



ANGELS IN THE WINGS

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Saturday, December 21, 2024
3:00 PM and 7:30 PM Performances
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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

I am so grateful to all the people who have come to witness the production that God has placed on my heart. Angels In the Wings came to me 4 years ago while I was asleep. I believe we have many angels that surround us daily and they are there to watch over all of us. This production is focused on the significance of Angels in Mary & Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

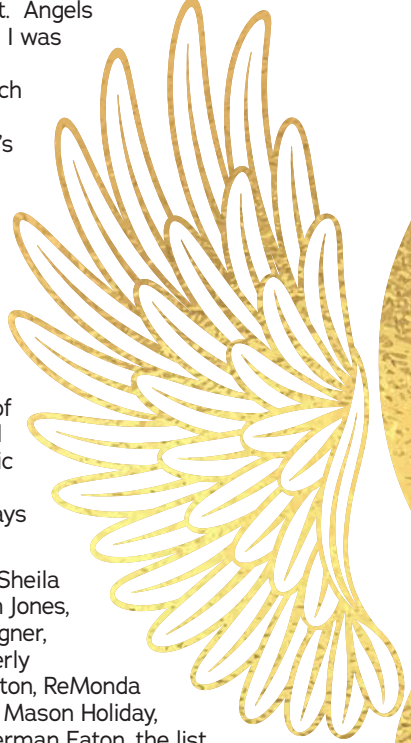
Music is at the heart of Angels in the Wings, with a score that blends gospel, jazz, rap, R&B, and classical elements under the expert musical direction of Carlton Gupton and his CG Experience Band.

This Production could not be done without the love and support of my fantastic team of professionals. Both on the stage and behind the scenes. I want to thank my husband, Eric Whitaker, for his unending support, and my children: Jami & Lewis Vaughn who are always there for me.

My Team was fantastic! Special thanks to Sheila Settles, my administrator along with Sharon Jones, my Wardrobe Director, and Angel Wing designer, Jami Littlejohn. Thanks to TJ Hemphill, Beverly Hannah, Michael Lynch, Sonja Jones, Jo Braxton, ReMonda Sheffield, Sheree Calhoun, Crystal Williams, Mason Holiday, Jim Jenkins of Jenkins Construction, and Sherman Eaton, the list can go on and on....

I Thank God for all the sponsors that have supported Angels in the Wings we really appreciate your support. This year, we stepped out on faith and ventured into the historic GEM Theatre. We are grateful for the positive response from many.

Our Cast brings an exceptional level of talent and emotional nuances, so relax, sit back, and Enjoy the Show!!!



Jacquelyn Vaughn-Whitaker

Writer, Director, and Producer of
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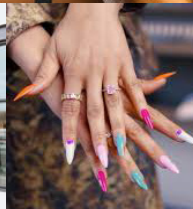
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Her career spans 30 years during which period she has expanded her traditional CPA accounting firm to include personal financial planning. She joined the AICPA Personal Financial Planning division in its inception year in 1984 and began a life-long work in women and financial literacy.

Ramona has been a speaker on financial topics for national organizations, a guest on local television, a published author of her first book entitled Roommates for Retirement and she has served on numerous community and professional boards.



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PROGRAM

SCENE ONE

HEAVENLY ANGELS

ANGELS WATCHING OVER ME

By Re'Monda and David Whitfield II & Whitfield Productions

ANGELS JAM SESSION

Featuring Caleb Merritt ("To God Be the Glory"), Jennifer Pasha ("Alleluia" by Mozart), Sherrie Nunn Berry ("For Every Mountain"), Theresa Megan ("Jehovah Jireh") and Kimmie Horne & Randy Scott ("You Brought the Sunshine")

HALLUEIJAH

David Whitfield II & Whitfield Productions

GO TELL IT

By Carlton T. Jones (M.A.M) & Rap Dancers (Joseph Ballard & Tasia Wilson)

PRESENCE OF THE LORD

Johnyce Jackson

WHO WOULD IMAGINE A KING

Caleb Merritt

HOLY SPIRIT DANCE

Rev. Keeley Lucas

THE GOODNESS OF GOD

Sherrie Nunn Berry

THE PRAYER

Eric Deon and Johnyce Jackson

SCENE TWO

the PROPHECY

SCENE THREE

the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

SCENE FOUR

MIRACLES OF GOD

SCENE FIVE

LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN

————— *Intermission: FIFTEEN MINUTES* —————

SCENE SIX

THE INNKEEPERS' DOORS

DON'T YOU REMEMBER?

Jesse L. Douglas, Jr.

NO ROOM AT THE INN

Rev. Diana Nash

PRAYER

Rev. Michele Morris Sample

DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR

Kimmie Horne & David Whitfield II and Whitfield Productions

MANIFEST

By Eric Deon

HOLY NIGHT

Theresa Megan and Jesse L. Douglas, Jr

MARY DID YOU KNOW

Eric Deon Featuring Special Guest Artist Randy Scott

SILENT NIGHT

MotorTown All-Stars

SCENE SEVEN

SHEPHERD'S KEEP WATCH

SCENE EIGHT

THE NATIVITY

SCENE NINE

THE WISEMEN COMETH
AND GET DOWN

FINALE

ANGELS WATCHING OVER ME

Re'Monda and David Whitfield II & Whitfield Productions

THE CAST



Eric Deon | As Joseph

This smooth-voiced powerhouse vocalist has performed and/or shared the stage with many of Gospel and R&B greats such as Kirk Franklin, Twinkie Clark, The Clark Sisters, Fred Hammond, and more. He has acted on stage with Robin Givens, Jackee' Harry, Clifton Powell, Leon, Sean Blakemore, Darrin Dewett Henson, and 2-time Tony award winner David Whitfield. He's traveled over the highway and hedges, compelling men, and women to come to Christ. This is his 2nd year with Angels In The Wings.



