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Music by: Jason Howland

Lyrics by: Mindi Dickstein



Production Team

- Producer: Cali Wilkes
- Director: Rex Kocherhans
- Music Director: Rex Kocherhans
- Production Stage Manager: Lindsey Sampson
- Choreographer: Lily Kocherhans
- Costume Design: Denise Gull
- Properties Design: Erin Brown

Hair & Makeup Design: Annah Ledesma
Scenic Design: Derrick Cain
Lighting Design: Elizabeth Griffith
Sound Operator: Jonas Simon
Fight Coordinator: Anton Moss
Stage Hand: Danny Ryan & Jaxson Sheffield

Special Thanks

Darby Simon, PARC Tax, Leigh Anne Wilkes, Cali Wilkes, Shelby Revill, SCERA, Agnus Broberg, Carolyn & Adam Arnett, Anton Moss, Kurt Elison, Kate Kocherhans, and Liz Griffith

Lehi Arts Council 2024-2025 Season

Litte Women

May 2025

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

July 2025



MOUSE TRAP

October 2025

She Loves Me

December 2025

Director's Note

"I want to do something splendid...something heroic or wonderful that won't be forgotten after I'm dead. I don't know what, but I'm on the watch for it and mean to astonish you all someday."

— Jo March in Little Women, by Louisa May Alcott

It's astonishing how Little Women, written by Louisa May Alcott over 150 years ago, resonates so deeply with modern day audiences. The account of the extraordinary Jo March and her sisters Meg, Beth, and Amy, still captivates imaginations across the world.

As a father to 3 teenage daughters who has had a front row seat to their journeys through adolescence, there is so much in the March sisters' story

that is familiar. Alcott shows us that the experiences of "little women," that period where elder childhood begins to overlap with young womanhood, are timeless. Directing this show and partnering with these wonderful actors provided many opportunities to gain insights into the special bonds of sisterhood, insights that I'm grateful to take with me. All of us can find inspiration in our heroine Jo's unshakable hope to leave her mark on the world—to somehow be astonishing. I hope that our production of Little Women reminds you that, as Jo exclaims, "I've got a fire inside me!"



Scene Breakdown-Act One

Scene 1

The Boarding House

An Operatic Tragedy

Better

Our Finest Dreams

The Parlor

Here Alone

Scene 2

Could You

Scene 3

Delighted

The Ball

Jo, Prof. Bhaer, Mrs. Kirk

Jo, Prof. Bhaer, Clarissa, Braxton, Rodrigo

Jo

Jo, Meg, Beth, Amy

Jo, Meg, Beth, Amy, Marmee, Mr. Laurence, Laurie

Marmee

Aunt March, Jo

Jo, Meg, Beth, Marmee

Jo, Laurie, Meg, Mr. Brooke

Take a Chance on Me	Jo, Laurie
After the Ball	Jo, Meg, Beth, Amy, Marmee, Laurie, Mr. Brook
Better Reprise	Jo
Scene 4	
Off to Massachusetts	Beth, Mr. Laurence
Five Forever	Jo, Meg, Beth, Amy, Laurie
Scenes 5 & 6	
Leaving for Washington	Marmee, Mr. Laurence, Jo, Meg, Beth, Amy, Laurie
More Than I Am	Meg, Mr. Brooke
Scene 7	
Take a Chance on Me Repris	se Jo, Laurie
Astonishing	Jo

Scene Breakdown-Act Two

Scene 1

Entr'acte

Mrs. Kirk, Professor Bhaer, Jo

The Weekly Volcano Press Jo, Professor Bhaer, Mrs. Kirk, Clarissa, Braxton, Rodrigo, Knight, Hag, Troll, Rodrigo 2

Scene 2

Off to Massachusetts - Reprise

How I Am

Scene 3

To The Beath

Some Things are Meant to Be

Scene 4

Amy's Return

Beth, Mr. Laurence, Marmee, Meg, Mr. Brooke, Jo Professor Bhaer

Marmee, Beth, Jo

Jo, Beth

Amy, Aunt March, Meg, Marmee, Jo, Laurie

The Most Amazing '	Thing	Amy, Laurie, Jo
Days of Plenty		Jo, Marmee
The Fire Within Me		Jo
Scene 5		
The Wedding	Meg, Mr. Brooke, Amy, Marmee, Mr.	Laurence, Laurie, Jo
Small Umbrella in t	he Rain	Jo, Professor Bhaer
Volcano Reprise		Jo



Jo March	Bo Chester
Meg March	
Beth March	Mila Brown
Amy March	Taylor Ann Jaeger
Marmee March	Shawnda Moss
Aunt March	

Laurie Laurence	Eddie Ryan
John Brooke	Timothy Quesenberry
Professor Bhear	TJ Thomas
Mr.Laurence	John Newall



Children's Musical Theater Workshops

Come support our Summer children's workshop shows!

