Commercial (Accomplice Content)

**TRAINING:** St. Lawrence College: Music Theatre Program Graduate. **SOCIAL MEDIA:** IG: Laurentaylorscott **OTHER:** Lauren is so excited to be apart of the cast of Anne & Gilbert! Thank you to her family & friends for their endless support!

HOMETOWN: Mission, BC

ANNE & GILBERT - THE MUSICAL: Debut

**THEATRE:** Neleus the Singing Statue in Mary Poppins: The Musical (2015), Ensemble Member in POP! The Musical (2016), Ensemble Member in Disney

On Stage (2017)

TRAINING: Youth Open Stage: Performance Education Program (2016-2023)

Holland College: Music Performance (2024) **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Instagram: @davidwallacemusic

**HOMETOWN:** Newmarket Ontario

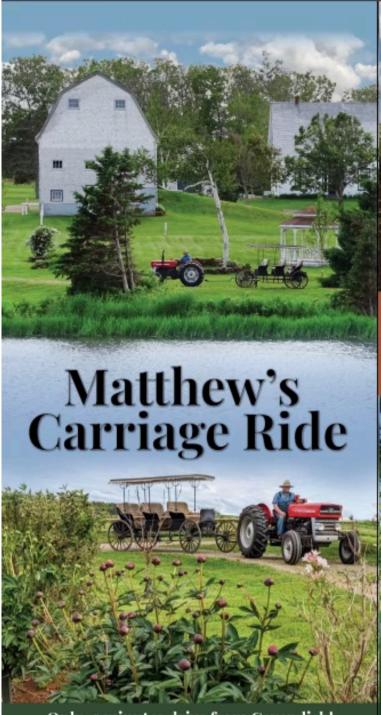
ANNE & GILBERT- THE MUSICAL: Debut

**THEATRE:** Dr. Frank N. Furter in the Rocky Horror show, Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz, Liesl in the sound of music, dance captain/gypsy in The Hunchback of Notre Dame, dance captain/wife in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Little Red in Into the Woods, choreographer for RENT.

**TRAINING:** Huron Heights secondary school Arts program for dance, drama, and vocals. Sheridan College Performing Arts Prep Program

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Instagram: charlee.whitty

**OTHER:** I am beyond excited to be in this beautiful production. A enormous thank you to my wonderful parents and husband for being my support and inspiration.



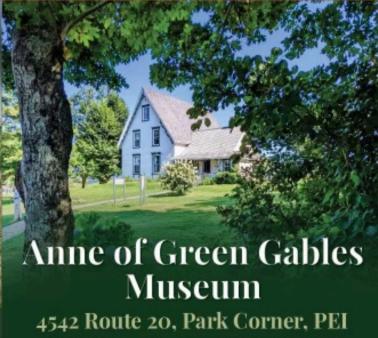
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annemuseum.com



WADE LYNCH (he/him) Director



MACKENZIE
CUTCLIFFE
(she/her)
Choreographer



DON FRASER (he/him) Music Director

# Creative Team

DIRECTION (select): Anne and Gilbert (Island Theatre Festival), Perfect Wedding, Look No Hans, A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline (Drayton Entertainment), Anne of Green Gables, Dear Johnny Deere, Come All Ye, The Ballad of Stompin' Tom, Kitchen Witches, Sexy Laundry, The Wizard of Oz, The Sound of Music (Charlottetown Festival), Seven Stories, Clue, Speech & Debate (Bishop's University). I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change (Segal Centre) ACTING: (select): Adolphe, Prayer for the French Republic (Segal Centre), Tony, Shear Madness (Drayton, Charlottetown, Atlantis), Little Big Man, A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline (Charlottetown, Drayton, The Grand, Aquarius), Lewicki, Mrs. Parliament's Night Out (Neptune), Anne of Green Gables, Stones in His Pockets, Hairspray, Buddy: The Buddy Holly story, Eight to the Bar, 18 Wheels (Charlottetown Festival). OTHER: Wade is delighted to teach in the Drama, Musical Theatre, Arts Administration and Knowledge Mobilization programs at Bishop's University. "Thank you for turning away from the screens and turning-on to the magic of live performances."

