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with

Glenn Atkinson

Stuart Gibson

Niamh Moore

Claire Bennett

Aidan Godwin

Dave Quinn

Anisa Bharmal

Raychel Holt

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James Tunstill

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A word from our Founders

Having met through our love of theatre back in 2011, performing has been an important part of our lives for many years!

So, when we moved to Dubai in 2020 mid-pandemic, we knew it was a void that had to be filled - even if that meant starting from scratch!

Discovering there were few (or no!) musical theatre companies already established, together with our friend Sarah, we set about the task of creating our own - and so **MTDXB** was born.

MTDXB doesn't only offer our members the opportunity to come together with like-minded, passionate and creative people to perform, but of course to build a community, and to forge new friendships. And what a great job our talented members have done so far!

Following a sell-out first cabaret performance in 2021 at Warehouse Four, we have challenged ourselves, and our dedicated team, to grow the company, to elevate our performances and to create even bigger and better musical theatre magic!

We believe that **MTDXB** will continue to provide a platform to perform and entertain audiences for many years to come.

We hope you enjoy watching **Everybody's Talking About MTDXB** just as much as we've all enjoyed putting it together. After you've watched the show, if you'd like to leave us any feedback, please do so at **facebook.com/mtdxb** - we'd love to hear from you!



**Bethanie & James (Mitch)
Mitchinson**

SONGS

Act One

AND YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW IT from Everybody's Talking About Jamie	.....	Bryn Mitchell & Ensemble
OH, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MORNING from Oklahoma	.....	Glenn Atkinson
MAYBE THIS TIME from Cabaret	.....	Gina Daly
CELL BLOCK TANGO from Chicago	.....	Katie Burton, Raychel Holt, Katie Keyes, Bethanie Mitchinson, Niamh Moore & Ruth Sanders
WHO I'D BE from Shrek the Musical	.....	Stuart Gibson, Sarah Debono & Brian Fletcher
SONG THAT GOES LIKE THIS from Spamalot	.....	Sophia Cafoor-Camps & Dave Quinn
COME WHAT MAY from Moulin Rouge	.....	Laura Suzanne Bock & Bryn Mitchell
SUDDENLY SEYMOUR from Little Shop of Horrors	.....	Niamh Moore & Paul Staveley
BUI DOI from Miss Saigon	.....	Glenn Atkinson & The Men of MTDXB
ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE from My Fair Lady	.....	Stuart Gibson
A SOFT PLACE TO LAND from Waitress	.....	Sarah Debono, Ruth Sanders & Jessica Walkinshaw
WHAT BAKING CAN DO from Waitress	.....	Anisa Bharmal
ALL AMERICAN PROPHET from The Book of Mormon	.....	Brian Fletcher & Ensemble
BRING HIM HOME from Les Miserables	.....	Dave Quinn
I DREAMED A DREAM from Les Miserables	Chelsey Tunstill
ONE DAY MORE from Les Miserables	MTDXB Company

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SONGS

Act Two

WHEN YOU'RE AN ADDAMS from The Addams Family	MTDXB Company
FOR GOOD from Wicked	Anisa Bharmal & Jessica Walkinshaw
YOU'LL BE BACK from Hamilton	.....	Paul Staveley
THINK OF ME from Phantom of the Opera	.....	Sophia Cafoor-Camps
SOMEBODY TO LOVE from We Will Rock You	.....	Sophie Worrell & Ensemble
MAKE HIM MINE from The Witches of Eastwick	.....	Anisa Bharmal, Bethanie Mitchinson & Chelsey Tunstill
TALE AS OLD AS TIME from Beauty and the Beast	.....	Ruth Sanders
SOMETHING'S COMING from West Side Story	.....	Sattawat Sonsin
RAZZLE DAZZLE from Chicago	.....	Aidan Godwin & Ensemble
FINE, FINE LINE from Avenue Q	.....	Laura Suzanne Bock
WOULDN'T IT BE LOVERLY from My Fair Lady	.....	Olivia Coleman & Sarah Debono
I KNOW HIM SO WELL from Chess	.....	Gina Daly & Chelsey Tunstill
TAKE ME OR LEAVE ME from Rent	.....	Talya Mitchell & Sophie Worrell
SEASONS OF LOVE from Rent	.....	Paul Staveley, Chelsey Tunstill & MTDXB Company
FREAK FLAG from Shrek the Musical	.....	MTDXB Company



CAST



Glenn Atkinson

Glenn has been performing on-stage for many years and this is his second year with MTDXB, having been a founding member with his new drama 'family' in 2021.

