

Tuck Everlasting

Based on the novel Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

Book by Claudia Shear and Tim Federle

Music by Chris Miller Lyrics by Nathan Tysen



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Show Description:

Eleven-year-old Winnie Foster yearns for a life of adventure beyond her white picket fence, but not until she becomes unexpectedly entwined with the Tuck Family does she get more than she could have imagined. When Winnie learns of the magic behind the Tuck's unending youth, she must fight to protect their secret from those who would do anything for a chance at eternal life. As her adventure unfolds, Winnie faces an extraordinary choice: return to her life, or continue with the Tucks on their infinite journey.

<u>Act 1</u>

Live Like This: Mae, Winnie, Angus. Jesse, Miles, Woman in the Yellow Suit, Ensemble

Good Girl, Winnie Foster: Winnie, Mothers

Join the Parade: Woman in the Yellow Suit, Fair Musicians

Good G:irl, Winnie Foster (Reprise): Winnie

Top of the World: Jesse, Winnie

Hugo's First Case: Hugo

Story of the Tucks: Mae, Jesse, Miles

My Most Beautiful Day: Mae, Angus, Ensemble

The Attic: Winnie

Partner in Crime: Winnie, Jesse, Ensemble

Seventeen: Jesse, Winnie, Woman in the Yellow Suit, Ensemble

Intermission—15 Minutes

Act 2

Everything's Golden: Woman in the Yellow Suit, Ensemble

Seventeen (Reprise): Winnie

Time: Miles

Time (Reprise): Miles, Mae, Angus, Jesse

Everything's Golden (reprise) Woman in the Yellow Suit

You Can't Trust a Man: Constable Joe, Hugo

The Wheel: Angus, Winnie

Story of the Man in the Yellow Suit: Woman in the Yellow Suit

The Wheel: Angus, Winnie

Everlasting: Winnie

The Story of Winnie Foster: Orchestra

The Wheel (Reprise): Jesse, Emsemble



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The Cast

Winnie Foster.	Faith Smith-Austin
Jesse Tuck	Michael Malone
Miles Tuck	Tyler Rogols
Mae Tuck	Jodi Moriak
Angus Tuck	Michael Gallaugher
Woman in the Yellow Suit	Molly Kuntz
Constable Joe Jackson	Lee Abrams
Hugo Jackson	Luke Lowe
Betsy "Mother" Foster	Colleen Creghan
Nana	Charlisa Anderson

Ensemble

Abby Altizer	Emily Church
Natalie Keller Pariano	Raquel Robson
Gillian Anthony	Henry Church
Elise Lemasters	Madison Toulmin
Ellie Armstrong-Phillips	Shannon Connolly
Phoebe Levitt	Carleigh Traverse
Abigial Bauder	Allison Freed
Lily Malone	Leah VanBuskirk
Soph Bixler	Shana French
Keriann Menz	Kammy Will
Josephine Boyd	Lillie Gorenz
Cori Newland	

The Crew

Director	Brian Palmer
Music Director	Chris Makar
Choreographer	Isabella Audia
Assistant Choreographer	Ashton Brammer
Stage Manager	Jordan Sauer
Assistant Stage Manager	Amy Sparks
Set Designer	Meghan Geraghty
Lighting Designer	Kurt Muller
Light Board Operator	Westley Gorenz
Sound Engineer	Nick Martin
Sound Board Operator	Jaimee Levitt
Props Designer	Jaimee Levitt
Costumer	Samantha Norman
Spot Light Operator	Maddy Katz
WCT Board Rep	Noni Maddrey
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**NOTE: The role of Constable Joe Jackson will be played by Brian Palmer during the 7/28, 7/29, and 7/30 performances



Lee Abrams



Charlisa Anderson



Gillian Anthony



Ellie Armstrong-Phillips



Isabella Audia



Abby Bauder



Soph Bixler



Josephine Boyd



Ashton Brammer



Emily Church



Henry Church



Shannon Connolly



Colleen Creghan



Michael Gallaugher



Lillie Gorenz



West Gorenz



Maddy Katz



Molly Kuntz



Elise Lemasters



Jaimee Levitt



Phoebe Levitt



Luke Lowe



Chris Makar



Lily Malone





Alex Malone



Keriann Menz



Jodi Moriak



Cori Newland



Addison Pearson



Raquel Robson



Faith Smith-Austin



Madison Toulmin



Carleigh Traverse



Leah VanBuskirk



Kammy Will



Shana French



Allison Freed



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Cast & Crew Biographies

In Alphabetical Order

Lee Abrams (Constable Joe Jackson): Lee is excited to be performing for the first time with Worthington Community Theater. His past credits include Mr. Paravicini in The Mousetrap and Jonathan Brewster in Arsenic and Old Lace with Pickerington Community Theater as well as Horace Delacroix in The Lottery and Demipho in Rome is Where the Heart Is with Aethereal Jest Arts Council. Lee would like to thank his family for their support and his dog Indi for not chewing up his scripts!