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Choreographer (2023/24), Assistant Director (2023), Assistant Choreographer (2022), Swing/us Mrs. Pye, Alec & Alonzo (2022) THEATRE: Rhoda in White Christmas, Whitney in Legally Blonde, Ensemble in Mary Poppins, Star to Be in Annie, Placard Girl in Reefer Madness, and Viola in Twelfth Night. MacKenzie performed as an original cast member in: Time Step - a tap dance revue, The Unseen - an immersive dance/theatre production, and Song & Dance Men - a comedy/tap dance cabaret. CHOREOGRAPHY: Reefer Madness, Legally Blonde, and Bagels From Benny (NBC New York's list of must-see holiday shows). TRAINING: Broadway Dance Centre NYC; UPEI: Bachelor of Arts (Minor in Theatre Studies) TEACHING: Dance Teacher across PEI & NYC (Molloy College/CAP21, Circle in the Square Theatre School, 92nd Street Y, 24Strong, Island Dance Academy, and more) SOCIAL MEDIA: Insta @mackenziecutcliffe
OTHER: Thank you for believing in the power of live theatre and for supporting the wonderful cast and crew of Anne & Gilbert 2024! Enjoy the show!

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Fall Season Pianist (2023)

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(he/him)

Assistant

Choreographer



LAURIE FORSYTH
(she/her)

Assistant Music
Director

**HOMETOWN:** Moncton. NB

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Mr. Sloane, Fred, Stationmaster, Professor,

Head Waiter (2023)

THEATRE: Knifegrinder in Oliver!, Von Hussler in Mary Poppins, Ensemble, u/s Gaston in Beauty and the Beast, Ensemble/u/s Rocky in Rocky Horror Show, Crow/General in Wizard of Oz, Herr Zeller in Sound of Music, Jetsam in The Little Mermaid (Capitol Theatre); Peter in Jesus Christ Superstar (Hubcity Theatre); Frankie in Forever Plaid, Max in The Play That Goes Wrong (Hazy Grape); Sean Merrit in Halfway There (Hairy Tease Productions); and Jamie in Last 5 Years (1890 Junction Theatre Co.) TV/FILM: Death of a Spy SOCIAL MEDIA: Insta @maknny OTHER: Thank you everyone for coming to support the Island Theatre Festival! A special thank you to my family, and of course, to Rob.



**THEATRE:** Ensemble in Anne of Green Gables (Charlottetown Festival), Director / Choreographer in One Night Only (Youth Creative Company), Kristof in Frozen Jr., Ensemble in Wizard of Oz, Carlos in Descendants (Studio 135). **TRAINING:** Acting: Brittany Banks, Jacob MacInnis, Michelle Bardach. Performance Program: Kristen Pottle and Lisa McNeil. Dance: Dawn Dames, Joe Dames, Jessica Burrett. Singing: Suzanne Campbell & Melissa Mackenzie. **OTHER:** Thank you, everyone, for supporting live theatre! Thanks to family, friends, and teachers for helping and guiding me. **SOCIAL MEADIA:** Insta: bradleykelly1407

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SAMANTHA BRUCE (she/her) Stage Manager\*



SARAH BRUCE (she/her) Assistant Stage Manager



SUSAN BRUCE (she/her) Costume Designer



RACHEL FARMER
(she/her)
Assistant
Costume Designer

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: SM (2024), ASM (2018/19), Head of Props (2017) THEATRE: ASM of Grand Magic (Stratford Festival); Apprentice SM of Tell Tale Harbour, Anne of Green Gables-The Musical, Tell Tale Harbour Workshop (The Charlottetown Festival); Tell Tale Harbour (NL ACC Tour); SM of Beneath Springhill (Firebrand Theatre); Steel Magnolias, Gaslight, Christmas Carol, Cottagers and Indians (Watermark Theatre); Good Time Radio Variety Show (Victoria Playhouse /Farmgate Theatre); Waiting for The Parade (Kings Playhouse); Rehearsal Stage Manager of Fascinating Ladies (Young at Heart); The Drawer Boy (Watermark Theatre). CONCERTS: Stage Manager of the Canada Day Concerts (Charlottetown) TRAINING: Humber College: Theatre Arts: Technical Production (Honours); UPEI: Bachelor of Arts (Honours); American Academy of Dramatic Arts NY: On-Camera Training Program; Talent Inc.: Performance SOCIAL MEDIA: IG@samanthaebruce; \*The participation of these Artists are arranged by permission of Canadian Actors' Equity Association under the provisions of the Dance Opera Theatre Policy (DOT)

**ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL:** Assistant Stage Manager (2023/24), Head of Wigs (2023/24), Head of Props (2018/19/23/24)

**THEATRE**: Stage Manager of *Patsy Cline, Anne Mix Tape, Wannabe Spice Girl Tribute Group* (Together at Last Festival); *Tomorrow Box* (Kings Playhouse); *For The Love of The Island* (Kings Playhouse); *Sinners* (North Shore Players), *RENT-The Musical* (ACT PEI); Child of Avonlea Supervisor at Anne of Green Gables-The Musical (The Charlottetown Festival); Assistant Stage Manager of Island Fringe Festival 2020. CONCERTS: Assistant Stage Manager of The Songs of Anne & Gilbert (The Guild); Christmas in The Air (The Guild) **TRAINING:** Carpentry Diploma, Theatre of Performance Certificate & Diploma, Fundamental Arts (Holland College), Dance Virtuoso **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Insta @sarahb14000, TikTok @sarahemilybruce **OTHER:** Enjoy the show!

ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: SM (2023), Head of Wardrobe (2022/23/24), Dresser (2019/22/23/24) THEATRE: Head of Wardrobe of Patsy Cline (Together at Last Festival); Director of For The Love of The Island; Waiting For The Parade (Kings Playhouse); Director & Writer of The Gossip Line; Bygone School Days; The End of The Line; Children's Puppet Shows; Monticello School House Reenactment (Don't Ye Know Theatre Inc.); Wardrobe & Laundry for Anne of Green Gables-The Musical (The Charlottetown Festival) CONCERTS: ASM of The Songs of Anne & Gilbert (The Guild); Christmas in The Air (The Guild) TRAINING: George Brown College: Dance & Costume; Banff Centre for Arts & Creativity: Dance, Royal Winnipeg Ballet School: Dance & National Ballet School: Dance; Eleanor Fulcher: Modeling TEACHING: Dance Virtuosa: Teacher & Coach; Ecole DansEncorps School: Guest Teacher; Les Souris Qui Dansent: Owner & Teacher; Hammond Bruce Studios: Owner & Teacher OTHER: Enjoy the show!

**ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL:** Wardrobe Assistant, Wardrobe Designer Assistant (2024)

**THEATRE:** Head of Wardrobe and Props; *Same Time Next Year, Misery* (Watermark Theatre), Head of Wardrobe; *Steel Magnolias, Gaslight* (Watermark Theatre), Wardrobe team; *The Nutcracker* (Nova Scotia Symphony), Dante's Purgatorio, *An Evening of Molière One Acts* (Dalhousie), Wardrobe Intern; *Dial M for Murder, A Moon for the Misbegotten* (Watermark Theatre). **TRAINING**: Dalhousie: Fountain School of Performing Arts: Costume Studies (Honours).



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Cellist



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ANNE & GILBERT-THE MUSICAL: Violinist (2023)

**MUSIC:** Member of the Atlantic String Machine; Member of the PEI Symphony; Freelance violist and violinist living in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. **OTHER:** Jeffrey is grateful to pursue his love of music on this beautiful island.



#### Jeff Hochhauser Book/Lyricist

With Bob Johnston, Jeff wrote the off-Broadway musical My Vaudeville Man! (www.myvaudevilleman.com) which was nominated for two Drama Desks and two Lucille Lortel awards, including Best Musical. The original cast recording was released on the Ghostlight Sh-Ka-Boom label. It then played at the Millbrook Playhouse in Pennsylvania. Under the title Mud Donahue & Son, it appeared in the New York Musical Theatre Festival (NYMF). Jeff also wrote (again with Bob Johnston) the musical Theda Bara & The Frontier Rabbi which after premiering at the Cohoes Music Hall, played off-Broadway as well as in Chicago and Hollywood FL. and was revived at the York Theatre as part of their Musicals in Mufti series. For that series he also contributed a new book for Harold Arlen, Yip Harburg, Fred Saidy's musical, Jamaica. With director Lynne Taylor-Corbett, he wrote the patter for Shine On, a benefit help at the new York City Center celebrating the 125th anniversary of Good Housekeeping magazine, which featured among others, Meryl Streep, Aretha Franklin and Miss Piggy. With Writer Erik Haagensen, he wrote the York Theatre's to infamous Broadway producer David Merrick. In a real labour of love, in 2012 he contributed the patter for the York Theatre's Oscar Hammerstein award ceremony at which the special recipient was living legend Barbara Cook. He studied at Bensalem College, the Pratt Institute and with Lehman Engel. For many years now he has had the pleasure of teaching musical theatre history at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in his hometown New York City.