He has proudly achieved Grade 8 in Voice and in Musical Theatre from the London College of Music and has performed many enjoyable roles. Favourites incl. Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz*, Curly in *Oklahoma*, Ugly in *Honk!* and Corny Collins in *Hairspray*. His last role in the UK was as the Genie in *Aladdin*.

Since moving to Dubai, Glenn has expanded his repertoire in both plays and musicals, and most importantly he has expanded his friendship circle in meeting so many creatives across the Emirate, both on and off the stage.

Tonight, he is looking forward to performing a number of classics for you which he hopes you truly enjoy. (And if you do enjoy seeing Glenn on stage, he will be performing, back here at The Junction, in two weeks' time in *The 39 Steps!*).



Claire Bennett

After graduating in London with a degree in Theatre, Claire's performing and directorial skills have informed and enhanced her twenty-year teaching career.

She has led on Drama and Performing Arts, staging ambitious Musical Theatre productions in London and Dubai to great acclaim.

Claire has sung in soul bands, Gospel choirs and has been a voice over artist in her native London.

She was also a member of Europe's largest community Theatre, Questors, where she has performed in numerous productions.

Claire is delighted that Musical Theatre Dubai has been formed. It is a much welcomed further enrichment for the Arts community!

CAST



Anisa Bharmal

Anisa is a singer, pianist and performer from London, UK.

Her first musical theatre role as a teenager was playing Liat in *South Pacific* with Farnborough Dramatic Society; she has since had a taste for performing on stage!

Before COVID struck, she was lucky to perform at Dubai Opera as part of the Dubai Opera Festival Chorus.

Anisa studied Music Performance at university and continued this through to her Masters at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. Alongside her passion for singing and playing, she's the Head of Music at a British school in Dubai and enjoys directing musical productions, arranging music for ensembles and conducting choirs as part of her job.

Since her last performance with MTDXB, she has had some wonderful opportunities to sing at EXPO2020 alongside artists such as Tania Kassis and featured in her first big solo with the Bollywood musical maestro, AR Rahman.

Anisa is delighted and excited to perform again with MTDXB!



Laura Suzanne Bock

Having recently moved from Hong Kong, this is Laura's first performance in Dubai!

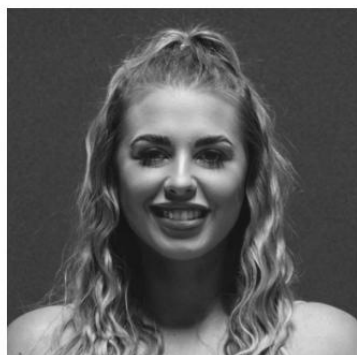
A voice coach by trade, she always enjoys the opportunity to venture out of the wings and into the spotlight.

Recent performances include *Songs for a New World*, *SHOUT! The Mod Musical*, and a multitude of cabarets and concerts with her old musical geeks in Hong Kong.

Her favourite role to date has to be Olive in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, because of the amazing harmonies and the chance to be a kid on stage!

Laura lives with her very tall husband Ashley, and their idiotic but gorgeous cat, Beans.

CAST



Katie Burton

Katie studied Performance Art at university and has been involved in musical theatre and dance for the majority of her life.

She is trained in Jazz and Contemporary dance and attended Stage school for over 10 years.

She has featured in many productions, including *Wizard of Oz*, *Lion King*, *Saturday Night Fever*, *Cats* and *Hairspray*, making her solo debut as Velma Kelly in a rendition of *Chicago*.

Alongside her musical theatre studies, she also trained in TV and Film. Performing in a number of festivals across the UK and appearing in local soaps and children's TV shows.

She gained her first scripted part at the age of 13 in the children's show *My Parents are Aliens*.

After taking a brief respite to pursue her teaching career, Katie is excited to get back on the stage once more.

