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Vocal Company Fall Concert

FRI, NOV 18, 2022 | 7:00PM

COCA's Vocal Company features some of the best young vocalists in the St. Louis area. The Fall Concert showcases a song-cycle of musical theatre and contemporary works that offer an exciting look into the up-and-coming generation of theatre artists. Students are coached throughout the year by Vocal Company Co-Directors Alicia Revé Like and Jermaine Manor.

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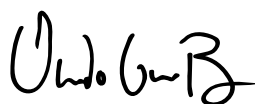


Artistic Directors' Note

Dear COCA Community,

Welcome to the 2022–2023 COCApresents Season. Reemergence was at the center of our season last year; and now, we are excited to welcome audiences back to explore the boundless talent and potential that is cultivated right here at COCA. Under the guidance of local and international creatives, our season showcases a collection of new work, reimagined COCA classics, and captivating stories that will challenge both our students and audiences alike. This year, we are honored to have several community partners—The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, Opera Theatre of Saint Louis, The Black Rep, and The Big Muddy Dance Company—highlighting the work of professional artists and inspiring our students to follow their dreams. We invite you to immerse yourself in our season of boundless creativity and the unique and vital artistic community that is nurtured and molded at COCA.

Sincerely,



Orlando Graves Bolaños
Senior Director of
Arts Programming



Kirven Douthit-Boyd
Associate Director of Dance
Production & Artistic Director
of COCADance



Antonio Douthit-Boyd
Artistic Director
of Dance



Jennifer Wintzer
Artistic Director of
Theatre

Production Team

Co-Director of Vocal Company	Alicia Revé Like
Co-Director of Vocal Company/ Accompanist	Jermaine Manor
Bass	Jacob Mreen
Drums	Alex Adelman
Production Manager	Carolyn Carter
Lighting Designer	Zak Metalsky
Sound Board Operator	Justin Foster

Artistic Team

Senior Director of Arts Programming	Orlando Graves Bolaños
Artistic Director of Dance	Antonio Douthit-Boyd
Associate Director of Dance Production & Artistic Director of COCA dance	Kirven Douthit-Boyd
Artistic Director of Hip-Hop Crew	MJ Imani Johnson
Artistic Director of Theatre	Jennifer Wintzer
Artistic Producer	Cameron Tyler
Technical Director	Jayson Lawshee
Production Manager	Carolyn Carter
Costume Manager	Shevaré Perry
Costume Assistant	Cody Floyd
Dance & Pre-Professional Division Program Manager	Sam Gaitsch
Student Success Coordinator	Alisa Cooper

Senior Division

Parker Collier
Sarah Herzog
Kennedy Jenkins
Brea Johnson
Ayla Lutzeler
Nayomi Shackelford
Natalie Shellhaas
D'Aura Tatum
Kaitlin Oliver
Laila Varner
Anaya White

Junior Division

Raina Bentley
Caroline Dumey
Dizzy Funke
Charlotte Hoff
Brea Johnson
Louis Mallon
Vincent Meyer
Jarod Rhode
Cali-Sera Hand
Zahara Sharif-Jackson
Leah Teepe
Haylan Travis
Peyton Webster
Ava Wilkinson
Khanye Williams

Musical Numbers

"Any Way the Wind Blows"
from *Hadestown*

"Lost Boys"
by Ruth B
featuring soloist Anaya White

"I'm Not Afraid of Anything"
from *Songs from a New World*
featuring soloist Leah Teepe

"Defying Gravity"
from *Wicked*
featuring soloists Sarah Herzog and Peyton Webster

"Me and the Sky"
from *Come from Away*
featuring Sarah Herzog

"Don't Rain on My Parade"
from *Funny Girl*
featuring Laila Varner

"Runnin'"
from *Beau the Musical*
featuring Parker Collier

"Shake It Out"
by Florence and the Machine
Senior Division

"Quiet"
by Jonathan Reid Gelt
featuring soloist Kaitlin Oliver

"Look At The Sky"
from *Urinetown*
featuring soloist Charlotte Hoff

"I'd Rather Be Me"
from *Mean Girls*
featuring soloists Dizzy Funke and Kennedy Jenkins

"Being Alive"
from *Company*
featuring soloist Kaitlin Oliver

"This is Me"
from *The Greatest Showman*

Land Acknowledgements

Land acknowledgements help us honor a place's Indigenous people—past and present—and recognize the history that brought us to where we are today and the fact that our communities are in stolen lands. Here is COCA's Land Acknowledgement:

In alignment with our mission to enrich lives and build community through the arts, COCA chooses to learn about, come to terms with, and share the truth of Westward Expansion. COCA acknowledges its community spaces, studios, and theatre rest on the traditional lands of Native People, including the Illini Confederacy, Osage Nation and Missouriia tribe. We acknowledge this land is stolen land and acquired through a history of violence. We honor these tribes now and the other tribes who made their homes in St. Louis before us. We encourage you to learn more about native communities and land where you live.


About COCA

COCA's mission is to enrich lives and build community through the arts. With a commitment to equity and access, COCA serves as a regional hub for learning in and through the arts for all ages from all backgrounds. One of the most diverse cultural institutions in St. Louis, COCA serves over 50,000 students, audience members, artists and families from over 220 zip codes across the St. Louis region every year. The fourth largest multi-disciplinary arts organization in the country, COCA is committed to supporting the vitality and creativity of over 200 artists at the heart of its work in schools, community centers, local business, cultural organizations, and on-site at its campus in University City.

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COCA Health & Safety Procedures

COCA's Health & Safety Procedures for theatre productions and public events are continually reviewed to ensure all protocols are in accordance with the latest public health recommendations.

Face masks are strongly recommended at COCA, not required.

We highly recommend that all patrons wear face masks, especially those who are unvaccinated and those who remain vulnerable to COVID-19.



IMPROV TROUPE FALL PERFORMANCE

NOV 20 | All ages | Tickets at cocaatl.org

Join us for a night of laughter, as COCA's Improv Troupe shows off everything they have learned this semester. Improv Troupe Fall Performance showcases a variety of improv games and scenes. Hosting the night is Improv Troupe Director Ed Reggi.

The Little Dancer

MOMENTS IN TIME



DEC 8–11 | All Ages | Tickets at cocal.org

The Little Dancer, a beloved COCA holiday tradition, has been reimagined as The Little Dancer: Moments in Time, a full-length classical ballet performed by members of Ballet Eclectica. This brand-new production was conceptualized using stories from COCA's young artists to put an innovative spin on the well-known classic. Renowned choreographer Kevin Jenkins serves as Creative Director for The Little Dancer: Moments in Time.



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