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STEPHEN SCHWARTZ

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DIRECTING STAFF

Director	Michael Green
Associate Director/Choreographer	Chelsae Green
Associate Choreographer	Lyndsa Green
Technical Director	Bobby Medlin
Sound Design	Keegan Pierce
Lighting Design	Josiah Woodard
Costumer	Michele Robertson
The Esteemed Writer of Rap	Luke McIntyre
Graphic Designer/Playbill	Karen Blom

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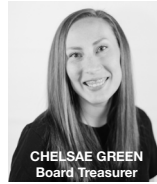
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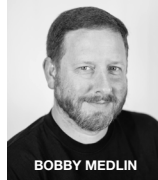
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Poiema Arts, Inc.

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Workmanship, Work of Art, Masterpiece.

Where we are located?

Raleigh, NC

What is our mission?

- Train and equip students to strive for excellence in the arts in order to reach the nation(s) with the Gospel.
- Powerfully utilize the arts for Christ and the furtherance of God's kingdom.

Who are we?

Poiema Arts Inc. is a 501-C3/
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arts education for members of
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environment which promotes
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Peggy	CHELSAE GREEN
Sonia	SAMANTHA LANPHERE
Ensemble	CHICHI HAY REBEKAH HAY ASA WILLIAMS

Band

Director	MICHAEL GREEN
Keyboard	SANDY HAWKES
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Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar	CARSON KIDD, DAVID ROBINSON



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MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT 1

Prologue	<i>Company</i>
Tower of Babble	<i>Company</i>
Prepare Ye	<i>John the Baptist & Company</i>
Save the People	<i>Jesus & Company</i>
Day by Day	<i>Anna Maria & Company</i>
Learn Your Lessons Well	<i>Celisse, Jesus & Company</i>
Bless the Lord	<i>Lindsay & Company</i>
All for the Best	<i>Jesus, Judas & Company</i>
All Good Gifts	<i>Michael & Company</i>
Light of the World	<i>Nick & Company</i>

ACT 2

Turn Back, O, Man.....	<i>Morgan & Company</i>
Alas for You	<i>Jesus</i>
By My Side	<i>Uzo & Company</i>
We Beseech Thee.....	<i>David & Company</i>
Beautiful City	<i>Jesus</i>
On the Willows	<i>Judas & Ensemble</i>
Finale	<i>Company</i>
Bows	<i>Company</i>

“By My Side” was written by PEGGY GORDON and the lyrics thereof by JAY HAMBURGER

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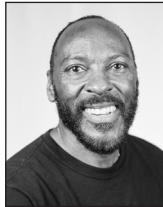
Adelaide Siegers
Celisse



Ziyah Williams
Telly



Britt Thompson
Lindsay



Darrio Connor
George



Lyndsa Green
Uzo



Melissa Palahnuk
Morgan



Chelsae Green
Peggy



Samantha Lanphere
Sonia



Chichi Hay
Ensemble



Rebekah Hay
Ensemble



Asa Williams
Ensemble



Michael Green
Director



Sandy Hawkes
Keyboard



Michael Sanders
Drums



Carson Kidd
*Acoustic Guitar,
Electric Guitar, Bass
Guitar*



David Robinson
*Acoustic Guitar,
Electric Guitar, Bass
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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Welcome to PoiemArtistry's GODSPELL!

When it comes to Broadway's classic musicals, one has to put Godspell in the top 10%. Now in its 53rd year of performances, it is one of the most popular musical presentations performed around the world – in large and small theaters, concert halls, cathedrals, churches, parks, colleges, and schools. With its simplicity and easy to understand message, Godspell has reached tens of millions with its message of hope, faith, and community. We are confident you will enjoy the music, costuming, and the compelling story as told by contemporary followers of Jesus.



MICHAEL GREEN
DIRECTOR

PoiemArtistry has chosen to perform Godspell, in the greater part, because it is counter-intuitive to what is happening all around us. Taken from the parables of Jesus, found in the book of Matthew, this show presents truth in its simplest form. It's easy to observe that we have taken God out of our society, and denied the existence of Jesus Christ. This, in turn, has produced the culture we now live in today. The truths found in GODSPELL (old English for "Gospel") are counter to the narrative that exalts man and denigrates God as a Father; as a Lover; as a Savior; and as a Healer. Our world has replaced Him with ourselves and our own self-sufficiency's. Simply put, we think we don't need Him.

This show will provoke you to Rethink, Explore, and Respond. GODSPELL IS NOT RELIGIOUS on purpose. Jesus was and is not a fan of religion. He is, however, a fan of His creation, YOU.

