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# A Wunderland HOLIDAY

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Featuring

Will Ryder  Fantasia Bordeaux  Camille Collins
Allysun Wunderland  Goldie Dee  Brenda Newport
Breeze  Macc Onner  Bela D'Ball  Aubrey Ombre
Jennifer Murry-Rodley  Phyllis Feathers  Greg Hammond
BeBe Bliss  Cristofer Coxxx  David Winter  Lady Eww LaLa

Written & Produced by
Friends of George's

Stage Manager
Vanessa Rodley

Lighting
Olivia Johnson

House
Vanessa Rodley
Steve Speed

Set Design
Sandy Kozik
Micah Winter
Mark Campbell

Sound
Ty Phillips

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**Act One**

Sugar and Booze
Christmas Vacation Mix
Let's Make a Bow
Phyllis Navidad
She Used To Be Mine
Santa Bring Me Mix
Baby Jane
All I Want For Christmas

**Act Two**

Sleigh Ride Mix
Gee Whiz It's Christmas
BeBe's Holiday
A Christmas Fable with Goldie
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Betsy's Lost Love
It's About Time
Finale

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*May Their Light Forever Shine. By Richard Montalvo*

# Cast

Will Ryder is the King of the Castle and has been performing for 14 consecutive years now in his hometown of Memphis, Tennessee. He is the host of The Dynasty nights, which is a Drag King troupe in Memphis that he put together in 2016. He has a wide range of performing capabilities. He can make you laugh, cry and want to get up and dance. He is also known for his cool shoes and always being the King of a Bling!!This guy can do it all!! If you see him on a flyer be sure to go check out the show!! He would like to thank Friends of George's for all the love and support over the years and the chance to hit the stage with some of the beloved Queens and Kings of Memphis!

Brenda Newport is excited to be back for her second Friends of George's production. Making her debut with the group in Dragnificant: Gay Ole Opry, she's ready to do it again! Brenda Newport is a drag performer working in Memphis for the last 4 years. She's a bubbly gal with a passion for camp and pop music. She's the addiction you just can't quit and is ready to get you hooked this holiday season!

Sandy Kozik (aka Bela d'Ball) is a retired arts education administrator and sometimes actor. He has performed with Playhouse on the Square, Theatre Memphis, Voices of the South and in another life, he spent ten years touring with the Clyde Beatty/Cole Bros. Circus as a clown. This is his eighth show with Friends of Georges and he loves getting to play with this troupe of zany creative minds.

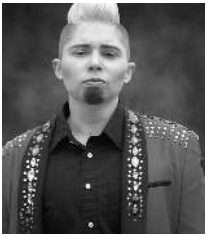
Aubrey Ombre is making her Friends of George's debut with this show! A regular Memphis entertainer, she has been wowing audiences since 2010 and is a former Miss Dru's Place, Mid-South Pride, and she is currently serving as Miss Gay Memphis and was named Entertainer of the Year by Focus Magazine. She loves to perform and give back to the community that has supported her on her journey.

Jennifer Murry-Rodley is a Friends of George's Board member and has volunteered with the organization for over a decade. She usually holds the position of busy stage manager, but after gracing the stage in our last year's Truck Stop performance, she decided to bring a little Hanukkah cheer to the stage this holiday season. She is proud to be raising money for Choices Reproductive Health.

Rick (Phyllis Feathers) is thrilled to be returning to the FOG stage with this talented bunch. Two truths and a lie: Like Gaga and Beyoncé, Rick has also performed in the Super Bowl Half Time show; Rick and Phyllis Diller were best friends (ie, he has her autograph); Rick was the best Dolly. Love this crew. And wishing you all a happy, healthy and harmonious holiday.

Goldie Dee Collins is elated to be at home with family again. An MC and party enthusiast, Goldie recharges her battery in front of an audience, a Tesla at a car show if you will. She'd like to thank her husband and Delta 8 for aiding her through this recent process. Follow her on instagram @missgoldiedee for additional inspiring moments.

Alex Carpenter has been an active member of the Memphis Queer community for 15+ years, making her debut as drag king Macc Onner at Dru's Place in 2011. A proud representative of the Coxxx family, Macc had the *Onner* of serving as Mr. Misster Memphis 2015 and Mister Mid-South Pride 2016. They joined Friends of George's and Cazateatro Bilingual Theatre Group, performing at Evergreen Theatre, TheatreWorks on the Square, and other venues throughout our artful city. They're excited to join the fabulous family cast for another Friends of George's production!



David is a complete fan girl for the Friends of George's gals. There is no greater experience than that of watching them write, choreograph, produce, build sets, and direct these shows. And to top it all off they still make time to talk shit about every gay person in this town. That's really what Christmas is all about.

Lady Eww La La is an up-and-coming new star in her old mind.
You might have seen her performing her one-woman, of limited talent, show at some local late-night dive. But seriously, it's true.
On her off time, as her alter ego, he's an animal lover, equal rights, proud liberal.

Fantasia Bordeaux is a graduate of Christian Brothers University. She is an LGBTQ+ Advocate and has been a Memphis entertainer for over 25 yrs. She is a former Miss Black Continental and Miss Gay Memphis. She believes in giving back to her community, supporting and uplifting her LGBTQ+ brothers and sisters in their journey through life, being a positive role model, and a voice for change.

Allysun Wunderland is a local performer and emcee. She is also currently serving on the board of Friends Of George's and is a member of Pegasus. When she is not on the Evergreen Stage, you can catch Allysun hosting and performing for other non-profit groups including Memphis Pets Alive, Pegasus, and Friends for Life.

Camille Collins is super excited to be returning to the FOG stage. The longtime Memphis entertainer has been involved with FOG since nearly the beginning. She would like to thank her canine children, Lulu and Dexter for their constant love and support during these creative ventures..

Cristofer Coxxx has been serving you the big 10 for 18 years now. He has been apart of FOG since 2014. He would like to thank the community and FOG for the honor to continue his passion of performing arts.

A native Memphian, Breeze has been performing for just over 4 years. She enjoys a diverse style of music and enjoys songs that tell stories and she likes to employ accompanying choreography to capture a full picture. Breeze is growing as a character and performer and is grateful for all the amazing opportunities the community has afforded her. She can't wait for the next show!

Greg Hammond is excited to return to the stage with Friends of George's with this production. Greg previously appeared alongside his husband, Bruce Bui, in Friends of Georges 2021 production of Georges Truck Stop and Drag bar, playing a trucker and the Sheriff. Greg would like to thank the Friends of Georges members for their support and encouragement this past year and their invitation to join them in this production.

Fresh off the riverboat lounge circuit where she was hailed a spasmodic sensation, BeBe is honored to once again grace the halls of the Evergreen. Since being marooned in town due to the evaporating Mississippi, BeBe's fan following has octupled. While she prefers winter solstice over Christmas, BeBe sends her warmest regards. "On with the show, this is it!"

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George's Reunion, held in 2010, brought over 1200 people together to celebrate this iconic Memphis place. In doing so, its organizers decided to forge ahead to continue creating entertaining events and shows.

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