

The title "Groundlings Royal Wedding" is written in a highly decorative, white, cursive script. The text is set against a dark, ornate background that features intricate, swirling patterns resembling floral or scrollwork designs. The overall aesthetic is classic and theatrical.

# *Groundlings Royal Wedding*

## **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

We, the cast and crew of GROUNDLINGS ROYAL WEDDING, take you, our audience, to have and to hold from show time forward, for laughter and for cheers, in hilarity and in jest, to love and to applaud us until curtain do us part.

And so, with these scenes, we plight thee our troth, although we do not know what that means.

And now, you may kiss the band.

Mazel Tov!

Deanna Oliver

Director, Groundlings Royal Wedding



**Deanna  
Oliver**  
(Director)

Deanna Oliver received LA Weekly's Career Achievement Award for Directing the Groundlings and was awarded the prestigious Peabody Award for outstanding writing, ANIMANIACS. Deanna co-wrote (with Groundlings alum Sherri Stoner) the films CASPER and MY FAVORITE MARTIAN and currently is a free-lance animation writer. She created and directs the critically acclaimed ONE, a completely improvised one-person show, at The Groundlings. Deanna is also the voice of THE BRAVE LITTLE TOASTER.



**Lauren  
Burns**

Lauren comes from San Francisco and New York. She attended NYU and the Stella Adler Conservatory. She is very proficient in mask work. TV credits include WEEDS, MIGHTY MED, GO ON, WHITNEY, and 2 BROKE GIRLS. Film credits include the Coen Brothers film SUBURBICON. She is the co-creator of DAYTIME AT NIGHT and HAPPY HOUR with Lisa Schurga, Ariane Price, and Cheryl Hines. Lauren is also the creator of two attractive children with the freakishly talented cinematographer Brian Burgoyne.



**Tony  
Cavalero**

Tony Cavalero stars as Dewey Finn in the Emmy-nominated TV series, SCHOOL OF ROCK, and worked as a director of the hit series as well. Other credits include MODERN FAMILY, NEW GIRL, LIFE IN PIECES, ANGIE TRIBECA, WHEN WE FIRST MET and THE DUFF. He will next be seen in Ken Marino's comedy DOG DAYS and playing rock icon Ozzy Osbourne in the Netflix's Motley Crue biopic, THE DIRT. He's an Eagle Scout, a Black Belt, and a proud graduate of the Virginia Military Institute. He's crazy in love with his wife, Annie, and their three rescue pups, Lucy, Tippi, and Maggie!



**Michael  
Churven**

Originally from Australia, Michael came to America as part of the Australian wave in the early '00s and is thrilled to be a Main Company member at The Groundlings Theatre. His television credits include MODERN FAMILY and Tru TV's YOU CAN DO BETTER. He has appeared on Australian television in the series BUTTERFLY ISLAND and THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SKIPPY. Theatre credits include the Australian national tour of THE KING AND I and Open Fist Theater's production of DELEARIOUS.



**Matt  
Cook**

Matt can be seen on the CBS Comedy MAN WITH A PLAN. Other TV: CLIPPED, THE COMEBACK, GRACE & FRANKIE, MARON, MOM, 2 BROKE GIRLS, AUSTIN & ALLY, HARRY'S LAW, TRUE BLOOD, and CURB YOUR ENTHUSIASM. Matt is a puppeteer in FAIRY TALE THEATRE: 18 & OVER, which has played in the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Matt received his BA from Rider University. He grew up on the Jersey shore and, although he lived a block and a half from the beach, he spent most of his time indoors playing Sega Genesis. Matt is a member of the Dungeons & Dragons podcast CRIT JUICE and still plays a lot of video games (like a real indoor kid). Matt is thrilled to be a member of The Groundlings Main Company!



**Laurel  
Coppock**

Laurel grew up on the East Coast, went to Colby College in Maine, followed by the Circle in the Square Acting Conservatory in New York City. Before moving to Los Angeles, Laurel studied and performed comedy in Chicago at Second City and ImprovOlympic. She also spent a year performing with Boom Chicago in Amsterdam. She can be seen in the movie CRAZY, STUPID, LOVE and on TV shows including ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT, MODERN FAMILY, THE OFFICE, 2 BROKE GIRLS, HOT IN CLEVELAND, and WORKAHOLICS. Laurel also plays the character "Jan" in a series of Toyota commercials. She is a co-creator of The BreakWomb, a web series on YouTube.