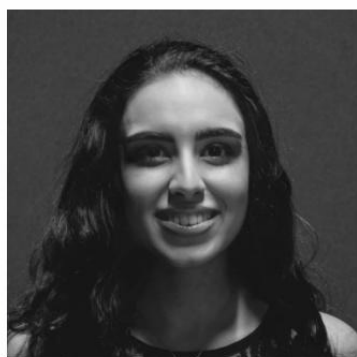


James Casaki

James finds that musical theatre is a place where he can be himself.

In Dubai, James has performed in a number of shows including *Hairspray*, *West Side Story*, *Oliver*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Cats* and *Wind in the Willows*, though his highlight to date was being part of the ensemble for *Evita* when it played at the Dubai Opera!

This is James' first show with MTDXB, and he's really excited to be part of it.



Sophia Cafoor-Camps

Sophia is a classically trained opera singer, pianist and violinist. She started her training from a young age at the Royal Academy of Music in London.

She has gone on to perform in the UK, Egypt, UAE, Qatar and Bahrain, including at the Emirates Palace, London's Cadogan Hall and Cambridge University. Sophia was awarded a high distinction for her diploma in piano and is currently working towards completing her diploma in singing.

Sophia is excited to return to perform at The Junction where she starred as Éponine in *Les Misérables* 2020 and was recently nominated for Best Actress and Best Director in the Short and Sweet Gala Finals 2022.

This is Sophia's second show with MTDXB.

When not on stage, Sophia works as a lawyer in Dubai.

CAST



Olivia Coleman

Olivia is thrilled to be performing in this year's cabaret show.

Olivia is 27 years old and has performed in regional productions of *The Sound of Music*, *The Producers*, and *Oliver*.

She is a Primary School Teacher in Dubai, and she enjoys dancing, singing and shopping in her spare time.

Olivia would like to thank her family and friends for their support.

She is very excited and honoured to be part of Musical Theatre Dubai's second show!



Liz Cuthbertson

Liz Cuthbertson has over 20 years dance experience. She has participated in various shows and also taught dancing to children.

Liz is a primary school teacher and has worked in schools in the UK, Egypt and Dubai.

She performed in MTDXB's debut show last year. Liz is looking forward to getting the feather fans back out and to razzle dazzle you all!



Gina Daly

After 4 and a half years in Dubai Gina is thrilled to be back on a musical theatre stage with MTDXB.

Hailing from Dublin, Ireland, Gina has grown up surrounded by music. As part of North Dublin Community Gospel Choir, Gina was fortunate enough to win many national Choir competitions all around Ireland.

As a member of The Glasnevin Musical Society, Gina has performed in The National Concert Hall and Axis Theatre in Dublin.

Her most memorable moment was having the honor to sing solo with The Harlem Gospel Choir.

As well as her passion for singing, Gina is an avid netball player and is studying for her B-award umpire exam later this year.

She is honored to be part of MTDXB and can't wait to perform for you tonight. Enjoy the show!

CAST



Sarah Debono

Sarah has been performing for 13 years and has performed in both Newcastle and Birmingham, UK.

She has performed in many musical theatre productions. Some favourites include, *Return to the Forbidden Planet*, *Titanic* and *Oliver*. Sarah's most recent acting role was playing Chutney Wyndem in *Legally Blonde*, where she enjoyed playing her role as the main antagonist.

One of Sarah's most memorable live performances was dancing for the Commonwealth Games Handover which was broadcast live on BBC, worldwide.

Sarah couldn't be more excited to perform on stage with MTDXB for the second time in Dubai.



Brian Fletcher

Having performed on UK stages for over 30 years, and following a 5 year musical-hiatus, Brian was so excited to join MTDXB, the saviours of Dubai-based Community Musical Theatre.

With a wealth of character acting experience under his musical theatre belt, Brian's second show with MTDXB will see him take on 8 different roles (caveat: 4 of those are in the same song!).

When not building websites, designing posters and managing eCommerce brands like Nespresso, Bath and Body Works and Victoria's Secret, Brian takes on his most important role, as Dad to Georgia and Noah and he's thrilled to be performing with the super-talented MTDXB company again.

CAST



Stuart Gibson

Hailing from Northern Ireland, Stuart trained as an actor in London over ten years ago.

