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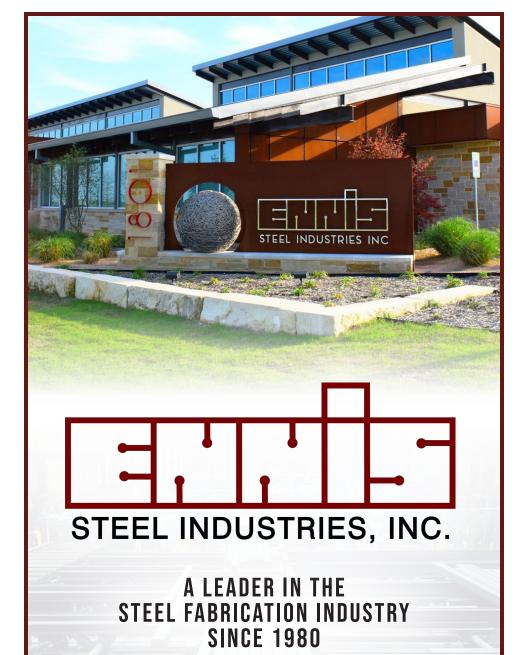
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## THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL: YOUTH EDITION

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Original Songs by Yolanda Adams,
Steven Tyler and Joe Perry of Aerosmith, Sara Bareilles, Jonathan Coulton,
Alex Ebert of Edward Sharpe & The Magnetic Zeros,
The Flaming Lips, Lady A, Cyndi Lauper, John Legend, Panic! At the Disco,
Plain White T's, They Might Be Giants, T.I.

And Songs by David Bowie, Tom Kenny & Andy Paley

Additional Lyrics by Jonathan Coulton // Additional Music by Tom Kitt

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This is a two-act show. The show is 1 hour and 15 minutes with one 15-minute intermission between acts.

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#### **DIRECTORS' NOTES**

We can't wait for you to see the talent level of these young performers. It's fun for us to have students come from different schools and towns and get to know each other as they dedicate their time and energy to a creative goal.

SpongeBob Squarepants is a cartoon character whose superpower is his eternal optimisim. He lives in the town of Bikini Bottom with his friends, Patrick the starfish and Sandy the squirrel (yes, a squirrel who lives underwater). He works for the greedy Mr. Krabs flipping krabby patties in a restaurant. Mr. Krabs' daughter, Pearl, is a talented and largly ignored teenage whale. Across town is the Chumbucket restaurant, which is run by evil-doer Plankton and his wife, Karen, who is a computer. Bikini Bottom is full of colorful and diverse characters like Squidward (who can't help but be a pessimistic downer who feels like he's never truly seen).

Today we meet SpongeBob and his crew on a very scary day. The local volcano, Mt. Hummungus, is about to erupt and destroy all of Bikini Bottom. Each character approaches the crisis differently: Mr. Krabs wants to make money, Plankton wants to manipulate the town, the mayor wants to stay in office, etc. It's up to Spongebob and his friends to save the day even if no one believes they can. In order to be the heroes that their town needs, Sandy, Patrick and SpongeBob are going to have to learn to believe in themselves even if no one else does. And they will have to learn to believe in each other.

Even with all the zany characters and far-fetched plot, SpongeBob the Musical is a beautiful story about belonging to one other, to our community, and to ourselves.

Sometimes, it only takes one person to change the tide.

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#### **CREW**

Director	Julie Mitchell, Markus Baldwin
Music Director	Michael Huffstetler
Set Design	Markus Baldwin
Sound/Projections	Nikki Crosland
Lighting Design	Dakota Russell
Technical Crew	Cyprian Fira
Costumes	Nikki Crosland
Concessions	John Blewitt

#### **SPECIAL THANKS TO**

A huge thank you to Corsicana High School Drama and Alyssa Bain, Coleman Junior High and Michael Huffstetler, Warehouse Living Arts Center, Mildred High School tech theatre classes and Robert Conroy, Hava Leite, and all the parents who are volunteering backstage!



