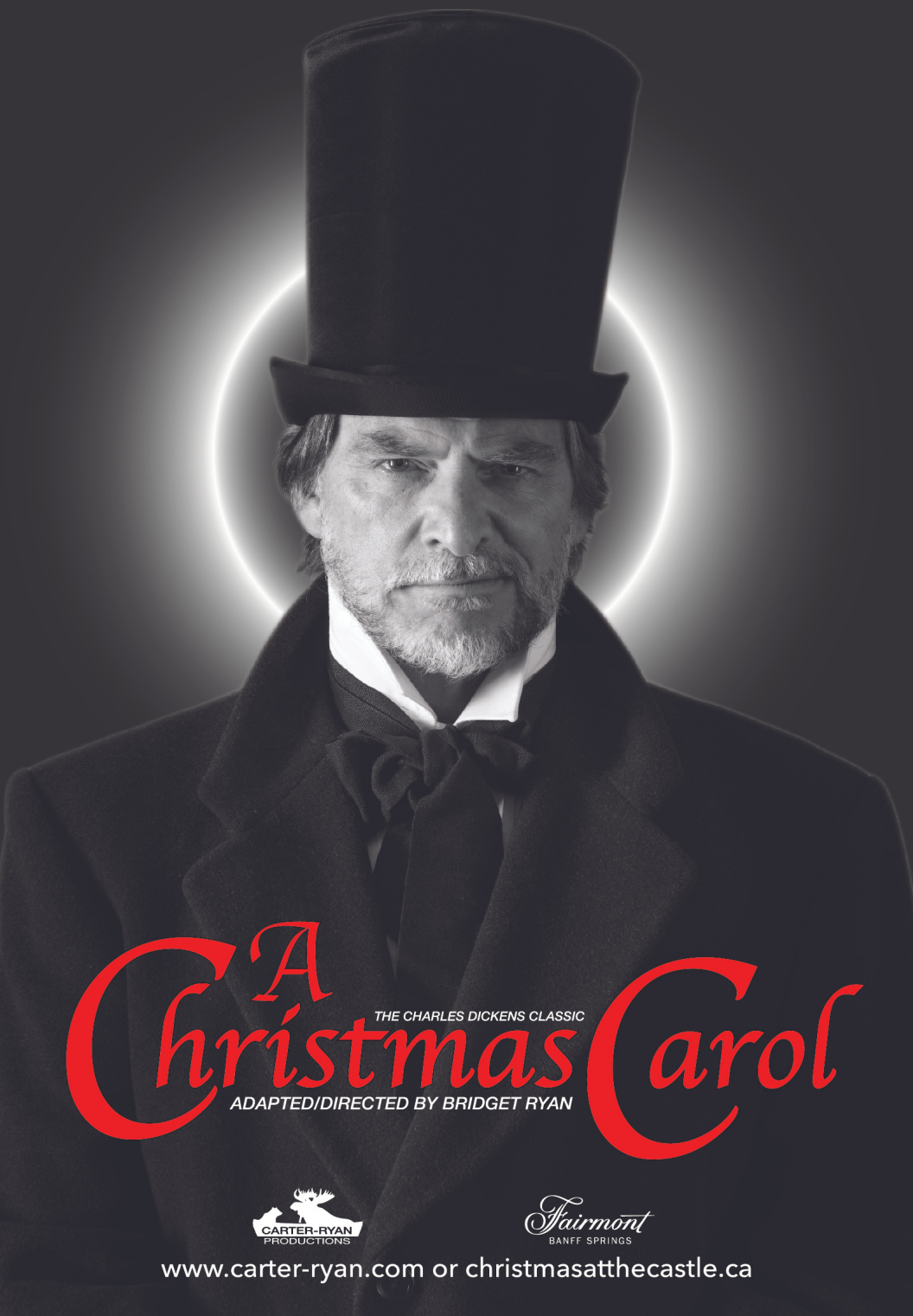


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A Christmas Carol

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A Christmas Carol 2023

Produced by Carter-Ryan Productions

Directed & Adapted by Bridget Ryan

Set Design by Jason Carter

Production Management & Lighting Design
by Scott Peters

Sound Design by Brain Raine

Costume Design & Dialect Coaching by Maralyn Ryan

Musical Direction by Morgan McKee

Stage Management by Roxanne Côté & Lindy Mullen

Carter-Ryan Production Crew:

Paul Bezaire, Thorin Freeman-Peters, Amelia Chan &
Tyler Herman

Company

Paul Cowling *as Scrooge*

Alysse Ernewein

Ben Kuchera

Tyler McClaron

Abigail McDougall

Carter-Ryan Productions is grateful to live, work and
create on the land of the Treaty 7 People - the
Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, Piikani), the
Tsuut'ina, the îyâxe Nakoda Nations (Chiniki, Bearpaw,
Wesley), the Métis Nation (Region 3).

