## DALLAS CHILDREN'S THEATER On Tour

# HOW I BECAME a Pikate

Book, Music & Lyrics by JANET YATES VOGT & MARK FRIEDMAN Based on the book by MELINDA LONG ~ Illustrations by DAVID SHANNON

> Directed & Choreographed by K. DOUG MILLER

> > Musical Direction by ADAM C. WRIGHT

Scenic & Props Design by SCOTT OSBORNE

Lighting Design by **JASON LYNCH** 

Costume Design by LYLE HUCHTON

Stage Manager / Technical Director JOHN MICHEAL MOSS II

Audio Engineer / Asst. Technical Director

DANIEL BERGERON

Producer / Tour Director **SALLY FIORELLO** 

### DCT PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

Director of Production & Design: SCOTT OSBORNE

Technical Director: JOSH SMITH

Associate Production Manager: MATT GREVAN

Assistant Technical Director: JEFFREY STANFIELD

Staff Master Electrician: JASON MONMANEY

Production Staff: REBECCA BONGIORNO, ZIGGY RENNER, & TROY CARRICO Production Interns: KELSIE LEFLORE, ELIZABETH WILLIAMS, CAMERON COLLIS & ERIC ARMSTRONG

> Dallas Children's Theater's Production Staff is responsible for all sets, costumes, lighting, props, furniture, scenic painting, sound, and special effects used in this production.

### THE CAST

Jeremy Jacob	
Swill the Pirate LLC	YD HARVEY II
Max the Pirate	JOHN KELLEY
Captain Braid Beard	TEVEN MILLER
Pierre the Pirate	OLAN SPINKS
Sharktooth the Pirate	HAEL STIMAC

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**MEET THE DIRECTORS** 

### **ROBYN FLATT**

DCT Founder & Executive Artistic Director

Robyn Flatt co-founded DCT in 1984 with start-up funds of \$500. Under her artistic leadership, the theater's creative and operational stature has grown over the past 30 years to reflect its current annual budget of more than \$4 million. Her theatrical career has brought her acclaim as a professional director, actor and lighting designer. During her tenure as a member of the Dallas Theater Center Resident Company, she served as Assistant Artistic Director, and Director of Theater-in-the-Parks. She holds an MA Degree from Baylor University and studied with Etienne Decroux, Juana Laban and Hanya Holm. Among Ms. Flatt's many acting credits include two roles she created for award-winning world premiere productions: Dewey Dell in Journey to Jefferson and Martha Ann Sickenger in Preston Jones' The Oldest Living Graduate. Her directing credits at DCT include several world premiere adaptations by Linda Daugherty of Steven Kellogg's story books, Adventures of Huckleberry Finn; The Miracle Worker, Island of the Blue Dolphins; and other critically acclaimed productions such as And Then They Came For Me and To Kill A Mockingbird. She has served on the boards of AATE, ASSITEJ/USA, and CTFA. She is a recipient of The 500, Inc.'s prestigious Ken Bryant Visionary Award, Dallas Historical Society's 1999 Excellence in Community Service for Creative Arts, the 2002 Leon Rabin Standing Ovation Award, and the Excellence in Nonprofit Management Award. Ms. Flatt is a member of the College of Fellows of American Theatre and was recently Treasurer of the Children's Theatre Foundation of America. She was nominated by The Dallas Morning News arts staff for both the 2010 and 2015 Texan of the Year Award. Robyn was honored in 2016 with the Orlin Corey Award for Artistic Excellence from the American Alliance for Theater and Education.

### K. DOUG MILLER

Director / Choreographer

Doug is the Director of the Musical Theater Conservatory and a resident director at Dallas Children's Theater. His directing credits at DCT include the local productions and national tours of Stuart Little. The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs, Click, Clack Moo: Cows That Type, and Giggle, Giggle Quack. He also directed A Charlie Brown Christmas, Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, and was associate director & choreographer for Twas the Night Before Christmas and Miracle on 34th Street at DCT. Mr. Miller is a professional union stage and broadcast actor, and has directed at most professional theaters in the Dallas/Fort Worth area and Oklahoma. Mr. Miller also served as Performance Director for Barney & Friends (PBS) for several seasons. "Ahoy, 'thar matey! Enjoy the show!"

### ADAM C. WRIGHT

Musical Director

Adam is a local composer, vocal arranger, orchestrator, and performer. He has been music directing in the Dallas metroplex since 1997, including the U.S. premieres of Soho Cinders and Closer to Heaven at Uptown Players, as well as productions at Theatre Three. Contemporary Theater of Dallas, and MainStage Irving-Las Colinas. Previous productions at DCT include Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type, Junie B. Jones: Diary of a Worm; a Spider, and a Fly: The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley, and Fancy Nancy: The Musical. Original projects include Fire and Blood with book and lyrics by Andy Long, which premiered October 2013 at Richland College: A Taste of Beauty, Project Youth: Another Night at the Crescent, Isabella's Treasure and a stage adaptation of If a Frog Had Wings, a children's book by Beth Ryan and Michael Albee. Adam is on the teaching faculty of the Dallas Children's Theater, and is an accompanist and co-teacher for the musical theater classes at Booker T. Washington High School, Richland College, Mountain View College, and KD College. He was Betty Buckley's Dallas rehearsal pianist for her 2012 cabaret show The Other Woman: The Vixens of Broadway.