#### MICHAEL HUFFSTETLER, MUSIC DIRECTOR

Mike has been a part of theatre and musical theatre for the past 30 years, acting and directing numerous shows over his career. He has been a music teacher and choral director for the past 18 years, teaching in Houston, Cleburne, Corsicana, and Waxahachie. Currently, he is the choral director at Coleman Junior High in Waxahachie, where he also serves as music director for the musical theatre program, and assistant director for their award winning One Act Play team. He is married to his wonderful wife of 23 years, Elizabeth, and has a 14 year old son, Daniel, who is a part of the Waxahachie High School Theatre Department.

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ALEXANDRIA ADAMS, PATRICK STAR Alexandria is going to be a sophomore at EHS. She has been singing and acting since an early age. She was a member of the Texas All-State Choir when in 7th grade and played roles in Beauty and the Beast Jr. and Aristocats Jr. while in elementary school. She recently played the Bard, the Rose, and the Walrus in the EHS production of Alice, and the Walrus was her favorite role. At least, it was her favorite role until she became the "Super Sea Star Savior" in SpongeBob.



#### BELEN AVILA. MAYOR OF BIKINI BOTTOM

Belen is 10 years old and is heading into the 6th grade at James Collins Catholic School. She loves music, swimming, and doing theater. This is her third production at EPT. She is thankful to her family and EPT directors for believing in her.



#### BENNETT BALDWIN, GARY

Bennett just finished 3rd grade. His favorite subjects are gym and math. He is proud to have graduated from his first role as a lobster in *Alice in Wonderland* to a snail in this show. He got to play a couple of humans onstage in between. Shout out to his BFF. Mae.



#### MAE BALDWIN. ENSEMBLE

Mae is headed into 6th grade. Some of her favorite roles include Matilda in *Matilda Jr.* and Young Elsa in *Frozen Jr.* She was proud to be a mentor in *Shrek the Musical Jr.* through the Penguin Project. She loves animals and her brother, Bennett.



EMMA BARRON, SARDINE

Emma is going into 8th grade at Coleman Junior High. Her favorite role was a fish in a Krabby Patty costume in Spongebob Jr. She loves theater, and art.



#### KYLIE BUNCH, KAREN PLANKTON

Kylie is 15 years old and just finished off freshman year at EHS. This is her third show with EPT and is so excited to be a part of it. She enjoys Taco Bell, being with friends, and watching The Walking Dead.



#### **OLIVIA CAMPBELL, TOWNFISH 2**

Olivia is heading to 5th grade at Felty Elementary. This rising star recently started in theater as a Munchkin and dancing snowflake in WCC's production of *The Wizard of Oz*. She enjoys joining in with the youth worship team and hanging out with her siblings. But, don't get her mixed up with her twin sister!



#### KATHERINE CLARK, TOWNFISH 3

Katherine is very excited for this play and to make new friends. She's been singing all her life and she's been dreaming of being in a musical. She was recently in the show, A Kiss for Cinderella, and she had a blast. She hopes to continue pursuing her dream of doing more theatre.



#### MOLLY CLARK, ENSEMBLE

Molly is going into the 6th grade at Palmer MIddle School. She enjoys drawing. She's excited to be in her first show.



#### ARIANA COILE, ELECTRIC SKATE 3

Ariana is 9 years old and will attend Lummus next year. She enjoys reading and singing. Her favorite show she's been in to date is *Matilda Jr.* She'd like to thank her mom and dad for helping her get to rehearsals and supporting her.



#### KINSLEY EVERSOLE, ELECTRIC SKATE 2

Kinsley is 12 years old and going into the 7th grade at Ennis Junior High. She fell in love with theater after performing as middle Elsa in Frozen Jr. with EPT. Since then she has performed in Aladdin Jr. as the Genie. Kinsley also enjoys drawing, singing, circus, and dance. She recently performed as Uncle Fester in Beyond Belief Dance Company's musical theater production of The Addams Family.



