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# Guest Director Kimille Howard



Kimille Howard is a New York-based director, deviser, writer and filmmaker. She is an Assistant Stage Director at the Metropolitan Opera and recently worked on the new James Robinson production of Porgy and Bess. She is the newly appointed Artistic Director of the Lucille Lortel Theatre's NYC Public High School Playwriting Fellowship and a cofounder of the Black Classical Music Archive.

Select directing credits: The Passion of Mary Cardwell Dawson (Glimmerglass Festival), L'Amant Anonyme (Wolf Trap Opera), Death By Life: a virtual opera (White Snake Projects), In The Open by Mona Monsour (Western Connecticut State University), Soil Beneath by Chesney Snow (Primary Stages/59E59), \$#!thole Country Clapback by Pascale Armand (Loading Dock Theatre), The Fellowship Plays (Lucille Lortel Theatre Foundation), A Light Staggering by Jeesun Choi (Ensemble Studio Theatre), Tidwell: or the Plantation Play by Rodney Witherspoon II (Samuel French OOB Short Play Festival - winner), Low Power by Jon Kern (EST), BLACK GIRLS ARE FROM OUTER SPACE by Emana Rachelle (National Black Theatre), Skeleton Crew by Dominique Morisseau (TheatreSquared) and TRIGGERED by Gabriel Jason Dean (Cherry Lane Theatre).

Kimille was awarded Best Director at the 2016 Thespis Festival for *It's All About Lorrie* by Joseph Krawczyk (Hudson Theater) which received a commercial run at The American Theater of Actors in 2017. Her work has also been seen at MultiStages, The Circle in the Square Theatre Circle Series, The Queens Theatre, Juilliard, The Flea, The Lark, JAGFest, NYU, Sea Dog Theater, and Atlantic Acting School, CLASSIX/The Lewis Center, among others. Broadway: *Ain't Too Proud* (Assistant Director).

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Act 1: Out-of-date Act 2: The plot thickens - 15-minute intermission -Act 3: A dramatic conclusion

# Cast

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# **Production Spotlight**



**Alex Webb** is a senior design and production major from Chapel Hill, NC. You may have seen their work as assistant prop master in the ECU/ Loessin Playhouse productions of *Ghost the Musical, Into The Woods,* and *If/Then.* Their other work at ECU includes scenic art and props for *The Three Musketeers, The Mystery of Edwin Drood,* and more.

**Dashay Williams** is a senior stage management major from Sharpsburg, NC. She has worked on 10 different shows here at ECU and has participated in various backstage roles during her educational journey. After graduation, Dashay plans to work her way up in the industry and become a casting director for film.





**Jessica Balton** (*Ottille*) is a sophomore from South Florida pursuing a BFA in theatre arts with a concentration in musical theatre and professional acting. Jessica was previously seen in ECU/Loessin Playhouses production of *Songs For A New World* as a primary singer. After graduation, Jessica hopes to continue to perform, whether that be onstage or onscreen.



**Haven Bowers** (*Adolphine*) is a sophomore double major studying Musical Theatre and Theatre Education in ECU's Honors College. She is beyond thrilled that *The Visit* will be her first mainstage production with ECU/Loessin Playhouse. She has previously been featured in *Doctor Dolittle* with ECU's Storybook Theatre.



**Tatiana Burrus** (*Claire Zachanassian*) is a junior double major in professional acting and theatre education from Durham, NC. She appeared in *Gooney Bird Greene* as Felicia Ann/Cow and as Belphragia in *Lysistrata*. Tatiana plans include pursuing her acting career by possibly getting her masters eegree in acting and then plans to pursue a career in teaching theatre!



**Julia DeSena** (*The Painter*) is a senior professional acting major from Long Island, New York. This is Julia's second mainstage show at ECU. Julia appeared as an Old Woman in Lysistrata.



**Dane Faulkner** (*The Station Master/Delivery Man*) is a sophomore professional acting major from Moyock, NC. You may have seen Dane in previous productions as Barnaby in *Hello Dolly*, Gilbert Blythe in *Anne of Green Gables*, and some Storybook Theatre productions. Dane plans to work as an actor after finishing his degree.



**Aaron Ford** (*The Burgomaster*) is a junior at ECU and is working on a double concentration in the musical theatre and professional acting programs. Aaron grew up in Elizabeth City, NC and attended COA before transferring here. *The Visit* is Aaron's fourth appearance on the ECU main stage and he is more excited than ever to help bring this story to life.