### SALLY FIORELLO

Producer / Tour Director

Sally began her association with Dallas Children's Theater in 1984 and has since served as a director, designer, actor and consultant for numerous DCT productions. In 1998 she joined the staff as Producing Director of the national touring company. How I Became a Pirate marks her twentieth touring production in a distinguished line of shows, which includes the nationally acclaimed And Then They Came For Me, Most Valuable Player, and A Midnight Cry: The Underground Railroad to Freedom, which she also directed. Sally also spearheaded DCT's inclusion in the 2006 Shanghai International Children's Culture and Arts Expo in Shanghai, China. She has worked as a designer and/or performer with The Haymarket Theater Company, Pegasus Theater, The Dallas Symphony. The Dallas Opera, Bootstraps Comedy Theater and the Broadway touring production of Patio/Porch. As a master puppeteer and senior designer with the critically acclaimed Kathy Burks Theatre of Puppetry Arts, Ms. Fiorello has performed throughout the country and served as Art Director for the award-winning children's television pilot Discovery Outpost. Ms. Fiorello is a recipient of the Dallas Theater Critics Forum Award.

### MEET THE TOURING COMPANY

### **ALEX ALTSHULER**

Jeremy Jacob / Dance Captain

Alex is thrilled to be making her DCT debut in *How I Became a Pirate!* A graduate from the University of Central Oklahoma, her acting credits include such roles as Annette in *Saturday Night Fever*, Kristine in *A Chorus Line*, and Graziella in *West Side Story*. Thanks to Doug, Sally, my parents, and the DCT team.

### LLOYD HARVEY II

Swill the Pirate / Company Manager

Lloyd Harvey is a professional theatre, commercial and print artist. This is his first tour and he couldn't be happier! As an actor, he has worked throughout the DFW area with numerous theaters including Casa Mañana, Jubilee Theatre, Uptown players, WaterTower Theatre, Ohlook Theatre, Artisan Center Theatre, Fort Worth Theatre, Contemporary Theatre of Dallas, and Dallas Children's Theater. He is represented by The Kim Dawson Agency.

### **JOHN KELLEY**

Max the Pirate

John is pleased to be touring with Dallas Children's Theatre again, after an 11 year hiatus. Last seen as The Stinky Cheese Man in the international touring production *The Stinky Cheese Man and other fair(I)y (stoopid) tales, How I Became a Pirate* marks his fifth tour. John holds a Master's Degree in Play writing, and is a Marine Corps veteran of Desert Storm.

### STEVEN MILLER

Captain Braid Beard

Steven is thrilled to be making his debut with Dallas Children's Theatre as Captain Braid Beard. Steven attended the University of Southern California and graduated with a major in Theatre Arts and a double minor in Cinematic Arts and Musical Theatre. Since returning to Dallas, he has appeared in several productions including Firehouse Theatre's Bye Bye Birdie as Albert Peterson, Brick Road Theatre's A Man of No Importance as Rasher Flynn, and Garland Summer Musicals' The Producers as Franz Liebkind. Steven would like to thank his mom Susan, his grandparents Gerald and Virginia, and his girlfriend Lindsey for their love and support.

### **NOLAN SPINKS**

Pierre the Pirate

Nolan is excited to be working with Dallas Children's Theatre for the first time and to be part of this amazing cast a crew. A native of Evansville, IN, he graduated with a degree in

acting from the University of Southern Indiana where he acted in such roles as Jesus in Godspell, Hanschen in Spring Awakening, and Leo Irving in In The Next Room. Since moving to the DFW area, he has worked with Winspear Opera House and Brick Road Theatre. Most recently, he performed the roles of Jason in Bare and Ram's dad in Heathers at OhLook Performing Arts in Grapevine, TX. Nolan would like to thank you all for coming, and hopes you enjoy this show as much as he and his crew have enjoyed putting it together.

### MICHAEL STIMAC

Sharktooth the Pirate

Michael is delighted to be traveling with Dallas Children's Theater's *How Became a Pirate*. He Received a BFA in theater from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, earning a Kennedy Center commendation for acting. His credits include *A Midsummer Night's Dream, The Merry Wives of Windsor, Clybourne Park*, and *The Seafarer*. Since moving to Dallas, he has appeared in productions at Shakespeare Dallas, Shakespeare In The Bar, and is exited to working in his first show with Dallas Children's Theater.

### JOHN MICHEAL MOSS II

Stage Manager / Technical Director

John continues his association with DCT's national tour where he first served as Assistant Stage Manager and ensemble member for the 2008-09 production of *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters*. He more recently served as the Stage Manager and Technical Director for the 2014-15 tour of *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley*, the 2015-16 tour of *The BFG*, and last season's tour of *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters*. A highly skilled artist/technician, John has worked in numerous capacities for many different theaters and performing arts organizations including Dallas Theater Center, Theater Britain, Lone Star Circus, and Wagon Wheel Theatre in Warsaw, IN.

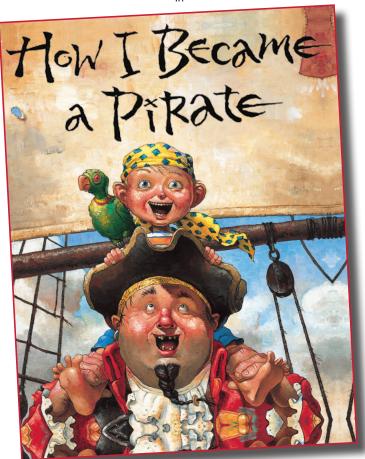
### **DANIEL BERGERON**

Audio Engineer / Assistant Technical Director

Danny is excited to make his debut with DCT On Tour! He is an award winning sound designer and audio engineer, mixing and designing shows in the DFW area since 2010. Danny attended the University of North Texas to study theater and has been working professionally in the field since then. He has worked with numerous theaters including Theatre Three, WaterTower Theatre, Undermain Theatre, and Dallas Theater Center. He hopes that you learn the proper pirate jargon, but more importantly, have fun and enjoy the show!

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