

Autumn, 2024 GBS Theatre



by Aleshea Harris

Cast (in alphabetical order)

Riley Ozzy Aigbomian

Chuck Hall /Man Benjamin Akintuyosi

Anaia Daniella Arthur-Kennedy

Racine Reanna Bleu

Scotch Devanté-R'Mar Campbell

Angie Jennifer Drew Ememandu

She Isio Ighofose

Creative Team

Director Ebenezer Bamgboye

Designer Olivia Jamieson

Lighting Designer Jodie Underwood

Associate Lighting Designer Nathan Quaraishi Holt

Sound Designer Helen Skiera

Movement Lizzie Ballinger Pete Losasso

Voice and Dialect Support Joel Trill

Captioner Jenny Skene

Content warnings: contains haze, flashing lights, loud sudden noises, scenes of violence and strong language, depictions of violence, blood, death, murder, fire and burns, references of domestic violence, familial abuse and generational abuse, depictions and references of suicide, suicidal ideation and emotional abuse by a parent.

Age restriction 16+

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Production Team

The students working on this production are on the FdA in Technical Theatre and Stage Management, the BA (Hons) in Technical Theatre and Stage Management and the PgDip in Theatre Costume.

Production and Technical Manager Georgina McCartney

Stage Manager Danielle Adams

Deputy Stage Manager Frances Chappell

Assistant Stage Manager Liu Sing Hey Ryan

Chief Electrician Tom Hall

Production Electrician Jacob Young

Lighting Programmer James White

Lighting Operators Jamie Norman Matija Sekulić

Lighting Crew Iz Davie Charlotte Dunn Lara Fleming Lauren-Eve Martin Jamie Norman Matija Sekulić Joshua Wilson

Lead Production Sound Engineers Tomer Calfon

Sound Operator Lydia Hervey

Duty Sound Aleanbh Davey Katie Flannery Sound Engineers

Thomas Bensley Aleanbh Davey Teagan Dunn Katie Flannery Hiu Yan Michelle Fung Cecily Hanson Lydia Hervey Dexter Williams

Auto Operators Hiu Yan Michelle Fung Cecily Hanson

Costume Supervisor Miriam Dheva-Aksorn

Wardrobe Assistants Jennifer Haynes Annie Houseago Soomin Kim Cleo Roggenhofer

Dressers Jenny Haynes Kaitlin Hudson Matthew Johns

Wigs, Hair and Make-Up Supervisor Keisha Banya (staff)

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Props Assistants Darcy Bowler Astro Clack Lina Kormann Winnie Leung Trisha Mishra Caitlin Roan Rachel Wilkinson

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Biographies

Aleshea Harris Writer

Aleshea Harris is an American playwright, spoken word artist, author, educator, actor, performer, and screenwriter. Her plays include *Road Kill Giant*, *On Sugarland* (Pulitzer Prize for Drama finalist 2023), *What to Send Up When It Goes Down* and *Is God Is* (winner of the 2016 American Playwriting Foundation's Relentless Award and the 2017 Obie Award for Playwriting). She founded Bag of Beans Productions and co-founded Blue Scarf Collective, two organisations that focus on uplifting Black stories. With a passion for mentorship and investing in the next generation, she has taught theatre for various schools and youth programs including CalArts where she received her MFA.

Ebenezer Bamgboye Director

Ebenezer is an award nominated theatre director and the current programming associate at Southwark Playhouse. He has twice been nominated for Best Director at the OffWestEnd Awards. Once for *The Anarchist* (2022) at Jermyn Street Theatre and secondly for *The Lonely Londoners* (2024) also at Jermyn Street, which garnered five additional Offie nominations, five star reviews in the *Guardian* and *Telegraph* and a transfer to the Kiln Theatre as part of their upcoming season. Ebenezer was previously the deputy director of Jermyn Street from 2021-2022, a resident director at the Almeida Theatre from 2019-2021 and is a recent graduate of the National Theatre Studio Directors Course.

