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## SHREK THE MUSICAL

Based on the DreamWorks Animation  
Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by  
**David Lindsay-Abaire**

Music by  
**Jeanine Tesori**



Originally produced on Broadway by  
DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions  
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MUSICAL

Everyone's favorite Ogre is coming to the Amarillo Little Theatre stage as we are pleased to present **Shrek the Musical**, a musical stage adaptation of the hilarious and heartwarming animated film. This big, bright, beautiful musical closes our ALT Mainstage season May 5-22 and will delight audiences of all ages.

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"Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek...." And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude and over a dozen other fairytale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero. Luckily, there's one on hand... and his name is Shrek. Based on the Oscar-winning, smash-hit DreamWorks Animation film, the Tony Award-winning fairytale adventure **Shrek the Musical** brings all the beloved characters you know from the film to life on stage and proves there's more to the story than meets the ears.

ALT has assembled a marvelous cast for this production. **Hägen Hall** portrays the larger than life ogre Shrek, **Kyle Gipson** is the laugh out loud sidekick Donkey, **Shannon White** makes her ALT debut as Princess Fiona, **Dillon Kizarr** is the short-tempered Lord Farquaad and **Aspen Younker** is featured as the Dragon. The cast also includes **Beth Alexander**, **Christeen Bernet**, **Grason Derington**, **Sarah Dunn**, **Emily Escobal**, **Chris Gandy**, **Hugh Fristoe**, **Megan Gore**, **Taylor Hall**, **Wyatt Hall**, **Colton Harada**, **Jay Hayes**, **Elizabeth Hopkins**, **Saturn Horton**, **Gracie Hurt**, **Camron Kelley**, **Stephanie Kelley**, **Kallie Kilburn**, **Phoebe Laur**, **Zeke Lewis**, **Justin Loe**, **Kristen Loyd**, **Jeremiah Massengill**, **Gary Paul Moore**, **Maddox Nite**, **Bodi Parks**, **ShyAnne Peterson**, **Evelyn Reeder**, **Kierce Sanchez**, **Travis Tidmore** and **Alexis Williams**. Artistic Director and Choreographer for this production is **Jason Crespin** with Music Direction by **Jennifer Akins**. **Krystal Burns** serves as Assistant Director with **Nikki Harada** as Assistant Choreographer and **Beth Alexander** as Tap Choreographer.

This heartwarming and hilarious musical will not only entertain audiences of all ages, but remind us that everyone deserves a happy ending. So 'let your freak flag fly' and make your reservations for **Shrek the Musical** today!

### Facts at a Glance

#### PERFORMANCE DATES:

May 5, 12 and 19 ..... 7:30 pm  
May 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21 ..... 8:00 pm  
May 15 and 22 ..... 2:30 pm

#### BOX OFFICE OPENS TO:

**Members** - Monday, April 18 ..... 10:00 AM  
**Public** - Monday, April 25 ..... 10:00 AM

#### LOCATION:

ALT Allen Shankles Mainstage  
2019 Civic Circle  
Box Office - 806-355-9991  
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## Director's Notes

Where did this season go? It seems like just yesterday the theatre was filled with the sweet music of Patsy Cline. Since our last newsletter, stunning work was turned in by the casts, crews and production teams of ***Murder on the Orient Express***, ***Cabaret***, ***Tuck Everlasting*** and **'ART'**. In a blink, the season has come and gone and our last show is about to hit the stage. And not just any show. An OGRE sized musical!



Jason Crespin

If you remember, I directed ***Shrek the Musical*** with our Academy back in the Fall of 2013. Back then, we were one of the first community theaters to produce the show and it was a big success for the Academy. This musical is non-stop fun and so I was very excited to revisit the Ogre's swamp once again. I have to tell you that we are having a blast in rehearsals and this cast is immensely talented! I can't wait for you all to see it. From puppets to prosthetics, we are pulling out all the stops for this HUGE show!

In this edition of the Curtain Call, you will see two announcements. Our first is the announcement of our shows for next season and what a season it is going to be! **The 2022-23 season promises to offer something for everyone and we don't want you to miss out! Get yourself a season ticket package today and never miss a show! Now is the time to renew and/or purchase your season tickets!** ALT provides the best entertainment value and the most diverse options in our area and we want you to be a part of it all. From

the great work our Academy produces (those shows will be announced in August) to the cutting edge theatre of our Adventure Space series, we certainly have something for everyone!

The second announcement is the return of Tony award-winning actress **Kelli O'Hara** to the ALT stage. This special event will be on June 11 and is going to be spectacular! If you recall, **Kelli** performed here at ALT 11 years ago to the date and what a concert that was. Her Broadway and screen credits have grown immensely in those 11 years and she is planning a custom concert just for us! I hope you all will make plans to attend this special one night only concert.