For more information visit the <u>workshops</u> section of website at lehiarts.org! Spring registration is May 2nd

Mini's





Juniors



Cast and Staff Biographies

Erin Brown (Properties Designer)

Erin has been involved in theater for most of her life, owing her best friendships and memories to community arts programs! She enjoys being both on and off stage; most recently seen as Tess in Scera's "Crazy for You". A big thank you to all the volunteers who gave of their time and resources to bring this story to life; you are magical! Love to T, H, G & L.





Mila Brown (Beth March)

Mila Brown is grateful for another opportunity to die on stage as Beth in Little Women and is honored to bring this beautiful story to life. Some of her favorite past roles include Belle in Beauty and the Beast, Anya in Anastasia (YE), and Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors. When not performing, she spends most of her time raising a menace (her kitten, Junie) with her roommate Brynn. Mila would like to thank her friends, family, and Brynn, for their support throughout this journey. She hopes you enjoy the show!

Vicki Bushnell (Aunt March)

Vicki is excited to be revisiting the role of Aunt March/Mrs. Kirk in Little Women for her Lehi Arts Council debut. Favorite roles include: Miss Shingle, A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder; Ruth, The Pirates of Penzance; Carol Strong, Catch Me If You Can, and Juror 4, 12 Angry Jurors. She would like to thank the production team for this opportunity. Vicki is truly grateful for the love and support of her friends. "Sometimes when you dream, your dreams come true."





Derrick Cain (Set Designer)

Derrick Cain is excited to be designing the set for Little Women. He has a deep love for theater and an extensive background working on various production teams. In his most recent role, he directed "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever the Musical." He also showcased his talent as a choreographer in "Guys and Dolls" and worked as an Assistant Director and Assistant Choreographer in "Bye Bye Birdie." At his school, Derrick has been involved in directing shows like "Seussical Jr." and "Little Mermaid Jr." When not doing theater, Derrick enjoys spending time with his family.)

Bo Chester (Jo March)

Bo is excited to be part of Little Women: The Musical! She has appeared in productions such as Newsies (HCT), Hello Girls (HCTO), and Romeo & Juliet (Creekside Theater Fest). Bo is passionate about the arts and grateful for the opportunity to share this beloved tale of sisterhood and dreams with the audience. Enjoy the show!





Elizabeth Griffith (Lighting Designer)

Elizabeth Ottley Griffiths received a degree in theater education from Brigham Young University. She currently serves on the Board for the Lehi Community Theater as a lighting designer. She also works with schools in their lighting design programs. She loves designing for Lehi Arts Center, some of her favorites have been Wait Until Dark, Big Fish and Into the Woods! She is also the mother of four very rambunctious children, Acacia, Josh, Emmeline and Grace! She would like to thank her kids and her devoted and wonderful husband Casey for all of his patience and support of her theater habit!

Denise Gull (Costume Designer)

Denise Gull has costumed shows for many years at various theaters in the Salt Lake area and Utah Valley. Her addiction to theater also includes acting and directing. She's happy to be back here where she last costumed Bye Bye Birdie and Bright Star.





Taylor Ann Jaeger (Amy March)

Taylor is beyond excited to be fulfilling a dream role in her first show here at Lehi Arts Council. She is currently a Sophomore in the Musical Theatre BFA Program at Utah Valley University. Some of her favorite past roles have been Belle – Beauty and the Beast, Elsa Shraeder– The Sound of Music, and The Witch– Into the Woods. Taylor can't wait to bring this beautiful show to you, with her lovely cast mates. @taylorannjaeger

Felicia Kelso (Meg March)

Felicia Kelso has been captivated by theatre for as long as she can remember, finding joy in leadership, performance, and connection. Her credits include The Music Man, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Bye Bye Birdie, Kiss Me, Kate, Guys and Dolls, White Christmas, and Bright Star. After a year of motherhood, she's thrilled to return to the stage, dedicating her performances to her daughter, Avie Clare, and her supportive husband, Ethan Kelso, whose unwavering love and encouragement inspire her to keep pursuing her passion.