**H Michael  
Croner**

H Michael's credits include WHAT WOULD DIPLO DO?, MARY + JANE, REVIEW, MOM, THE BIG BANG THEORY, WORKAHOLICS, CLIPPED and IDIOTSITTER. He is currently voicing characters on Netflix's F IS FOR FAMILY and Cartoon Network's UNIKITTY and CRAIG OF THE CREEK.



**Allison  
Dunbar**

Allison will appear this fall on STARTUP, a series on Sony's Crackle network. Shockingly, she is playing a drunk. She is also recurring on CRAZY EX GIRLFRIEND as ex wife from hell, Stacey Whitefeather. This summer, she will be back in residency at Harvelle's Santa Monica with Smokeshow burlesque. When she's not performing, Allison is walking her best friend Ernie, or any of the sweet pups at the NKLA shelter. Because of a sketch she performed with Ariane Price last year, Allison's phone number is blocked from calling Maestros, Crustacean, and Craigs.



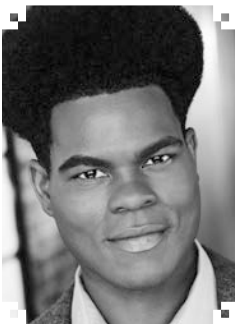
**Josh  
Duvendek**

Josh is thrilled to be a member of the Main Company. His TV and Film credits include MODERN FAMILY, THE MIDDLE, AMERICAN VANDAL, PARKS AND RECREATION, WORKAHOLICS, TEEN WOLF, BONES, CONAN, JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE, GAMESHAKERS, TED, ALLEGIANT: PART 1, and BACKUP BOYFRIEND. Josh is from Santa Barbara and is a graduate of the BFA acting program at USC. Talk to him about dogs or the Dodgers and he will engage for an uncomfortably long time.



**Chris  
Eckert**

Chris performed in the 2017 CBS Sketch Comedy Showcase and is the head writer for the 2018 showcase. Chris Eckert's TV credits include RAISING HOPE (GLAAD Award), SUPER FUN NIGHT, THE COMEBACK, MAD TV, and numerous national commercials. He created the sold out shows 'YOU PAID TO DIE\* TONIGHT' (an LA Weekly top pick) and 'THE GALE' (a night of queer improv) for The Groundlings. Chris got arrested for stealing a Hanson CD when he was 16.



**Julian  
Gant**

Julian Gant is an actor and improviser from Detroit, Michigan with a BA in Radio and Television Production. Equity theater credits include shows at PERFORMANCE NETWORK, WILLIAMSTON THEATER, and THE PURPLE ROSE THEATER COMPANY in Michigan. Film and TV credits include REAL STEEL, LOVE AND HONOR, HOUSE OF LIES (HBO), and KEY AND PEELE (Comedy Central). Julian's recent performances include SUPERIOR DONUTS (CBS), 2017 CBS DIVERSITY SHOWCASE, FAMELESS (TruTV), NOBODIES (TV Land), and SPLITTING UP TOGETHER (ABC).



**Heidi  
Gardner**

Heidi hails from Kansas City, Missouri (Missouri, not Kansas! Sorry if that was aggressive). She likes to think her early character work as an adolescent prank caller prepared her for a life in sketch comedy. She is also an avid sports fan. Go Chiefs! Go Royals! Go Lebron! When she's not watching sports, she's playing with her cats. Go Tweaky! Go Cubby Bear! Go Marshall! She writes and performs on the television show, SUPERMANSION on Sony's Crackle network and Warner Bros. upcoming motion picture LIFE OF THE PARTY. She is the newest cast member on NBC's SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE.



**Ryan  
Gaul**

After growing up on the central coast of Maine, Ryan moved south and attended Stonehill College outside of Boston, MA. Following a brief career as an office supply salesman, Ryan transitioned into acting and performing at Improv Asylum in Boston. From there, Ryan moved to LA and landed guest star roles on numerous television shows, including HOUSE OF LIES, IT'S ALWAYS SUNNY IN PHILADELPHIA, and BAJILLION \$ PROPERTIES. Currently, you can watch Ryan recur on NBC's SUPERSTORE, and as a series regular on TBS's THE LAST O.G. Film credits include FATHER FIGURES, THE HAPPYTIME MURDERS, IDENTITY THIEF, and KILLING GUNTHER.



**Patty  
Guggenheim**

After graduating from Indiana University, Patty moved to LA to intern for a show on Comedy Central. She then got into acting but also finance, as you do. Not! Nobody does that. Don't do that. Things you may have seen her on: NOBODIES, THE MIDDLE, 2 BROKE GIRLS, WEB THERAPY, SPOILS (IFC), BILL NYE THE SCIENCE GUY (Netflix), MTV's MARY+JANE (MTV), TOSH.0, HASHTAGGERS (E!) and the film CASA DE MI PADRE. Things you may have heard her on: MIKE TYSON MYSTERIES and BRICK NOVAX'S DIARY (SUNDANCE Award Winning Short). She wrote and acted on Vh1's BARELY FAMOUS. Things you may see her on in the fuuuuture: LA>VEGAS on FOX and SPLITTING UP TOGETHER on ABC. Her advice? Don't do finance.