Jodhi Jackson | As Mary

Jodhi started singing at just 2 years old. She began her musical theater journey with Big Stars Youth Theater and has gone on performing on many stages around Michigan and other states. She tours and sings BVGs for many of the gospel greats such as Karen Clark Sheard and more. She is an independent R&B artist using the gifts God gave her to impact hearts everywhere. This is her 2nd Year with Angels In The Wings.



Caleb Merritt | As Gabriel

Caleb Merritt's first genre of music to ever grace his ears was Gospel, as he started singing with his family and church. Later he became an eclectic falling in love with all styles of music, with Gospel, Jazz, and Soul being his three biggest loves. In 2012 he released his first album in which he sang the Gershwin songbook by George and Ira Gershwin. The year 2013 marked his first nomination at the Detroit Black Music Awards for Best Jazz Vocalist of the Year, and for three years consecutively he was nominated. Winning the award in 2015. This is his 3rd year working with Angels In The Wings.



Kimmie Horne | As Gabriella

A renowned international Jazz vocalist performer and the descendant of the late great movie star and Jazz singer Lena Horne and niece to Motown early group the Fantasia Four. Kimmie has won the Cultural Entertainment Showcase in the National Civic League's 2021 All-America City Awards. Kimmie is a Jazz Festival Curator and hosts an annual Jazz Festival in the City of Southfield. When Kimmie Horne takes the stage, there's no doubt you're in the presence of a first-class performer whose unique mix of jazz, pop and rhythm & blues has delighted audiences around the world.

THE CAST



Sherrie Nunn Berry | As Elizabeth

A Detroit native, Sherrie is known for her rousing gospel selections and is one of Detroit's leading Sopranos. A powerhouse singer, she is a member of the legendary Thomas Whitfield Company. "Sherrie" was chosen because of her spirit-filled conviction that touches the heart of the listener.



Carlton Jones | As Rap Angel

Carlton is a talented writer and lyricist who embodies a mix of Michigan and Tennessee roots in his rap and hip-hop music. His company, M.A.M. Music Productions, short for Motivation, Attitude, and Mindset, is founded on his passion of telling his life story in hopes that others find pride and passion in theirs. This is his 2nd year in Angels In The Wings.



Jennifer Pash | As Opera Angel

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Theresa Megan | Angel

This is Theresa Megan's first year with Angels In The Wings. She directs two choirs at Fellowship Chapel. She is a highly sought-after singer who performs in all venues and genres. She sings worldwide, from Germany to the Czech Republic. Theresa Megan will be singing in Cuba in February 2025.

THE CAST



Re'Monda | As Welcoming Angel

Elegant, smooth, rich and soulful are words often used to describe renowned vocalist Re'Monda. At a young age, the Detroit native began her musical journey under the tutelage of Motown's legend; Earl Van Dyke and gospel great Rudolph Hawkins. Re'Monda is a product of rich musical heritage gained by studying and performing with some of the best musical talents both locally and around the country. This is her 3rd year working with Angels In The Wings.



Randy Scott | As Saxophone Angel

A Smooth Jazz musician, record producer, and composer awarded Gold and Multi-platinum records. Chart-topping saxophonist, producer, and educator based in the Detroit Area. Randy is known for his blend of contemporary jazz, gospel and R&B. A three-time winner of Its Showtime at the Applo, he had topped the Billboard's Smooth Jazz Airplay Chart with the title track of his album Elevation. Working with such artist as Kirk Franklin, Tim Bowman Jr., Grover Washington, Jr , Vickie Winans and others, Randy splits his time performing, writing, producing, teaching, and running his production company and recording studio.



Lloyd Jackson | As God

Lloyd Jackson describes himself as "just a regular guy", but most people would probably disagree. He is an ambitious broadcast journalist who attained his personal goal of employment with 760 WJR. This is Lloyd's 3rd year with Angels In The Wing.



MotorTown All-Starts | As The Wisemen

Leon Franklin, Charles Franklin, Antonio Dandridge and Eddie Watson make up the MotorTown All-Stars. They are a collaboration of members from The Contours, The Miracles, Capitols, Temptations and the Dramatics. They are known for performances that contain the unmistakable Motown stamp and a polished show that has set the bar for every vocal artist since the late 50s.

THE CAST



David Whitfield II & “A Band of Angels” | Chorus

David Whitfield is a Gospel Recording Artist and American Music Award winner. The Detroit-based Minister of Music and has been in ministry for over 40 years. His vision and goals are to create an atmosphere where people can come and praise the Lord.



The CG Experience | Music Director

The CG Experience is a jazz fusion band. This band is a collective of professional musicians from different backgrounds who come together to create an unforgettable musical encounter! Experienced genres of music include Jazz, R&B, Inspirational, Gospel, and Soul. This is his 2nd year in Angels In The Wings.



Derf Napier Shockley, III | Horn Blower/Little Shepherd Boy

We celebrate Derf being with us for the past three years in his expanded role. He is a brilliant 8 years old and attends a Montessori School in Oak Park. He is very adventurous and his favorite pastime is Soccer; BMX and Motocross. .. Derf loves Math and one day wishes to be a Scientist.



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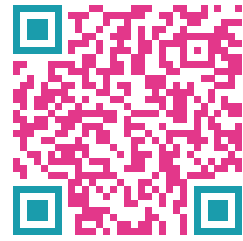
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