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Happy merry CHRISMAKWANUKKANANZUKKAN



the
ULTIMATE

CHRISTMAS

BY REED MARTIN
AND AUSTIN TICHENOR

SHOW
ABRIDGED

Saint Everybody's Non-Denominational Universalist Church
Presents our annual
Multicultural Interfaith
Holiday Variety Show and Christmas Pageant

Hosted by the
Saint Everybody's Ensemble

SCHEDULED TO PERFORM (performers subject to change)

The Snowmen

Relaxed holiday hip-hop

Des Moines, IA

Confederate Christmas Carolers

Traditional tunes sung the old-fashioned way

Charleston, SC

Saint Everybody's
HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER & CHURCH BULLETIN

Saint Everybody's Church

Cleveland Castrato Choir

Singing their #1 holiday hit

Cleveland, OH

Yuba City Yuletide Society

Fun and festive frivolity from a pre-Christian time

Yuba City, CA

Swingle Sisters Jingle Singers

As if the Andrews Sisters never died and only sang holiday songs

Little Rock, AR

Kwanzaa Concert Caravan

Celebrate the Seven Principles in Song & Story

Oakland, CA

Muslim-American Ramadancers

Celebrating the Holy Koran through movement and dance

Dearborn, MI

Cirque du Sleigh

Christmas clowns & acrobats with a French-Canadian twist!

Montreal, Canada

Saint Everybody's Sunday Schoolers

Letters to Santa from our little ones Saint Everybody's Church

Mary & Ed's Marionettes

Premiering a bold new work Allentown, PA

The Buffalo Bells

Ringing in the holiday season! Buffalo, NY

The Billy Barty Ballet Company

Standing tall in the world of the dance Sarasota, FL

— FIFTEEN-MINUTE INTERMISSION —

Saint Everybody's Ladies' Auxiliary

Holiday recipes and cooking show Saint Everybody's Church

Saint Everybody's Ensemble

Performing their Christmas classic Saint Everybody's Church

The Christmas Boy Choir

Young voices raised in song Boston, MA

Holiday Historical Society

From the North Pole Chamber of Commerce North Pole, AK

Patrick Stewart's One-Man Christmas Carol

Starring the legendary Patrick Stewart (CPA) Westchester, CA

North Piddle & Happy Bottom Panto Players

An English tradition! Dorset & Worcestershire, England

Holy Strollers!

Holiday toddlers perform the Nativity story Jackson, MS

Kentwood Players proudly presents

THE ULTIMATE CHRISTMAS SHOW ABRIDGED

**Michael
Mullen**

**Bruce
Schroffel**

**Randy
Oppenheimer**

Director	Alison Boole
Producer	Rhonda Yeager-Hutchinson
Assistant Director	Jeremy Palmer
Master Builder	Doug Carlson
Sound Design	Susan Stangl
Lighting Design	Bruce Starrett
Set Decoration	Janine Anderson & Doug Carlson
Graphic Design	West Maätita
Musical Assistance	Cat Rahm
Costumes	Cat Rahm
Specialty Costumes	Jon Sparks
Stage Manager	Melissa Hom
Props	Colleen Okida
Booth Crew	
	Kirk Larson, Chris Morrison & Jeremy Palmer
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Photography	Gloria Plunkett

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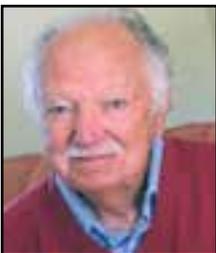
Michael Mullen - Reed

Michael is an actor, costume designer, and writer who lives in North Hollywood. Some of his favorite theatre roles to date include: Louis in *Angels In America*, Miss Tracy Mills in *The Legend Of Georgia McBride*, Lady Bracknell in *The Importance Of Being Earnest*, Amanda in *For Whom The Southern Belle Tolls*, Wanda in *Wanda's Visit*, Arthur in *On Tidy Endings*, Babberly in *I'm Just Wild About Harry*, Tom/Phyllis/Leslie in *Sylvia*, Voice 2 in *Porcelain*, and Miss Texas in *Pageant*. He is thrilled to be making his Kentwood Players debut with this fun show and wants to thank everyone involved with this production for their hard work, talent, and dedication. Happy Holidays! XO



