

CAST INFORMATION

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Coraline Cast Information



Biannah Peji-Palm

Biannah Peji-Palm (Coraline)

You may have seen Biannah in previous Rose Theater Productions as “Belle” in *Beauty and the Beast* (June 2023), “Gabrielle” in Rogers and Hammerstein’s *Cinderella* (Dec. 2022) & “Sister Margareta/US Maria & Mother Abbess” in *The Sound of Music* (June 2022). She’s performed locally as well at the Omaha Community Playhouse in *CABARET* (Mar. 2024) as “Rosie/Girl 1/Dance Captain” and with Omaha Symphony for their Lunar New Year Celebration (Jan. 2023). She started her performance training in the Philippines with the Halili Cruz School of Ballet whereby age 14 she competed and performed internationally with the Quezon City Ballet. She was also enrolled in voice and organ lessons through the Yamaha School of Music. After graduating high school at age 16, she joined a performing arts group in the USA and toured, performed, and taught musical numbers to students in Europe, Japan, and cities across the USA. She graduated with a BA in Arts Management (2019) and a Masters in Business Administration (2020) from Midland University. She started her career at The Rose as a Ballet/Tap teacher in 2019. Since then, she’s been grateful to have served as the Rose Studios for Youth Artists Manager, Interim Musical Theater Dance Director and now as the HR/Finance Generalist. She is grateful every day to still be involved with the performing arts. She is most grateful to witness young artists and dreamers find their voice and community through the performing arts as she once did when she was younger.

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Nyarok (Rayn) Tot

Nyarok (Rayn) Tot (Other Mother)

Nyarok (Rayn) Tot is a South Sudanese multidisciplinary artist and educator from Omaha, Nebraska. Nyarok began their community theatre career as an ensemble member in Omaha Community Playhouse's production of "Dreamgirls" and has since received a number of art, music and performance opportunities in the Omaha scene. Most recently, Nyarok played the role of "Nansi" in the Rose Theater's production of Three Little Birds. In their free time, Nyarok enjoys making music, painting, and being out in nature. Nyarok also works full time as a Community Education Assistant at a local food justice nonprofit. Nyarok is so excited to share space on the Rose's stage once again!



Jay Hayden

Jay Hayden (Cat / Ensemble / Understudy)

Jay Hayden (they/them) is a multi-hyphenate artist who loves rock climbing, vegan cooking, skateboarding, and this show! They are the Teen Programming Coordinator at The Rose, teaching classes on Acting, Directing, Playwriting, and Theatre of the Oppressed. Jay is also a co-conspirator with Old School Shakespeare Omaha, performing free, accessible Shakespeare in bars & coffee shops around the Big O. As a Theatrical Gender Consultant, they have presented on best practices for including transgender artists with ACLU Nebraska, Benson Theatre, TYA/USA, the American Alliance for Theatre & Education, and the NYC Roundtable. They are a proud member of Ring of Keys, and a proud member of the University of Vermont. Thanks to Eavan for the love and support. @flareupwithlove



Lauren Krupski

Lauren Krupski (Mother / Miss Spink / Ensemble)

Lauren is an Omaha-based actor who has appeared in many productions throughout the area. Some notable roles include Maria in The Sound of Music at The Rose, Rosalie Mullins in School of Rock at the Omaha Community Playhouse, Princess Fiona in Shrek the Musical at The Rose and most recently as Sandra in The Play That Goes Wrong at the Omaha Community Playhouse. also, Lauren has performed many times with the Omaha Symphony in their family and educational shows. She has been seen in Mission Imagination for two years, as well as hosting the Link Up! concerts the last five years. Lauren has also appeared with the Sarasota Symphony, Rochester Philharmonic, and the Lima Symphony Orchestra.

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Del Casteel

Del Casteel (Father / Miss Forcible / Ensemble)

Del Casteel is so excited to make his debut at the Rose Theater! He is currently majoring in Broadcast Journalism and minoring in Theatre at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He has been performing for audiences since In fifth grade, when he embodied the menacing Scut Farkus in A Christmas Story at the Robidoux Resident Theatre, and by seventh grade, he was stealing scenes as LeFou in the high school production of Beauty and the Beast. His recent roles include the spirited Macy's manager in Elf the Musical and Johnny Casino in Grease the Musical, both at the Nebraska Communities Playhouse. When he's not on stage, Del does standup comedy at open mics in the area, plays guitar, goes to class and hangs out with his friends.



Malik Deshon Fortner

Malik Deshon Fortner (Mr. Bobo / Ensemble)

Malik is very excited about being back on the Rose stage. He could previously be seen in Lightning Thief, Don't let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, And Penguin Problems. Malik is very excited for everyone to see the show. Caroline holds a special place in my heart so my hope is that everyone will leave with that same feeling.



Breanna Mack

Breanna Mack (Other Father / Ensemble / US Cat)

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