#### **Bob Johnston**

#### Composer/Co-Lyricist

Bob is pleased that Anne & Gilbert is returning to PEI this summer. Theda Bara and the Frontier Rabi, which he wrote with Jeff Hochhauser has most recently been produced at the York Theatre in New York as part of its 2005/2006 Mufti series. It has had productions Off-Broadway in Chicago, Hollywood, Florida and in Cohoes, N.Y. Johnston and Hochhauser's York Theatre production of My Vaudeville Man!, was nominated for two Drama Desk Awards and two Lucille Lortel Awards, including "Outstanding Musical", for the 2008 Off Broadway season in New York. Bob earned his MFA in musical theatre writing at NYU and participated in the Dramatist Guild Workshops and the ASCAP Musical Theatre Workshops in New York. Bob has produced several Nancy White CDs and has been her musical director. He recently retired from teaching music at Wexford Collegiate School of the Arts in Scarborough, Ontario.

#### Nancy White

#### Composer/Lyricist

Nancy White, who wrote about half the songs in the show, is delighted that "Anne & Gilbert" is being performed in the concert hall of a school she -- and Lucy Maud, and Anne & Gilbert -- attended. Nancy is the Islander on the writing team, although she now lives in uber-folksy Toronto, Ontario. She's probably best known for CD's like "Momnipotent: Songs for Weary Parents", "Gaelic Envy" and "Stickers on Fruit", and the fifteen years she spent writing hundreds of topical songs for the CBC radio show "Sunday Morning". Nancy's had a pretty good kick at the can as a performer not-quite-in-the-mainstream (folk festivals, symphony pops concerts, clubs) and along the way acquired three ACTRA awards, an honorary LLD from Dal (no, really!!) and the Rooted to the Island award from Music PEI. Then there was her 14-and under freestyle award from the Alberton Swim Meet. That was the most astonishing. Working with Bob and Jeff on "Anne & Gilbert' has been her most satisfying and often hilarious experience ever. Special thanks to her one time manager Webster for producing "A&G", gettin' 'er goin' and, dammit, keepin' er goin'!!!



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Best Regards,

Dr. Alexander (Sandy) MacDonald, Cert. Psych.

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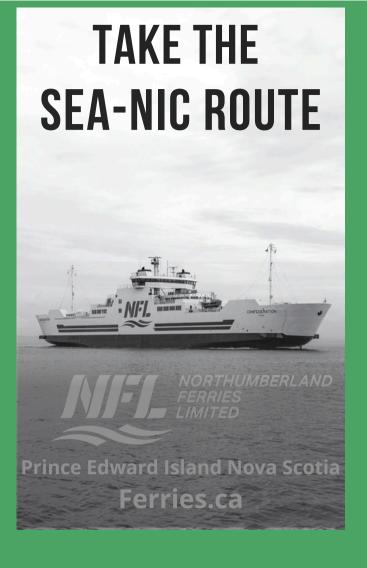
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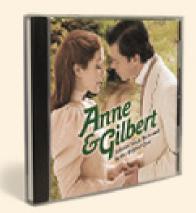


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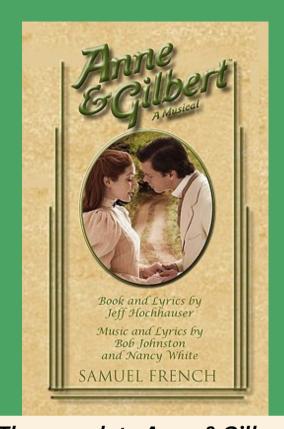
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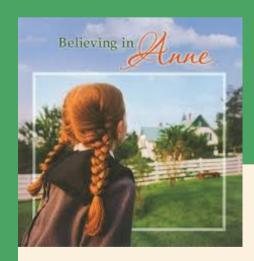


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