***A WORD FROM
THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR OF
CARTER-RYAN PRODUCTIONS***

I am honoured and excited to share this production in this stunning theatre in truly one of the most beautiful places on earth, I firmly believe that theatre enhances every aspect of life and whether you are from right here in Alberta or from a far away destination, I am so humbled that you have come to take in this production and let it be a part of your experience. Theatre is like family to me, and so I welcome you in to my family and I truly hope you enjoy the show.

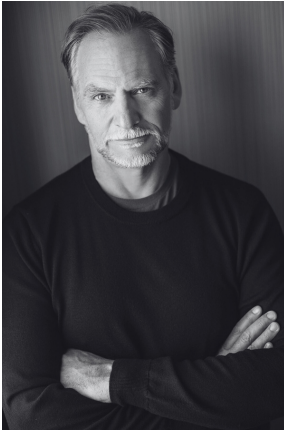
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

- Bridget Ryan



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2023 CAST OF A *CHRISTMAS CAROL***



PAUL COWLING

Scrooge

Paul is once again very happy to be returning to this production of A Christmas Carol. Paul comes from just down the road in Calgary, and has been active in the theatre and tv/film community there for many years.

Previous theatre productions include: Priscilla, Queen Of The Desert – The Musical, The Scarlet Letter, I'll Be Back Before Midnight, among others.

Television and Film credits include: Joe Pickett, Heartland, Arrow, and Events Transpiring Before, During, And After A High School Basketball Game. Thanks SO much for being here, and all the best for this holiday season!!!



ABBY MCDOUGALL

Ensemble

Abby McDougall (she/her) is an Alberta-based actor and graduate of the University of Alberta BFA Acting program. Recent theatre credits include: The Radical Re-Education of Generation Z, Internet Hygiene, and Being AFK (Play The Fool Festival 2023, SkirtsAfire Festival 2023), The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Grindstone Theatre), The Merry Wives of Windsor (Theatre Calgary), Love's Labour's Lost,

She Kills Monsters, Rochdale (Studio Theatre) Puppet Pub Crawl (Found Festival). Abby is also a filmmaker, producing and starring in her own projects. She received the Golden Nose award from the 2021 Play the Fool Film Fest for her film Outtshgh, and the Best in Alberta award the following year for her film EGG (created in collaboration with Dayna Lea Hoffmann). Abby's experience with comedy, clown, and puppetry inspires her to seek opportunities to laugh and play in her work. Her focus above all else is to create honest, inclusive, relatable art that can connect people and invite them to reflect on themselves.



ALYSSE ERNEWEIN

Ensemble

Born and raised in the Bow Valley, Alysse is thrilled to be making her Carter-Ryan Productions debut in her own backyard! Previous theatre credits include: Oz (Meat Loaf) in We Will Rock You (North American Tour & Royal Caribbean Productions); Hope Cladwell in Urinetown, (Stephenville Theatre Festival); Cindy Lou in Marvelous Wonderettes (STF); Carmen Diaz in Fame (Madinat Theatre, Dubai); Cinderella in Cinderella (STF); Footloose (RCPA); Mary in The Life (Call It a Day Productions); As well as other RCCL productions. Alysse is a proud RCPA graduate and is honoured to be back in Alberta performing this vibrant show for you tonight! Love to family and friends, and thank you for your continuous support. Enjoy the show!