**Kiel  
Kennedy**

Kiel is from beautiful Chico, California. He attended the UCLA School of Theater, where he studied and learned a whole lot of the... "craft." But despite a penchant for yelling dramatically, Kiel knew he also must learn how to yell comedically. After a few years spent cutting his comedy teeth in standup, Kiel enrolled in The Groundlings School, and he is extremely proud to call himself a member of the Main Company. Kiel has most recently appeared in NOBODIES and SUPERSTORE. He has written for ROBOT CHICKEN and currently writes for the Emmy nominated show SUPERMANSION.



**Anne  
Lane**

Anne's credits include VEEP (HBO), DICE (Showtime), and Gus Van Sant's upcoming DON'T WORRY, HE WON'T GET FAR ON FOOT. She has been a creative consultant to BILLY ON THE STREET, and she can be found on twitter @AnnieLLane. She also performs at UCB on the house team OUTSIDE DOG every Tuesday night at 10:30 (UCB Sunset).



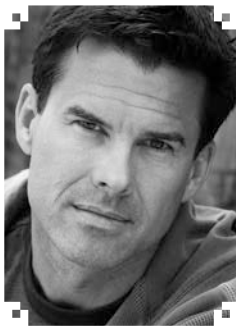
**Andrew  
Leeds**

Andrew is from Florida. He's acted in some television shows (VEEP, SILICON VALLEY, GET SHORTY, MODERN FAMILY, WORKAHOLICS, NOBODIES, BONES, AMERICAN HORROR STORY) and has appeared in the movie, OFFICE CHRISTMAS PARTY. Andrew graduated from Stanford University. He is thrilled to be a part of The Groundlings Main Company.



**Lyric  
Lewis**

Lyric is from New Orleans, LA and you may have seen her on: AP BIO (her super show on NBC- watch it!!!), BASKETS, DRUNK HISTORY seasons 4 and 5, MADTV, THE GAGGLE, BROOKLYN NINE-NINE, GAY SKIT HAPPENS, and all sorts of other fun things! You may have also seen her in the 2015 CBS Diversity Showcase, and she's a dinosaur NUT!



**Laird  
Macintosh**

Laird is originally from Evanston, IL. Laird's most recent Television and Film credits include SHAMELESS, THE MICK, JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE, TOSH.0. Feature Films include MAKING BABIES and XOXO. Twitter: @lairdmacintosh



**Edi  
Patterson**

Edi played Jen Abbott on VICE PRINCIPALS with Danny McBride, and she plays Elizabeth on THE LAST O.G. with Tracy Morgan on TBS. Some other credits include NOBODIES, BLACK-ISH, THE LEAGUE, CURB YOUR ENTHUSIASM, 2 BROKE GIRLS, FX's PARTNERS, guest writing for SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE, and doing various voices for WE BARE BEARS. She is also a member of the Main Company at IMPRO THEATRE which is currently in a residency of full-length improvised plays of different genres at The Broad Stage. U like to look at socials, Mommy? @EdiPattersonHi



**Emily  
Pendergast**

Emily is originally from Youngstown, Ohio and graduated from Ohio University (she has the founding year, 1804, tattooed on her side to prove it). She can be seen on the upcoming season of Netflix's LOVE. Other credits include: YOU CAN DO BETTER, UNREAL, SEARCH BAR, and FUNNY OR DIE. She is over the moon to be a member of the Main Company!! She thanks her dog, husband and family for their support and unconditional love. In that order? Probably.





**Ariane  
Price**

Ariane shares it all on her blog “Tales of a Real Hollywood Mom,” so check it out. You can also buy a book she wrote about her rescue dog called **THE AMAZING NED** on Amazon. Then, if that’s not enough, check out Ariane’s podcast, **STRANGELY ATTRACTIVE**, on iTunes. Ariane’s credits include **PARENTHOOD**, **TROPHY WIFE**, **LOST**, and **MODERN FAMILY**. But none of the above really matters because what you’re about to see is real, live, in-the-flesh theatre where anything can happen, and no two shows are ever the same.