Charlisa Anderson (Nana): Char is thrilled to be back with WCT having performed in Annie several years ago, and for over a decade in community theatre in Columbus. Favorite roles include; Amanda Wingfield in The Glass Menagerie, Mrs. Haggett in The Late Christopher Bean, Mrs. Banks in Barefoot in the Park, Miss Asquith in The Way of all Fish and Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn in The Music Man. She also dabbles in TV and film. Char thanks Brian for this opportunity and Steve and family for their support.

Gillian Anthony (Ensemble): Gillian Anthony is thrilled to be part of her first Worthington Community Theatre production. Past roles include Officer Ward in Annie Junior [Hilliard Arts Council], Bobby Newsome in Dear Edwina [CATCO/ Contemporary Theatre of Ohio], and the Evil Queen in Snow White, Irene Adler in Sherlock Holmes and Robin Goodfellow in A Midsummer Night's Dream [Dramatic Impact Productions]. Gillian thanks her teachers, directors and all those who've encouraged her "dramatics" and her biggest four-legged fan, Toby.



Ellie Armstrong-Phillips (Ensemble): Ellie is delighted to be a part of her first production with Worthington Community Theatre. You may have seen her as the Young Kangaroo in Thomas Worthington High School's production of Seussical. She will be starting 6th grade at Kilbourne Middle School in the fall. Ellie would like to thank her mom, dad, Mr. Brian, and the many friends, neighbors, and family members who came to the show to support her love of theatre. cast and crew!

Isabella Audia (Choreographer): Isabella Audia (she/her) is a recent graduate from The Ohio State University and now works as a civil engineering by day, and the choreographer for this production by night! This show is her first large choreography project and she has absolutely loved being a part of the show in such a creative way! Some of her recent credits include Ms. Fleming in Heathers [Off the Lake Productions], Tiblyn and co-choreographer in Firebringer [Cyclodrama], and Ms. Meyers in Freaky Friday [Off the Lake Productions]. Isabella would like to thank her family for their continuous support, and Brian for giving her the opportunity to work on this show!

Abby Bauder (Enesemble): Abby Bauder is a freshman at Worthington Christian. This is her fourth show with Worthington, but she has participated in many other productions as well. Her favorite shows have been Matilda (ensemble), Winnie the Pooh KIDS (Pooh), and The Best Christmas Pageant Ever (Imogene). Other than theatre, she enjoys art, music, writing, and golf. She hopes you love the show!

Soph Bixler (Ensemble) Soph is thrilled to be part of the ensemble for this production. This is her third performance with Worthington Community Theater. She is the director of her own drama club (the DSC) and she has directed/acted in the Lion King, Aladdin, and Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. She would like to thank her family for putting up with her comings and goings, and a big thanks to all her friends who came to see this performance!

Josephine P. Boyd (Ensemble): This is the first production that she has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Scab/ensemble in Newsies [CCT],Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer in Crinkles First Christmas [Columbus Parks and Rec], and a Henchman in Robinhood [Columbus Parks and Rec]. She would like to thank her mom,Brian,Isebella, and Chris

Ashton Brammer (Ensemble, Dance Captain): Ashton Brammer is excited to be returning to Worthington Community Theatre for Tuck Everlasting after previously appearing in Bare (Ensemble). She is originally from Ironton, Ohio, and a graduate of The Ohio State University with a BA in English and Theatre. Some of Ashton's recent musical theatre roles include Gallery Player's Something Rotten (Ensemble), Evolution's I'll Take Romance the Musical (Ensemble), and LTOB's Bonnie & Clyde (Stella). She also currently serves as an Actor and Host for the Columbus Dinner Detective, as a Summer Camp Artist Educator for Actors' Theatre of Columbus, and has experience acting in films. She would like to thank her friends, family, and her cat Calcifer for all their support, and in the words of Walt Disney, "All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.

