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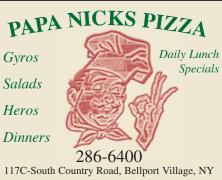




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# **CAST OF CHARACTERS**

#### THE COMPANY

Singers	Michael Baker, Sean Montgomery,
	Onyie Nwachukwu, Lindsay Travis
Featured Solo Skater	Derrick Delmore
Juggler/Unicycle	T.J. Howell, with Hunter, Carson & Gayle
Young Girl Skater	Ilana Sedaka

Osadolo Irowa, Kelly Kielian, Ashley Kranz, Chris LaRosa, Lauren Malec, Shane Mari, Mark Monroe, Kelsey Nicole Parker, Alexa Scimeca





Bottom row, left to right: Raffi Sanna, Alison Cordaro, Paige Vinch, Chanel Hudson, Nolan Lyons

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**Regan** Alsup









Michael Baker

Jillian Bronson

Derrick Delmore

Kayla Freeborn





Ashlev Kranz

Chris LaRosa



Mark Monroe

Sean Montgomery





Ilana Sedaka

Lindsay Travis

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Alexa Scimeca

T.J. Howell with

Hunter & Carson

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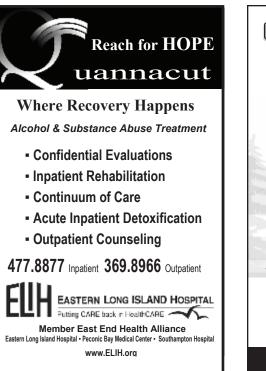
**ACT I** 

Prelude "Where Are You Christmas" Chanel and Ilana
Overture from "Nutcracker" Ensemble
"Happy Holidays/I Need Your Love to Keep Me Warm" Sean with Michael,
Lindsay, Onyie
"Sleigh Ride" Ensemble Ladies
"Santa Baby"Lindsay with Ensemble Men
"Toyland"Kevin and Louie, Michael, Ensemble Ladies, Ilana and Shane
JugglerT.J. Howell & Gayle
"Christmas Song" Sean, Michael, Lindsay, Onyie
"Run, Run Rudolph"Osadolo with Regan, Jillian, Kelly, Ashley, Lauren, and Alexa
"Rocking Around the Christmas Tree"Lindsay with Sean,
Kayla & Chris, Kelsey & Shane
"Two-Step around the Christmas Tree"Michael and Onyie with Lindsay and Sean
"Up On the Housetop" Ensemble
"Have a Holly Jolly Christmas"Michael with Alexa, Jilli, Kelly, and Kayla
"Jingle My Bells" Ensemble
"Please Come Home for Christmas"Onyie with Derrick
"Feliz Navidad" Michelle Veintimilla with Youth Ensemble
"Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer" Youth Ensemble and Ensemble Ladies
"In The Eyes of a Child"Onyie & Lindsay with Ensemble

#### INTERMISSION

#### ACT II

	Ashley & Chris, Shane & Kelsey
"Chanukah, O Chanukah"	Regan, Jillian, Kelly, Alexa
"Baby It's Cold Outside"	Sean and Lindsay
"All I Want for Christmas is You"	Onyie with Shane & Alexa
Unicyclist	
"Where are You Christmas" (reprise)	Chanel and Ilana
	Lindsay with Kelsey and Ilana
"Carole of the Bells"	Ensemble Men
	Ensemble Ladies
"O Holy Night"	Michael with Derrick and Youth Choir
"Let it Snow"	Company
"We Need a Little Christmas"	Company
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Michael Baker (Singer) is excited to be returning to the Gateway Stage this Holiday Season. Most recently, Michael performed in Apac's Ragtime in Astoria, Queens. Michael has performed in several shows at Gateway on and off for the past seven years making New York his home after college. Favorite shows at Gateway include: Miss Saigon; Jekyll and Hyde; Scarlet Pimpernel and The Wedding Singer. He also appeared in the 2007 Gateway ice show, Cold As Ice. When not on the Gateway Stage or teaching at the Gateway Acting School, Michael has been seen touring in shows throughout the country and in New York. He does miss his mother back at home on Bainbridge Island, Washington, and sends his love and thanks to her and his brothers, with special thanks to his Gateway family. He holds a B.F.A. in Acting from CW Post/LIU. Happy Holidays to all!