Since graduating he has worked in London's Fringe theatre circuit, repertory theatres across Ireland touring in musicals and TIE productions along with starring in RTE and TG4 documentary period dramas playing the role of James Joyce, screened in Ireland and America.

Most recently he performed in the George Best Musical in the Grand Opera House Belfast alongwith *Peaky Blinders'* Packy Lee.

Stuart has also led workshops and directed professionally for Tinderbox Theatre Company, NYT and Stagecoach; his repertoire includes *Annie*, *Mary Poppins*, *Footloose* and *Oliver*. Along with directing four consecutive amateur sold out pantomimes, he's no stranger to being on and off stage!

Aside from all things theatrical, Stuart is currently a primary drama specialist in Dubai.



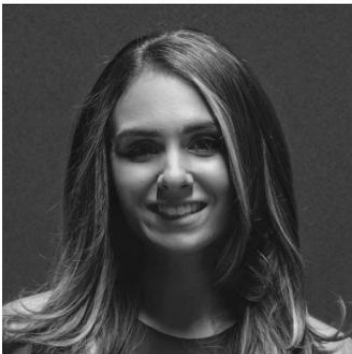
Aidan Godwin

Aidan has performed in and directed plays and musicals around London since 1992.

He appeared in *Oklahoma* at the Richmond Theatre, Christmas performances at the Royal Albert Hall in London, and a performance for the Queens Diamond Jubilee with The London Concert Choir.

Aidan's proudest moment was performing in the London 2012 Olympics Opening Ceremony.

In November 2013 he had the opportunity to perform in a compilation show at London's Theatre Royal, Drury Lane. Other roles have included: Jeff (*I Love you Because*), Peter (*Jesus Christ Superstar*), Malcolm (*The Full Monty*), Motel (*Fiddler on the Roof*) and Ugly (*Honk*).



Raychel Holt

Raychel has been dancing since the age of 3 and studied Musical Theatre at Pendleton College.

She has been involved in productions such as *Fame*, *Oliver*, *Annie* and sang at the opening of the Commonwealth Games in 2002 in the presence of Prince Edward.

She also featured in the UK soap opera *Coronation Street*.

Raychel worked at Key 103, Manchester's number 1 hit radio station, before moving to Dubai in 2013.

This will be Raychel's first time performing in Dubai and she is very excited to be part of MTDXB!

CAST



Kristina Kesner

Kristina has been a contemporary dancer for as long as she can remember, touring Europe since she was 16.

In UAE her favourite gigs were the UAE Jubilee Ceremony and being a part of the Expo 2020 dance team.

Kristina has always been a massive fan of musical theatre and was fortunate enough to play Sandy in *Grease* and Taylor in *High School Musical* for a season, and she hopes one day to join the cast of *Hair*. Kristina is so excited to share a stage with the MTDXB Company for the first time!



Katie Keyes

Katie is thrilled to be a new member of the MTDXB family.

A passionate dancer, Katie was choreographer in Bellevue Academy of Performing Arts back home in Ireland, teaching children between 4 and 20 years.

Katie also was member of St Mary's Choral Society Clonmel, the most recent show being *All Shook Up* in 2019 before moving to Dubai.

Katie was the first chairperson of Mary Immaculate College's dance society 'Mldance', leading it to win Best New Society at the BICs awards in 2018, and choreographed the Mixed Piece and Contemporary routines for Dance Intervarsities Ireland.

After a brief hiatus Katie is delighted to be back doing what she loves and looks forward to many more productions with MTDXB.

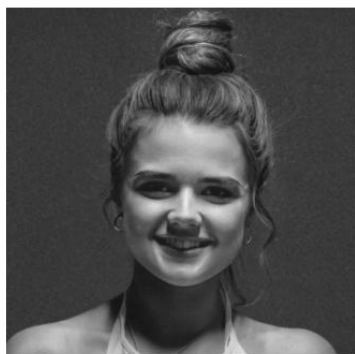


Vishal Kumar

Vishal's theatre background includes local and international productions both in Dubai and abroad.

Highlights include roles in *Sweeney Todd* and *Les Misérables*.

Vish is excited to perform tonight with MTDXB and hopes you enjoy the show!

