

THE  
**THEATRE  
SCHOOL**  
AT DePaul University

presents

**CINDERELLA:**  
**THE REMIX**

**Book and Lyrics by Psalmayene 24**  
**Hip Hop Beats by Nick tha 1Da**

Director – Coya Paz  
Choreographer - Ysaye McKeever  
Movement Coach - Jeff Mills  
Rap Coach – Pinqy Ring  
Voice Coach - Phil Timberlake  
Scenic Designer – Angela McIlvain  
Costume Designer – Emilee Orton  
Lighting Designer – Richard Latshaw  
Video/Projections Designer - Joesph A. Burke  
Sound Designer – Madeline Doyle  
Dramaturg – Yasmin Zacaria Mitchel  
Stage Manager – Emily M. Mills

**April 20 – May 27, 2017**

***Commissioned and Originally Produced by  
Imagination Stage, Inc., Bethesda, MD***

*Our 2017 Spring Quarter is dedicated in loving memory to  
Joe Slowik (1927-2017), an alumnus and Professor Emeritus  
of acting and directing at The Theatre School at DePaul University,  
founded as the Goodman School of Drama, where he taught for 54 years.  
Countless directors and performers were impacted by his mentorship.*

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## CAST (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

Cinderella .....	Chanel Bell
Bad Ma'amajama/Hoperah .....	Samantha Newcomb
Chocolate Ice .....	Hunter Bryant
Chin Chilla .....	Mariana Castro Flórez
J Prince .....	Nosakhere Cash-O'Bannon
Mo'Money .....	Jason Beck

### Place and Time

Hip-Hop Hollywood; When It Was

***Strobe lighting, theatrical haze, and fog are used in this production.***

**The play will be performed without intermission.**

***The video and/or audio recording of this performance  
by any means whatsoever are strictly prohibited.***

***Cinderella: The Remix is produced by  
special arrangement with Gurman Agency LLC.***

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Cat Andrade, Sarah McElroy, and Ida Xoomsai.

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

When I first read this play, I asked my (then) seven-year old daughter if I should direct it. I explained it was a modern-day take on Cinderella, where a young girl wanted to be a DJ. She jumped up and down, shrieking YES, YES, YES! And then spent the next twenty-minutes pretending her lunch was a turntable. The beauty of fairy tales is that they are endlessly adaptable – we know them so well that they offer rich material for new versions, and this update makes Cinderella a powerful character. She doesn't dream simply of a Prince Charming but of a life where she gets to make choices about who she can be and what she can do. Indeed, all of the characters in this play find that they need to change the rules in order to be their fullest selves, and I can't help but think of all the ways we tell children (and adults) to stay in boxes that they will eventually need to break out of in order to fully express the talent, passion, and creativity that will make a better world possible for all of us. Like Hip-Hop itself, which thrives on reinvention and finding new ways to use old things, this play reminds us to have our eye on what's possible when we are willing to "remix" our assumptions.

~Coya Paz

## DRAMATURGY NOTE

*"You almost have to step outside yourself and look at you as if you were someone else you really care about and really want to protect. Would you let someone take advantage of that person? Or would you speak up for them? If it was someone else you care about, you'd say something. I know you would. Okay, now put yourself in that body. That person is you. Stand up and tell 'em, 'Enough!'"*

~Queen Latifah

In *Cinderella: The Remix*, everybody is bound to the rules and traditions of Hip-Hop Hollywood. In a world not much different than our own, your gender limits how far you can advance your career, second class citizens work twice as hard for half as much, and an older generation continues to make rules that don't work for young people. Under these restrictive circumstances, Cinderella must learn how to fight the system. She has had enough!

In order to survive, every character *fronts* – they pretend to be something they are not. Our Cinderella works the system by fronting as a boy in order to audition as a DJ, something girls are just not allowed to do in Hip-Hop Hollywood. Our Cinderella is strong, and we see her become her true self alongside her *bestest* friend, Chin Chilla. Unlike past Cinderella stories, our girl is courageous and empowers those with no voice to challenge oppression with expression. Together, Chin Chilla and Cinderella compel us to question and change the rules for the betterment of society and us as individuals.

Just like Queen Latifah, we must remember, when the rules are unjust, it is our responsibility to stand up and fight when we have had enough. What will you do to make our world more just?

