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# TOMMY

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Additional Music & Lyrics by John Entwistle and Keith Moon Originally Produced on Broadway by Pace Theatrical Group and Dodger Productions with Kardana Productions, Inc.

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Musical Direction by JUSTIN S. FISCHER

Directed & Choreographed by

#### **ROBIN JOY ALLAN**

#### Based on the New Line Cinema film written and directed by JOHN WATERS

This production utilizes elements from our 1996 Gateway Playhouse production of *TOMMY* Directed by Dom Ruggiero, Choreographed by Bob Durkin, Lighting Design by Chirstopher J. Landy, Set Design by Michael Boyer, and Multi Media Image Coordination by Rob Conover.

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### **A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

# **CAST OF CHARACTERS**

(in order of appearance)

Since 1950, The Gateway Playhouse has been a training ground for young performing artists, getting its heart and soul from one family's passion, creativity and genuine interest in the arts and their ability to reach and transform the surrounding community and beyond. That wonderful success story and legacy continues with THE Gateway, The Performing Arts Center of Suffolk County. As a third generation of the founding family, my mission since returning from Los Angeles in 1993, has been to fire up the former acting programs that were going strong from 1950 thru 1982. Our new summer production program is a development of the current Acting School division. As our Main Stage Season brings in talent and staff from Manhattan and national locations, our Acting School participants benefit from the knowledge, expertise and connections that come from working with these industry professionals. Those who are able to study all year, challenge and broaden their talent in these summer productions alongside the few who are joining us for the first time. It is a wonderful process to be involved with and give to. Watching and guiding young people as they grow and thrive as true performing artists is a giant thrill for me. I am grateful for the opportunity. In 1996, I cast *Tommy* on our Main Stage and videotaped some clips with my daughter Hayley, (soon to be born,) along for the ride! You can hear me exclaim in one clip, "The baby will know the score to Tommy!" She sure did, and was my greatest help in this current process. High praise for Justin Fischer's SENSATIONAL hands and ears. I would also like to thank Dom Ruggiero for his original staging of *Sparks*, and Mia Mulvey's assistance and patience in enacting that process. Cheers to Michael Baker for his "statues" and soldiers and to the staff and crew for their double and sometimes triple duty. The cast and I thank you for joining us on our Amazing Journey.

Robin Joy Allan

Mrs. WalkerCHRISTIE LOMBARDI
Captain WalkerJOE WOOD
Uncle ErnieCHRISTOPHER ISOLANO
MinisterANDREW JOHN VERTUCCI
1st Officer LIAM GOLDE
2nd OfficerTHEO EBARB
Nurses MARIELLE GREGUSKI, MADISON MULVEY, VERONICA KELLY, BRENDA BIRKELAND
Lover JESSE LEWIS
Four-Year-Old TommyNOLAN LYONS
Narrator/Tommy MILES WHITTAKER
Judge RAYMOND EBARB
BarristersALEX SNEDDON, RYAN KOERBER
Ten-Year-Old TommyJACE RODRIGUES
Cousin KevinDANTE BALDASSIN
Kevin's Mother MADISON MULVEY
Kevin's FatherGEORGE MARSCHALL
Minister's Wife MARIELLE GREGUSKI
Hawker JESSE JAMES KEITEL

#### Harmonica Player.....ALEX SNEDDON The Gypsy .....MELISSA MAHONEY 1st Local Lad .....JESSE LEWIS 2nd Local Lad ....JESSE JAMES KEITEL Specialist Assistant .....VERONICA KELLY News Vendor.....BRIAN WALSH Sally Simpson .....BRIAN WALSH Sally Simpson .....BRIAN WALSH Mrs. Simpson .....BRENDA BIRKELAND Mrs. Simpson .....BRENDA BIRKELAND Mrs. Simpson .....BRENDA BIRKELAND Mr. Simpson .....BRENDA BIRKELAND DJ .....LIBBY LARKIN Lads, Lasses, Lab Techs and Security Guards....BRITTANY DEANGELIS, ROBERT DEFILIPPO, RAYMOND EBARB, THEO ERABE LIAM GOLDE LIAM HOEMEISTER

THEO EBARB, LIAM GOLDE, LIAM HOFMEISTER, JESSE JAMES KEITEL, VERONICA KELLY, RYAN KOERBER, LIBBY LARKIN, JESSE LEWIS, MELISSA MAHONEY, GEORGE MARSCHALL, MADISON MULVEY, ALEX SNEDDON, KAYLEE SPANO, AMBROSE TENIOZO, BRIAN WALSH, ANDREW JOHN VERTUCCI