**Hannah Grace Gereb** (*The Second Woman*) is a senior musical theatre and professional acting major from Powell, OH. Hannah Grace was previously cast in *Yo, Vikings!* as Emma Katz, The Radio Plays as an understudy, and Fisherwoman in *Lysistrata*. Prior to her arrival at ECU, Hannah Grace was active with Stagelights Theatre Company.



**Andrew Goins** (*Anton Schill*) is a sophomore musical theatre and professional acting student from Currituck County, North Carolina. This is his first mainstage show with ECU. Andrew previously appeared in *A Woman Called Truth* and *Doctor Dolittle* for ECU's Storybook Theatre. Andrew is excited for everyone to see the show, and welcomes everyone back to live theatre!



**Tom Gregus** (*Vogel*) is a second year transfer student majoring in professional acting from Apex, NC. While this is Tom's first season in the ECU/Loessin Playhouse, he is very excited for the future years he will spend on stage here. After graduation, Tom plans on moving up north to work in New York as an actor on Broadway.



**Nina Cecilia** (*Athlete 2*) is a junior musical theatre major from Fredericksburg, Virginia. She is thrilled to be performing in ECU's main stage productions for the first time! She has previously performed with Riverside Center for the Performing Arts as Cinderella in *Cinderella's Glass Slipper* and Princess Acrimonia in *Croaker*. Enjoy the show!



**Camden Hare** (*Pedro*) is a junior musical theatre major, originating from Sunbury, PA. You may have seen Camden in previous ECU/Loessin Playhouse productions in the Ensemble of *Ghost the Musical*, or heard Camden in the One Act Radio Plays as both Henry Peters in *Trifles* and Robert in *Blind Date*. Post-graduation, Camden hopes to act/travel around the country.



**Naz Harvey** (*Helmsberger*) is a senior pursuing a BFA in Theatre Arts with concentrations in musical theatre and professional acting. This is his fifth mainstage show here at East Carolina. Post-graduation, he hopes to travel and work with a cruise line. He is extremely blessed to have his friends and family in his corner.



**Tenayjah Hawkins** (*The First Woman*) is a senior musical theatre major from Greensboro, NC. Tenayjah previously appeared in ECU/Loessin Playhouse productions such as *If/Then, Ghost The Musical, The Jury,* and several Storybook Theatre Productions. Tenayjah even served as Assistant Director for *Songs For A New World*. Post-graduation, she plans to start her career in Atlanta!



**Emma Herlong** (*The Frau Burgomaster*) is a senior Professional Acting major from Kinston, NC. You may have heard Emma in the ECU/Loessin Playhouse Radio Dramas as Nancy in Blind date and Mrs. Carter in Florence. Other credits while attending ECU include Storybook Theatre's production of Romona and Beezus and 5th Street Players' production of Island Song.

**Keagan Kermode** (*The Truck Driver/Athlete 1*) is a senior musical theatre and professional acting major from Roswell, NM. You may have seen Keagan on the Loessin Playhouse stage as Sam Wheat in *Ghost* and as Rapunzel's Prince in *Into The Woods*. After graduation, Keagan plans to work as an actor along the east coast.



**John Little** (*The Conductor*) is a senior theatre for youth student in the School of Theatre and Dance of East Carolina University. He is very happy and excited to be involved in this show and hopes you enjoy it.



**Rebekah Marler** (*Doctor Nüsslin*) is a junior musical theatre and professional acting double major from Currituck, NC. Rebekah has previously appeared as Izze in *The Jury*, Cinderella's Mother/Granny/Giant in *Into the Woods*, and Old Woman I in *Lysistrata* with ECU/Loessin Playhouse. After graduation, Rebekah hopes to perform live theatre on the professional level.



**David Marshall** (*Mike*) is a sophomore professional acting major from Raleigh, North Carolina. David's most memorable roles in the past have been Arthur Roeder in *Radium Girls*, Jason in *Medea*, Bothvar in Yo *Vikings*, and Joshua Bradley in *Bright Ideas*. After graduation, David plans to move to New York to pursue acting.



**Torren Melton** (*Wechsler*) is a senior professional acting major from Greensboro, NC. You may have seen Torren in last semester's production of *Lysistrata*, as well as listened to him in the ECU/Loessin Playhouse Radio Plays *Poof!* and *Florence*. After graduation, Torren plans to pursue an acting career out of the state.



**Bobby Moreno** (Bobby) is a junior Professional Acting major with a minor in Political Science. He has most recently appeared in *Lysistrata*, the ECU Radio Plays, and *Henry & Ramona*. He is incredibly excited and honored to be part of this production and wishes all the graduating seniors good luck.



**Grayce Anne Mosier** (*The Cameraman*) is a senior professional acting major with a Russian and film minor. She is so excited to be in her second mainstage production! Grayce previously appeared in the ECU/Loessin Playhouse production of *Lysistrata* and 5th Street Players' *Island Song*. After graduation, Grayce plans to become a film director.