~Yasmin Zacaria Mitchel, BFA4, Dramaturgy/Criticism

## BIOGRAPHIES

**Chanell Bell** (*Cinderella*) MFA2/Acting. Chanell's previous performances include *Next Fall* and *Trouble in Mind* at The Theatre School. She received her BFA from Howard University in 2007. She dedicates her performances to the memory of 8 year old Gabriel Taye and all the continued efforts nationwide to end bullying. #selfexpression

**Hunter Bryant** (*Chocolate Ice*) BFA4/Acting. Hunter is a New Jersey native. Theatre School credits include *Joe Turner's Come and Gone*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Glengarry Glen Ross* and the world premieres of *The Able Space* and *Down the Rocky Road* and *All the Way to Bedlam*. Other credits include *Beach Party at the End of the World* with Walkabout Theatre Company. He is also working toward a BA in English (Creative Writing) from DePaul University and is a Maggie Flanigan Studio NYC Alumni.

**Nosakhre Cash-O'Bannon** (*J Prince*) BFA4/Acting. Nosakhre is from the South Side of Chicago. Some of his credits at The Theatre School include *Tristan and Yseult* (Tristan), *The Glass Menagerie* (Jim O'Connor), and *In The Blood* (Jabber/Bully).

**Mariana Castro Flórez** (*Chin Chilla*) BFA3/Acting. Mariana is from Bogota, Colombia. Her previous roles at The Theatre School include Laura in *The Glass Menagerie*, Sonya in *Uncle Vanya*, Lucy in the world premiere of *The Rocky Road* and *All the Way to Bedlam*, and Brooke in *Other Desert Cities*.

**Samantha Newcomb** (*Bad Ma'amajama/Hoperah*) BFA4/Acting. Samantha hails from Portland, Oregon. Her previous Theatre School credits include Queen Margaret in *Richard III*, Lady Capulet in *Romeo and Juliet*, Hester La Negrita in *In the Blood*, Zonia Loomis in *Joe Turner's Come and Gone*, as well as last spring's Chicago Playworks production of *Peter Pan* and *Wendy*. Ms. Newcomb is a proud Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholar.

**Jason Beck** (*Mo'Money*) Jason is in his seventeenth year on staff of The Theatre School where he previously served as the Director of Admissions and the school's

Operations Manager. Jason is also a graduate of the BFA Acting program and served as the President of The Theatre School's Alumni Board for four years. As an adjunct faculty member, he has directed seven productions for the BFA Acting program's Introduction to Performance series. Jason is a freelance director, producer, actor, and photographer. Jason is also currently working toward an MBA with a concentration in Entrepreneurship in DePaul's Kellstadt Graduate School of Business.

**Psalmayene 24** (*Playwright*) Psalmayene 24 (a.k.a. Gregory Morrison) is an award-winning playwright, director, and actor. With the premiere of *Cinderella: The Remix* at Imagination Stage in April 2014, Psalm (as his colleagues call him) completed his critically acclaimed *Hip-Hop Children's Trilogy* that explores the past, present, and future of hip-hop culture. Among other awards, the plays of the trilogy have earned two \$25,000 development grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, a Walt Disney Corporation grant, and a Helen Hayes Award nomination. Psalm is the recipient of a 2012 Individual Artist Award in Playwriting from the Maryland State Arts Council and has also received grants from the DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities and the Boomerang Fund for Artists Inc. Psalm is a member of Actors' Equity Association and the Dramatists Guild.

**Nick tha 1Da** (*Composer*) Growing up in the Mid-Atlantic during the 90s meant Underground Hip-hop, Bmore Club Music, and Old Bay Seasoning. Beneath the sped-up drum breaks, Nick Tha 1Da began training in various Beat Battles/Showcases while simultaneously searching for the sampled originals to his favorite Hip-hop classics. When the number of records collected surpassed victories, he decided to work exclusively with the Dr.Sample SP-303 & Crates from around the World. Nick's Debut release was *K-Hill - Da Instigator*, followed by *Tha 1da Years*. Additionally, he created, produced, and arranged

production for the acclaimed *Loop Diggin 101*, *The Peter Rosenberg Show*, *Loose Change 9/11* directed by Dylan Avery, and Hip-Hop Theater Festival Productions *Zomo the Rabbit: A Hip-hop Creation Myth*, *Paige in Full* & *The Undergrounduates*.

**Coya Paz** (*Director*) teaches full time in The Theatre School at DePaul University and is the Artistic Director of the historic Free Street Theater, which has been making performances by, for, about, with and in Chicago's diverse communities since 1969. She's currently at work on *The Miracles/Los Milagros*, which celebrates everyday miracles and community resilience. It will tour Chicago parks this summer.