#### LAURYL FREEZE, SANDY CHEEKS

Lauryl is going into the 6th grade at James L. Collins Catholic School. Her favorite role was Beatrix Potter in the WLAC production of *The Adventures of Peter Rabbit and his Friends*. This Texas squirrel, this country girl is ready to spread her wings and fly in this production!



#### TED GONZALES, MR. KRABS

Ted is 15 years old and an incoming sophomore at Ennis High School. He has appeared in other shows such as *Frozen Jr.* (Hans) and *Aladdin Jr.* (Aladdin). His hobbies include playing video games, writing music, and hanging out with London and Kylie!



#### CARSON HOOVER, SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Carson is 16 years old and is going into his junior year at Blooming Grove High School. His most recent credits: WLAC's production of *Matilda the Musical* (Miss Trunchbull), which he won the Best Lead Actor award for his performance, and EPT's production of *Matilda Jr.* (Miss Trunchbull). He is incredibly thankful for his family, his EPT Family and his WLAC family. It's the best day ever at Ennis Public Theatre!



#### BRYNLEE HORN. ENSEMBLE

Brynlee is 9 years old going into the 4th grade. She has performed in *Matilda Jr.* and *Peter Rabbit*. She is thrilled to perform in *SpongeBob!* She enjoys playing volleyball, acting, and spending time with her family and friends. Brynlee wants to thank her family and friends for supporting and believing in her.



#### CALI JARMAN, ELECTRIC SKATE 1

Cali is 13 years old and entering 9th grade in the fall. She has played various roles in *The Wizard of Oz, The Sound of Music, Annie, A Little Princess* and *The Addams Family Musical*. She enjoys theater, music and off-roading.



#### KEELEE KNIGHT, ENSEMBLE

Keelee is a 10 year old future Broadway Star! She is headed to the 5th Grade this next school year and is very much involved in her school choir. This is Keelee's 3rd musical production. She has starred in *Junie B. Jones the Musical* and *The Wizard of Oz!* Keelee has a deep love for Theater and singing. Our talented Keelee Jo hopes to be on Broadway one day! Be sure to ask her for her autograph;)



#### ZACHARY MARTINEZ, FISH IN KRABBY PATTY COSTUME

Zachary is 13 years old. He was introduced to theater at James L Collins Catholic School. Zachary has enjoyed roles in Alice in Wonderland and The Little Mermaid Jr. at JLCCS. He also had fun with his role as the NutCracker Prince in The Nutcracker with Avant Garde Theatre of Dance. His first performance with EPT was Bruce in Santa Claus is Comin' to Town. He's excited to be the Krabby Patty and is looking forward to having a lot of fun!



#### LONDON MOORE, SHELDON J PLANKTON

London is 16 years old. He just finished his sophomore year at CHS. He has performed in numerous plays and musicals. His favorites being Rolf in *The Sound of Music* and the Escapologist in *Matilda Jr*. He is excited for another production at EPT with his friends.



#### **AVERY NICHOLS, TOWNFISH 1**

Avery is 9 years old and an incoming 4th grader at Dorie Miller Intermediate. This is her third production with Ennis Public Theatre playing the role of Tommy in Santa Claus is Coming to Town and various ensemble parts in Matilda Jr. She has grown to love theater during her experiences at EPT and loves making new friends every show. She would like to thank her parents and her directors Julie and Markus for always supporting her.



#### ANGEL PATINO, SQUIDWARD Q. TENTACLES

Angel will be a junior next semester at Global High School. He has been in shows such as *The Great Gatsby*, OZ, and *Hamlet*. Angel is grateful and thankful for his family and friends that support him. He is NOT a loser!



#### MARCOS QUINTANILLA, LARRY THE LOBSTER

Marcos is headed to 10th grade. His favorite role was Carl in Children of Hooverville and he's also been in various one act plays. He's a student at Mildred who is taught by Ms. Mitchell. He loves music and acting.



