

2026 5th ANNIVERSARY



Auditions: January 3rd-4th, 2026
Performances: March 6th-8th, 2026



Auditions: TBD
Performances: July 17-19, 2026



Auditions: TBD
Performances: Sept. 25-27, 2026



Auditions: TBD
Performances: Nov. 13-15, 2026



Madrigal Dinner Theater

Auditions: TBD
Saturday, Dec. 5th
Embassy Suites Ballroom

Be sure to keep up with the latest audition and show information, along with other events! on our website www.thestagetheaterco.com Facebook: The Stage Theater Co.

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The Stage Theater Co.
Jonesboro, AR

Presented by ARPets Hospital



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Theatregoer,

Thank you for joining us for our production of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!* We are thrilled to be bringing this production to The Stage! This has been a such a fun show to watch the cast and crew work together to bring some 'holiday fun and love' to all they do. A huge thank you to ARPets Hospital for being our presenting sponsor for this great family show.

This show closes out our 2025 Season. What's next? Only a few weeks before we will begin working on our upcoming 2026 season, our 5th year anniversary, which you can find on the back of this playbill. We are super excited for our 2026 season with *High School Musical*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Beetlejuice JR*, *Seussical*, and the Madrigal Dinner Theater. Join us for auditions for a High School Musical on January 3rd-4th, with performances on March 6th-8th.

Again, thank you for supporting the arts, and for being here and supporting The Stage Theater Co. and this fantastic cast and crew. Thank you for another great year of support--and we wish you a Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. See you in 2026!

-Abby Kuonen-Broadway, Executive Director

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Mission Statement

"To create opportunities for community participation in enriching theatrical experiences. Our focus is on inclusion and quality, in providing an outlet for creative involvement."

AUTOGRAPHS

The Stage Theater Co.
Nettleton Performing Arts Center

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THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER

by
Barbara Robinson

Book and Lyrics by
Jahanna Beecham

Music and Lyrics by
Malcolm Hilgartner

Based on the Play by
Barbara Robinson

Directing Team

Abby Kuonen-Broadway
Kevin Broadway
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*Orchestrations and Vocal arrangements by Deborah Wicks LaPuma
World Premiere, The Children's Theatre of Charlotte, NC, 2016*

SONGS

Act One

Our Perfect Little Town
The Horrible Herdmans
Countin' On You
Take My Lunch
Hey Mrs. Bradley!
Problem
Baskets for the Needy
Silent Night
My Mother Said
Problem Reprise
Maybe
Die, Herod, Die!

Act Two

Baskets for the Needy Reprise
The Best Gift of All
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever
The Pageant
On A Night Like This
Let There Be Joy

FROM THE DIRECTING TEAM

This is such a fun show to close out our 2025 season! The BCPE is truly a poignant story. It reminds us about looking beyond surface impressions and about taking the time to include those who are so often, and so easily, discarded. It reminds us to open ourselves up to be changed by the experiences and questions of others. It challenges us to relook at the stories we tell ourselves and each other and about "how we always do things" to see if it even still makes sense.

As a story, Christmas highlights how sacred and world altering the birth of a single child can be. The divine comes to the world as an infant. Not as a king or dictator or president or CEO. As an infant. So how perfect that it's the Herdmans, children and unexpected visitors (or, you know, intruders-they are the Herdmans!), who help everyone hear past the same old stories and the same old carols to reconnect with the magic of this season-love. We could all use--and give--more love. This story, and this cast and crew, have helped us with that each and every day. Thank you for that. Have a blessed and wonderful holiday season!

Special Thanks:

The Cuzzort Family
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CAST

Cast Members (* indicates debut with The Stage)

Bob Bradley	Will Nichols
Grace Bradley	Lindsey Utley*
Beth Bradley	Sophie Westbrook
Charlie Bradley	Ben Moss
Ralph Herdman	Ben Jones
Imogene Herdman	Allison Moss
Leroy Herdman	Caden Byrd
Claude Herdman	Jackson Liles
Ollie Herdman	Maddux Westbrook
Gladys Herdman	Savannah Welborn
Alice Wendleken	Alexandra McPherson
Ivy Reed	Addyson Barber
Helen Armstrong	Heather Bradway
Helen's Assistant	Daniel Bradway*
Luanne	Olivia Goodon*
Betty	Evelyn Maglothin
Connie	Britteny Hays
Church Ladies	Mary Cuzzort, Amelia Haddick*, Emma Kate Hensdell*, Nora Scott
Elmer Hopkins	Rhett Falanga*
Teddy Shoemaker	Ford Smith
Reverend Hopkins	Keith Westbrook
Angels	Lynnox Bradway, Emily Boling*, Karis Carter*, Hazel Golden, Kaylee Lacy*, Shana Manalo, Charley Pearce, Scarlett Shepherd, Jolie Utley, Edith Ward*
Shepherds	Kate Baker, Addelin Cuzzort, Savannah Cuzzort, Caroline Falanga*, Ruby Ford, Blazelynn Hallett*, Harlee Hathcoat*, Brylee Hunt*, Alexey Kelems, Maddie Maners, Sydney Moore, Alexa Northcutt, Caroline Sturkie, Katelyn Vernon

