Stephan Dickson - Assistant Choreographer

Stephan is very excited to be working with this amazing cast, crew and creative team here at Theatre Sheridan. Choreographer Credits include: ODD SQUAD (TVO), You're a good man Charlie Brown (Rose Th.), Peter Pan (CCMP), Tweed- The Musical (IANA Prod.), The Rocky Horror Show (The LOT), Booming Aunty (Kodak/Spy Films), and Hit that Jive Jack (H&S Foundation). Associate Choreographer: Forever Plaid (Rose Th.), Ragtime (CCMP). Assistant Choreographer: Once on this Island (Acting Up Stage) TIFF thanks you (Cineplex Th.). Thanks to Marc, Krista, Bob, Mike, TH, and the Sheridan College team. Love to my Family, friends and Little L. NO PARE, SIGUE SIGUE!!!

Krista Leis - Assistant Director & Choreographer

Broadway: Jesus Christ Superstar (Tony Nomination). Stratford Festival: 8 Seasons including The Sound of Music, Carousel, Man of La Mancha (Assistant Choreographer), The Who’s Tommy, Fiddler On The Roof, Jesus Christ Superstar, Camelot, West Side Story (Assistant Choreographer), A Funny Thing..., The Music Man, Fuente Ovejuna, Gigi, The Tempest. Elsewhere: Mary Poppins (Theatre Aquarius), A Funny Thing... (Mirvish), The Voice of the Turtle (Classical Theatre Festival), White Christmas, Beauty and the Beast, Cats (Neptune Theatre). Film and Television: Roxana (Bravo), Hairspray (New Line), The Music Man (Disney), Eloise at the Plaza (Disney). Thanks to Michael, Theatre Sheridan and especially Marc for letting me be a part of this unbelievable show.

IN THE HEIGHTS

Music and Lyrics by LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA
Book by QUIARA ALEGRÍA HUDES

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February 18 - March 1, 2015
Director’s Notes

Hello! Thanks so much for joining us ‘In The Heights!’ Washington Heights is a small neighbourhood at the very top of New York City that is home to the largest population of Dominicans outside of the Dominican Republic. Latino immigrants have continued to settle there over the last half century, creating a vibrant atmosphere rich with culture and traditions. The children of these immigrants struggle with the desire to assimilate to the NYC lifestyle with hopes of the American dream, while craving a connection to their heritage and traditions. Merengue and hip hop blast out of boom boxes, the smell of empanadas and rice fill the air, and street art adds colour to a neighbourhood struggling to make ends meet.

In 2008, a musical about this neighbourhood and its inhabitants took Broadway by storm, winning four Tony Awards including Best Musical, a Grammy Award, and a nomination for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. The original production was written by Lin-Manuel Miranda, directed by Tommy Kail and choreographed by Andy Blankenbuehler. It changed the way I see movement onstage, became one of my all-time favourite scores, and filled me with excitement for the future of Broadway musicals. After seeing it a half dozen times on Broadway, it quickly became one of the top shows I wanted to work on. Thanks to Michael Rubinoff and Sheridan College, I’ve had the privilege of delving into this gorgeous piece with a wonderfully collaborative creative team and fearless cast. Its been a love-fest over the past month as we put this piece together. Its pulse is infectious and its central theme of finding home is universal. I hope you find a little piece of home in our production.

Dedicated to my Abuelas who reminded me to live with Patience and Faith. Pacienca y Fe.

Enjoy the show!

