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THE CHILDREN

BY LUCY KIRKWOOD NOV 6 - DEC 4, 2022

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THE CHILDREN

by Lucy Kirkwood

Directed by Kim Strassburger

CAST

Rose

Hazel

Robin

Catalina Maynard* Vanessa Dinning Neil McDonald

CREATIVE AND TECHNICAL TEAM

Assistant Director Stage Manager Sound Designer Set Designer Costume Designer Lighting Designer **Props Designer** Technical Director Dialect Coach Intimacy Coordinator Wig Designer Assistant Sound Designer Assistant Lighting Designer Production Electrician Assistant Stage Manager **Production Managers**

Sandy Campbell Gabby Stryker MaeAnn Ross Julie Lorenz Carmen Amon Ally Wood Rai Feltmann Robert Malaye Jo Anne Glover Kandace Crystal Missy Bradstreet Sasha Gomulka Minerva Josiff Tiffany Arita Danielle Dudley Megan Ames & Desireé Clarke

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THE CHILDREN was commissioned by and premiered at the Royal Court Theatre (Vicky Featherstone, Artistic Director; Lucy Davies, Executive Producer) on November 17, 2016. It was directed by James Macdonald, the design was by Mirian Buether the lighting design was by Peter Mumford, and the sound design was by Max Pappenheim.

the playwright



LUCY KIRKWOOD

she/her is an acclaimed playwright and screenwriter. In 2009, Lucy's play It Felt Empty When The Heart Went At First But It Is Alright Now was produced by Clean Break Theatre Company at the Arcola Theatre. The play was nominated for an Evening Standard Award for Best Newcomer and made Lucy joint winner of the 2010 John Whiting Award. Chimerica premiered at the Almeida Theatre in 2013 and subse-

quently transferred to the West End, earning Best New Play at the 2014 Olivier and Evening Standard Awards, as well as the Critics Circle Award and the Susan Smith Blackburn Prize. Recent work includes *Mosquitos* (presented by special arrangement with Manhattan Theatre Club), which opened at the National Theatre, London, in summer 2017; and *The Children*, which premiered at the Royal Court Theatre, London, in 2016. *The Children* opened on Broadway in December 2017.

the director



KIM STRASSBURGER

she/her is happy to be returning to MOXIE Theatre. Directing credits include Hanbagged (MOXIE Theatre); Sunday In The Park With George (San Diego Theatre Critics Circle Award—Outstanding Direction of a Musical), Master Class, Passion (San Diego Theatre Critics Circle Award Nomination—Outstanding Direction of a Musical), Grey Gardens, Gypsy (San Diego Theatre Critics Circle Nomination—

Outstanding Direction of a Musical) and Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde (iON Theatre); 8 Songs For A Mad King (San Diego Critics Circle Award for Outstanding Special Event and 2017 Best of Festival—San Diego International Fringe Festival; Bodhi Tree Productions). Kim studied Shakespeare at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts (LAMDA), is a graduate of Catholic University of America and UCSD, and is a member of the 2014 Lincoln Center Theater Directors Lab. Kim has also served as an Artistic Trustee for Diversionary Theatre and teaches theatre at the Coronado School of the Arts.

CATALINA MAYNARD (ROSE)

she/her is making her MOXIE debut. Locally, Catalina has worked at San Diego REP, Cygnet Theatre, Moonlight Theatre, North Coast Rep, New Village Arts, La Jolla Playhouse, and The Old Globe, and was an iON company member for eight years. Regional work: Mark Taper Forum, Yale Rep, Denver Center, PCPA, TheatreWorks, Mixed Blood Theatre, The Children's Theatre Minneapolis, Arizona Theatre Co., and Off-Broadway at the Peter J. Sharp Theatre, to name a



few. Recently, Catalina directed Karen Zacarias' play, Native Gardens, for PCPA at the Marion Theatre and the Solvang Festival stage. Catalina is a former Marshall Artist in Residency at UC San Diego, focusing on social justice work for the stage, and a two-time recipient of the Craig Noel Critics Circle Award for acting. Currently, she is a Learning Specialist in Narrative Medicine for the UniversityLink Medical Science program at the University of California San Diego.

VANESSA DINNING (HAZEL)

she/her is as an actor, director and voice & dialect coach throughout San Diego's performing arts community. Locally, she works with Cygnet, Moonlight, San Diego REP, The Old Globe, SDMT, San Diego Symphony, San Diego Opera, Backyard Renaissance, Lamb's, and Bodhi Tree Concerts among many others. In her native UK at Shake-speare's Globe, The Royal National Theatre and many others. Some



favorite roles include: Helena in A Midsummer Night's Dream, Rosalind in As You Like It, lago in Othello, Beatrice in Much Ado, Mary Shelley in Blood and Ice, Mary in Our Country's Good, Donna/Oolie in City of Angels, The Bakers Wife in Into The Woods, Amy in Company, Emma in Betrayal, Christine in My Sister in this House, Rosemary in Outside Mullingar and was to have appeared in the sadly cancelled The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time for San Diego REP.

