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PROSPERO'S STORM

Or

The Magical, Musical-Theatrical Tale of the Wretched Wizard who sought Revenge on his Enemies with a Terrible Sea-Tempest but through the Power of Love learned Mercy, Forbearance, and Ultimate Wisdom

based on William Shakespeare's *The Tempest* adapted by Damon Kiely music and lyrics by Mark Elliott

Director – Damon Kiely
Musical Director – Mark Elliott
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CAST [in order of appearance]

Prospero	Adam Welsh
Ariel	Gail Tierney
Boson/Spirit	Jordyn Prince
Alonso	JJ McGlone
Ferdinand	Dominique Watkins
Antonio	William Delforge
Sebastienne	Jolie Lepselter
Gonzala	Nikhaar Kishnani
Stephano	Michael Buono
Trincula	
Miranda	Raven Whitely
Caliban	Clint Campbell
Crone/Spirit	Rebecca Keeshin
Mother/Spirit	Chloe Baldwin

Place and Time: A magical island during the roaring 1920s

The play will be performed without intermission.

Theatrical haze and a firearm will be used in this production.

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To the student and alumni actors who gave of their time and talents for the new play workshop of this piece: Taylor Blim, Christian Cook, Ian Custer, Meg Elliott, Laura Harrison, Noah Laufer, Ashlynn Lozano, Jessica Maynard, Maureen Miziner, Casey Morris, Manny Ortiz, Grace Palmer, Brian Rife, and Vahishta Vafardari.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

Beneath The Sea Thy Father Lies	Ariel and the Spirits
While You're Snoring In Your Bed	
What Is A Servant With No One To Serve?	
Come and Let Me Help You	Stephano
Caliban's Turn	Stephano
Hear Me, O Heaven	Ferdinand and Miranda
Well-Accustomed Mates	Stephano and Trincula
Lost	Prospero, Antonio, Mother, and The Crone
After The Storm	The Company

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

I used to be a magician.

At least it seemed that way to me when my kids were younger. No matter what I did or said, it seemed to amaze them. I knew things they didn't, I could do things they couldn't, I provided and protected. Now as they've grown older and know more about the world beyond me—I've lost my magic.

Occasionally I can still pull a trick—display some hidden talent or solve a problem they can't manage—but mostly I'm just a person like them. All too human. Prospero is going through the same challenge with his blended Island family: his daughter Miranda loves and respects him but wants more freedom. His monster Caliban thinks his old man treats him too hard and wants his love. His spirit Ariel chafes at his commands and wants her liberty.

On the day that Prospero finally gets his enemies in his clutches and seeks revenge—his three dependents disobey him, take their own path, and undermine his plan. He must use his potent magic again and again to restore order. Finally, learning mercy from his family—he must forgive the past and embrace a new future.

As a Dad without magic.

I'd tell him—it's a harder road—but much more fulfilling. Dealing with children person to person, seeing them as human beings with their own thoughts and desires. Giving them the freedom to fail and succeed on their own.

Actually, it's a kind of magic of its own: growing up.

~ Damon Kiely

DRAMATURGY NOTE

Since she was a little girl, Miranda has known her father, Prospero, is magical. Through the years, she has watched him adoringly. Prospero controls the island that they live on, commanding spirits, casting spells, and making everything run just right. In many ways, we all have magical adults in our lives; powerful people who have control and make sure we are safe and sound. But now that she's growing up, Miranda has begun to see through some of her father's old tricks. She especially hates when he tries to control her with magic. His magic has changed in her eyes. As a young adult, Miranda now recognizes that she too has her own special powers, some which she has gained on her own and some with the help of her family. She is starting to gain knowledge and experience. Although Miranda celebrates her newfound magical gifts, her father's powers to love and protect her are not lost. Magic lives on in both of them. Rather than being something that only Prospero has, magic becomes something that they both now share. As Miranda grows, becomes more independent, and gains her own types of magic, her relationship with her father also changes and grows.

Just like Miranda, as we in the audience grow up our relationships with the adults we love and count on change. While we may no longer need them to help us do magical things like tie our shoelaces or help us ride a bike, that doesn't mean that people like parents, teachers, and coaches lose their magic. By using the knowledge and skills they taught us, we celebrate their magical gifts and begin to develop our very own.