Jillian Bronson (*Ensemble*) Jillian began skating in Portland, Oregon at the age of 7 when she won passes to her local ice rink at her schools carnival. She skated competitively for 10 years and is a US Figure Skating gold medalist, as well as a Regional and National competitor. She performed with the Sun Valley Ice Show in the summer of 2009 and realized her passion is performing and entertaining an audience. Jillian is a sophomore at Portland State University pursuing a degree in Community Health Studies. She enjoys cooking for her family and friends, ballroom dancing, biking, yoga and of course skating.

**Derrick Delmore** (*Featured Male Skater*/ *Ensemble*) Derrick is a former National Collegiate, Olympic Festival, and World Junior Champion in figure skating. He competed at 18 consecutive U.S. Nationals, and was a member of the U.S. International Team for 14 straight years. Delmore was also trained as a classical pianist in his early years, and earned the Paderewski medal for 10 years of playing at the national level. He received an A.B. in Psychology and Communication from Stanford University in 2000.

Who's Who

**Kayla Freeborn** (Ensemble) is a 22 year old young lady from Massachusetts. Since the age of 5, skating has been a huge part of her life. After training and competing for 10 years, Kayla has since been touring the world as a professional skater. Kayla is currently living in Austin, Texas and is looking forward to coaching and passing on all of the amazing experiences to young skaters that she had the opportunity to learn from so many talented athletes.

T.J. Howell (Juggler/Unicyclist) T.J. and his wife Gayle are very excited to join Gateway's Holiday show once again, this time around with a full family act including their two sons, Hunter, 12, and Carson, 9. This talented family joins A Holiday Spectacular On Ice from Baraboo, WI. Their unique act has taken them worldwide. T.J. has been a professional entertainer for over 30 years. He has performed in a variety of venues including Tropicana Hotel & Casino (Atlantic City, NJ), Holland American, Coastal Dolphin, Princess Cruise Lines, Busch Gardens (Tampa, FL), Houston Astor World Amusement Park (Houston, TX), Showboat Dinner Theater (Clearwater, FL), Marco Polo Hotel (Miami, FL), Osmond Family Theater (Branson, MO), Ocean Park Hong Kong (HK, China) and Beau Rivage Casino (Biloxi, MS).

**Osadolo Irowa** (*Ensemble*) Osadolo is from Chicago Illinois and started skating at age 7. He has been skating for 16 years and has competed nationally and internationally. Currently he is going to college for engineering and hopes to become an engineer. This is his first show and he has really enjoyed the experience; Osadolo would love to do more shows in the future and travel the world one day.



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**Kelly Kielian** (*Ensemble*) Kelly Kielian is a USFSA gold medalist. She began skating to be a hockey player like her older brother, but her coach had different plans for her. She has been skating for 15 years and placed 8<sup>th</sup> at the 2009 Collegiate Nationals. Kelly resides in Dublin, Ohio and is enrolled at Columbus State while teaching ice skating part-time. She is excited and pleased to have been invited to skate in the Holiday Spectacular this year.

Ashley Kranz (Ensemble) Ashley Kranz grew up in Hazelton, BC in the Kispiox Valley where she spent her days fishing, riding horses and learning to figure skate! At the young age of 14 she moved to Prince George, BC to pursue a figure skating dream and continued on this path until her senior years of high school. Ashley relocated to Vancouver for further training as a pair figure skater and went on to compete at the National level. After 12 years of hard work, dedication, and commitment to the sport, she decided to take her life in another direction... Inspired by her brother Tyler, Ashley decided to attend Capilano College to pursue acting as her number one passion! After two years of study, Ashley was encouraged by her fellow classmates and friends to enter the "CMT Super Fan Turns Host Contest"! She won the contest, throwing her into a life of country loving music, fans and the BIG city of Toronto where she spent a year and half Hosting for Country Music Television (CMT). Ashley is going forward with her career in the film and television world as a working actress. She recently starred as the lead female in her first feature film called "A Date With Fear" which included performing her own combat stunts. "A Date With Fear" is due to be released in 2010.

**Christopher LaRosa** (*Ensemble*) Christopher is currently a senior in High School. He hopes to attend Dowling College or Suffolk Community and study Computer Science. Figure skating is Chris's favorite hobby. He is working on Junior Moves and also does ice dancing. In 2007, he went to Junior National's as part of a Juvenile Ice Dancing Pair. He has skated at Madison Square Garden and Nassau Coliseum for *Stars Stripes and Skates*. Chris last performed at Gateway in the 2007 ice production "Cold as Ice". Chris loves to do any kind of shows. He worked on MTV promoting a movie called "Blades of Glory". His biggest dream is to find an ice dancing partner so that he can compete.