Rex Kocherhans (Director & Music Director)

Recent music direction credits include Daddy Long Legs (Lehi Arts), The Little Mermaid (SCERA Shell) and Beauty and the Beast (BYU Broadway Bootcamp). Favorite theater credits include Bob Cratchit in A Christmas Carol (Hale Centre Theatre), Javert in Les Miserables and Captain von Trapp in The Sound of Music (Hale Center Theater Orem), and Reverend Shaw in Footloose (West Valley Arts). He regularly performs in Scotland at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival with American Performing Arts International. Rex is founder and Artistic Director of Consortium Men's Ensemble and Deseret Chamber Singers, chamber ensembles based in Salt Lake City. He has been a featured soloist with many leading arts organizations including the Tabernacle Choir, Salt Lake Choral Artists, Utah Baroque Ensemble, and BYU Singers. Rex is a founding member of the nationally renowned men's acapella quartet Reprise, which won the Gold Medal at the international collegiate barbershop competition and has shared the stage with the King's Singers. He performed in Europe, West Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and the Middle

East with the BYU Singers, including concerts at the Sydney Opera House and Carnegie Hall. He has studied with Betty Jeane Chipman and Rebecca Wilberg, and his voice can be heard on numerous TV, video game, and film projects.

Lily Kocherhans (Choreographer)

Having grown up attending elite performing groups like Artistic Dance Project and SALT Contemporary Dance, Lily acquired her classical training until she was 16 and began to teach herself. Her love of theater has garnered her a career in choreography for the stage and she is thrilled to contribute her expertise and vision to Little Women.





Annah Ledesma (Hair & Makeup Designer)

Annah is a full time cosmetologist working in theater, films, and special events. She loves art and making people feel beautiful. In addition to working behind the scenes, Annah is also an aerialist, a dancer, and cat mom.

Shawnda Moss (Marmee March)

Shawnda Moss is a director, actress, and theatre educator. Her career focus is in teacher preparation for Canyons School District. She has taught directing, acting, and theatre education for several Utah universities as well as in the public-school system. She was the Artistic Director for the Hill Cumorah Pageant and recently directed Next to Normal. Shawnda has performed on stage the last few years in Ragtime, Bright Star, Into the Woods, Fiddler on the Roof, Sweeney Todd, and Titanic. Much love to her theatre-loving





John Newall (Mr.Laurence)

John Newall hails from Ayr, Scotland, but has called Lehi home for 25 years. His first role was the Store Manager in Elf the Musical at Lehi Arts, so it is fun to come home for this performance. He also played Father Alex in Mamma Mia! at AF Community Theater, Mayor Shinn in Music Man for Sandy Arts Guild, and Mr. Wormwood in Matilda at Lehi Art, all to critical acclaim. He was the Dialect Coach for Shrek at Regalo Theater and won "Fan Favorite" at Lehi's "Raise the Mic." This is such an amazing cast, and it takes all my ability to stay properly grumpy while playing my part, as they all bring me such joy. John thanks his wife and kids for their support and for inspiring him to pursue these opportunities.

Timothy Quesenberry (John Brooke)

Timothy is so pleased to be included in this star-studded cast and amazing production team! He was most recently seen in the regional premier of Groundhog Day: The Musical as Phil Conners, as well as Clifford Bradshaw in Cabaret and D'artagnan in The Three Musketeers with Titus Productions Company. Timothy would like to thank his mother for all her support in his acting pursuits.





Eddie Ryan (Laurie Laurence)

Eddie is super excited to be back on the stage! He is currently a student at BYU. His favorite roles include, Tony in West Side Story, Miss Trunchbull in Matilda, and The Cat in Seussical The Musical. He spends his free time getting schooled by his parents in amateur games of pickleball, climbing the ranks to become the favorite uncle, and trying new flavors of frozen yogurt. He'd like to thank his amazing family and the wonderful cast and crew for all their support!

Lindsey Sampson (Stage Manager)

Lindsey is delighted to make her stage managing debut with Lehi Arts! Previously with LAC she had the pleasure of designing the hair and makeup for Matilda and Puffs. She has been involved in Utah theater and film for over 15 years, including working as the Head Student Artist for BYU Broadcasting and as a hair and makeup assistant for the hit shows Studio C and Show Offs. She'd like to thank Gwen and Cali for their support, and her very own Marmee and sisters Kelsey and Summer. Little Women is a favorite musical of hers and she's sure this production will be 🕻 astonishing ?!





TJ Thomas (Professor Bhaer)

TJ is so happy to make his Lehi Arts debut with this beautiful show. His other recent credits include Jack Kelly (Newsies), Don Lockwood (Singin' in the Rain), and Rev. David Marshall (The Foreigner). When he's not on stage he works as a mental health therapist and spends way too much time building LEGO.

Cali Wilkes (Producer)

Cali has been on the stage since a very young age and can't seem to stay away. Theater is her passion and loves



everything about it! Her most recent directing credits include; Footloose, Bringing Down the House, Matilda, Descendants, Into the Woods, and Bright Star. She is an active member of the Lehi Arts Council board and loves bringing quality entertainment to Lehi. She has been in several productions but the most recent would include, Guys and Dolls at Lehi Arts. Cali works as a middle school theater teacher and loves her job. When she is not directing, acting or producing a show you can find Cali hiking in the mountains, playing with her nephews, or traveling.



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