~ Ro Ogrentz

BIOGRAPHIES

Chloe Baldwin (Mother/Spirit), BFA3/Acting. Chloe is from Western Springs, Illinois where she found her passion for theatre at a young age, studying at The Theatre of Western Springs and Interlochen Center for the Arts. She is currently interning with R&D Fight Choreography and studying Italian rapier swordplay. Recent roles include Nina in Stupid F---ing Bird and Medea in Medea at The Theatre School, and Liz in The Immediate Unknown, a feature film headed to the Women's Independent Film Festival. www. chloebaldwin.net

Michael Buono (Stephano), BFA4/Acting. Michael is from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Previous Theatre School Credits include 12 Angry Men, The Day John Henry Came To School, The Memo, In The Heights, Godspell, and Devil Sedan. Other Credits include Dog Sees God (Outside the Box Theatre Co, Philly, PA), and ABC Primetime's What Would You Do? Michael is also an accomplished singer, having toured Europe as part of American Music Abroad, has performed at Avery Fisher Hall in New York City and performed alongside the cast of Broadway's Memphis and Chita Rivera.

Clint Campbell (*Caliban*), MFA2/Acting. Clint grew up in Northern California where he earned his BA in Technical Theatre at Sonoma State University. A year later, he flew to Ireland where he became an extra on HBO's *Game of Thrones*, where he discovered his passion for acting. He attended American Conservatory Theatre's Summer Training Congress in 2011.

William Delforge (Antonio), BFA4/Acting. William is from Pewaukee, Wisconsin. Theatre School acting credits include: Moonfleece (Curtis), The Trojan Women (Talthybios), The Duchess of Malfi (Pescara), and Juicy and Delicious (Hushpuppy). In November, William joined the cast and crew of Joe Turner's Come and Gone as the production's Make-up Coordinator.

Elsa Guenther (*Trincula*), MFA2/Acting. Elsa hails from Wheaton, Illinois, but part of her heart lives in New Zealand. She has a BA in Creative Writing from DePaul University. Other Theatre School credits include *The Lady from the Sea* (Ellida), directed by Erin Kraft and *The Qualms* (Kristy), directed by Shade Murray.

Rebecca Keeshin (*Crone/Spirit*), BFA3/Acting. Rebecca is originally from Highland Park, Illinois. Theatre School credits include *The*

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Lady from the Sea, Book of Days, Medea, and U.S Drag. Chicago credits include work with Light Opera Works, The Poor Theatre, The Music Theatre Company, and Writers' Theatre.

Nikhaar Kishnani (*Gonzala*), MFA2/Acting. Nikhaar is from New Jersey and California. Before beginning her graduate career, she was a television show host and an improviser. Her previous work at The Theatre School includes Regine in *The Qualms* and Rosalie in *The Children's Hour*.

Jolie Lepselter (Sebastienne), BFA4/ Acting. Jolie is from Dallas, Texas. Jolie has previously trained at the La Jolla Playhouse Conservatory. Jolie has been seen in *The* Killing Game, Dreams, Undo, and *The Children's* Hour at The Theatre School.

JJ McGlone (Alonso), BFA3/Acting. Theatre School Credits include *The Lady from the* Sea, directed by Erin Kraft. JJ is from Quincy, Massachusetts, and is a proud graduate of Walnut Hill School for the Arts.

Jordyn Prince (Boson/Spirit), BFA4/Theatre Arts. Jordyn Prince is from Cleveland, Ohio. She had her directorial debut this year with Sparkleshark by Philip Ridley, part of the Theatre Arts Lab Series. She has been an ensemble member for The Horror! for the past three years, devising horror genre theatrical shows at various spaces, such as Free Street Theatre and Young Camelot. Past assistant directing credits at The Theatre School include Video Galaxy, directed by John Jenkins; Symphony of Clouds, directed by Ann Wakefield; Really, Really, directed by Damon Kiely; and Number the Stars, directed by Ernie Nolan.

Gail Tierney (Ariel), BFA4/Acting. Gail is from Lemoyne, Pennsylvania. Previous Theatre School credits include In The Heights (Ensemble, U/S Nina), directed by Lisa Portes; The Blood & The Pines (Emma), directed by Damon Kiely; The Amish Project (Velda), directed by Kiera Fromm; Circle Mirror Transformation (Lauren), directed by Erin Kraft, and The Lady from the Sea (Bolette), directed by Erin Kraft.