**Nikki Neuberger** (*First Blind Man*) is a senior majoring in musical theatre and training in the Meisner technique. She has appeared in ECU/Loessin Playhouse productions such as *Into the Woods* as Lucinda and *The Wolves* as #8. Even though she is from Baltimore, Maryland, she aspires to work as an actor, singer, and dancer in New York City.



**Jacqueline Nunweiler** (*Frau Schill*) is a professional acting major with a minor in design and production. She was born in Indiana but has lived in the south for most of her life. She got her AFA in Fayetteville where she was seen in productions with FTCC and Sweet Tea Shakespeare. Her plan is to continue acting for a long time.



**Bradley Peacock** (*The Pastor*) is a senior majoring in theatre arts and communications, with a concentration in professional acting. He is from Suffolk, Virginia and has appeared in previous ECU/Loessin Playhouse productions such as *Trifles* and *Lysistrata*, and Storybook Theatre's production of *Henry and Ramona*.



**Emily Phoebus** (*Panther*) is a senior musical theatre major. She has previously been cast in *Ghost the Musical* and *Songs For A New World* here at ECU/Loessin Playhouse. She is very excited to have the opportunity to choreograph and perform in *The Visit*. After graduation, Emily hopes to perform and eventually become a casting director or a theatre teacher.



**Samantha Scipioni** (*Hermine*) is a a senior pursuing a double BFA in Theatre Arts with a concentration in musical theatre and theatre education. Some productions at ECU she has previously performed in include the Subway Ghost in *Ghost the Musical* and Tess in *The Jury*. Her goals after graduation are to work with a variety of professional companies and eventually teach theatre.



**Joshua Seabrook** (*Max*) is a sophomore professional acting major from Charlotte, NC. After College, Joshua plans to move to Los Angeles or New York to start work as a professional actor.



**William Sutton** (*The Policeman*) is a senior musical theatre and professional acting major from La Grange, NC. He is best known on the ECU/Loessin Playhouse stage for his tree impersonations in *Into the Woods* and as a Spartan in *Lysistrata*. After graduation, William plans to move to Atlanta, GA, to break into the film industry.



**Lashaun B. Winslow** (Hofbauer) is a junior BFA musical theatre and professional acting major at East Carolina University. You may have seen him in previous ECU/Loessin Playhouse productions The Narrator/Mysterious Man in Into the Woods, the magistrate in Lysistrata, and a primary singer in Songs for a New World. Most recently he's performed with Berkshire Theatre Group.



**Julianne Woodward** (*Athlete 3*) is excited to be a part of her second mainstage production at ECU! Born and raised in Chapel Hill, she is working to earn her BFA in theatre arts with a concentration in musical theatre and professional acting. Notable credits include *Ghost* and *Cinderella*. After graduating, Julianne plans to begin her career as a Disney performer.



**Casey Wortham** (*Professor Müller*) is a sophomore musical theatre major from Garner, North Carolina. Casey's previous Syorybook Theatre productions include *Doctor Dolittle*, directed by Patch Clark. After graduation, Casey hopes to work professionally as a performer, as well as complete grad school as she is a future dance/interior design double minor.



**Riley Yates** (Second Blind Man) is a junior theatre education and musical theatre double major. Previously Riley has been in ECU Storybook Theatre's productions of *Henry and Ramona* as Lisa and *Doctor Dolittle* as the assistant director and Sparrow. After graduation Riley plans on using her two degrees to teach, direct and eventually get a PhD.



**Zion Zollicoffer** (*Karl*) is a sophomore musical theatre major from Charlotte, NC. You may have see Zion in previous ECU/Loessin Playhouse productions as a Dancer in *Songs For a New World* and Lion in *Doctor Dolittle*. After graduation Zion plans to become a working actor based in New York city and/or Los Angeles.

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Nolan O'Dell is an award-winning designer of scenery for plays, musicals, and opera. For over twenty years he has served as a Resident Designer for Porthouse Theatre, a professional summer theatre located south of Cleveland, Ohio, in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. As a scenic artist and props artisan Nolan has worked on Broadway productions including *Beauty and the Beast, The Lion King*, and *Titanic*, as well as Universal Studios Florida attractions including the *Cat and the Hat* Ride and *Twister* attraction. Most recently Nolan was the resident scenographer and technical theatre teacher at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, a Grammy Award-winning performing arts high school in Jacksonville, Florida. He holds an MFA in Scenic Design from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a BFA in Technical Theatre-Design and Production from Kent State University.

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