Emily Church (Ensemble): Emily is having a blast doing Tuck with her son, Henry. This is her first production with Worthington Community Theater. She has most recently been seen as Kaitlyn (T-Rex 1) in Triassic Parq, Shemp in Evil Dead the Musical, and Schwoopsie in Firebringer all with Cyclodrama. Emily has also been on stage with Millersport Community Theater, Gallery Players, Pickerington Community Theater and Imagine Productions. Emily would like to thank Brad and Hazel for holding down the fort during rehearsals.

Henry Church (Ensemble): Henry is loving being in his first musical ever with his mom, Emily Church. When not at rehearsals, Henry enjoys playing video games, doing science experiments, and playing with his sister Hazel. Henry thanks the production crew for giving him the chance to be in this show. Enjoy!

Shannon Connolly (Ensemble, U/S Mae Tuck): Shannon is excited to return to the stage after taking a hiatus from acting to begin her career as a therapist. This is her first show with the Worthington Community Theatre. Shannon would like to thank her husband, Matthew, for his support, and acknowledge the encouragement of Allison, a fellow member of the Tuck ensemble, who helped motivate her return to theatre.

Colleen Creghan (Betsy "Mother" Foster): Colleen Creghan is a Columbus-based creator of all things mind, body, and music. She is a graduate of Otterbein University with a minor in dance and has been movin' and groovin' in the Columbus area for over 10 years. She's worked with local theatre groups including Original Productions Theatre (Kate, Skinny) Columbus Children's Theatre (choreographer) and Dublin Jerome High School (choreographer). Colleen aims to blend the freeform and evolving nature of the arts with structure and clarity to build clearer minds and stronger bodies.

Allison Freed (Ensemble): Freed is thrilled to be ending a 9-year hiatus and taking the stage in her debut performance with Worthington Community Theatre in their production of "Tuck Everlasting." Back in her quintessential 'theater kid' days, she performed in several shows throughout her high school career including "Working: The Musical," "The Music Man," and "Almost Maine." In college at Loyola University Chicago, she focused on learning the ins and outs of production through her theater minor. Outside of the classroom she worked at the famed comedy theater, The Second City, along with performing throughout the city with her improv team and the University Chorale. Now you can find her regularly performing at The Nest Theatre or singing with the Clintonville Community Choir when she's not doing her day job working as video and podcast producer.

Shana French (Ensemble, U/S Nana): Shana French was a part of the ensemble in tonight's performance. This is the first production that she has done with Worthington Community Theater. In the past she was the role of Mrs. Myrtle Watson in the Lottery and

Peristrata in Rome is Where the Heart Is. Shana wants to thank her husband, Chris and her vocal coaches Paul LaPrise and Marrett Laney Johnson.

Michael Gallaugher (Angus Tuck): Michael Gallaugher Michael is royally chuffed to return for his 5th WCT production in a role that means so much personally as a husband and father. Some favorite past productions include Bare: A Pop Opera (Priest), Godspell (John the Baptist/Judas), and Dogfight (Lounge Singer). He thanks the creative team, cast and crew for a wonderful summer. He also thanks his friends and family for their love and support. Above all, he thanks God for the joy of theater.

Lillie Gorenz (Ensemble): Lillie started acting at a young age, playing Toto in The Wizard of Oz. Some other favorite roles have been Lamb in Charlotte's Web and Tommy in The Lottery. She is excited to be in her first production with Worthington Community Theater. She thanks her brother, mom, Brian, Jordan, and Jaimee for all of their support.

West Gorenz (Light Board Operator): West served as Light Board Operator [Run Crew] in tonight's performance. This is the first production that he has done with Worthington Community Theater. Past credits include: Run Crew in Addams Family [Westerville South Theatre], Avery in Charlotte's Web [Hilliard Arts Council], and Elf in Uptown Scrooge [Good Medicine]. West would like to thank his mom, Brian, and The Jaimee.

John Groseclose (Spot Light Operator): This is John's first theater production. He is happy to be working with this great group of people. Thank you to Jordan trusting a beginner!

Madeline Katz (Spot Light Operator): Madeline (Maddy) Katz has been doing theater since 3 rd grade! Her favorite shows include: Matilda, Newsies, Rent, hairspray, and Grease. She has taken a bunch of theater classes at The University Of Cincinnati! She has worked with the sound board, lights, and more. Here goal is to make it to Broadway for tech work! She would like to thank her family for all their support and love over the years! Enjoy the shows!

Molly Kuntz (Woman in the Yellow Suit): Molly is beyond excited to debut this quirky gender-bent character with WCT. You may have most recently seen her in Something Rotten (Gallery Players) or Assassins (Imagine Productions) as Ensemble. She is proud of the work this cast has put into the show and would personally like to thank her family and Neil for sharing her enthusiasm. Let's have some fun at the fair!