Adam Welsh (*Prospero*), MFA2/Acting. Credits include *True Story* (Hal) and *The Qualms* (Chris) at The Theatre School, *Macbeth* (Caithness)

and Romeo & Juliet (Abraham/Balthazar) at Midsommer Flight, Robin Hood (Eadom, Williamstown Theater Festival), The Train Play (Sergei, Will Act For Food), Absolute Hell (P.C. Molson, Gift Theater), and This is Our Youth (Dennis, Stage 773). Adam is a proud Alumni of the 2014 Summer Acting Apprenticeship of Williamstown Theater Festival and a 2011 Columbia College Chicago Graduate, where he received his Bachelor of Arts.

Dominique Watkins (Ferdinand), BFA4/ Acting. Dominique is from Houston, Texas. His recent Theatre School credits consist of The Phantom Tollbooth (Humbug), Dreams (Shattered Man), 4.48 Psychosis (Ensemble), and 12 Angry Men (Foreman).

Raven Whitley (Miranda), BFA3/Acting. Raven is from Asheville, North Carolina. Her Theatre School credits include *The Children's* Hour, Man of La Mancha, Eurydice, and An American Daughter. Raven is a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of the Arts Drama Program.

Damon Kiely (Director/Adaptor): Damon is a professional director and writer, and a full time professor of directing and acting and Chair of Performance for DePaul's Theatre School. He is currently writing a book for Routledge called How to Read a Play: Script Analysis for Directors due out February 2016. The House Theatre of Chicago recently produced his new play *The Revel*. He was nominated for a Jeff Award for Best director. of a musical for his production of Hank Williams: Lost Highway for American Blues Theatre, which won a Jeff award for best musical/midsized. In Chicago, he directed regional premieres of work by Lisa Kron and Jordan Harrison for Next Theatre, the Chicago premiere of Gina Gionfriddo's Becky Shaw for A Red Orchid Theatre, and the world premiere of McMeekin Finds Out for Route 66. He has won numerous awards, including the Drama League Directing Fellowship as well as the NEA/TCG Career Directing Fellowship.

Mark Elliott (Composer/Lyricist/Musical Director) Mark has provided musical direction for nearly one hundred productions. He has worked for Alabama Shakespeare Festival, Center Theatre, Candlelight Dinner Playhouse, Roosevelt University, Fox Theatricals,

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Centerlight Theatre and Appletree Theatre, among others. He has also collaborated on many productions at The Theatre School where he is the Composer-In-Residence. He has served as musical director for the annual Joseph Jefferson Awards and Joseph Jefferson Citations on several occasions.

Nick Sandys (Combat and Clowning Director). Nick has been adjunct faculty at The Theatre School since 1994 and he is a Certified Teacher and Fight Director with the Society of American Fight Directors. He has choreographed over 50 shows at The Theatre School. Outside DePaul, he is the Resident Fight Director at Lyric Opera of Chicago where he has designed combat for over 45 productions. He has also choreographed violence for Goodman Theatre (over 30 shows, including *The Iceman* Cometh [BAM 2015] and the world premieres of Ruined, Stage Kiss, and August Wilson's Gem Of The Ocean), as well as for Steppenwolf Theatre (including the Tony-winning Who's Afraid Of Virginia Woolf[Broadway 2012]), and many other regional theatres and colleges. His fight choreography has won four Joseph Jefferson Nominations, winning in 2008 for Requiem For A Heavyweight.

Cameron Knight (Text Coach) Cameron is an Assistant Professor of Acting/ Shakespeare and Heightened Text at The Theatre School. He recently directed Seven Guitars by August Wilson and Once on this Island at Carnegie Mellon University where he was previously a professor. Cameron has coached and taught actors of all ages in Acting, Shakespeare, Text Analysis, Improvisation, Stage Movement and Stage Combat. His acting credits include Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Texas Shakespeare Festival, Alabama Shakespeare Festival, Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival, Michigan Shakespeare Festival, Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, The Kennedy Center, City Theatre, Bricolage, and No Name Players.

Dennis Watkins (Magic Consultant). Dennis works as a corporate entertainer, magician, mentalist, and speaker for events coast to coast. He returns to the theatre as often as possible and is a classically trained actor, playwright, and director. He is a company

member with The House Theater of Chicago and often partners with them to tell stories through magic, illusion, and mentalism.