#### CALLEN SPENCER, OLD MAN JENKINS

Callen just finished up his 4th grade year at Lummus Intermediate in Ennis! This will be his first role in a production with Ennis Public Theatre and he is very excited! Singing, dancing, performing, and gaming are his passions!



#### JAMES TURTON, FRENCH NARRATOR

James is 16 years old and is going to be a junior next year. He attends Global High School. His first ever acting role was the Scarecrow in the UIL Performance OZ. He won an "All Star Cast" award twice for playing Scarecrow. He is a voice actor, game developer, and content creator. He loves to help out and bring a smile to people's faces whenever possible.



#### JESSE TURTON, SARDINE

Jesse is 12 years old and is entering 8th grade this fall. Her favorite role was Matilda in *Matilda Jr.* She enjoys theater, dance, and is incredibly excited to share this experience with her brother. James.



#### ABBY WELCH, ENSEMBLE/BFF

Abby just completed her 4th grade year at Lummus Intermediate. Her favorite role so far was Jasmine in *Santa Claus is Comin' to Town!* Abby loves singing and performing at EPT, hanging out with friends, and all things preppy.



#### TANNER WILDMAN, PERCH PERKINS

Tanner is going into his senior year. Tanner has been acting for over 3 years. Has acted at EPT before in *Santa Claus is Comin'* to Town and has done one act competition at Ennis High. He enjoys spending time with loved ones and would like to thank them all for their support.



#### **EVELYN WILLIAM. MRS. PUFF**

Evelyn is 16 years old and is going to be a junior next year. She attends Waxahachie Global High. She is an artist and a fanatic for music. This will be her first role in a production ever.



#### CAYLEE PAIGE WILLINGHAM, PEARL

Caylee is 12 years old going into the 7th grade. She has been doing musical theater since she was 4. Her most recent role was Matilda in WLAC's production of *Matilda the Musical*. She also played the role of Matilda here at EPT last summer. She enjoys playing soccer, volleyball, swimming, traveling, and hanging out with her friends.



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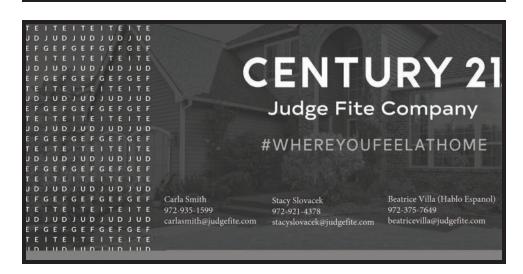
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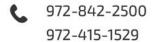
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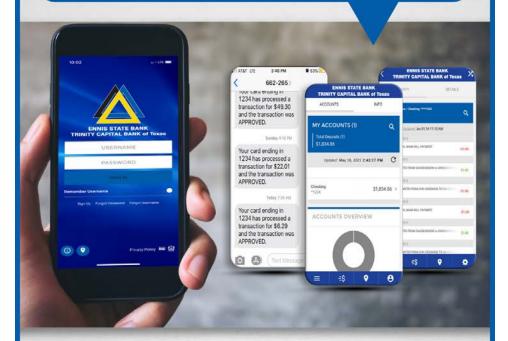
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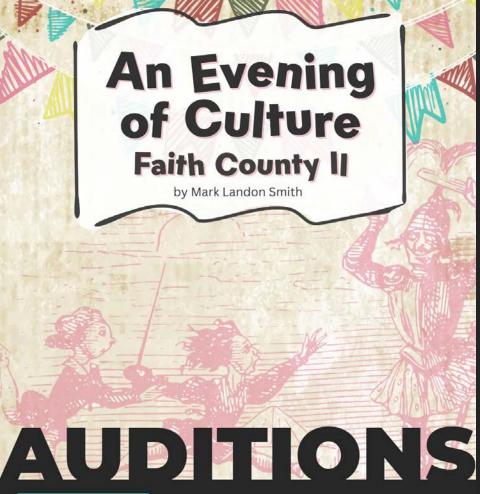
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