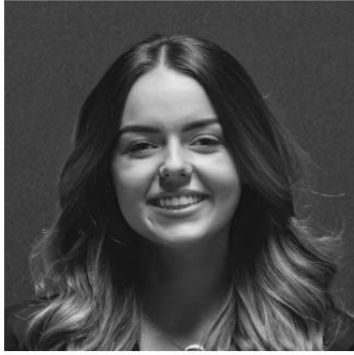


Jessie Leigh

Jessie has been performing in shows for 10 years, and studied musical theatre in Stratford upon Avon Performing Arts College.

She loves all things musicals, her favourites being *Waitress* and *Come From Away*.

CAST



Sarah McNeice

Sarah is thrilled to be a part of this year's MTDXB show.

A primary school teacher from Ireland, Sarah studied and completed all her grades, including her Senior Certificate, in Musical Theatre and Popular Singing.

She has been involved in choirs and music groups all her life, most recently, she was a member of an award winning all female choir, Diva Voces, back in Ireland.

She is currently working as a Performing Arts teacher in Dubai, teaching her favourite subjects, music, drama and dance!



Bryn Mitchell

Bryn Mitchell graduated from East 15 drama school in 2017.

Classically trained Bryn went on to perform in many productions across the UK including *Breakdown of Communication* (Camden People Theatre) 2015, *Like The Others* (Courtyard theatre) 2016, *Comedy of Errors* (RSC, The Dell) 2017, *To Finally Feel* (Lion and Unicorn Theatre) 2018 and *Andrea Chenier* (Royal Opera House), 2019.

He has also appeared in film and TV, the most recent being an advert for Bud Light in 2018.

Bryn was recently awarded 'Best Actor' in Paramount's Short Film competition.



Talya Mitchell

Talya, like her brother Bryn, grew up in an entertainment family and has had a lifetime passion for performing.

This culminated in becoming a member of the acclaimed Portsmouth Players Musical Society in the UK.

Her favourite musical theatre roles were in *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*, *Sweet Charity*, *Copacabana* and *Chicago*.

In addition she has tread the boards as both a vocalist & dancer in many variety style shows back in the UK.

Musical theatre, however, is her guilty pleasure and you can find her driving around Dubai belting out show tunes all day long.

Talya is a proud member of the committee for MTDXB and is excited to be performing in her second show with the society.

CAST



Bethanie Mitchinson

Having been part of the team that initiated MTDXB in 2021, Bethanie is thrilled once again to be surrounded by such talented, passionate performers for this year's production.

She has been involved with a number of theatre companies over the years in the UK, and trained in Musical Theatre back in her home town of Newcastle.

A passionate dancer, singer and actor, Bethanie has taken on many roles on stage. Her most memorable to date being Charity in *Sweet Charity*, Elle Woods in *Legally Blonde* and Roxie Hart in *Chicago*. She has also taken on the role of choreographer/ dance captain for shows such as *Cats*, *West Side Story* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. Most recently she performed here in Dubai, in H72's, *The Play That Goes Wrong* and is looking forward to treading the boards once more before she gives birth to her first child in July.



James Mitchinson

James was one of the founding members of MTDXB alongside his wife Bethanie and mutual friend Sarah Jordan.

James has been involved in both plays and musicals back home in Newcastle for about 15 years, James' roles before moving to Dubai included: Oliver Kilbourn in *The Pitman Painters*, Sir Robin in *Spamalot*, Lord Flasheart in *Blackadder* and was one of four actors who performed in the UK premier of Ken Davenport's *My First Time* back in 2018.

Last year he performed for Dubai Drama Group in *The Permanent Way* and more recently for H72 Productions in *The Play That Goes Wrong*.

He also reached the semi-finals of The Junction's 'Short and Sweet' festival in February with a 10 minute play entitled *Because the World Needs Unicorns* alongside two other actors.

His next role is as a father with his first child due in the middle of July!

CAST



Niamh Moore

Making her debut as Cosette in *Les Misérables* (Mullingar Student Players, 2004), Niamh has since appeared in numerous productions across the midlands of Ireland including Gertrude – *Seussical* (MCVG), Jasmine - *Aladdin* (Mullingar Panto Group), Sandy - *Grease*, Serena – *Legally Blonde* (Athlone Musical Society).