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Emily Remsen (Assistant Director), BFA3/ Theatre Arts. Emily has a concentration in directing. Some of her credits at The Theatre School include stage managing Man of La Mancha and assistant directing Glengarry Glen Ross. She just completed a development internship at Windy City Playhouse Theatre.

Mara Ishihara Zinky (Scenic Designer), BFA3/ Scenic Design. Mara is from Cambridge, Massachusetts. Her previous Theatre School credits include Scenic Designer for The Killing Game and Assistant Scenic Designer for We're Going to Be Fine and Symphony of Clouds. Mara works as a scenic carpenter in the Boston area and is a prop shop assistant at The Theatre School.

David Millard (Technical Director), BFA4/ Theatre Technology. David hails from Ada, Michigan, where he graduated high school from Forest Hills Central. David's professional credits include Technical Show Support Intern at Cirque du Soleil in Las Vegas, Nevada (Summer 2015), and Technical Direction Intern at the Hangar Theatre (Summer 2014). Theatre School credits include Technical Director for Joe Turner's Come and Gone, and Elemeno Pea: Assistant Technical Director for The Duchess of Malfi, In the Heights, The Scavengers; and Master Carpenter for A Free Man of Color and Arabian Nights. This year, David will also be Technical Director on Peter Pan and Wendy.

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Blair Thomas (Puppet Consultant). Blair started his first puppet company, The Palace Puppeteers, when he was ten years old and toured churches and schools in Jacksonville. Alabama for three years. In 1989 he started Redmoon Theater, where he served as the artistic director until 1998. He founded his current company, Blair Thomas & Company in 2002. He has received the international UNIMA awards for excellence in the art of puppetry at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago twice.

Angela McIlvain (Puppet Designer), 3rd Year BFA Scenic Designer. Most recently Angela designed the sets for a studio production of Last Night I Dreamt, directed by Carlos Murillo. Angela's work can be seen in many Theatre School sets as she is employed as a scenic painter in the paint deck under the charge of Jo White. She is looking forward to designing the world premiere of The Women Eat Chocolate by Caroline Macon this spring.

Frankie Charles (Puppet Technician), BFA2/ Theatre Technology. Frankie's previous work includes The Lady from the Sea, Metamorphosis and Vigils.

Jacklyn Miller (Master Carpenter), BFA2/ Theatre Technology, Jacki is from Cincinnati, Ohio. Her recent work includes Props Artisan of Esperanza Rising. Later this year she we be on in Kilgore, Texas by Grace Cunyus.

William Young (Carpenter), BFA2/Theatre Technology. William Young is from Cincinnati, Ohio. His past work here at the Theatre School includes The Lady From The Sea, and The Duchess of Malfi, as carpenter, and The Phantom Tollbooth, as crew.

Toria Gibson (Lighting Designer), BFA4/ Lighting Design. Toria Gibson has designed Vigils, Marat/Sade, The Great God Pan, When the Rain Stopped Falling, and Malpractice while at The Theatre School, Outside of school, she has worked with companies including Oak Part Festival Theater, Cock and Bull Theater, and Night Blue Performing Arts, and has interned with Hubbard Street Dance Chicago and the Cirque Du Soleil touring show Kurios: Cabinet des Curiosities.

Jamie-Lyn Woods (Master Electrician) Jamie-Lyn is a transfer from Orlando, Florida. Jamie started on stage at the age of twelve but transitioned to working backstage in high school by working as a freelance stage manager and theatre technician. She guickly discovered lighting as a perfect medium for her creativity. Always being more drawn to styles of high spectacle. Jamie plans on designing for the circus arts after graduating.

Connor Wang (Sound Designer), BFA3/Sound Design. Connor comes to us from West Des Moines, Iowa, His previous Theatre School credits include We're Going to be Fine, directed by Dexter Bullard, Anna Bella Eema, directed by M.E. Barker, and Gruesome Playground Injuries, directed by Andrew Peters. Connor also recently designed Sparkleshark!, directed by Jordyn Prince.

Ro Ogrentz (Dramaturg), BFA3/Theatre Arts. Ro's previous productions at The Theatre School include *The Day John Henry Came to* School where she worked as the assistant director as well as And Then Came Tanao where she worked as a dramaturg.

Trisha Mahoney (Assistant Dramaturg), BFA2/ Dramaturgy/Criticism. Trisha comes from Nashua, New Hampshire. This past summer while back home, she produced The Wedding Singer. Some of her past acting credits include the Technical Director of What the F*** is Going Poppy in Noises Off and Kathy in Singin' in the Rain.