BEN KUCHERA

Ensemble

Ben Kuchera (he/him) is an Alberta-based artist and 2022 graduate from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting. Ben is thrilled to return to the Banff Springs Hotel after working with Carter-Ryan Productions on their Haunted Halls Tour in October! Ben co-wrote, produced, and acted in the 2023 Edmonton Fringe Festival debut of Cooley Cat and His Animator by Plastic Elastic Productions. Other select credits include: Romance, Romance (Opera NUOVA); The Games of Love and Chance (Prime Stock Theatre); Love's Labour's Lost, She Kills Monsters, and Rochdale (Studio Theatre).



TYLER MCCLARON

Ensemble

Since his first wobbly-kneed performance singing in his third grade talent show, Tyler has been acting (both up and out) whenever he can. Tyler is extremely privileged to live and work in the Bow Valley where he regularly gets to waggle puppets, play his instruments (guitar/ukulele/fiddle), and facilitate theatre explorations while working with his talented wife, Tangle, in their troupe, Entangled Puppetry. Tyler holds Degrees

in Theatre, English, and Education from the University of Ottawa, but he would always rather hold a puppet. He is thrilled to be joining this joyously talented team for A Christmas Carol. Select Acting Credits include: Loose Knit, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Urinetown: The Musical, Bat Boy: The Musical, Glengarry Glen Ross, and Pippin. Select Directing Credits include: The Emperor's New Clothes, Minotaur, It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, and A Christmas Carol: A Live Radio Play.

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2023 STAGE MANAGEMENT TEAM OF A *CHRISTMAS CAROL***



ROXANNE CÔTÉ

Stage Management

Roxanne Côté is delighted to return to A Christmas Carol after previously stage managing the past four productions! In the past, she has had the pleasure of working with Maggie Tree Theatre, Inside Out Theatre, Thou Art Here, L'UniThéâtre, Good Women Dance Collective, as well as various festival work across the province. Thank you to everyone who has helped piece this magical production together, and to her Stage Management partner in

crime, Lindy! Happy holidays and enjoy the show!



LINDY MULLEN

Stage Management

Lindy (she/her) is an arts administrator & stage manager, based in Canmore as part of the Carter-Ryan Team and 2023/34 Season! Recent production credits include: *The Year of Magical Thinking* (Carter-Ryan Productions), *In My Own Little Corner* (RISER 2023), *Identity* (Creeasian/City of Edmonton), *Re:Construct* (Donkey Dog Theatre), *Lakes & Streams* (Edmonton Fringe/Naheyawin).

Lindy is grateful to work with such a brilliant cast & crew, bringing this holiday classic to audiences from around the world. A huge thank you for attending this show and I hope *A Christmas Carol* becomes a cherished holiday tradition. Merry Christmas!

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**CARTER-RYAN PRODUCTIONS IS PROUD TO INTRODUCE THE
2023 CREATIVE TEAM OF A *CHRISTMAS CAROL***



BRIDGET RYAN

Writer/Director/Producer

Bridget Ryan is an award-winning actor, playwright, director, television host and keynote speaker most recently seen as Little Buttercup with the Edmonton Opera. She is a graduate of MacEwan Theatre Arts program (and in 2009 was awarded Distinguished Alumni) and a graduate from University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music with a BFA in Musical Theatre. Upon completion, she moved to New York City, performing in

several off-Broadway productions before joining Richard Frankel Productions working alongside Richard Frankel, Scott Rudin and Tom Viertel. From 2004 - 2018, Bridget was Host/Producer of CityTV's Breakfast Television and in 2018, Carter-Ryan productions began their first season of live theatre in Banff/Canmore and currently produce live theatre events all year long. She is the Creative Director of In Search Of Christmas Spirit (currently on thru Dec 31 at Cascade Gardens) and co-owns and co-creates at Carter-Ryan Gallery with Jason Carter.



JASON CARTER -

Set Designer/Producer

Jason is a Cree visual artist specializing in contemporary sculpture, paintings, illustrations and public art. A graduate of both NAIT and MacEwan University (Distinguished Alumni). I am excited to see the vision of Carter-Ryan Productions come to fruition in 2022 with Christmas Carol at Fairmont Banff Springs (who by the way have been an amazing partner helping us bring live theatre to the Bow Valley) and In Search of Christmas Spirit

with Banff Lake Louise Tourism and Parks Canada. Since the beginning of Carter-Ryan in 2011 the intention was to create a play space where both Bridget Ryan and myself could be creative and explore the possibilities of live theatre and art. I am beyond proud of the cast and crew, they have worked hard and created some magic in a very short time. You are in for a real treat!