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Cast Members (* indicates debut with The Stage) (continued)

Shepherds	Kate Baker, Addelin Cuzzort, Savannah Cuzzort, Caroline Falanga*, Ruby Ford, Blazelynn Hallett*, Harlee Hathcoat*, Brylee Hunt*, Alexey Kelems, Maddie Maners, Sydney Moore, Alexa Northcutt, Carrolaine Sturkie, Katelyn Vernon
School Kids	Kate Baker, Lynnox Bradway, Emily Boling*, Addelin Cuzzort, Savannah Cuzzort, Zane Clough, Caroline Falanga*, Ruby Ford, Blazelynn Hallett*, Harlee Hathcoat*, Brylee Hunt*, Alexey Kelems, Kaylee Lacy*, Shana Manalo, Maddie Maners, Sydney Moore, Scarlett Shepherd, Carrolaine Sturkie, Katelyn Vernon
Sunday School Kids	Karis Carter*, Addelin Cuzzort, Savannah Cuzzort, Caroline Falanga*, Ruby Ford, Hazel Golden, Stella Hays, Alexey Kelems, Juliana Liles, Shana Manalo, Maddie Maners, Sydney Moore, Eli Nichols, Alexa Northcutt, Charley Pearce, Alexis Taylor*, Jolie Utley, Edith Ward*
Nativity Animals	Zane Clough, Stella Hays, Juliana Liles, Eli Nichols, Alexis Taylor*
Technical Assistants	Clarisse Bacsca, Collins Baker, Jenna Brodell, Ella James, Dylan Maglothlin, Vivian Maglothlin, Victoria Mitchell, Layla Westbrook
Set Design/Build/Artwork	Randy Baker, Kevin Broadway, Cindy Kuonen, Mary Cuzzort, Allison Moss, Addelin Cuzzort, Savannah Cuzzort, Sarah Scott

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To the Nettleton Performing Arts Center

for the musical production of

“The Best Christmas Pageant Ever”



**And CONGRATULATIONS to these Nettleton students and Staff
members for being part of this exciting production!**

Collins Baker	Ben Moss
Heather Bradway	Eli Nichols
Lynnox Bradway	Scarlett Shepherd
Carrolaine Sturkie	Jolie Utley
Ford Smith	Keith Westbrook
Stella Hays	Layla Westbrook
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Sophie Westbrook	

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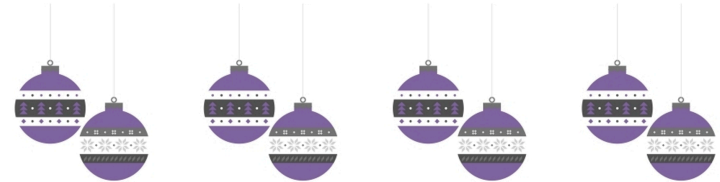
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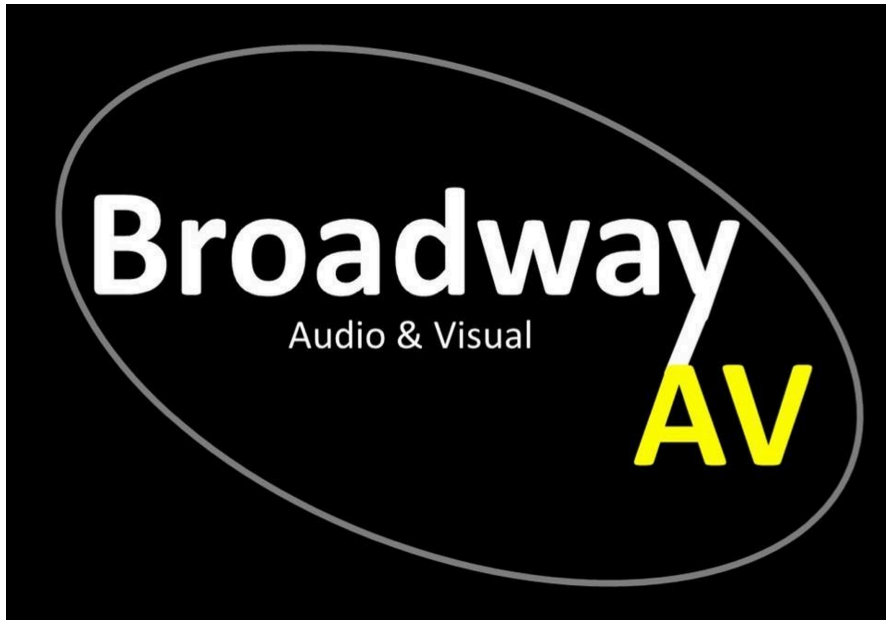
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Emily, break a leg on your first play! We are so proud of you. Love you so very much! Gigi & Papa John

We are so proud of you, Kaylee! Watching you shine on stage brings us so much joy. Keep following your dreams! Love, Mom, Dad, & Brother

Emily, we love you and are so proud of you!! Love-Mom, Dad, and Abby

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