> Jackson Walsh (Stage Manager), BFA4/Stage Management. Jackson is from Keystone, Colorado. His professional credits include Venue Management Intern for the City of Denver - Arts and Venues Division; Stage Management Intern for KA by Cirque du Soleil; Assistant Stage Manager for the Los Angeles 2015 Special Olympics World Games Ceremonies; and most recently Talent Escort and Logistics Crew for the season ten finale of America's Got Talent on NBC.

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ANNOUNCING OUR 2015-2016 SEASON

AT THE MERLE RESKIN THEATRE

Prospero's Storm

based on William Shakespeare's The Tempest adapted & directed by Damon Kiely music & lyrics and musical direction by Mark Elliott January 14 – February 20, 2016

Peter Pan and Wendy

adapted by Doug Rand from the novel by J.M. Barrie directed by Ernie Nolan April 21 – May 28, 20, 2016

ON THE FULLERTON STAGE

God's Ear

by Jenny Schwartz directed by Andrew Peters **February 12 – 21, 2016** (previews 2/10 & 2/11)

The Misanthrope

by Molière translated by Richard Wilbur directed by Brian Balcom **April 15 – 24, 2016** (previews 4/13 & 4/14)

The Women Eat Chocolate

New Playwrights Series by Caroline Macon, directed by Heidi Stillman **May 20 – 28, 2016** (previews 5/18 & 5/19)

IN THE HEALY THEATRE

In the Blood

by Suzan-Lori Parks directed by Nathan Singh **January 22 – 31, 2016** (previews 1/20 & 1/21)

The Translation of Likes

by Nambi E. Kelley directed by Ron OJ Parson An ensemble piece featuring MFA III actors **May 6 - 15, 2016** (previews 5/4 & 5/5)

GENERAL INFORMATION

BOX OFFICE TELEPHONE

(312) 922-1999

REGULAR BOX OFFICE HOURS

Noon – 4 p.m. at The Theatre School

PERFORMANCE BOX OFFICE HOURS

Evening performance days: Open until 8 p.m. Saturday matinee days: Noon - 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee days: Noon - 2:30 p.m.

NO SMOKING

In compliance with the City of Chicago Clean Air Ordinance, smoking is prohibited in the Merle Reskin Theatre. We appreciate your cooperation.

EMERGENCY EXITS

Please note the location of emergency exits in the theatre.

CELLULAR PHONES, TEXT MESSAGING, RECORDING DEVICES, PHOTOGRAPHY, PAGERS, FOOD AND BEVERAGES

Please do not use the above listed items in the theatre. Patrons with electronic pagers or cellular telephones are asked to either turn off their equipment in the theatre or check them with the House Manager prior to curtain. We discourage text messaging during the performance. The light from the screen can bother other patrons. We allow photographs to be taken before and after but never during the performance. You may also check cameras and recording equipment with the House Manager who will secure them until final curtain. As a special favor, we ask that young people do not chew gum. Water fountains are located in the lower lobby and in the lobbies of the mezzanine and balcony.

RESTROOMS

Restrooms are located in the lower lobby, the mezzanine, and balcony. An accessible restroom is located on the main floor inside of the theatre.

LOST AND FOUND

If you find an item or have lost an item, please contact the House Manager. You may also call (773) 325-7968 the next day to determine if an item has been found.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE CALLS

Patrons with electronic pagers are requested to either turn off their pagers in the theatre or check them with the House Manager prior to showtime. Should you need to give an emergency telephone number where you can be reached during a performance, please alert the House Manager of your seat location and give the Box Office telephone number for emergencies, (312) 922-1999. After Box Office hours, use (773) 325-7968 as an emergency number.

PARKING ARRANGEMENTS

We have arrangements with two parking lots: Multi-Park, 635 S. Wabash at Balbo, and LAZ Parking, One East 8th Street at State. Please ask the Box Office for details about rates and payment.

SENNHEISER INFRA-RED LISTENING SYSTEM

We require the security deposit of a driver's license or other identification during the performance. The I.D. will be returned when you return the headset.

LARGE PRINT PROGRAMS

You may request a large print program from the ticket taker or the House Manager.

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING

Selected performances at the Merle Reskin Theatre will be interpreted in American Sign Language. Call the Box Office or see the website for the schedule.