**Ysaye McKeever** (*Choreographer*). Ysaye is a dancer and choreographer from Chicago, Illinois. She graduated magna cum laude from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a BFA in Dance and Minor in Philosophy in 2013. She has also had the honor of training at the Taipei National University of the Arts. She is currently in her third season dancing with Aloha Chicago.

**Pinky Ring** (*Rap Coach*) Pinky Ring is a Latinx Hip Hop artist from Chicago who has dedicated her career to creating social change through music. She has been featured on *Moral Courage*, *DNAInfo*, *Vocalo*, *WVON*, *Power 92*, *Fake Shore Drive* and *CANTV*. In 2013 Pinky Ring was featured on the cover of *The HYPE Magazine*, and in 2014, she became a grant recipient of the City of Chicago's *Individual Artist Program*.

**Cassandra Kendall** (*Assistant Director*) BFA4/Theatre Arts. Cassandra works in the Chicagoland area as a freelance director, lighting designer, stage manager, and SFX hair/makeup artist. She is also the Assistant Dramaturg on *Wig Out!* at The Theatre School and Technical Supervisor for *Goldsocks* and *Her Three Bears* at Gorilla Tango Theatre. For more on Cassandra, please visit [Cassanovaart.com](http://Cassanovaart.com).

**Ro Ogrentz** (*Assistant Director*) BFA4/Theatre Arts. Ro is studying Theatre Arts with a concentration in Theatre for Young Audiences. Ro has worked as

the Dramaturg for Chicago Playworks production of *The Kid Who Ran for President* and Prospero's *Storm*, and as the Assistant Director of *The Day John Henry Came to School*.

**Paloma Locsin** (*Assistant Scenic Designer*) BFA2/Scene Design. BFA2/Scene Design. Past credits include Scenic Designer for *Trouble in Mind* and Assistant Scenic Designer for *We Are Proud to Present...* She is employed as a Prop Shop Assistant at The Theatre School. She is working towards a minor in Graphic Design at DePaul University.

**Emilee Orton** (*Costume Designer*) BFA3/ Costume Design. Emilee hails from Berkeley, California. Credits include Costume Designer for *Eurydice*, Assistant Costume Designer for *Esperanza Rising* and *Prospero's Storm*, and Stitcher for *The Misanthrope* and *Peter Pan and Wendy*.

**Olive Earley** (*Assistant Costume Designer*) BFA2/Costume Design. Olive is from Madison, Wisconsin, and she is employed as a makeup shop assistant and has worked as costume and makeup crew for past Theatre School productions. She assisted on *Romeo and Juliet* and *Richard III* this year is designing *Tom Paine* in April.

**Richard Latshaw** (*Lighting Designer*) BFA4/Lighting Design. Past credits include Lighting Designer for *The Translation of Likes* at The Theatre School and Properties Designer for *Distance* at Strawdog Theatre Company.

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**Joseph A. Burke** (*Projection Designer*) Joseph is joining The Theatre School at DePaul University for the first time. Currently residing in Chicago, Joseph specializes in theatrical lighting and projection design. Recent credits include *The Great and Terrible Wizard of Oz* (The House Theatre of Chicago), *Earthquakes in London* (Steep Theatre) and *The Christians* (Steppenwolf Theatre). Joseph's art has also been seen at Case Western Reserve University, Chamber Opera Chicago, Cleveland's Playhouse Square, Cleveland Public Theatre, Imagine Exhibitions Incorporated, Museum of Contemporary Art-Chicago, Northwestern University, The Poetry Foundation, Travesty Dance Group, Spartan Theatre Company, and Writers' Theatre. [www.josephaburke.com](http://www.josephaburke.com).

**Connor Wang** (*Associate Sound Designer*) BFA4/Sound Design. Connor recently designed the sound for *Richard III*. Other previous credits include *Romeo and Juliet*, directed by Cameron Knight; *Prospero's Storm* directed by Damon Kiely; *Sparkleshark* directed by Jordyn Prince; *We're Going to Be Fine*, directed by Dexter Bullard; and *Anna Bella Eema* directed by M.e. Barker.

**Shelby Madey** (*Technical Director*) BFA4/Theatre Technology. Shelby Madey is born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. Her past credits include Carpenter on *Vigils* and *Metamorphosis*; Master Carpenter on *Video Galaxy*, *Esperanza Rising*, and *In the Blood*; Assistant Technical Director on *Peter Pan* and *Wendy and Romeo and Juliet*; and Technical Director on *Richard III* and *The Merchant of Venice*.