Elise Lemasters (Young Mae Tuck, Ensemble): Elise will be portraying the roles of Ensemble and Young Mae Tuck in tonight's performance. This is her first show here at Worthington Community Theatre. Some of her past credits include: Marian Paroo in The Music Man Jr., Alice in Alice in Wonderland, and Vanna in No Substitutes. Elise would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers who have supported her. She hopes you enjoy the show as much as she does! @lemasters.usa

Jaimee Levitt (Props Designer, Sound Board Operator):

Jaimee served as props designer Past credits include: Props Designer for Triple Feature [Aethereal Jest], Jerry Finnegan's Sister [Eclipse], and Matilda [Blendon Middle School]. Jaimee would like to thank Phoebe, Brain, Lady, and Menelik!

Phoebe Levitt (Ensemble, U/S Hugo) This is Phoebe's first time preforming with the Worthington Community Theater. Previously Phoebe played Dickie Watson in The Lottery [Aethereal Jest]. Phoebe would like to thank her mom, Brian, Jordan, and Menelik.

Luke Lowe (Hugo): Luke is delighted to portray "Hugo" in his first production with the Worthington Community Theatre. His past experience includes playing the incorrigible Kurt von Trapp in The Sound of Music [Butterfly Guild] and five years of singing with the Columbus Children's Choir. Many thanks and love to Luke's mom, dad, brothers (Jack and Alex), and grandparents (John and Sherry).

Chris Makar (Music Director): Chris served as music director for this production. This is her first production for Worthington Community Theater. During the past 45 years she has been involved as piano accompanist and/or music director in about three per year. She has worked with Gahanna Community Theatre (35 years), Little Theater Off Broadway, Gallery Players, King Avenue Players, Hilliard and Pickerington Community Theater as well as many high school productions. Favorite musicals include Beauty and the Beast, 1776, Joseph and the amazing colored dream coat, Ruthless, Once upon a Mattress, White Christmas, Elf, Children of Eden, Damn Yankees, The Fantastics & especially Tuck Everlasting. She is very thankful for Brian's trust and this amazing cast & crew. "It's a wheel, a circle in motion. Can't stop rowing, growing, changing, then moving on" (from Tuck Everlasting)

Lily B. Malone (Ensemble): Lily will be in the Ensemble in tonight's performance. This is the first production she has ever done. She will be entering 6th grade this fall in Hilliard Schools. She would like to thank her parents and her voice teacher, Phil Wallace. She would also like to thank the entire cast and crew for helping her through her first production.

Michael G. Malone (Jesse Tuck): Michael is in 11th grade at Hilliard Davidson High School and will be portraying the role of Jesse Tuck in tonight's performance. This is the first production that he has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Ensemble in The Marvelous Wonderettes [Hilliard Davidson Theatre], Alcee Arobin in The Awakening [Hilliard Davidson Theatre], and Jonny Warner in Zombie Prom [Hilliard Davidson Theatre]. Michael would like to thank all of his friends, family, and teachers who have supported him along the way.



Alex G. Malone (Ensemble): Alex is in the ensemble and thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this production of Tuck Everlasting. This is their third production through WCT. They portrayed Ralphie Herdman in The Best Christmas Pageant Ever (WCT), Merryweather in A Fairytale Christmas Carol (WCT), and Danica in Once Upon a High School (Hilliard Weaver). Alex would like to thank their voice teacher, Phil Wallace, their family, and the cast, as well as the directors for making this show as enjoyable as it was.

Keriann Menz (Ensemble): Keriann will be a part of the ensemble in tonight's performance. This is the first production she has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Belva in The Lottery [Aethereal Jest Arts Council], Sally Talley in Talley's Folly [Cedarville University], and Featured Dancer in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat [Cedarville University]. Keriann would like to thank God, her husband, Tim, her two daughters, and her friends and family who made all this possible.

Jodi Moriak (Mae Tuck): Jodi is thrilled to be back at WCT this summer. When she's not on stage, she's a real-life mom to the best 3 kids in the world, teaching voice lessons, and music directing around town. Thank you to Brian, Isabella, and Chris for trusting me with this role, to the entire cast for being amazing in every way, and to my Tuck family and Winnie (my student!) for making all our scenes so fun and full of heart. Matty and my children, J, O, and L, thank you for your unending support xoxo. www.jodimoriak.com

Cori Newland (Ensemble): Thank you all for coming and supporting this production! You may have seen my previous performances in A Fairy Tale Christmas Story through Worthington Community Theatre, or possibly Mary Poppins through Liberty Theatre Workshop, The Chicken-Hearted Fox through Drama Kids of North Columbus, or Harlem County through Gallery Players. I love musical productions and may also be found singing for the Columbus Children's Choir. I am entering 7th Grade at liberty Middle School and would like to thank my friends and family for all of the support and this amazing cast!