**Lisa  
Schurga**

Lisa is originally from Rockland, Massachusetts where she spent most of her childhood performing roller skating musicals for her neighbors (Neighbors = a bunch of lawn chairs with one neighbor reading the paper while she roller skated.) Credits include: **IDIOTSITTER**, **NOBODIES**, **THIS IS US**, **CLIPPED**, **GAME SHAKERS**, **MIKE TYSON MYSTERIES**, **MODERN FAMILY**, **FRESH OFF THE BOAT**, **BENCHED**, **2 BROKE GIRLS**, **LEGIT**, **INCREDIBLE CREW**, **NEWSREADERS**, & **LEVERAGE**.



**Eliot  
Schwartz**

Eliot Schwartz hails from Atlanta, GA, but has been in LA long enough to know where the best al pastor tacos are. Eliot can be seen on many different platforms including **YOUTUBE RED**, **FULLSCREEN**, **TRU TV**, **FUNNY OR DIE**, **COLLEGE HUMOR**, **NBC**, and **ABC**. He graduated from **UCLA** with a BA in Theater, Film, and Television. Eliot would love to talk to you, so come say hello.



**Annie  
Sertich**

Annie currently plays CJ Cantwell on HBO's SILICON VALLEY, and just appeared in the season finale of GREY'S ANATOMY, and the film ROMAN J. ISREAL ESQ. with Denzel Washington. This Summer, she performed to sold out crowds at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, and will continue her one woman show here in LA. She's been in a bunch of stuff, and has a bunch of stuff going on, so follow her and her bunches of stuff on Instagram at @anniesertich.



**Alex  
Staggs**

Alex recently dazzled America on: GREAT NEWS, LOOSELY EXACTLY NICOLE, THE MAYOR, 2 BROKE GIRLS, THE MIKE TYSON MYSTERIES, MODERN FAMILY, THE MIDDLE, SWEDISH DICKS, and as Davis Holloway on the always hilarious THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS. You can see him anytime in the Golden Globe and Emmy award-winning film RECOUNT on HBO GO. He and bud Eliot Schwartz wrote, directed, and star in the ridiculously devastating one-act comedy play THRUST.



**Greg  
Worswick**

Greg's latest film/TV credits include: AMERICAN HOUSEWIFE, CURB YOUR ENTHUSIASM, SPEECHLESS, NOBODIES, WHY HIM?, SWEET/VICIOUS, COMEDY BANG! BANG!, DICE, LIFE IN PIECES, DRUNK HISTORY, and THE COMEBACK. Greg grew up all the way out in Santa Monica, and graduated from Stanford University with a degree in Creative Writing. Instagram/Twitter: @GregWorswick



Matthew Loren Cohen is a classically trained pianist, who has been music directing for improv/sketch comedy for over 20 years.

**Matthew  
Loren Cohen**  
(Musical Director)



Greg would like to acknowledge Ray Colcord and Gary Austin who gave him this amazing opportunity.

**Greg  
Kanaga**



I love playing music for the theatre goes. Of course it's all about the music. The actors do their best, but the people are there for the band. I wish the money was better, but these theatre organizations are typically cheap...wait, will somebody see this?

Website: [www.larrytreadwell.com](http://www.larrytreadwell.com)

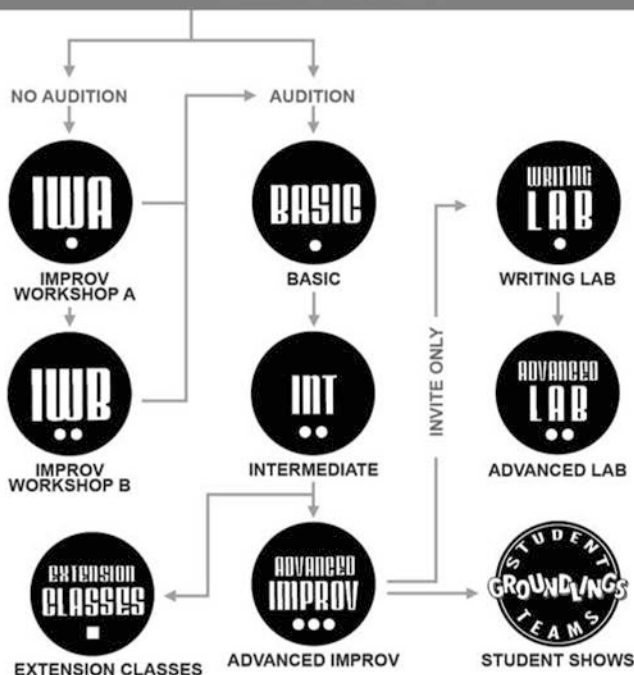
**Larry  
Treadwell**

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