Her favourite roles to date have been Jane Smart - *The Witches of Eastwick* with Tullamore Musical Society (winner of AIMS Best Overall Show, 2016) & *Cats* with Clara Musical Society (winner of AIMS Best Overall Show, 2017) where she received a nomination for her portrayal of Rumpleteaser.

Since moving to Dubai, Niamh has been part of a number of productions with Abu Dhabi Choral Group & last year's cabaret with MTDXB.



Dave Quinn

Dave is a musician and teacher originally from Tyrone, Northern Ireland.

He studied piano performance at the Royal Irish Academy of Music and Music with Education at Queen's University, Belfast.

Dave is currently completing Master's studies at Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance, London.

Fluent in German, Dave taught music at a bilingual school in Berlin, working with the German Chamber Orchestra and coaching his choir to perform at the *Berliner Philharmonie*.

Dave is passionate about musical theatre and has been musical director for several amateur and professional musical productions.

Aside from music, Dave is a fitness enthusiast and an avid traveller, often to be found chasing sunsets or hiking through an obscure jungle!



Ruth Sanders

Ruth has performed in a range of productions including *A View from the Bridge*, *West Side Story*, *Macbeth* and *Spring Awakening*.

Ruth studied Drama at the University of Winchester before completing her teacher training at the University of Reading.

She has since been a Drama teacher to secondary aged students and has been teaching in Dubai for the past three years.

Ruth is extremely excited to be a part of the wonderful community that is MTDXB and cannot wait to perform in the May showcase!

CAST



Sattawat Sonsin

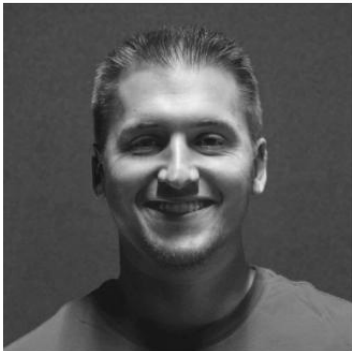
Sattawat is a Maths Teacher here in Dubai.

He has had a passion for Musical Theatre since his first performance as Bernardo in *West Side Story*.

Sattawat has been performing with the Abu Dhabi Choral Group for the past 5 years in shows including *9 to 5* and *Anything Goes*.

Since moving to Dubai Sattawat has been lucky enough to have performed at the Dubai Opera and was a part of the choir in Saudi Arabia singing back up for Andrea Bocelli.

He is excited to finally be part of a Community Musical Theatre group here in Dubai and is looking forward to getting back on stage.

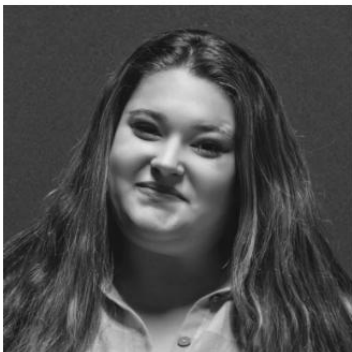


Paul Staveley

Born at a young age in Leeds, Paul's mother insists he was a dancer before he could walk. She says he began to sing long before he could talk. She is also a huge fan of Abba.

As a child Paul wowed audiences in Leeds with a performance of the Artful Dodger that the Leeds Weekly News described as 'adequate'.

Having written and performed in plays and musicals for many years, as well as writing and releasing his own songs, Paul is excited to be taking to the stage for the first time in Dubai with MTDXB.



Chelsey Tunstill

Chelsey studied BA Hons Performing Arts with Music at the University of Chichester.

She went on to study a PGCE in Secondary Drama Education which eventually led her to her current position as Director of Performing Arts.

Chelsey has performed in many shows with credits including *Les Miserables* (Fantine), *Dick Whittington* (Dick), *We Will Rock You* (Ensemble and understudy Scaramouche), *The Darling Buds of May*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Oliver* and *The Music Man*.

Further to this, Chelsey has directed several productions including *Les Miserables*, *Blood Brothers*, *Oliver*, *We Will Rock You* and *Annie*.

Chelsey is married to James who is also involved in this production! James and Chelsey have 2 children Dougie (6) and Addison (4) and she can't wait for them to see their mummy and daddy performing together in this show.

