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Mary Had A Little Lamb and Also A Substitute Teacher



The Downstairs 66 East 4th Street, NYC, 10003 May 21 - 22, 2022

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Words and Direction by Molly Reisman

Composer / Music Director: Clayton Daniel Briggs

Puppet Design: Amanda Glynn Card

Puppet Construction: Amanda Glynn Card & Jennie Egerdie

Performed by Andrew Jackson Lynch, Rebecca A. Hart, Amanda Glynn Card, Jennie Egerdie

Production Manager: Kylie Briggs

Lights Designed by Federico Restrepo

Suitable For All Ages.

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^{**}The show runs 40 minutes, no intermission**

MOLLY REISMAN (words/direction) (she/her) is an award-winning Canadian lyricist and librettist with a mission is to create sophisticated, engaging musical works that connect audiences of all ages, with a focus on younger audiences. Her work has been performed across Canada, New York and has been translated into French and Chinese. Recent honors include: 2021 THEatre ACCELERATOR: New Realities Edition, WINNER: 2020 New Voices Project Award from NMI & Walt Disney Imagineering, 2020 Playwrights Guild of Canada Musical Award shortlist, WINNER: 2019 Eric H. Weinberger Award for Emerging Librettist, WINNER: 2014 Atlantic Fringe Festival. Molly holds a B.F.A in acting and business entrepreneurship from Ryerson University and an M.F.A from NYU Tisch's Graduate Musical Theater Writing Program. www.mollyreisman.com

CLAYTON DANIEL BRIGGS (composer/music director) (he/him) is an award winning musical theater writer based in Brooklyn, New York. He has been featured Off-Broadway and internationally as both a writer and performer. Recent honors include the New Voices Project Award from NMI/Disney Imagineering and the Catwalk Art Residency. Originally from Fresno, California, Clayton was born into a family of musicians and actors, and he has been performing in musicals for over a decade as both an actor and an instrumentalist. Clayton received his MFA from NYU Tisch's Graduate Musical Theater Writing Program and his BA in Music Theory and Composition from Pepperdine University, where he also studied vocal performance. He is an alumni of the Core Curriculum at New Musicals, Inc.

AMANDA GLYNN CARD (puppet design/puppet builder/puppeteer/ performer) (she/her) is a multidisciplinary theatre artist whose work has appeared at Object Movement's 2021 and 2022 Puppetry Festivals, Teatro SEA's Micro Theater Festival, Dixon Place's Puppet BloK, The Dumb American's Amateur Hour, Music City Puppet Slam (winner of Best Puppet Show in The Nashville Scene's Best of Nashville), Liz Oakley's Anywhere Festival of Everywhere Stages, Great Small Works' Toy Theater Festival, Kindling Arts Festival's Kindling Sparks, Verge Theater Company's Cabaret, and Nasty, Brutish & Short's Puppet Cabaret. She received her MFA in Theatre Arts from Sarah Lawrence College, where she worked as a production assistant and swing puppeteer for Dan Hurlin's Bismarck. She is a recipient of the 2021 Lipkin Prize for Playwriting. Her solo show I May Be Ugly But I'm Also Scared received a development workshop at the O'Neill National Puppetry Conference and a grant from The Puppeteers of America Endowment Fund. Amanda is a Resident Artist with the Object Movement Puppetry Festival at The Center at West Park. www.amandacard.com

JENNIE EGERDIE (puppet builder/puppeteer/performer) (she/they) is a writer, performer, and editor living in Brooklyn. A contributor to McSweeney's, Weekly Humorist, and other publications, she is also the assistant editor of Funny Women, a literary, feminist humor column on The Rumpus. She has been shortlisted for PEN Canada's New Voices award and is the recipient of a Metcalf Grant with Playwrights Guild of Canada. Jennie's first book, Frog and Toad are Doing Their Best, came out in October 2021 and was selected by The Boston Globe as "A book for everyone this holiday season." For more humor and stories, visit www.jennie.fun.

REBECCA ALISON HART (performer/instrumentalist) (she/her) acts and sometimes sings in plays and films, writes and plays songs for her band and also for plays she sometimes acts in; and writes plays that have songs in them - both lyrics and libretto and sometimes music. She once accidentally won a comedy contest in Dublin, Ireland while appearing as musical guest. Born into a theatre family, she has been acting since her first stage appearance at nine months and making music for only a slightly shorter time. She lives, writes, sings, acts, and edits this bio in New York city. She will read your tarot cards.

ANDREW JACKSON LYNCH (performer/instrumentalist) (he/him) is a composer, lyricist, and bookwriter based in New York City. He loves stories more than just about anything else, in all sorts of shapes and sizes, whether for children or adults. (To be honest, he's not entirely sure there's a difference.) In 2018, he graduated with an MFA from the Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program at Tisch School of the Arts, in 2020 he was a participant in the Nautilus Workshop at New Dramatists, and his work has been featured in the Lyricist's Corner on 10glo.com. Performances of his work have included You're Just Going to Call It 'Andrew's Cabaret' Anyway: The Songs of Andrew Jackson Lynch at The Duplex; TedQuest, an 8-Bit Puppet Musical written with collaborator Molly Reisman, as part of the 2017 La MaMa Puppet Slam; and the 980 Bergen Concert Series. Current projects include Babel and Gramercy Park, and Book Report.

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A full program with information on this production can be found on the Mary Had A Little Lamb and Also A Substitute Teacher page of the La MaMa website.

In addition you can scan the QR code Poster located in the theatre lobby for access to the digital program.





Rendering: 74 East 4th St.

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