Randy Oppenheimer - Austin

Randy, A.K.A. Dr. Oppenheimer, has been acting on stage for over 20 years. Randy moved to LA in 2018 after retiring from clinical medicine to pursue his dream of an acting career. He was active in community theater in Scottsdale, AZ for the past 20 years. He most recently performed here in LA at the Theater Palisades (prior to Covid) in *Lend Me a Tenor*. Some of his favorite roles include The Pharaoh in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Billy Rae in On Golden Pond*, *Dick Christy in Play it Again Sam* and the Prime Minister in *The King and I*. He has been in a variety of independent films, and most recently can be seen in *Ashley Jones is Perfectly Normal*. Along with his acting, Bruce does medical consulting for TV and Film. Bruce thanks his wonderful wife Julie for putting up with his acting bug for over 35 years and for continuing to support his endeavors. This show has been the biggest challenge of his career. You can check out his website at randyoppenheimer.com or Filmdr.com. Follow him on instagram [@actoropp55](https://www.instagram.com/actoropp55).



Bruce Schroffel - Matt

Bruce is thrilled to celebrate the return of live theater at Kentwood! Theater credits include: *The Music Man*, *45 Seconds from Broadway*, *Gypsy*, *Lil Abner*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Ragtime*, *Charley's Aunt*, and *Drunk Talk*. Film credits include: *Porcelain Unicorn* – Grand Prize winner, Tell It Your Way Contest. Bruce is a performing member of Mob Rule and Free Range Comedy improv groups. Bruce's barbershop quartet, Generation Gap, entertains audiences all over Southern California, and was featured in TV spots for Schick Razors and the Toyota Rav 4. Known to friends and fans as "The Great El Moldo – the world's thirteenth greatest magician," he believes laughter is the answer... "if we couldn't laugh we would all go insane" (Jimmy Buffet). Thanks to Birdie and all who encouraged me to take this journey with the Saint Everybody's Multicultural Interfaith Holiday Variety Show and Christmas Pageant.

Alison Boole - Director

Alison is thrilled to be directing this fun show for Kentwood!! Previous directing credits include the musicals *Young Frankenstein* and *Pippin*, the Neil Simon play *California Suite*, as well as the short play *Surf's Up* that was performed online while Kentwood was dark during the pandemic (which you can still view on the Kentwood Players' YouTube page). Alison has also choreographed many shows including *Anything Goes*, *Disney's The Little Mermaid*, *Annie Get Your Gun* and *Guys And Dolls*. Alison has been a member of Kentwood Players for over 25 years and is so excited that live theater is back!!!

Jeremy Palmer – Assistant Director

Jeremy has directed and assistant directed productions such as *Rope*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and his own original plays and comedic sketches in Los Angeles and his hometown of Denver. At Kentwood Players, he produced *Pippin* and *Little Women: The Musical* and appeared onstage in *Dial M for Murder*.

Rhonda Yeager-Hutchinson – Producer

Rhonda grew up in community theatre while living and growing up in Corpus Christi, TX. Many miles and years later she finds herself involved with a great theatrical family. This is her 3rd show behind the scenes at Kentwood and she is loving the experience. Merry Christmas to all, and to all an Ultimate Christmas!

Susan Stangl – Sound Design

Susan has designed sound for well over a hundred productions, many of them here at Kentwood. You may have just seen her as Cassandra, the psychic house cleaner, in the long-awaited *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike*, which she also directed. Happy Holidays and enjoy the show.

Catherine Rahm – Costume Design

Catherine is enjoying working on the costumes and music for this unique production. In her 23 years as a member here, she has appeared in 19 shows, directed 6 and music directed 15 and has served in 5 different positions on the Board. Although she has appeared in shows throughout Los Angeles and the surrounding areas, she always looks on Kentwood as her theatre home, and is pleased to join in this effort to support its reopening.

Jon Sparks – Specialty Costumes / Wigs

Jon is a 20+ years member of Kentwood Players and is honored to crew this fun production. For the past two decades, Jon has performed, directed, and produced shows all over Los Angeles and Orange County. Jon is an accomplished wig master, having worked at Disneyland as well as many local theaters.

Bruce Starrett – Lighting Design

After years of serving on the Kentwood board together, Bruce is excited to finally be working with Alison on a stage production! And it's great to be back in the theater again, in the newly renovated Westchester Playhouse! Bruce has been a Kentwood member since 2009 and is currently serving as the theater's Technical Manager. "Recent" credits include *MTI: All Together Now!* and *The Giver* here with Kentwood Players, and *Dead Man's Cell Phone* and *The Nerd at Little Fish Theatre*. Special thanks to Diane. Enjoy the show!

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from Alison Bechdel's 2006 memoir

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May 13 – June 12, 2022



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by karen zacarias



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