CAST



James Tunstill

James' musical ability was spotted at an early age when singing in the loo! This led him to the Royal College of Music where he studied as a flautist with piano, singing and conducting.

Whilst there, James performed with the Symphony Orchestra, Wind Orchestra and Concert Band in venues including The Royal Albert Hall and The Britten Theatre.

Since graduating, James has undertaken several concert tours and recordings for radio, TV and film in the UK, Sweden and Czech Republic as well as in Cathedrals at home and in Europe.

James spent a number of years teaching at one of the UK's top Performing Arts schools and has a number of former students working around the world on shows including *Les Miserables*, *Prince of Egypt*, *Hamilton*, *The Lion King* and *Wicked*.

His professional credits include the Oscar winning film *Shine*, *Les Miserables*, *The Producers*, *Sweeney Todd*, *The Witches of Eastwick* and *West Side Story* amongst many others!



Jessica Walkinshaw

Jessica is a singer, performer and music specialist from the UK.

She has had a passion for musical theatre since her first performance in *The King and I* as a child and has since been in productions of *Les Misérables*, *Me And My Girl*, *West Side Story* and toured Ireland with Juan Hidalgo's *Celos Aun Del Aire Matan*, an early Spanish opera.

Jessica has been performing with the Dubai Opera Festival Chorus here in Dubai for the past few years and was lucky enough to perform Handel's *Messiah* in the Dubai Opera House.

Alongside her passion for singing and performing, she directs musical productions, leads and arranges music for school choirs and ensembles, and supports the wellbeing of young people through her role as a counsellor and performing arts teacher.

She is excited to finally be part of a musical theatre company here in Dubai and can't wait to be back on the stage!

CAST



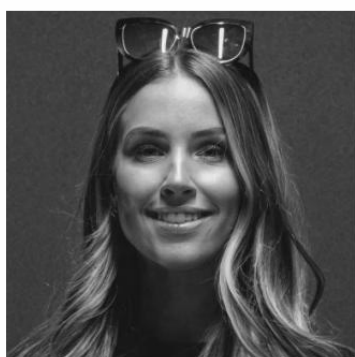
Nickie Willoughby

Nickie is thrilled to be performing with MTDXB, having lived in Dubai for 10 years she has very much missed being in a Musical Theatre group.

Nickie has performed in Theatres across the South West of England and has enjoyed being part of many shows over the years.

Nickie is also a proud member of Dubai City Sound who, won Choirfest Middle East in 2017. This fantastic achievement gave Nickie and her fellow Choir members the amazing opportunity to perform at the Dubai Opera House.

In her spare time, Nickie is a taxi driver to her 2 teenagers.... And a frequent visitor to Tiffany's in Dubai Mall where she loves to blag a complimentary coffee!



Shona Wills

After living in Dubai for four years, Shona is delighted to be welcoming musical theatre back into her life.

Shona graduated from Gloucestershire University with a Performing Arts degree in 2014. After this, she performed at Edinburgh Fringe Festival and has since undertaken various stage manager and directing roles.

She is now a Primary School Teacher who is involved in school productions and sharing her passion with the children.

Shona feels very grateful to be a part of MTDXB and is extremely excited to perform in this show!



Sophie Worrell

After years of vocal training, MTDXB Committee member Sophie transferred her skills to her career in teaching, being made Singing Lead in her school and instructing all children aged 7-11 weekly.

In this role she organised all school concerts and musical productions as well as arranging all musical numbers. She also established the school's 'Glee Club', designed for children with a passion and skill for musical theatre.

Sophie's last acting role came as a small part in *The Taming Of The Shrew* for the BBC's Night Of Shakespeare and after performing in MTDXB's first showcase as Catherine Howard in the title song *Six*, she is excited to take to the stage once more.

MTDXB CREW

Making the magic happen!