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NEIL McDONALD (ROBIN)

he/him is making his MOXIE Theatre debut. New Fortune Theatre: As You Like It, Henry V, Les Liaisons Dangereuses. Poor Players: Romeo and Juliet, Measure for Measure, The Tempest, As You Like It, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Antony and Cleopatra, Merchant of Venice, Macbeth, Twelfth Night, and Merry Wives of Windsor. Other San Diego credits: Sherlock Holmes: The



Final Adventure (2014 Aubrey Award winner), Postmortem, How the Other Half Loves, The Tempest, What We Talk About When We Talk About Love, Britannicus, Hairdresser on Fire. Glasgow credits: Hated Nightfall (Scottish premiere), Mort. New Fortune Theatre (Perth): Merchant of Venice, King Lear, Midsummer Night's Dream, Macbeth. Other Perth credits: the title role in Dracula, Summer of the Seventeenth Doll, Miss Bosnia, Medea, and Hamlet in Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead.



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GABBY STRYKER (STAGE MANAGER)

she/her was born and raised in San Diego. She is so thankful to be working on her first show with MOXIE Theatre. She has previous stage management experience with San Diego Repertory Theatre and the La Jolla Music Society as a stage management fellow and assistant stage manager. She has also worked at Tufts University as the Assistant Stage Manager for Sense and Sensibility, and Production Stage Manager for Silent Sky and Ibsen's Enemy of the People. She sends warmth and gratitude to her friends and family for supporting her journey in the arts.

JULIE LORENZ (SET DESIGNER)

she/her is thankful to be back designing sets at MOXIE for The Children, after designing The Niceties, Handbagged and Herland, as well as working as Charge Artist on 12 other MOXIE productions, including Mother of the Maid, Sapience, and Anne Frank. She painted on Cygnet's La Cage aux Follies, Rock of Ages, King Hedley II/Seven Guitars, and backdrops at Lambs Players on See How They Run and Servant of Two Masters. She has worked with LPT as ASM on Mixtape, and constructed properties on Joe vs. the Volcano and Festival of Christmas. She previously worked as Scenic Designer for Let Freedom Ring on the Midway Aircraft Carrier, and Thoroughly Modern Millie, Hello Dolly, Route 66, Traditions of Christmas & Senior Follies at ECPAC, and as Charge Artist for Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at Mt. Helix Amphitheater. Julie currently works at Aesthetics Inc. as Art Consultant for healing environments. "The Children" Julie loves are Macy Flynn and Hudson Fox, as well as husband Jon.

CARMEN AMON (COSTUME DESIGNER)

she/they is a proud Queer Chicanx Costume Designer in the Greater San Diego area. She has been working professionally as a Freelance Costume Designer since 2016. She graduated the same year with a Bachelor's Degree in Theater with an Emphasis in Costume Design from San Diego State University. She is very excited to be back at MOXIE. Her designs have also been featured at La Jolla Playhouse, San Diego Repertory Theater, Junior Theater, Pacific Ridge School, Passage Theater in New Jersey, and Urbanite Theater in Florida.

ALLY WOOD (LIGHTING DESIGNER)

she/her is in her third and final year at SDSU where she will receive her MFA in Design and Technology: Emphasis in Lighting and Projections. She graduated from Georgia College & State University in 2018 with a BA in Theatre. Her most recent designs include *Everyday Dances*, *Horizons*, and *Everyday Dances II* at the Malashock Dance Company in San Diego; as well as *Free Play Project* and *She Kills Monsters* at SDSU. Ally would like to dedicate her work on this project to her newborn niece, Veronica Shannon Roddy!

MAEANN ROSS (SOUND DESIGNER)

she/her is a San Diego based Sound Designer. She holds a BFA in Technical Production from Texas State University and a MFA in Sound Design from UC San Diego. She is currently the Director of Technical Theatre and Design at Coronado School of the Arts. Select Design Credits: The 39 Steps and Wait Until Dark (Wimberley Playhouse); The Virgin Trial and Water by the Spoonful (Cygnet Theatre); Life is a Dream, An Iliad, Man in Love, and In the Red and Brown Water (UC San Diego); The Shakers of Mount Lebanon..., and Pride and Prejudice (Point Loma Nazarene Univ.); A Kind of Weather (Diversionary Theatre); Much Ado About Nothing, Circle Mirror Transformation and Scissoring (Pomona College). Maeannrossdesigns.myportfolio.com

RAI FELTMANN (PROPS DESIGNER)

she/they graduated from the Conservatory of Theatre Arts at Webster University. She has worked as a Props Artisan, Assistant Props Master, and Props Master at various theaters including Stages St. Louis, Cleveland Play House, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, and Cortland Repertory Theater. She is currently the Lead Properties Artisan at La Jolla Playhouse. She would like to thank Megan and Jen for this wonderful opportunity and her family for their continued support.

DANIELLE DUDLEY (ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER)

she/her holds a BA in Theatre Arts from UCSD. Credits include: La Jolla playhouse: Diana-A New Musical (SM Intern). Cygnet: Water by the Spoonful (ASM), The Great Leap (ASM). Roustabouts Theatre: IRON (SM). San Diego Repertory Theatre: 57 Chevy Film (ASM), JQA Film (SM), 33 1/3: House of Dreams (PA), Sweat (ASM), A Dolls House Part 2 (ASM), Birthday: A Metaphysical Musical Workshop (SM), Fun Home (PA), Vietgone (ASM), Hand to God (ASM). MOXIE: The Mineola Twins (SM) Handbagged (SM), The Madres (ASM). Danielle has also stage managed many different smaller events: The Finish Line Festival at Cygnet Theatre, The Jewish Arts Festival, and LatinX Festival all at San Diego Repertory Theatre.

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