**Sophie Hartler** (*Assistant Technical Director*) BFA4/Theatre Technology. Sophie is from Glenview, Illinois. She most recently worked on *We Are Proud to Present...* and *Eurydice* as Technical Director, and *The Misanthrope* and *Prospero's Storm* as Assistant Technical Director.

**Todd Bleiman** (*Properties Artisan*) BFA4/Theatre Technology. Todd is a native of the Chicagoland Suburbs. His professional

credits include Automation Intern for *The Beatles LOVE* by Cirque du Soleil. Todd's past Theatre School credits include Technical Director for *Night Runner*; Assistant Technical Director for *The Women Eat Chocolate*, *In The Blood*, and *Video Galaxy*; Master Carpenter for *Joe Turner's Come and Gone*, *Metamorphosis* and *The Phantom Tollbooth*; Carpenter for *Jackie and Me*; and Scenery and Properties Crew for *Our Town*.

**Jack Rhea** (*Access Coordinator*) BFA3/Theatre Management. Jack was recently seen as an ensemble member in *Night Runner*, *Romeo and Juliet* and *Esperanza Rising*. This past summer, Jack served as a Production Assistant on *The SpongeBob Musical* and stage managed a production of *In the Heights* at WPPAC in White Plains, New York.

**Suzanne Petri** (*Audio Describer*) Suzanne is a member of SAG-AFTRA, AEA and American Blues Theater. She has appeared on dozens of stages including Steppenwolf's 1700 Theatre where she and her husband Bob Breuler brought *Torch Sassy and Swing!* She has done Audio Description and Touch Tours at Court Theatre, Profiles, Victory Gardens, Remy Bumpo, American Blues, Route 66, the Goodman, Steppenwolf and more. Visit [SuzannePetri.com](http://SuzannePetri.com).

**Patti Shore Kaden** (*Sign Language Interpreter*) (EIPA, IL, RID) Entertainment and Theatrical American Sign Language Interpreter and Actress, Patti is honored to be back at DePaul. Her work continues to be seen at Steppenwolf Theatre, Goodman Theatre, Drury Lane Theatre, The Rialto, Chicago Children's Theatre, and The Second City. As Production Consultant and Rehearsal Interpreter, Patti worked on the highly acclaimed Steppenwolf production of *Tribes*. Other interpreting highlights include Lollapalooza, The Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Tony Bennett and Carol Burnett.

**Peter Wujcik** (*Sign Language Interpreter*) Peter is a Licensed Deaf Interpreter, American Sign Language Instructor

and Theatrical ASL Director, born to Deaf parents. His ASL teaching credits include a current ASL Instructor and Tutor at Columbia College, 8 years at Bell Elementary school, 5 years at the Art Institute of Chicago, and 9 years at City Colleges of Chicago (Wright College). He acted as Emcee for the 100 years celebration of the Chicago Chapter of the Illinois Association for the Deaf in 2008. His past theatre experience includes ASL Consultant (for both actors and interpreters) for Bell School's production of *Guys and Dolls Jr.* and for Steppenwolf Theater's *Tribes* and *Constellations*; ASL Director for Victory Gardens' *Mojada*, and Steppenwolf Theatre's *The Wheel, Tribes, The Way West, The Qualms, Night Alive, The Herd, Grand Concourse* and *Constellations*.

**Anne Butler** (*Sensory Friendly Performance Consultant*) Anne Butler is an Instructional Assistant Professor in Special Education in the College of Education. Prior to working at DePaul, Anne was a special educator in the Chicago Public Schools. It was during this time that she became increasingly interested in creating inclusive environments for all students.

**Linsey Sabielny** (*Sensory Friendly Performance Consultant*) Dr. Sabielny is an Assistant Professor of Special Education with over 15 years of experience working in homes, schools, and clinics as a 1:1, a special educator, a Board Certified Behavior Analyst – Doctoral (BCBA-D), and as a researcher. She has supervised special educators and behavior clinicians across the country and abroad in the education of individuals with developmental, intellectual, and physical disabilities.

**Yasmin Zacaria Mitchel** (*Dramaturg*) BFA4, Dramaturgy/Criticism, minoring in History and Museum Studies. Yasmin freelances with various non-profits like the Chicago History Museum and the Indo-American Heritage Museum as an Oral Historian and Project Manager. She has found great transferability in the art of storytelling. Her

Theatre School dramaturgy credits include *God's Ear, Failure: A Love Story, Crime and Punishment*, and *The Misanthrope*.

