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LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS & McCOY RIGBY ENTERTAINMENT ANNOUNCE FULL CASTING FOR THE LEGENDARY MUSICAL EXPERIENCE... THE KING AND I

"SOMETHING WONDERFUL" BEGINS FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

AT LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS & McCOY RIGBY ENTERTAINMENT invite you to experience "Something Wonderful" as it announces Paul Nakauchi as the "King," Anastasia Barzee as "Anna," and Joan Almedilla as "Lady Thiang," along with a cast of 41 (one of their largest ever!), coupled with the recent Broadway revival's lavish sets and costumes, in a sumptuous new production of the Tony Award-winning musical THE KING AND I, music by Richard Rodgers, book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, based on "Anna and the King of Siam" by Margaret Landon, original choreography by Jerome Robbins, musical direction by Dennis Castellano, choreography by Rumi Oyama, and directed by Glenn Casale. THE KING AND I will preview on Friday, April 21 at 8 pm & Saturday, April 22 at 2 pm (with a press opening on Saturday, April 22 at 8 pm) and will run through Sunday, May 14, 2023 at La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts, 14900 La Mirada Blvd in La Mirada.

THE KING AND I is one of the greatest musicals from the golden age of Broadway – adored by the public and critics alike – with one of the finest scores ever written, including "Shall We Dance?," "I Whistle a Happy Tune," "Something Wonderful," and "Getting to Know You." Set in the 1860s, THE KING AND I is based on the true story of Anna Leonowens, a widowed schoolteacher from Wales, who travels to Siam to teach the King's many children. Her effect on the kingdom and the kingdom's effect on her are the basis of this beautiful and classic musical.

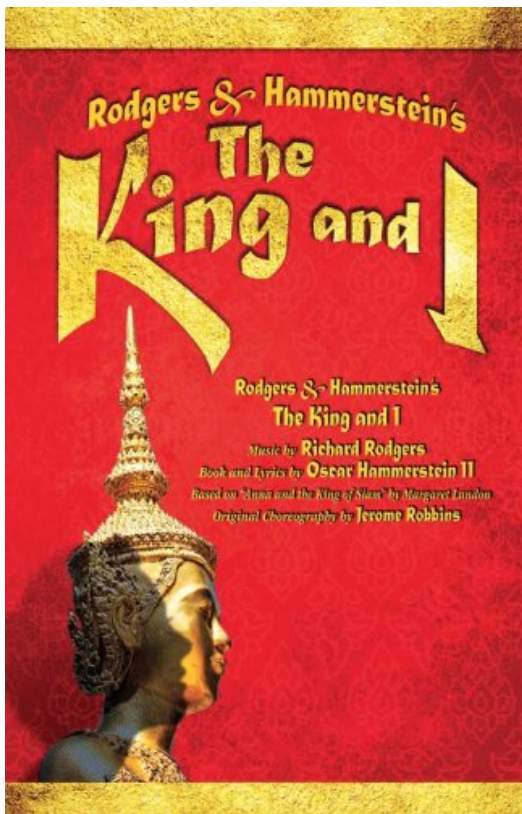
The Cast of THE KING AND I will also feature (in alphabetical order): Alan Ariano as "The Kralahome," Eric Badiqué as "Phra Alack," Richard Bulda as "The Interpreter," Cristyn Dang as "Simon of Legree," Arielle Dettmer as "Angel George," Emma Gong-Koiso as "Princess Ying Yaowalak," Luke Naphat as "Prince Chulalongkorn," Ethan Le Phong as "Lun Tha," Michael Rothhaar as "Captain Orton," Callula Sawyer as "Topsy," Oliver Stewart as "Louis Leonowens," Angel Srittmater as "Little Eva," Kevin Symons as "Sir Edward Ramsey," Chad Takeda as "Uncle Thomas," Michiko Takemasa as "Eliza," and Paulina Yeung as "Tuptim."

The Ensemble will feature (in alphabetical order): Johnisa Breault, Joven Calloway, Harry Cho, Andrea Dobbins, Lauren Han, Eleen Hsu-Wentlandt, Linda Igarashi, Jonathan Kim, Kevin Kulp, Francesca Ling, Saki Masuda, Jee Teo, Bernice Wang, and Ryan Wong.

The "Royal Children" will feature (in alphabetical order): Isabella Abiera, Sierra Tolentino Chavez, Hailey Choi, Iris Choi, Aubrey Chun, Julian Paz Fedorov, Grace Jenkins, Layla Rose Lovin, Adrienne Amanda Morrow, Analeigh Charliz Singh, Oliver Stellan, Natalie Yokota, and Aiaru Zhumakhmet.

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Performances are Thursdays at 7:30 pm; Fridays at 8 pm; Saturdays at 2 pm & 8 pm and Sundays at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm. There is no performance on Sunday, April 23 at 6:30 pm.



There will be an Open-Captioned performance on Saturday, May 6 at 2 pm. Talkbacks with the cast and creative team will be on Thursday, April 27 at 7:30 pm and Thursday, May 11 at 7:30 pm.

Tickets range from \$19 – \$95 (prices subject to change) and can be purchased at La Mirada Theatre's website www.LaMiradaTheatre.com (<http://www.LaMiradaTheatre.com>) or by calling the La Mirada Theatre Box Office at (562) 944-9801 or (714) 994-6310. Group and military discounts are available. \$14 Student Tickets are available. Children under 3 will not be admitted into the theatre.

LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS is located at 14900 La Mirada Boulevard in La Mirada, near the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue, where the 91 and 5 freeways meet. Parking is free.

LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS COVID PROTOCOLS

La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts continues to follow the County and State Public Health guidelines and will follow the protocols in place at the time of any given performance.

The Tony-nominated LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS has been hailed by the Los Angeles Times as "one of the best Broadway-style houses in Southern California." This beautiful state-of-the-art theatre has been presenting quality productions since 1977. The theatre has produced several national tours and is the recipient of numerous accolades, including Tony, Emmy, and Ovation Award nominations and the L.A. Stage

Alliance OVATION AWARD for "Best Season of the Year." The theatre is located at 14900 La Mirada Boulevard in La Mirada, California, near the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue. Parking is theatre-adjacent and free. For further information call (562) 944-9801 or visit

www.LaMiradaTheatre.com (<http://www.LaMiradaTheatre.com>).

Celebrating its 29th Anniversary season at La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts, McCOY RIGBY ENTERTAINMENT (MRE), is one of the world's premier theatrical production companies and continues to be grateful to share a wildly successful collaboration with the City of La Mirada. Headed by Executive Producers Tom McCoy and Cathy Rigby, MRE has produced over one hundred musicals, plays, and concerts featuring some of the biggest stars in the industry today and garnering many Emmy Awards, Tony nominations, and LA Ovation Awards.

