

## Celebrate Ensemble

Wendi Ayers  
Doug Braun  
Michael Braun  
Julie Dobski  
Michael Gardner III  
Amber Gruenloh  
Kip Hayden  
Tricia Hayden  
John Hermann  
Elaine Hill  
Tom Holbrook  
Todd Johnson  
Ronnie Jones  
Courtney Joyce  
Kim Matlock  
Sara Quah  
Amy Rardin  
Fred Render  
Dixie Reynolds  
Cindy Segobiano  
Mark Segobiano  
Sandra Underwood  
Christie Vellella  
Katie Williams

## Kids Ensemble

Makayla Byerly  
Sofia Chambers  
Armon Gardner  
Emma Groess  
Grace Hayden  
LaDarius Hill  
Piper Long  
Mia Mullenbach



## Orchestra

Violin — Noel Sims  
Viola — Isaiah “Zay” Crews  
Flute — Courtney Joyce  
Flute — Savannah Crews  
Trumpet — Michael Gardner III  
Alto Saxophone — Darius Botley  
Alto Saxophone — Armon Gardner  
African Drum — Myra Johnson  
African Drum — Garry Moore

## Band

Drums — Nelson Scott  
Bass Guitar — Ardis Thompson  
Percussion — Clarence “Curfew” Scott  
Keyboard — Tommy Miles

## Actors

Julie Dobski  
Fred Render  
Armon Gardner  
Amy Rardin  
Sofia Chambers  
Ronnie Jones  
Mia Mullenbach  
Elaine Hill  
Michael Braun  
Doug Braun



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## JULY 3, 2024 • 7:00 pm

*Playwright*

Nancy Steele Brokaw

*Producer*

Marcia Basolo

*Director*

Lori Adams

*Music Director & Sound Design*

Mike Gardner

*Stage Manager*

Cathy Holbrook

*Set Design*

John Stark

*Assistant Stage Manager*

Matt Long

*Assistant Stage Manager*

Nancy Gregg

*Assistant Stage Manager*

Bev Stevens

*Lighting Design*

Dan Cavanaugh

*Children's Coordinator*

Jen Long

*Marketing*

Jonell Kehias

*Sound & Tech*

BCPA Crew

*Costumes*

Marcia Basolo  
Sue Henrichs  
Cathy Holbrook

## A Million Dreams Guest Singers

Joy Baker  
Doretta Herr  
Tom Herr

 **Celebrate America 2024** 

**Trumpet Fanfare** ..... Michael Gardner III  
**Star Spangled Banner** ..... Orchestra

Flag Bearer: Grace Hayden, Signing: Joy Baker

Words by Francis Scott Key, Music by John Stafford Smith, Arr Mike Gardner II

**My Country Tis of Thee** ..... Kids Ensemble &  
 Elaine Hill, John Hermann & Celebrate Ensemble

Words by Samuel F. Smith, Music by Randy Vader  
 Arranged by Camp Kirkland & Jay Rouse

**If I Could Dream** ..... Mark Segobiano  
 & Christie Vellella, Kim Matlock, Cindy Segobiano

Words and Music by W. Earl Brown

**When You Believe** ..... Sofia Chambers & Kids Ensemble

Words and Music by Stephen Schwartz, Arranged by Masa Fukuda

**I Pledge** ..... Company

Words & Music by David T. Clydesdale and Deborah Craig-Claar ; George M Cohan

**Armed Forces Salute** ..... Celebrate Ensemble  
 Announcer: Doug Braun

Flag Bearers: Army E-4 Specialist Jill Baker Lensegrav,  
 Matt Long, Marine Corporal First Class Jack Myers,  
 Air Force Staff Sargent Donnie Pence,

Navy Machinist Mate 2nd Class Petty Officer E5 John Kerz  
 Arranged by Joyce Eilers

**Thank You, Soldiers** ..... Kids Ensemble

Words and Music by Michael & Angela Souders

**Thankful** ..... Kip Hayden, Mike Gardner II - Piano

Words and Music by Josh Groban

**America, the Beautiful** ..... Mia Mullenbach

Words by Katharine Lee Bates, Music by Samuel A. Ward

**Lift Every Voice and Sing** ..... Shirley Boykin  
 Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church Adult Choir, Orchestra, Band

Directed by Mike Gardner II

Lyrics by James Weldon Johnson, Music by J. Rosamond Johnson  
 Arranged by Mike Gardner II, K. Carr

**Fireworks** ..... Christie Vellella & Kids Ensemble

Music & Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens

**Heart** ..... Fred Render, Michael Braun, Doug Braun  
 John Hermann, Michael Gardner III, Mark Segobiano

Ronnie Jones, Kip Hayden, Todd Johnson, Tom Holbrook  
 Music & Lyrics by Richard Adler and Jerry Ross from the musical Damn Yankees

**A Million Dreams** ..... Soloists: Kim Matlock  
 Michael Gardner III, Amber Gruenloh, Mark Segobiano  
 Sara Quah, Kip Hayden, Celebrate Ensemble, Guest Singers  
 Directed by Mike Gardner II

Words and Music by Benj Pasek & Justin Paul, Arranged by Masa Fukuda

**God Bless America** ..... Kim Matlock

Words and Music by Irving Berlin

**Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor** ..... Sandra Underwood  
 & Celebrate Ensemble

Words by Emma Lazarus, Music by Irving Berlin, Arranged by Mark Brymer

**Battle Hymn** ..... Ronnie Jones & Celebrate Ensemble

Words by Julia Ward Howe, Arranged by Mark Hayes

**Let Freedom Ring** ..... Ronnie Jones & Celebrate Ensemble

Words and Music by Dennis Jernigan  
 Arranged by Camp Kirkland

**Celebrate America** ..... Company

Words and Music by Mark A. Brymer  
 Arranged by Camp Kirkland

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