**Spencer Olson** (*Assistant Dramaturg*) BFA4/Theatre Arts. Spencer's most recent Theatre School credits include Assistant Dramaturg for *Richard III*, Head Dramaturg for *much ado* and Assistant Director for *SPARKLESHARK!*, *The Translation of Likes*, and *The Kid Who Ran for President*. After graduation, Spencer intends to go to New York University for his Masters Clinical Mental Health Counselling with a Specialization in Drama Therapy.

**Emily M. Mills** (*Stage Manager*) BFA4/ Stage Management. Broadway Credits include Production Assistant on *The Lion King*. Professional Credits include Stage Management Intern for Yo-Yo Ma and the Silkroad Ensemble and Production Assistant on *Stupid F\*cking Bird* at Woolly Mammoth Theatre. The Theatre School credits include *Esperanza Rising, We're Going to be Fine, Symphony of Clouds, The Killing Game, Number the Stars*, and *Assassins*. Upon graduation in June, Emily will travel to Massachusetts to work as the Production Assistant for Berkshire Theatre Group's production of *Children of a Lesser God*, directed by Kenny Leon.

**Amanda Blanco** (*Assistant Stage Manager*) BFA1/Stage Management. Amanda is from West Chicago, Illinois. Past Theatre School credits include Assistant Stage Manager for *Richard III* and *Romeo and Juliet*.

**Danny Fender** (*Assistant Stage Manager*) BFA2/Stage Management. Past Theatre School credits include Stage Manager for *Eurydice* and Assistant Stage Manager for *We Are Proud to Present... , The Women Eat Chocolate, God's Ear, and Esperanza Rising*. He is the current production intern for About Face Theatre, where he recently worked on *The Temperamentals*. Danny is a proud graduate of Interlochen Arts Academy.

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# ANNOUNCING OUR 2017-2018 SEASON

## CHICAGO PLAYWORKS FOR FAMILIES AND YOUNG AUDIENCES

### ***Augusta and Noble***

by Carlos Murillo  
directed by Lisa Portes  
**October 5 – November 11, 2017**

### ***Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook***

by Allison Gregory,  
adapted from the book series by Barbara Park  
directed by Krissy Vanderwarker  
**January 11 – February 17, 2018**

### ***The Cat in the Hat***

by Dr. Seuss  
directed by Jeff Mills  
**April 19 – May 26, 2018**



## ON THE FULLERTON STAGE

### ***Into the Woods***

music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim  
book by James Lapine  
directed by Barry Brunetti  
musical direction by Mark Elliott  
**November 3 – 12, 2017**  
(previews 11/1 & 11/2)

### ***Frankenstein***

by Mary Shelley, adapted by Nick Dear  
directed by Michael E. Burke  
**February 9 – 18, 2018**  
(previews 2/7 & 2/8)

### ***Three Sisters***

by Anton Chekhov  
directed by Jacob Janssen  
**April 13 – 22, 2018**  
(previews 4/11 & 4/12)

### ***New Playwright Series***

Title, Playwright, and Director TBD  
**May 18 – 26, 2018**  
(previews 5/16 & 5/17)

## IN THE HEALY THEATRE

### ***Seven Homeless Mammoths***

***Wander New England***  
by Madeleine George  
directed by April Cleveland  
**October 20 – 29, 2017**  
(previews 10/18 & 10/19)

### ***Mr. Burns, a Post-Electric Play***

by Anne Washburn  
music by Michael Friedman  
directed by Jeremy Aluma  
**January 26 – February 4, 2018**  
(previews 1/24 & 1/25)

### ***MFA18, Title TBD***

An ensemble performance created by  
MFA III actors, directed by Dexter Bullard  
**May 4 - 13, 2018**  
(previews 5/2 & 5/3)

# 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. 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. 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

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.

## AUDIO DESCRIPTION

Designated audio-described performances are scheduled throughout the season. Call the Box Office or see the website for the schedule.

## SENSORY FRIENDLY PERFORMANCE

On Saturday, May 13 at 2 p.m., *Cinderella: The Remix* will be Sensory Friendly, and we welcome anyone with sensory sensitivities. A social narrative and adapted teacher guide will be available before the day of the performance, the theatre will not be completely dark, and we will reduce some sound and lighting cues.