

New Stage Theatre Touring Show: We Shall Not Be Moved: Courage in Mississippi Created by Keith Davis, Tatiana Grace, Jacob Heuer, Ashlyn Pinkerton, Francine Reynolds and Cameron Vipperman Directed by Francine Reynolds and Ashlyn Pinkerton

## The Cast of We Shall Not Be Moved: Courage in Mississippi



KEITH ALLEN DAVIS, JR. (Memphis Norman, Raymond, Medgar Evers, Martin Luther King, Jr., Dave Dennis, Bob Moses) is an actor, writer, musician, and director from Meridian, MS. He recently received his Bachelor of Arts in theatre arts at Alabama State University. During his time at ASU, he has worked on productions such as *Dreamgirls, The Wiz, Tracks, Slammin II*, and *Blues for An Alabama Sky*. He has also written for and co-directed Montgomery, Alabama's performance for the worldwide festival of *The Walk* (Little Amal) in 2023. Since graduating, he was cast as Tim Allgood in *Noises Off* at New Stage Theatre. He hopes to continue to use all the tools he has acquired from Alabama State to propel him successfully into his professional career.



**TATIANA GRACE (Anne Moody)** is thrilled to be a part of the team at New Stage Theatre! Originating from Georgia, she received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in theatre performance at Columbus State University in Columbus, GA. Her favorite past productions include *Three Little Birds* (Cedella), *Into the Woods* (Jack's Mother), and *Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill* (Billie Holiday). She would like to thank her friends, family, and professors who have helped and supported her along the way.



JACOB HEUER (John Salter, President Kennedy, Reverend Ed King) graduated from the University of Mississippi with a BFA in acting for the stage and screen. In college, he starred in several UM Theatre productions, including performing in *Little Shop of Horrors* (Mr. Mushnik), *Into the Woods* (The Baker), *Polaroid Stories* (G/Zeus), *Legally Blonde* (Mr. Callahan), *Boeing Boeing* (Robert), and *Little Women the Musical* (Mr. Laurence). In the summer seasons of 2023 and 2024, he performed professionally in *Oklahoma!* (Ali Hakim) and in *The Music Man* (Oliver Hix) at the Gertrude C. Ford Center for the Performing Arts. Jacob has spent the last year working as an acting intern at the Florida Repertory Theatre in Fort Myers, Florida, and is looking forward to working with a new group of artists at New Stage Theatre.



ASHLYN PINKERTON (Waitress, Mrs. Claiborne, Mrs. Burke, Mrs. Willis, Trotter, Mrs. King) is a 2024 Belhaven University graduate with a B.A. in theatre performance. She was born and raised in Brandon, Mississippi. Her previous performance roles include *A Lovely Sunday for Creve Coeur* (Dorothea) and *Suite Surrender* (Murphy) at Belhaven University. She made her directing debut at Belhaven with her spaghetti western adaptation of *The Marriage Proposal* by Anton Chekhov. Pinkerton is pursuing a career in film acting and directing. She is thrilled to be a part of New Stage's team.



## **The Production Team**

**CAMERON VIPPERMAN (Joan Trumpauer, Linda Jean, Mrs. Rice)** is excited to continue her journey of lifelong learning, creativity, and empathy-building with New Stage Theatre. Originally from Columbia, S.C., she is a graduate of Winthrop University's honors program with a Bachelor of Arts in theatre, concentrating in musical theatre and minoring in education. Some of her favorite performances include *Pippin* (Catherine), *The Wizard of Oz* (Dorothy), *Sweeney Todd* (Johanna), and *Romeo and Juliet* (Montague). She has performed professionally as a Resident Chorus Member in three seasons with Opera Carolina. Some of her long-time passions are choral music, piano, musical theatre, history, songwriting, playwriting, summer camp, reading, and drinking coffee on porches. Some of her newer interests are Shakespeare, theatre for youth, vocal pedagogy, and weightlifting. She is so grateful to get to do what she loves as a profession. Micah 6:8

Artistic Director Education Director Sound Designer/Projections Designer Education Consultant Francine Thomas Reynolds Xerron X Mingo Alberto Meza Betty Wong



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