### UNDERSTUDIES

Mrs. Walker MARIELLE GREGUSK	
Acid Queen VERONICA KELLY	,
Sally MADISON MULVEY	,
Tommy DANTE BALDASSIN	
Mr. Walker ANDREW JOHN VERTUCCI	
Cousin Kevin LIAM HOFMEISTER	l
Uncle Ernie THEO EBARB	5

#### **MUSICIANS**

MD Keyboards	JUSTIN FISCHER
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# **MUSICAL NUMBERS**

ACT II

Underture

### ΑΟΤΙ

#### Prologue

Overture ......Band & Ensemble

Scene 1 "It's a Boy".....1st Officer, 2nd Officer, Nurses, & Mrs. Walker

#### Scene 2

"It's a Boy" –Part 2 .....Allied Soldiers & Captain Walker

#### Scene 3 "Twenty-One"......Mrs. Walker, Lover, & Walker

"Amazing Journey".....Narrator

#### Scene 4

"Amazing Journey (Tag)"......Band

#### Scene 5

"Sparks"......Band & Ensemble "Amazing Journey (Reprise)"......Band Narrator

#### Scene 6

"Christmas"......Walker, Mrs. Walker, Uncle Ernie, Cousin Kevin, Kevin's Mom, Kevin's Dad, Minister, Minister's Wife, & Narrator

#### Scene 7

"Do You Think It's	Alright?"Walker &
	Mrs. Walker
"Fiddle About	Uncle Ernie
"See Me, Feel Me	Narrator

#### Scene 8

"Cousin Kevin".....Cousin Kevin, Lads, & Lasses "Sensation"......Narrator, Lads & Lasses "Sparks (Reprise)"......Band

#### Scene 9

#### Scene10

"Eyesight to the Blind"......Hawker, Harmonica Player, Harlots, & Thugs

#### Scene 11

"Acid Queen"..... Gypsy

#### Scene 12

"Pinball Wizard"..... Cousin Kevin, 1st Lad, 2nd Lad, Lads, Lasses

#### "Underture"......Band Scene 1 "Aferture".....Mrs. Walker "There's a Doctor I've Found"......Walker & Mrs. Wakler Scene 2 "Go to the Mirror, Boy......Specialist, Assistant, 10-Year-Old Tommy, Mrs. Walker, Walker ...... 4-Year-Old Tommy, & Tommy Scene 3 "Tommy, Can You Hear Me?"......Cousin Kevin & Lads Scene 4 "I Believe My Own Eyes" ...... Walker & Mrs. Walker "Smash the Mirror" Mrs. Walker "Aftersmash" ..... Band "I'm Free"...... Tommy Scene 5 "Miracle Cure"..... ... Lads "Sensation (Reprise)" ...... Tommy, Reporters, & Guards "I'm Free/Pinball Wizard (Reprise)".......Tommy, Cousin Kevin, & Gaurds "I'm Free (Second Reprise)" ......Tommy "How Can We Follow?"..... Crowd Scene 6 "Tommy's Holiday Camp".....Uncle Ernie Scene 7 "Sally Simpson".....Cousin Kevin, Sally, Mr. Simpson, Mrs. Simpson, Guards, DJ, & Tommy Scene 8 "Welcome".....Tommy, Cousin Kevin, Guards, & Ensemble "Sally's Question" ...... Sally "We're Not Gonna Take It".......Tommy, Guards, Reporters, & Crowd "Finale"...... Tommy, 10-Year-Old Tommy, Walker, Mrs. Walker, Uncle Ernie,

Cousin Kevin, & Ensemble

# **FROM THE ACTORS...**

**Dante Baldassin** (*Cousin Kevin*) - Thank you to Robin, the cast and crew of Tommy. As always, it is a journey of learning filled with fun.

**Brenda Birkeland** (*Sally Simpson*) – is pleased to be returning to The Gateway stage after portraying "Cosette" in last summer's *Les Miserables*. Thanks and love to everyone who made this possible, especially Robin, Justin, Mom & Dad.

**Brittany DeAngelis** (*Pinball Lass*) – Proudly debuting on The Gateway stage. Thanks always to God, family and friends for their constant love and support.