MARALYN RYAN
Costume Designer

Ms. Ryan was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois and received her BA from the University of Dayton in Ohio. Her career began at the Nutmeg Playhouse in Connecticut. The Willoughby School Of Fine Arts in Ohio where she co-founded a theatre and opera company and a children's theatre for child performers. She immigrated to

Canada in 1979 and since has worked at every major theatre in Canada including

the National Arts Centre and The Shaw Festival.



SCOTT PETERS -

Production Manager & Lighting Designer Scott is thrilled to be back working on A Christmas Carol again this year. Scott has been designing Sets, Lights and Sound for theatre for over 30 years. He has worked for Theatre Network, Workshop West Theatre, Guys in Disguise, Northern Light Theatre, Shadow Theatre, Lunchbox Theatre, November Theatre, and many more, with his work being seen from Vancouver to St Johns. Scott is also a production Manager, currently with

Carter-Ryan Productions, and is a founding, and current member of the iconic Alberta Celtic Rock band Captain Tractor. Happy Holidays to all!!



MORGAN MCKEE
Musical Director

Morgan is so pleased to be part of the Christmas Carol! Morgan is a graduate of the Berklee College of Music, and since leaving New England 20 years ago he has been heavily involved in theatre in Alberta, playing for and musical directing shows all over the country. He is also active as a jazz and pop pianist and has performed on stages for Edmonton Jazz fest, Jazz YYC, and the Sylvan Lake jazz fest, to name a few. He is active as a

clinician and teacher in Central Alberta where he resides with his choreographer partner Elisa and his son Rainier. Morgan hopes you enjoy the show!!

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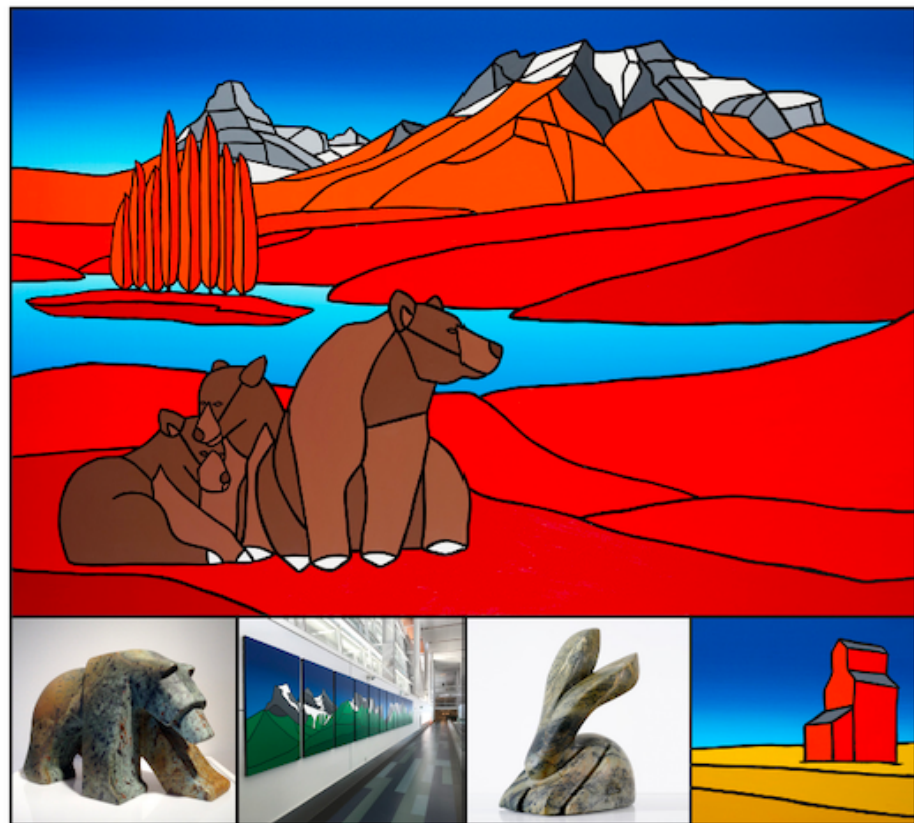
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CHRISTMAS**

-Carter-Ryan Productions