As I close my article, I want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped make this season possible. Thank you all for your time, your hard work, and your grace as I learn the ins and outs of this job. Thank you for attending shows this season and the support you have given. ALT is truly the place to be and I hope you know how much we appreciate you.

### See you at ***Shrek!***

Jason Crespin, ALT Managing/Artistic Director  
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## Academy Spotlight

Spring is here and the Academy is running at a nonstop pace. We recently closed a beautiful run of the musical ***Tuck Everlasting***. One of the themes of the show is embracing the beauty of the changes and seasons of life. I can't think of a more perfect picture of that theme than seeing our high school seniors celebrate the closing of their last show with kindergarten cast members who closed their first. I am incredibly grateful to our production partner, **Sparkman Orthodontics**, and every other sponsor for helping bring this show to life on the Allen Shankles Mainstage.



Mikayla Garren

Of course, ***Tuck Everlasting*** could not have happened without the help of many others, as well. With the leadership of Music Director **Brandon Bellar** and Choreographer **Beth Alexander**, the cast sang and danced expertly. I would also like to thank Assistant Director **Chriselda Reyes**, Production Assistants **Allie Groomer** and **Jamie Humphrey**, Dance Captain **Savannah Miller**, Set Designer **Tana Roberson**, Costume Coordinator **Kaleena Nite**, and our talented technical team of **Gregg Dunlap**, **Brandon Khamphoumy** and **Noah Lang** for their dedication and creativity. Thanks also to our Stage Manager, **Sydney Nickson** and the rest of the crew, the **ALT Staff** and **Board of Directors**, and all the loved ones of our cast and crew for pouring time and support into the production. The Academy is incredibly blessed to

have such a long and amazing list of supporters.

***Tuck Everlasting*** kept us busy, but much more is happening at the Academy. During the AISD winter break, we had our first **Winter Theatre Camp**. Students K-4th grades spent a week with Camp Director **Erin Murphy** and her camp counselors learning about theatre while preparing for a showcase. The Academy's competition dance teams performed at Tremaine and Celebration where they won multiple awards including Overall High Score, Choreography Award, Performance Award and the Judges' Choice Award. We are so proud and congratulate **Lugene Cole** on her teams' successes. Students continue preparation for dance recitals coming up May 31st – June 4th and class showcases, the Show Stoppers Show Choir continues rehearsing for competition in San Antonio on April 23rd, audition information for our Summer musical ***42nd Street*** has been posted and the **Ghost Light Gala** on May 25th is just around the corner.

As you can see, the Academy is doing anything but slowing down even as we close our Spring musical. This is a very special place, and whether you buy coffee from a Show Stopper to support them as they get to competition, attend a dance recital, or anything in between, you are a part of what makes the Academy "the place to be". Thank you for your support and involvement. I hope to see you soon, perhaps at a showcase or recital!

Mikayla Garren, Academy Director  
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# 2022-2023

## Season of Shows

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**Guys and Dolls**  
September 2022

**Elf the Musical**  
December 2022

**Clue**  
January 2023

**These Shining Lives**  
March 2023

**Priscilla Queen of  
the Desert**  
May 2023

**Significant Other**  
August 2022

**Clybourne Park**  
November 2022

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# An Evening with **Kelli O'Hara**

Mark your calendar as ALT hosts one of Broadway's greatest leading ladies, **Kelli O'Hara**, for an intimate one-night only special evening of song and celebration. This Tony award-winner and star of stage and screen returns to our ALT stage **June 11** and you won't want to miss it!



*Be on the look out for upcoming sponsorship opportunities and ticket information this Spring!*

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## My View From the Backseat!

ALT's 2021-22 has been a "thrill ride" for sure. Thus far, we have produced eleven spectacular shows that can't be matched for quality at any theatre, anywhere. Jason, the new "driver," has done a spectacular job in his position of Managing/Artistic Director. It's a **big** job and he is making it look easy! I have been fortunate to be allowed to direct **Always, Patsy Cline, Cabaret** and **'ART'** this season. These shows hold some special significance to me and I am proud of their success. I think it is obvious to most of you that ALT is flourishing! It is my hope that I will continue to be a contributing member of the staff for the coming season. I have been doing pretty well with my health and I think I still have something to share with the theatre.



Allen Shankles

This Curtain Call newsletter announces the 2022-23 season. It is a fine collection of shows and I promise that they are all great, stunning theatrical works! We certainly hope you will strongly support the new season. Even though we have some new faces at ALT, the shows are going to continue to be first class. I hope you will join me in supporting ALT.

**I look forward to seeing you at the theatre!**

Allen Shankles, Associate Director  
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