

# Confederation Park Elementary School

Education through the Arts

*is proud to present:*



Music & Lyrics by  
**Elton John & Tim Rice**

Additional Music & Lyrics by  
**Lebo M, Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin, and Hans Zimmer**

Book by  
**Roger Allers & Irene Mecchi**

Based on the Broadway production directed by  
**Julie Taymor**



## AUDIENCE ETIQUETTE & THEATER EXPECTATIONS

### DISTRACTIONS

Please ensure that cell phones and other devices are on silent.

### PHOTOGRAPHY

Please stay in your seats and be courteous to audience members around you if you plan to take pictures. No flash photography permitted.

### PRIVACY & INTERNET SAFETY

For the safety of our students, any photos or video taken during a school event or performance that include children other than your child, should not be posted on YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or any other social media site.

### EXITING & RE-ENTERING

If you need to leave the theater, please wait for an appropriate time to exit. You will be asked by theater staff to wait for an appropriate moment to re-enter the theater.

### CONCESSION

All proceeds from the concession go to the Michael J. Fox Scholarship Program which benefits Burnaby students. Beverages with lids and **“non-drippy” food are permitted in the theatre.** At the end of the performance please take any beverage or food garbage out of the theatre for disposal.

### FINALE

All students will perform in the finale so be sure to stay until the end of the show. Students can then be picked up from their assigned classrooms that they were originally dropped off in. Students will be released to adults only. Please be patient as we collect costumes and check for students to be reunited with their families.





## MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL

Confederation Park – Education Through the Arts School has jumped into the **magnificent learning journey of “The Lion King”!** Although production didn’t start until February, this thoughtful process began four years ago as staff explored and researched different themes and curricular connections to The Lion King. Originally, this show was to premiere in Spring of 2020. Well, of course we all know what happened then and so we packed up props, sets and costumes and put them in safe keeping. Here we are now, May 2023 and we are beyond excited to bring this show to our Confederation Park community.

Once production began, our entire staff took on roles whether it was coaching actors, creating costumes, designing and making props, exploring new technology, or shopping on weekends for the best costume and prop deals! Our supportive parent community and friends of Confed shared their valuable skills and generosity of time creating amazing masks, building props, gluing, cutting, sewing, filming, taking pictures, managing will call, striking the show and so much more! It really does take a village and more!

**Finally, let’s congratulate the true heroes of this show...our inspiring, thoughtful and hard working students!!!** Putting on a production like this provides opportunities for our students to work together as a team to achieve a common goal, to develop discipline and **a greater understanding of others, to develop one’s craft and to take on risks** - whether it is attending an audition, living a new character, trying a new dance move, taking on new **responsibilities, smiling to the audience, or finding one’s voice!** These students are **I** earning to do it all! This truly is **THEIR SHOW!**

It is through this process that we have achieved a true collaborative effort amongst students, staff and community. The success of this show is shared by everyone! Feel proud!

**“Let every creature go for broke and sing.**

**Let’s hear it in the herd and on the wing.**

**It’s gonna be Confed Park’s finest fling!**

**Oh, we just can’t wait to share and sing!”**



## CAST

Rafiki.....	Salom Madara
Mufasa.....	Blake Golden
Sarabi.....	Talia Carnovale
Zazu.....	Isla Pescitelli
Scar.....	Coen Goodenough
Young Simba.....	Ben Mandrusiak
Young Nala.....	Jun Liang
Sarafina.....	Mia Matheson
Shenzi.....	Aaram Ahmed
Banzai.....	Anya Cividino
Ed.....	Jay Lane
Timon.....	Avi Gosper-Perron
Pumbaa.....	Lorenzo Siracusa
Simba.....	Talia Mahseredjian
Nala.....	Stella Snow

### **Lionesses:**

Cece Balladares, Alora Chan, Everett Place,  
Priyanka Sharma,  
Talia Carnovale, Mia Matheson, Ella Sed-  
gewick, Stella Williams,  
Emily Chatfield, Mila Cabrita,  
Emma Vigliotti (Dance Captain)

### **Prideland Ensemble:**

Scarlett Swan, Aaliyah Jamal,  
Abigail Bertlin, Grace Chan, Phoenix Torkos  
Emma Chiu, Gustavo Gerbara-Diamante,  
Bella Fiorilli, Cameron Wong,  
Roman Falsetto, Zaid Junaideen,  
Lior Matheson, Theo Seibel,  
Daniil Bhatia, Aris Camele,  
Sadie Corvalan, Sydney McManus,  
Theia Yuen, Elizabeth Reid,  
Kai Hamilton, Karena Louie, Dante Bevaqua,  
Rehan Gandhi, Grayson Halford