Brian Palmer (Director): Brian served as the director for tonight's performance. This is the second production that he has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Director for Jerry Finnegan's Sister [Eclipse Theatre Company], Director for Nighthawks [Red Herring Productions], and Director for The Fantasticks [King Avenue Players]. Brian would like to thank Anthony, Sarah, and his family.

Addison M. Pearson (Ensemble): Addison will be performing in the youth ensemble in tonight's performance. This is her second production with Worthington Community Theater. Past credits include Matilda (ensemble), Frozen Jr. (Middle Anna/Snow Chorus), and Lockers (Kristin). Addison would like to thank her mom for all of her support, her vocal and piano teacher Jo Ellen, and all her dance teachers at The Dance Space for their love and encouragement.

Raquel K. Robson (Ensemble): Raquel will be portraying the role of Ensemble in tonight's performance. This is not only her first production with Worthington Community Theatre, but also her first performance of her theater career. Raquel would like to thank Brian Palmer, her director, for giving her this incredible opportunity and being a great example of positivity and her parents, for their unwavering love and support.

Tyler Rogols (Miles Tuck): Tyler is excited for his first show with WCT! He was most recently seen in The Sound of Music (Captain Georg von Trapp), Into the Woods (Wolf/Prince), and The Drowsy Chaperone (Man-in-Chair). When not making art, Tyler works as a psychotherapist at OSU and in private practice. He would like to thank the cast and crew for their incredible support. His performance is dedicated to his sweet grandmother, Eileen Ritenour, and to Gordon Ramey, one of his many beloved fathers.



Faith C. Smith-Austin (Winnie Foster): Faith is elated to be apart of her second Worthington Community Theatre production! Faith is a rising 7th grader at Columbus School for Girls who recently got the acting bug and has had the pleasure of performing in Matilda the Musical (WCT), Cinderella (HAC), The Happy Elf (CCT), Annie (HAC), and School of Rock (CCT). Faith's other interests include art, fashion design, singing and creating with crafts and cooking. Faith hopes to continue acting in the future and is grateful to have found wonderful friends through this production. Break a leg, everyone!

Amy Sparks (Assistant Stage Manager): This is Amy's first time serving as Assistant Stage Manager with WCT. Previously, Amy has been costume designer for WCT [Tarzan and Scrooge] and has been involved in several community productions in the central Ohio area. She is excited for the opportunity to work with her children who are both a part of the production. Amy is grateful to her amazing kids and John for all of their love and support.

Madison L. Toulmin (Ensemble, U/S Woman in Yellow): Madison will be performing as a member of the Ensemble in tonight's performance. This is the very first production the she has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Mary Jane Doe in MURDER CAN BE DEADLY [Capital University], Ensemble in URINETOWN [Capital University], and Tracy Flick in THE ELECTION [Capital University]. Madison would like to thank her husband Andrew and her Capital friends for their unending love and support!

Carleigh A. Traverse (Ensemble, U/S Winnie Foster): Carleigh will be portraying the role of Ensemble in tonight's performance. This is the first production the she has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Lady Lucille in Once Upon A Matress [Worthingway Middle School], Who/Cadet Ensemble in Seussical [Thomas Worthington High School], and The White Rabbit in Alice In Wonderland [Thomas Worthington High School]. Carleigh would like to thank her family, Samantha Norman, and her friend, Rory.

Leah R. VanBuskirk (Ensemble): This is her first production with Worthington Community Theatre, and she is so happy to be a part of it. Past credits include: Ensemble in Fiddler on the Roof [Dublin Coffman High School] and stagehand for Clue [Dublin Coffman High School]. Leah would like to thank her family and friends for all their support.

Kammy Will (Ensemble): Kammy Will is in the ensemble for tonight's performance. This is the second production the she has done with Worthington Community Theatre. Past credits include: Coffee Maker in Saturday Morning Musicals: Beauty & the Beast earlier this year. Kammy would like to thank her Mimi for getting her involved with this theater and making her costume, her family for bringing her to rehearsals and practicing the songs with her, and everyone who showed up to support her tonight. Thank you!



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