Lauren Malec (*Ensemble*) Lauren Malec is 20 years old and lives here on Long Island. She currently attends Hofstra University where she is studying art education. She started skating when she was about 3 and hasn't stopped since. Lauren is a Junior level skater, a former New York Islanders ice girl, and has competed in various competitions up and down the east coast. When not studying or skating, she works as a skating instructor at The Rinx and is a Red Bull Wiiings team member. In her free time, Lauren loves to surf and snowboard.

**Shane Mari** (*Ensemble*) is twenty-one years old and lives in Fort Collins, Colorado. Shane trained in Colorado Springs, Colorado skating at the World Arena representing the Broadmoor Figure Skating Club. Through his competitive years he competed in both singles skating and pairs skating. He competed in numerous Regional Championships and Junior National Championships. He has worked with many coaches, such as Damon Allen, Tom Zakrajsek, Angela Nickodinov, Eddie Shipstand, Kathy Casey and Ryan Janke. He retired from competitive figure skating at the age of nineteen. This is Shane's fourth professional show and he is very excited to perform in New York.

Sean Montgomery (Singer) is thrilled to celebrate the holidays with Gateway Playhouse after playing Robert Martin in this summer's *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Regional: Will Parker in *Oklahoma!* (Atlanta TOTS), Bobby Child in *Crazy For You* (Theatre By The Sea), Frank in Show Boat (Gateway Playhouse), *Backwards In High Heels: The Ginger Rogers Musical* (AHT), *Les Miserables, The Pajama Game, Hello, Dolly!* (MUNY), *Beauty and the Beast* and *Sleeping Beauty* (La Comedia). New York: *Big Tent, Last Starfighter* (NYMF). Television: "As the World Turns", "Guiding Light". BFA University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. Member of AEA and AFTRA. Happy Holidays and Enjoy the show!



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Mark Munroe (Ensemble) Mark Munroe is a professional model, singer, actor, and skater, who has traveled all over North America. Most recently Mark joined the cast of "Body Language" on TMN and released his first full length album "I Am Here", from which the title track has been picked up by radio stations internationally, garnering sales of his album in over 7 countries. Mark has also shot a full length movie, and many short films, as well as starring in numerous commercials and music videos. Mark has appeared in Cosmopolitan Magazine, Company, and UMM, among many other magazines and websites. He has spent most of his life as an award winning Canadian skater, starting at the tender age of four. In 2009 Mark was named one of the sexiest men in the world, by DNA, SexyMen.com.

**Onyie Nwachukwu** (*Singer*) is delighted to be a part of Gateway's Holiday Spectacular. This is this native Texans first show with Gateway! Previous credits include last years national tour of *Rent* in the role of Joanne, Scott Alan's *Monday Night New Voices* in NYC, and two contracts with Royal Caribbean Cruises as lead female vocalist. A huge thanks to Gateway for this fantasmic opportunity and hope to be a part of more in the future!

Kelsey Nicole Parker (*Ensemble*) Kelsey Parker is a recent graduate from the University of Kansas with a Bachelor's Degree in Applied Behavioral Science, Early Childhood Education. She currently works in the Kansas City area at Timber Creek Elementary and coaches high school cheerleading. She is a United States Figure Skating double gold medalist and was also on the U.S. Figure Skating Developmental International Team in 2000-2001 with her pair partner John Coughlin. Kelsey looks to become a kindergarten teacher and stay involved with skating as much as possible.

**Alexa Scimeca** (*Ensemble*) Alexa Paige Scimeca is thrilled to be in her first Gateway Playhouse Production. She is 18 years old from Chicago and recently competed in the 2010 Midwestern Championships. She has competed at the US Nationals, Midwestern Sectionals, Regionals, and International competitions. She took part as a guest skater twice in the Super Stars on Ice exhibition. Alexa spent the summer in Switzerland in a camp with Victor Kudriavtsev. She is enjoying her first year of college while coaching young skaters. She plans to continue training for the next competitive season under the coaching of Maria Jezak-Athey.

Who's Who

**Ilana Sedaka** (Young Girl Skater) is an eight year old from Great Neck, New York. She has been skating for four years. She loves freestyle skating, ice dancing, and doing production numbers on ice. She has had step-outs in Parkwood Rinks *High School Musical* 3 on ice and *Bollywood*. She has enjoyed skating in *Stars Stripes and Skates* for the last few years as well. When not on the ice or at school, Ilana enjoys acting and dancing classes.