The Cast

Usnavi de la Vega…………………Alex Kelly
Nina Rosario…………………………Vanessa Sears
Kevin Rosario…………………………Ryan Burda
Camila Rosario…………………………Laura Harding
Benny………………………………….JJ Gerber
Vanessa……………………………..Aisha Jarvis
Sonny………………………………….Nik Murillo
Abuela Claudia………………………..Alison Wither
Daniela…………………………Kimberly Truong
Carla…………………………Rachel Delduca
Graffiti Pete…………………………Eric Dahlinger
Piragua Guy………………………..Kabir Shergill

Ensemble

Greg Borris, Daniel Bowen, Stephane Gaudet, Tristan Hernandez, Jacqueline Janas, Hailey Lewis, Elijah Manalo, Jeff Toste, Matthew Pinkerton, Ileah Rosella, Reece Rowat, Ainsley Roy, Olivia Sinclair, Celine Tsai

Dance Captains: Eric Dahlinger, Kimberly Truong
Fight Captain: Ryan Burda
Vocal Captain: Alison Wither
Dialect Captain: Nik Murillo
Technical Crew

Stage Manager........................Kenzie Ten Eyck
Assistant Stage Managers..........Bradley Dunn, Emile Shanks
Audio Crew............................Nicholas Wadel-Turcotte, Andre Stankovich
Carpentry Crew.........................Mat Armstrong, Lexus Ferrer, Daniel Gignac,
                                  Tristan Goethel, Callum Grant, Connor Haley,
                                  Ryan LePage, Corey Mohamed, Jessy
                                  Stephens, Austin Wilson
Head Lighting Technician.........Scott Monteith
Lighting Crew........................Corey Cohen, Michael Daneluzzi, Abigail
                                  Decaire, Stephen Downey, Emily Larose,
                                  Ashley Lindsay, Jhustice Reyes, Robert
                                  Spithoff, Victoria VanDenBelt, Sarah Young
Properties Crew.......................Carolyn Brennan, Madelaine McCullough,
                                  April Fresh-McEwan, Eveyln Pageau, Grant
                                  Quinn, Mary Redden, Rhianna Rothwell,
                                  Annabel Schulte
Scenic Paint Crew....................Sara Allison, Carlie Dugan, Jennifer Johnston,
                                  Kailey Kacaba, Tara McNeil, Haley Mintaloff,
                                  Loralie Pollard, Katherine Stone
Wardrobe Crew.........................Kristen Domonkos, Emily Dyck, Staci Hanley,
                                  Janna Henry, Lelem Lamb, Kyrie Meyer,
                                  Jeffrey Pybus, Emie Sabandal, Mason Soares,
                                  Tanya Ullyatt, Kathryn Urbanek
Assistant Technical Director.....Sterling Barry
Technical Assistants...............Jolina Calayag, Janine Oblak, Keynan
                                  McFredries
Production Assistants..............Natalie Burtch, Renata Woods

Running Crew

Crew Chief.........................Arte Nitski
Live Audio Mix.....................Andre Stankovich
Lighting Board Operator.........Michael Daneluzzi
Stage Hands.........................Mary Reddon, Austin Wilson
Monitor Mix.........................Nicholas Wadel-Turcotte
Deck Audio.........................Daniel Gignac, Ashley Lindsay
Follow Spots.......................Abigail Decaire, Connor Haley
Wardrobe Dressers.................Kristen Domonkos, Janna Henry

Theatre Sheridan presents

IN THE
HEIGHTS

Director & Choreographer:  Marc Kimelman
Musical Director:          Robert Foster
Associate Musical Director:Michael Lerner
Set & Costume Designer:    Kelly Wolf
Lighting Designer:         Kevin Fraser
Sound Designer:            Todd Charlton
Assistant Director/
Choreographer:             Krista Leis
Assistant Choreographer:   Stephan Dickson

The Band

Michael Lerner              Conductor/Piano
Jamie Bestwick             Bass
Pol Cousséée                Sax, Clarinet, Flute
Howard Gaul                 Drums
Mike Herriott               Trumpet
Richard Moore               Percussion
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Mathew Pinkerton  Ileah Rosella  Reece Rowat  Ainsley Roy  Vanessa Sears  Kabir Shergill  Olivia Sinclair  Celine Tsai

Kimberly-Ann Truong  Alison Wither