Young Thespians present



19-22 FEBRUARY 2025

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Chairman's Welcome

Welcome to the wonderful world of Disney's Aladdin.
I hope you enjoy this performance.

The Young Thespians first performed this show in one week as a summer workshop in 2017 and we were delighted to welcome Alison Hudson back again to direct this new updated version.

'A whole new world' of adventures has been had by our YT members and the whole YT team who have worked tirelessly to put on this production, full of the classic songs, storyline and characters we all love.

Thank you for supporting us and we hope you continue to do so for both Hitchin Thespians and Young Thespians future events.

Now, sit back on your magic carpet and join us on a musical journey through the streets of Agrabah for another 'Arabian Night!'

Sarah Bailes
Chairman

A Young Thespians
production of

Disney Aladdin JR.

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Music by
Alan Menken

Lyrics by
Howard Ashman and Tim Rice

Book Adapted and **Additional Lyrics** by
Jim Luigs

Music Adapted and **Arranged** by
Bryan Louiselle

Based on the Screenplay by Ron Clements and John Musker
Ted Elliott and Terry Rossio

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Discover “A Whole New World” with this magically updated version of the Academy Award-winning Disney classic!

Disney’s Aladdin JR. is based on the 1992 Academy Award-winning film and the 2014 hit Broadway show about the “diamond in the rough” street rat who learns that his true worth lies deep within.

The story you know and love has been given the royal treatment! Aladdin and his three friends, Babkak, Omar, and Kassim, are down on their luck until Aladdin discovers a magic lamp and the Genie who has the power to grant three wishes. Wanting to earn the respect of the princess, Jasmine, Aladdin embarks on an adventure that will test his will and his moral character. With expanded characters, new songs, and more thrills, this new adaptation of the beloved story will open up a whole new world!

Come and join us

Hitchin Thespians has been performing in the area since 1902.

We are enthusiastic amateurs who enjoy performing musical theatre shows and concerts mainly at our purpose-built venue, Woodside Hall in Hitchin, Hertfordshire. We're also a great team of people who have fun and enjoy social events.

We also run the successful **Young Thespians** group for 8-16 year olds who have been performing since 2002.

If your interest is in singing, dancing, acting, front-of-house, or getting involved backstage, please look at our Get Involved On-Stage and Back-Stage pages. We welcome all ages and abilities to join us.

Alternatively, if you'd just like to come and enjoy the wonderful performances, please check What's On or sign up for our newsletter and follow our social media pages to be the first to know about upcoming productions.

Get in touch at secretary@hitchinthespians.org.uk for a friendly welcome and further details.

HT Committee 2024-2025

Chairman	Sarah Bailes
Secretary	Rachel E Hill
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Production Manager	Vacant
Choral Manager	Vacant
Woodside Hall Manager	Vacant
Social & Fundraising Manager	Vacant
Young Thespians Manager	Claire Bailes
General Committee Members	Philippa Tadman, John Walden

Musical Numbers

Overture/Arabian Nights	Genie, Ensemble
One Jump Ahead	Babkak, Omar, Aladdin, Kassim, Ensemble
One Jump Ahead (Reprise)/Proud of Your Boy	Aladdin
These Palace Walls	Jasmine, Attendants
Babkak, Omar, Aladdin, Kassim	Babkak, Omar, Aladdin, Kassim, Ensemble
Friend Like Me	Genie, Ensemble
Prince Ali	Babkak, Omar, Kassim, Genie, Ensemble
A Whole New World	Aladdin, Jasmine, Ensemble
High Adventure	Babkak, Omar, Kassim, Ensemble
Prince Ali (Reprise)	Jafar, Iago
Finale	Company

Cast

Aladdin	Ela Gozen
Jasmine	Rita Witham-Holroyd
Genie	Noah Ruby
Babkak	Zac Daly
Omar	Cally Fletcher
Kassim	Alisa Kucukkinaci
Jafar	Robyn Brett
Iago	Summer Gore
Sultan	Joshua Raine
Isir	Helena Wilson
Manal	Abigail Hughes
Rajah	Lauren Joslin
Apple Vendor	Rosie Freeston
Fortune Teller	Lyra Brett
Shop Owner	Poppy Game
Prince Abdullah	Evie Wilcox
Razoul	Chloe Atkinson-Strong

Cast

Guards	Evie Wilcox Edward McLauchlan Ava Geldard Erin Dormer
Jasmine's Guards	Aurelia Jenkins Amelia Biggs Pippa Coulthard Katelyn Gollop
Beggars	Lily Plowman-Cobb Rose Plowman-Cobb Joshua McVeigh Poppy Daly
Spooky Voice/The Cave of Wonders	Lyra Brett Rosie Freeston Evie Wilcox
Sellers	Lara Cardall-Spawforth Josie Pattison
Agrabahns	Millie Hennebry Antigone Wakely Riva Erol-Blyton







Production Team









Director	Alison Hudson
Musical Director	Claire Bailes
Choreographers	Charlotte Platten Francesca Platten
Wardrobe	Sarah Bailes Sue Rayner
Technical Manager	James Ibbotson
Young Thespians Manager	Claire Bailes

Stage Manager	Rachel E Hill
Tech Team	James Ibbotson, Steve Nortier, James Rhodes, Sue Raynor, Jake McCreith
Projection Design	Michael Bailes, James Ibbotson
Set and Props Design	Debbie Biggs, Belinda Brett, Robyn Brett, Lyra Brett, Anet Davis, Ayda Erol-Blyton, Barry Fletcher, Sandra Fletcher, Marie Game, Jo Hughes, Alison Hudson, Maggie Joslin, Alice Pattison, Catherine Wakely, Hebe Wakely
Set Construction	Philippa Tadman, Belinda Brett, Anet Davis, Barry Fletcher, Marie Game, Richard Plowman-Cobb, Nigel Woodbridge
Make-up	Donna Barrett, Julia Nicholson, Lorraine Davies
Photographs	Hannah Woodhouse
Chaperones	Debbie Biggs, Holly Bohme, Belinda Brett, Anet Davies, Marie Game, Jo Hughes, Frankie Ma, Lily McLauchlan, Alice Pattison, Eileen Ruby
Bar Team	Philippa Tadman, Nicola Cardall, Kieran Raine, Barbara Thomas, Sue Osbourn, Helena Smagala
Box Office Managers	Nick Morgan, Nicky Morgan
Front of House Team	Cathy Coulthard, Melanie Plowman-Cobb, Edith Pratt
Programme Sellers	Anet Davies, Marie Game, Sally Gore, Julia Skinner
Programme Design	Laura Rogers

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Past Productions

The last 10 years of Young Thespians

2023
Frozen Jr^
Honk!*

2024
Finding Nemo Jr
Shrek Jr

2022
Twenty Years of YT
Matilda Jr



2020
Moana Jr^
Suessical Jr

2018
Madagascar: A Musical Adventure^
The Wizard of Oz

2019
The Many Colours of Andrew Lloyd Webber*
My Son Pinocchio

2017
Aladdin Jr^
Oliver!*
Peter Pan



2016
YT Got Talent
Honk Jr

2014
The Aristocats^
The Little Mermaid

2015
Rainbow Connection
Olivia!

^Workshop production
*With Hitchin Thespians

Up next for Young Thespians...

Some dates for your diary...

DARE TO DREAM JR
A DISNEY MUSICAL REVUE

15 Aug 2025

2:30pm & 7:00pm



DISNEY BEAUTY AND THE BEAST JR

18 – 21 Feb 2026

7:30pm & 2:30pm