**Robert DeFilippo** (*Mr. Simpson*) – Real magic is believes in yourself. Once you can make that happen, anything is possible.

**Ray Ebarb** (Judge) – This show has been my first Gateway show and it has been the best experience I have had so far at Gateway.

**Theo Ebarb** (2nd Officer) – I would like to thank my family and The Gateway family for making this an amazing and unforgettable summer.

Liam Golde (1st Officer) – I would like to thank my family for supporting me. I would also like to thank my various mentors for preparing me to participate in this performance. Thanks!

**Liam Hofmeister** (*Local Lad*) – I would like to thank my family and The Gateway family for making this a great summer I'll never forget.

**Christopher Isolano** (*Uncle Ernie*) – Thank you to Robin and the entire production team for making this an extremely rewarding and fun experience! **Jesse James Keitel** (*Hawker*, *Pinball Lad*) – is excited to be part of such a unique show. He'd like to thank his family for all their love and support.

**Veronica Kelly** (*Lab Tech*) – is thrilled to be a part of Gateway's amazing production of *Tommy*. Thank you to Robin, Justin, Brian, Emma, Mia, and Hayley for all of your hard work!

**Ryan Koerber** (*Barrester*) – is thrilled to be back on the Gateway Stage! Thanks to Robin, Jessica, Michael, and Justin.

**Libby Larkin** (*Creature of the Night, Ensemble*) – is extremely happy to be in this year's production of Tommy at Gateway Playhouse. Special thanks to her family and friends.

**Jesse Lewis** (Lover, 1st local lad) –is thrilled to be a part of this wonderful production hope you all enjoy! Koala Bear!!

**Christie Lombardi** (*Mrs. Walker*) – This is a phenomenal show! I Love Gateway so much. Robert is amazing Psalm 23.

**Nolan Lyons** (*Young Tommy*) – I'd like to thank Gateway and Robin for this opportunity and for helping me along the way. It's been fun!!

**Melissa Mahoney** (*The Acid Queen*) – is thrilled to be making her Gateway debut. Special thanks to her family, friends and boyfriend Joe.

**George Marschall** (*Kevin's Father*) – is very excited to be in another Gateway show. He loves it here and hopes you enjoy the show.

**Madison Mulvey** (*Kevin's Mother*) – is thankful for another summer at Gateway doing what she loves. Love to Robin and her family. Thanks "Bee"! Jace Rodrigues (10 year old Tommy) – Tommy was so much fun! I have really enjoyed my first show at Gateway. Thanks to Robin and the cast and crew.

**Alex Sneddon** (*Harmonica Player*) – I would like to thank Robin, the cast, and crew for an amazing summer. He also thanks his family.

**Kaylee Spano** (*Pinball Lass*) – is so excited to be part of *Tommy*. It has been a great experience! Thanks to Robin and Gateway for everything!!

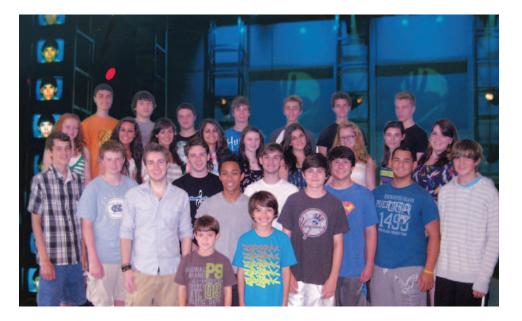
Marielle Greguski (Minister's Wife, Sally Simpson's Mom) – is beyond excited to be in Gateway Playhouse's production of Tommy this summer. She would like to give special thanks to Robin for this great opportunity and to her family and friends and Stephen for their love and support. **Ambrose Teniozo** (*Specialist*) - Special thanks to Gateway Playhouse and *Tommy* cast for letting me See, Feel and Touch parts of a professional theatre.

**Andrew John Vertucci** (Allied Soldier, Minister) – Thank you so much to Robin, Justin, and the entire Allan family for once again bringing me back to Gateway.

**Brian Walsh** (*News Boy*) – Being my first show at Gateway, I would like to thank tireless staff, my family, and our Director.

**Miles Whittaker** (*Tommy/Narrator*) – is thrilled to be working with such a motivated cast. Previously on the Gateway stage in *Les Miserables: Student Edition*.

**Joseph Wood** (*Captain Walker*) – I would like to thank my family, friends, teachers, and girlfriend Melissa for their love and support throughout this production.



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