Olivia Jamieson Designer

Olivia is a performance designer working interdisciplinary in both set and costume design. After studying MA Performance Design at Bristol Old Vic Theatre School, Olivia was a recipient of the National Youth Theatre's Alan Macdonald Designer Bursary, shortlisted for the Linbury Prize 2023 and is the winner of the JMK Award 2023.

Credits include: *Meetings* (The Orange Tree Theatre), *Metamorphoses* (The Egg), *Those Who Trespass* (The Tobacco Factory), *Bakkhai* (National Youth Theatre), *The Last One* (Arcola Theatre), *Loam* (Bristol Old Vic) and *The White Devil* (The Royal Central School of Speech and Drama). Associate/assisting credits include: *Sleeping Beauty* (The New Wolsey Theatre), *Black Sheep* (Curious Directive), *Gone Too Far* (Stratford East) and *Much Ado About Nothing* (The Duke of York's Theatre).

Jodie Underwood Lighting Designer

Jodie Underwood is a Lighting Designer with work spanning theatre, opera and dance. She graduated from RADA in 2021 with first class honours and is particularly interested in new writing and more unconventional theatrical forms.

Her recent design credits include: *After The Act* (UK tour); *My Life As A Cowboy* (Omnibus Theatre); *Wormholes* (Omnibus Theatre); *Love & Rebellion Festival* (Birmingham Rep); *English Kings Killing Foreigners* (Camden People's Theatre); *A Monster Calls* (Omnibus Theatre); *Jab The Play* (Finborough Theatre); *A Christmas Carol* (Taunton Brewhouse); *Cheeky Little Brown* (UK tour); *The Life Sporadic of Jess Wildgoose* (Pleasance, Islington and Pleasance Courtyard, Edinburgh); *DNA* (Tara Theatre); *After The Act* (New Diorama Theatre and Traverse, Edinburgh); *Blow Down* (Theatre Royal Wakefield and Leeds Playhouse); *The Boys Are Kissing* (Theatre 503); and *Horse-Play* (Riverside Studios).

Her recent Associate credits include: *Ruckus* (Associate to Simeon Miller, UK tour); *The Book Of Will* (Associate to Simeon Miller, Shakespeare North Playhouse); *Ride* (Associate to Jamie Platt, Leicester Curve and Southwark Playhouse); *Pigs Might Fly* (Associate to Aaron Dootson, Theatre Peckham) and *When Darkness Falls* (Associate to Bethany Gupwell – UK tour).

Nathan Quaraishi Holt Associate Lighting Designer

Nathan is in his second year of RADA's FdA in Technical Theatre and Stage Management and is specialising in lighting production and design. This his first time as an Associate Lighting Designer.

Helen Skiera Sound Designer

Theatre credits include: *Toto Kerblammo* (The Unicorn), *Peanut Butter and Blueberries* (The Kiln); *Mind Mangler: Member of the Tragic Circle* (Mischief/ Apollo Theatre/UK Tour); *Museum of Infinite Realities* (Brussels, Technical Productions); *F**ked Up Bedtime Stories Series 2* (English Touring Theatre); *Cinderella*, *Red Riding Hood* (Theatre Royal Stratford East); *Not: Lady Chatterly's Lover* (Happy Idiot Productions/UK Tour); *The Long Song* (Chichester Festival Theatre); A Christmas Carol (Bristol Old Vic); *The Lovely Bones* (Birmingham REP/UK tour); *Out of Water* (Orange Tree); *Silence* (Mercury); *Here I Belong* (Pentabus); *This Is Not For You* (Graeae GDIF/SIRF); *Instructions*

Biographies continued

For Correct Assembly, Bodies (Royal Court); Imber: You Walk Through, Betrayal, The Magna Carta Plays (Salisbury Playhouse); The Encounter (Complicité). As Associate: Viola's Room (Punchdrunk); The Dark Is Rising (BBC/Complicite audio drama); East is East (Birmingham REP/Chichester Festival Theatre); Touching The Void (Duke of York's); Barbershop Chronicles (National Theatre); Cat on a Hot Tin Roof (Young Vic/Apollo Theatre).

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