In order for our cities, states, and country to be truly restored, we must turn and embrace what we gave up. The truth that God loved the world so much that He willingly and sacrificially gave His only Son, that if anyone believes in Him that person will not die but have never-ending life. (John 3:16)

The lyrics to the hallmark song of Godspell, Day by Day, captures why PoiemArtistry exists:

Day by day
Day by Day
Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray
To see Thee more clearly
Love Thee more dearly
Follow Thee more nearly
Day by Day

We are excited you are here with us at this performance. We trust you will enjoy yourself, but most importantly, that you would have an encounter with TRUTH. His name is Jesus.

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1 Peter 4:10

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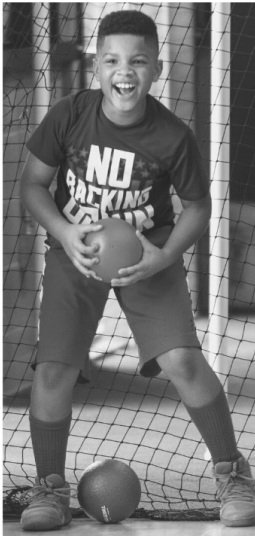
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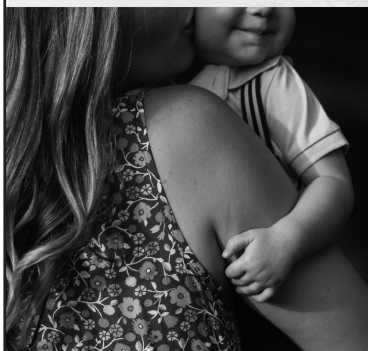
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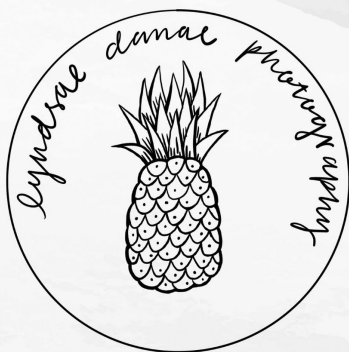
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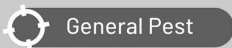


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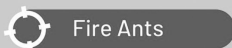
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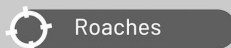
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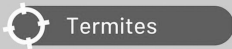
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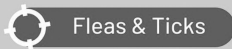
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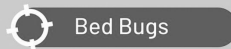
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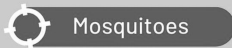
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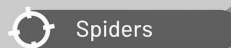
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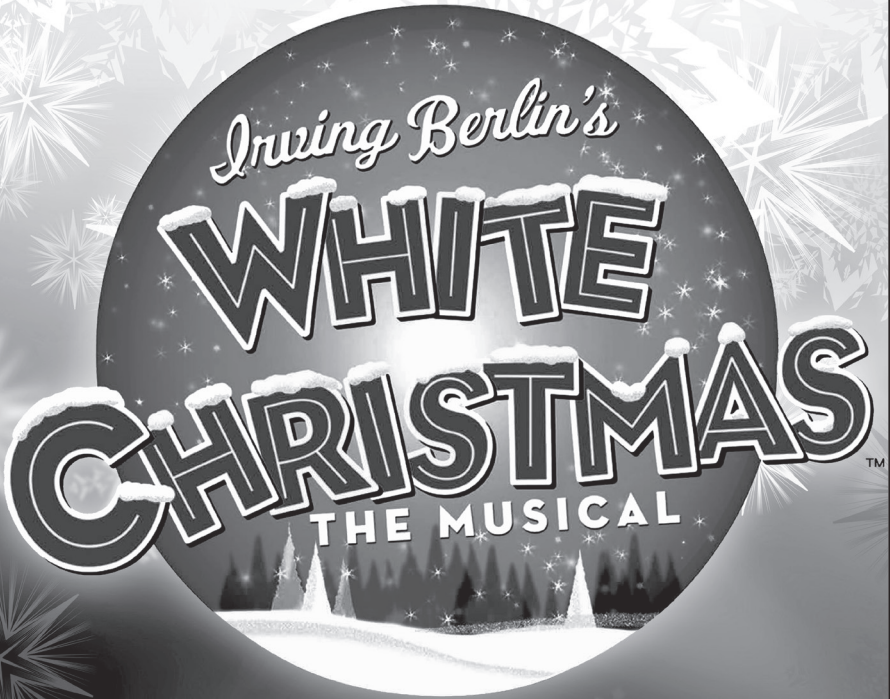
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