Producer	Bethanie Mitchinson
Producer	James Mitchinson
Director	Chelsey Tunstill
Director	James Mitchinson
Musical Director	James Tunstill
Choreographer	Bethanie Mitchinson
Costumes	Talya Mitchell
Keyboard, flutes, backing vocals	James Tunstill
Arrangements/Orchestration	James Tunstill
Script	James Mitchinson & Brian Fletcher
Lighting	Kyle Alberqueque
Sound	Sean Alozo
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Committee Social Media Secretary	Sarah Debono
Committee Member	Sarah Jordan



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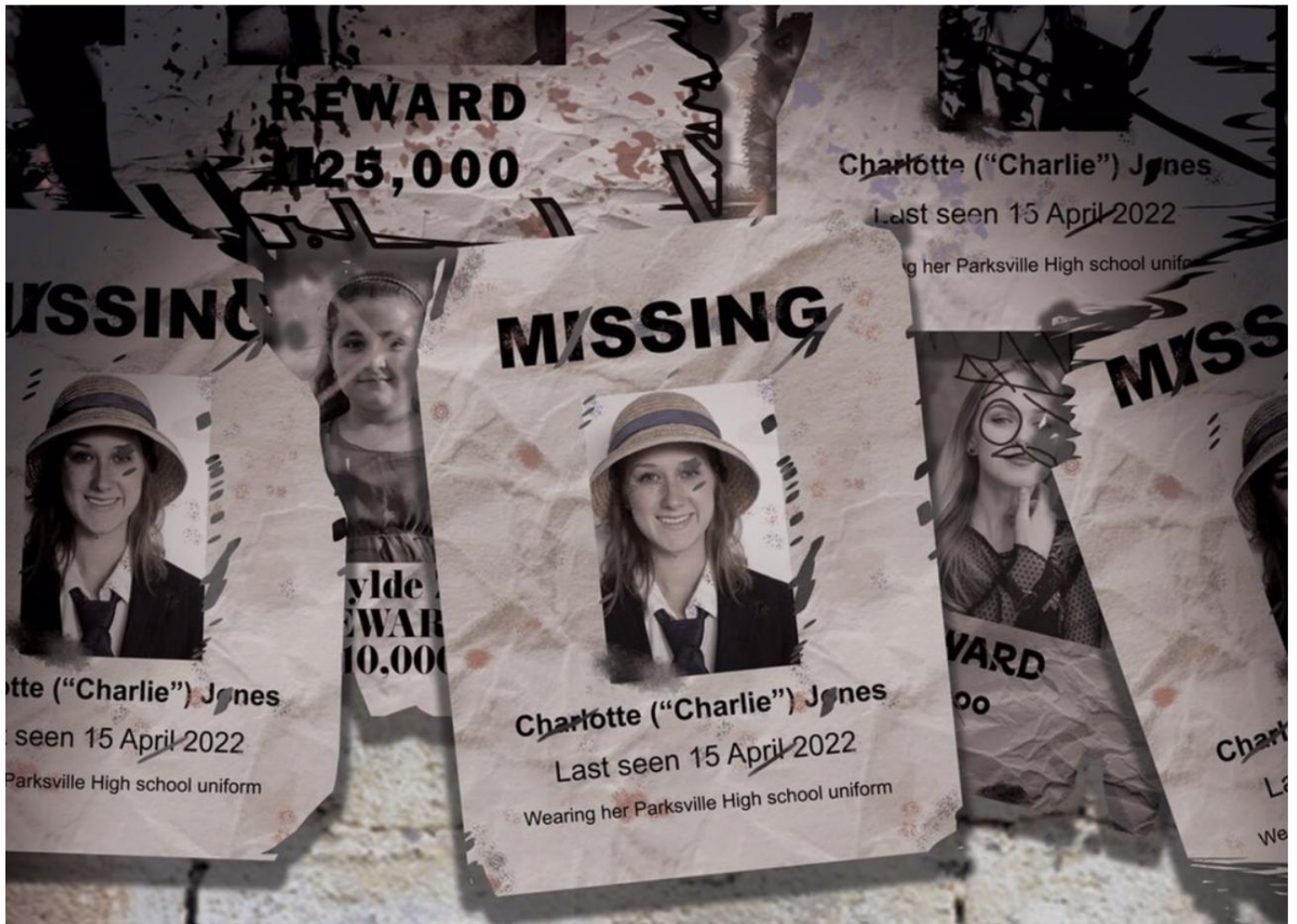
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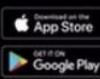
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