### **Feature Grasslands:**

Coco Petersen, Francesca Talierno,  
Annabelle Choy, Adrianna Pollastretti,  
Isla Mori

### **Assistant to the Directors**

Alexa Vuong

### **Feature Hyenas:**

Mateo George, Matthew Dato Lemon,  
Augustus Choy, Rafe Yuen,  
Benicio Talierno

### **Feature Rainbow Flowers:**

Naseeb Sadhra, Charlie Petersen,  
Lorena Melchior, Ariella Bardaro,  
Selina Huang

### **Feature Can You Feel the Love dancers:**

Oliva Sale, Angelina Aiello

### **Choir Leaders:**

Preston Golden, Aphiah Balabyekkubo

### **Stage Crew**

Luca Salji, Kaitlyn Lai, Karena Louie,  
Vincenzo Carnovale, Holly Firkins (Stage  
Crew Captain), Joshua Wong,  
Mason Nguyen, Andrew Pham,  
Rafael Gebara Diamant, Aisling Cline,  
Aurora Seed, Jack Phillips, Arsh Uppal, Max  
Campbell, Ivan Huang, Jake Lee

### **Classroom Assistants**

Finn O'Leary, Bella Melchior, Ellie Joo,  
Isaac Chu, Nabil Junaideen, Alex Uken,  
Role Pham





## MUSICAL NUMBERS

### **Circle of Life**

Rafiki, Prideland Ensemble, Mufasa, Sarabi, Zazu

### **Grasslands Chant**

Grassland Features, Div. 2 &  
Div. 5 grade 4's

### **The Lioness Hunt**

Lionesses, Young Nala, Gazelle

### **I Just Can't Wait to Be King**

Young Simba, Young Nala, Zazu, Div. 5 grade 3's & Div. 6

### **Be Prepared**

Scar, Shenzi, Banzi, Ed, Feature Hyenas, Div. 4

### **They Live In You**

Mufasa, Div. 3

### **The Stampede**

Young Simba, Mufasa, Scar, Div. 1 & 2

### **The Mourning**

Sarabi, Young Nala, Rafiki, Lionesses, Grassland Features, White Birds, Hyenas

### **Hakuna Matata**

Timon, Pumbaa, Young Simba, Simba, Rainbow Flower Features, Div. 8 & 9

### **Shadowland**

Nala, Lionesses, Grassland Features,  
Rafiki

### **Can You Feel the Love Tonight**

Timon, Pumbaa, Simba, Nala, Love features, Div. 7

### **He Lives In You**

Rafiki, Grassland Features, Div. 2

### **Luau Hawaiian Treat**

Timon, Pumbaa

### **Finale**

Company



## Our Fabulous Understudies

Mufasa .....	Mateo George
Sarabi .....	Mila Cabrita
Zazu .....	Sydney McManus
Scar .....	Rehan Gandhi
Young Simba.....	Stella Williams
Young Nala .....	Preston Golden
Sarafina .....	Alora Chan
Shenzi .....	Matthew Dato Lemon
Banzai .....	Augustus Choi
Ed.....	Rafe Yuen
Timon .....	Cece Balladares
Pumbaa.....	Everett Place
Simba .....	Mia Matheson
Nala.....	Emily Chatfield

Music Adapted & Arranged and  
Additional Music & Lyrics and  
“Luau Hawaiian Treat” written by  
**Will Van Dyke**

“It’s a Small World” written by  
**Richard M. Sherman and Robert  
B. Sherman**

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Ryan Phelps—Gilmore Elementary

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Hwayoung Lee

Jennifer Luk

Joanne Ma

Marina Mahseredjian

Susan McBain

David McManus

Ace Meugue

Bruce Naddaf

Maryam Naddaf

**Nancy O'Brien**

Yunuen Perez Vertti

Chloe Perron

Dale Peter

Raegan Place

Shivonne Prasad-Saroya

Caterina Ramogida

Harry Sadhra

Sansaar Sadhra

Jessica Swan

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Thanks to all our students, parents and Confederation Park staff  
who have made this production possible!



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LIONESSES



FEATURE GRASSLANDS



FEATURE HYENAS



CHOIR LEADERS



STAGE CREW