Lindsay Travis (Singer) Lindsay loves spending the holidays at Gateway! Favorite regional: Showboat (Kim), Cabaret (Texas), Annie (Grace), Grease (Sandy u/s perf.), Thoroughly Modern Millie (Gloria), Oklahoma! (Laurey). While not onstage she enjoys hunting for treasures at the thrift store, singing bluegrass with her family and cooking crock-pot recipes! Lindsay is a proud graduate of Northern Kentucky University's Department of Theatre and Dance and a Cincinnati native. She currently resides in Manhattan with her husband and two cats. Many thanks to the dedicated Gateway staff and the Allan family.

Keith Andrews (Director/Choreographer) is shivering and happy to be back on the ice and being a part of Gateway's 60th Season. Just this summer, Keith directed and choreographed Gateway's production of Dirty Rotten Scoundrels starring Joe Piscopo and has also directed and choreographed the Playhouse's productions of The Wedding Singer, My Way (the Sinatra Tribute), Cold as Ice, Urinetown, and The Full Monty. On the ice, Keith has directed and choreographed Home for the Holidays - A Celebration on Ice starring Tanith Belbin & Ben Agosto, Evan Lysacek, and Oksana Baiul as well as the 2007 and 2008 productions of Stars, Stripes and Skates, to benefit survivors and families of 9/11. On stage, he has directed the National Tours of The Full Monty and Hello Muddah,

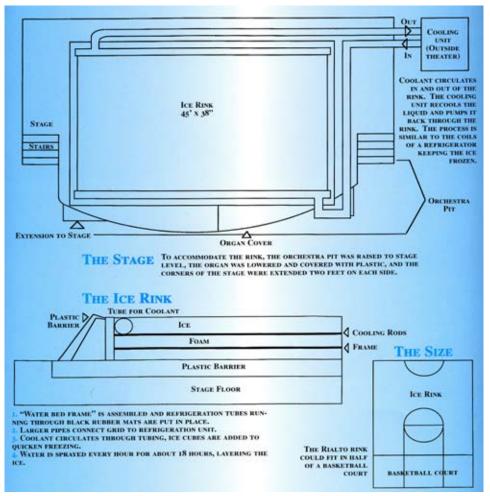
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Hello Fadduh. Other recent directing/choreography credits include: Dames at Sea, Breaking Up is Hard to Do, Barnum, Pump Boys and Dinettes, Little Shop of Horrors, The Pirates of Penzance, Big River, and Forever Plaid, to name a few. As a choreographer, Keith has recently worked on the World Premiere of Love, Incorporated and has received an Innovative Theater Award nomination for Best Choreography for his work on the new show-Like You Like It which recently also won Best Musical. As a performer, Keith has toured all over the world with shows such as: West Side Story, Mame, Jesus Christ Superstar and the Radio City Christmas Spectacular. In educational theater, Keith directs and choreographs student industry showcases at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in NYC as well as having directed many musicals at the USDAN Center for the Performing Arts, here on Long Island. Keith once again thanks Ruth, Robin and Paul for keeping him an active part of the Gateway family. KeithAndrewsonline.com.

Tara Modlin (Ice Choreographer) a Long Island native from Great Neck is very proud to be a part of her second Gateway production. She was a national competitor in ice dancing and is currently the agent for US Olympic hopefuls Johnny Weir, Rachael Flatt and Jeremy Abbott. Tara has been coaching and choreographing in New York City and around the U.S. for ten years. She has produced, choreographed and casted shows for over a decade including Stars Stripes and Skates, Cold As Ice, Radio City Music Hall, CW11's Holiday Skatina Spectacular. Blades of Glory TRL promotion, and many other live events and television specials. Tara would like to thank the amazing skaters in this production for stepping (and gliding) into new boundaries and exploring the amazing world of theatre. And of course a big thank-you to Gateway for providing this opportunity. Happy New Year everyone!! \*\*

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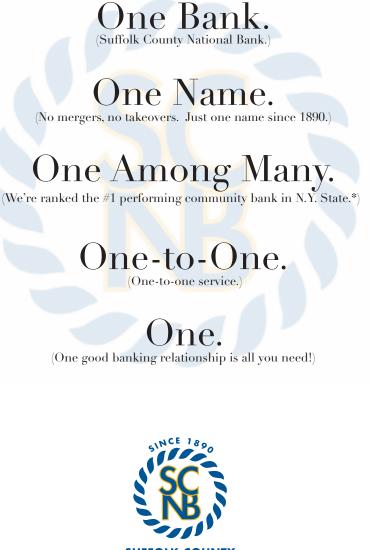




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