

# RIDGELINE ACADEMY DRAMA CLUB

Proudly Presents



## RAD Summer Camp 2018

June 29th, 2018

Directed by **Melissa Davis**

With Permission from **Musical Theater International Broadway Junior**

Based on the Broadway production directed by **Julie Taymor**

Music & Lyrics by

**Elton John & Tim Rice**

Additional Lyrics by

**Lebo M, Mark Mancina,  
Jay Rifkin, Hans Zimmer  
& Will Van Dyke**

Book by

**Roger Allers & Irene  
Mecchi**



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Production Assistant **Helena Honnen**

## **SYNOPSIS**

RAFIKIS, the narrators, gather ANIMALS from across the Pridelands to welcome the newborn cub of King MUFASA and Queen SARABI ("Circle of Life"). Mufasa's jealous brother, SCAR, refuses to attend the ceremony, which angers the king. As time passes, SIMBA grows into a curious young lion. Mufasa explains the circle of life to his son and how one day he will become king of the Pridelands. Out for revenge, Scar encourages his nephew to visit the forbidden Elephant Graveyard. Simba takes his best friend, NALA, there after ditching ZAZU, Mufasa's loyal advisor ("I Just Can't Wait to Be King"). At the graveyard, three hungry hyenas – SHENZI, BANZAI and ED – corner the cubs, but Mufasa arrives and takes them home. Scar emerges to recruit the HYENAS to join his murderous plan to become king himself ("Be Prepared").

Back in the safety of the Pridelands, Mufasa reprimands Simba, then tells him to look up at the stars – the great kings of the past will always be there to guide him. The next day, Simba gets trapped in a wildebeest stampede started by Scar. Mufasa rescues Simba, but is pushed by Scar into the stampede, where

he is trampled to death. Scar blames Simba and tells him to run away and never return. Scar then assumes the throne, uniting lions and hyenas under his dark reign. Lost in the desert, Simba meets TIMON and PUMBAA, who take him to their “worry-free” home in the jungle (“Hakuna Matata”).

Under Scar’s rule, the Pridelands are nearly destroyed. Nala, now grown, leaves to get help and finds Simba alive in the jungle (“Can You Feel the Love Tonight”). She urges him to come back home to take his rightful place as king but, still ashamed, Simba refuses. Rafiki appears and helps him remember his father (“He Lives in You”). With newfound courage, Simba returns to the Pridelands. Timon and Pumbaa distract the hyenas (“Luau Hawaiian Treat”) while Nala rallies the lionesses. Simba confronts his uncle, the truth of Mufasa’s murder is revealed and Scar runs away, pursued by angry hyenas. With peace restored in the Pridelands, Simba takes his place as king and the circle of life continues (“Finale”).



# MUSICAL NUMBERS

## **Pride Rock**

Circle of Life with Nants' Ingonyama ..... *Rafikis, Ensemble*

## **Scar's Cave**

## **The Pridelands**

I Just Can't Wait to be King .....  
*Young Simba, Young Nala, Zazu, Villagers*

## **Elephant Graveyard**

Be Prepared ..... *Scar, Shenzi, Banzi, Ed, Villagers*

## **The Pridelands**

## **The Desert/The Jungle**

Hakuna Matata (Part 1) .. *Timon, Pumbaa, Young Simba, Villagers*  
Hakuna Matata (Part 2) .....*Timon, Pumbaa, Young Simba, Simba,*  
*Villagers*

## **The Jungle**

Can You Feel the Love Tonight .....*Timon, Pumbaa, Simba, Nala,*  
*Villagers*  
He Lives in You..... *Rafikis, Villagers*

## **The Pridelands**

Luau Hawaiian Treat..... *Timon, Pumbaa*

## **Pride Rock**

Finale..... *All Cast*

# CAST LIST

<b>Rafiki 1</b> .....	Morgan Parrish
<b>Rafiki 2</b> .....	Carli Runyon
<b>Rafiki 3</b> .....	Lilly Beougher
<b>Rafiki 4</b> .....	Layla Solaka
<b>Rafiki 5</b> .....	Talia Sandeen
<b>Mufasa</b> .....	Tate LaCoss
<b>Sarabi</b> .....	Ava Jasper
<b>Zazu</b> .....	Mary Makenzie Linden
<b>Young Simba</b> .....	Jaxin Bauer
<b>Simba</b> .....	Zach LaCoss
<b>Young Nala</b> .....	Miyah Pabalinas
<b>Nala</b> .....	Oriana Coope
<b>Scar</b> .....	Bailey Boring
<b>Banzai</b> .....	Olivia Gracia
<b>Shenzi</b> .....	Viviana Stewart
<b>Ed</b> .....	Fiona Powell
<b>Timon</b> .....	Hunter Beougher
<b>Pumbaa</b> .....	Dylan Scibetta

## Villagers (Ensemble)

Ethan Anastasiadis	Riley Boring	Austin McElroen
Cassie Kohl	Hudson Hannah	Abigail Territ
Evin Bauer	Maya Lukash	Kate Jackson
Kaitlyn Guerra	Zavii Sandeen	Tabitha McMinn
Mary Kaitlyn Kushner	Cailyn Brown	Shayla Van Langen
Avery Polanski	Kali Harris	Claire Jackson
Olivia Bentley	Maya Mazzarotto	Mckenzie Motzouris
Sophia Guerra	Landon Tatara-Cano	Makayla Wilhelm
Ainsley Linden	Mason Brown	
Charlotte Powell	Myiah Hill	

## **TECH/CREW**

### **Assistant Director**

Helena Honnen  
Monica Beougher

### **Stage Manager**

Sydney Powell

### **Sound**

Paul DeCesare  
Eric Downing  
Christian Waters

### **Deckcrew**

Abby Downing  
Scott Downing

## **SPECIAL THANKS**

Monica Beougher  
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and all our RAD Camp families!

## A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR...

The Lion King is one of the most iconic movies from my childhood and sharing the story with my campers has been incredible.

This show has challenged these kids in so many new ways, from exploring animal movement, using simple stage cubes to create new spaces, to speaking African languages! We had a lot of new faces join us for this show and I am amazed at their willingness to dive in and be weird on stage with us.



I am honored to work with such talent and am grateful for their commitment and dedication to this show. Two weeks to learn all of your lines, songs, staging, and choreography is a huge challenge! Summer camp was a brand new adventure for me and the drama club, and I can't wait to do it again next summer!

Hakuna Matata!

*Melissa Davis*

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