

DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID

Music by ALAN MENKEN

Lyrics by HOWARD ASHMAN & GLENN SLATER

Book by DOUG WRIGHT

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story and the Disney films produced by Howard Ashman & John Musker and written and directed by John Musker & Ron Clements

Directed by
HANS FRIEDRICH

OPENING July 19 at 8:00 p.m.

(Augusta, MI) Making a splash onto the Barn Theatre stage is DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID playing July 19 through July 31.

Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories, Disney's animated film and hit Broadway musical, THE LITTLE MERMAID tells the story of Ariel (portrayed by Barn favorite Melissa Cotton Hunter), who longs to leave her ocean home - and her fins - behind and live in the world above. She'll first have to defy her father King Triton (portrayed by Barn leading man Eric Parker), make a deal with the evil sea witch Ursula (portrayed by Barn leading lady Penelope Alex), and convince the handsome Prince Eric (Barn favorite Jamey Grisham) that she's the girl whose enchanting voice he's been seeking. With Sebastian (portrayed by newcomer Michael Fisher), Flounder (played by second apprentice Kasady Kwiatkowska) and Scuttle (first year apprentice Quinn Moran) by her side, she embarks on an adventure of a lifetime.

Rounding out the cast are John Jay Espino as Grimsby, Patrick Hunter as Chef Louis, Charlie King as Prince's Eric's pilot, Hannah Eakin, Samantha Rickard, Andrea Arvanigian, Jackie Blasting, Lauren Landman, and Sarah Lazar as the Mersisters, as well as Brooke Evans and Nicholas R. Whittaker as Flotsam and Jetsam, Ursula's eels.

THE LITTLE MERMAID features several classic songs including "Under The Sea," "Kiss The Girl" and "Part of Your World," as well as new songs written by Oscar-winning Disney composer Alan Menken, the mastermind behind "Beauty and the Beast," "Aladdin" and "Pocahontas." Lyrics are by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater with a book by Doug Wright.

Disney's THE LITTLE MERMAID is sponsored by WKZO AM 590 and Behnke Transportation.

Performances for DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID are Tuesday – Saturday at 8:00 pm and Sunday at 5:00 pm July 19 - 31.

The Barn Theatre School is very pleased to offer two ASL Interpreters performances of Disney's THE LITTLE MERMAID on July 21 & 28 sponsored by Eaton.

The Backstage Xperience program will be offered for Disney's THE LITTLE MERMAID – July 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29. For details and registration call 269-731-1151. The Backstage Xperience is sponsored by The Guido A. & Elizabeth H. Binda Foundation, CM Contracting, Eaton, The Gary Sisters Foundation, Post, The Suzanne Upjohn Delano Parish Foundation.

The Barn Theatre is located on M-96, west of Augusta. Tickets are \$37 for adults and \$25 for children 12 and under for all performances. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express are accepted. Group rates available. The Box Office is open daily 10:00 am-10:00 pm. Click on the Box Office link - Tickets may now be purchased on the internet or on your smart phone via PayPal. ~ To reserve tickets at the Box Office - Call today: (269) 731-4121 or visit www.barntheatreschool.org

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CAST LIST

ARIEL	MELISSA COTTON HUNTER*
PILOT, Helmsman of Prince Eric's ship	CHARLIE KING*
SAILORS	BRANDON BRUSH, SAM BALZAC, ANDY DONNELLY, CODY STIGLICH, LUKE RAGOTZY, MATT RUEHLMAN
PRINCE ERIC, a human monarch	JAMEY GRISHAM*
GRIMSBY, guardian of Prince Eric	JOHN JAY ESPINO*
FLOUNDER, a fish, Ariel's best friend	KASADY KWIATKOWSKA
SCUTTLE, a seagull, expert in human artifacts	QUINN MORAN
WINDWARD & LEEWARD	SAM BALZAC, ANDY DONNELLY
KING TRITON King of the Sea	ERIC PARKER*
SEBASTIAN a crab, advisor to King Triton	MICHAEL FISHER
MERSISTERS (Daughters of King Triton):	
AQUATA	SARAH LAZAR
ANDRINA	HANNAH EAKIN*
ARISTA	SAMANTHA RICKARD*
ATINA	JACKIE BLASTING
ADELLA	LAUREN LANDMAN
ALLANA	ANDREA ARVANIGIAN
FLOTSAM, an eel, lackey to Ursula	BROOKE EVANS*
JETSAM, an eel, the other lackey to Ursula	NICHOLAS R WHITTAKER
URSULA, the Sea Witch, sister of King Triton	PENELOPE ALEX*
UNDER THE SEA Jazz trio	SAM BALZAC, SARAH LEIGH BEASON, BRANDON BRUSH
GULLS	ANDY DONNELLY, SAM BALZAC, SAM MASSEY
MAIDS	MARIA BUFALINI, BRITTANIE GRACE, JORDANA MCMAHON, STACEY SCHILLER

CHEF LOUIS, the Palace chefPATRICK HUNTER*
CHEFS SAM BALZAC, JONNIE
CARPATHIOS, CODY STIGLICH, DALE WHITE

SEA CREATURES:

JACKIE BLASTING, MARIA BUFALINI, JONNIE CARPATHIOS, ANDY
DONNELLY, BROOKE EVANS*, HANS FRIEDRICHS*, BRITTANIE GRACE,
PATRICK HUNTER*, LAUREN LANDMAN, JORDANA MCMAHON, SAM
MASSEY, GRETCHEN PRIDDY, MATT RUEHLMAN, CODY STIGLICH, BRONTE
UPSHAW, DALE WHITE

PRINCESSES, potential mates for Prince Eric

PRINCESS #1 GRETCHEN PRIDDY
PRINCESS #2 SARAH LEIGH BEASON
PRINCESS #3 JORDANA MCMAHON
PRINCESS #4 BRONTE UPSHAW
PRINCESS #5 MARIA BUFALINI
PRINCESS #6 LAUREN LANDMAN

COURTIERS SAM BALZAC, JONNIE
CARPATHIOS, ANDY DONNELLY, CODY STIGLICH