

**South City Theatre**

*Presents*

***Zap Pronto, Jr.***

By Daniel Strickland

**THE CAST**

*In Order of Appearance:*

Advertiser ..... Barrett Alvis  
 Announcer ..... Jesse "JJ" Mishoe  
 Emo ..... Bella Walker  
 Speck ..... Bella Dittenhoefer  
 Dung the Humorless ..... Rez Self  
 Machine/CRAB ..... Lanie Klawitter  
 Princess ..... Caroline Hamlin  
 Advertiser ..... Haniah Edwards  
 Gale Ardent ..... Maggie Alvis  
 Zap Pronto ..... Ju-Ju Carden  
 Mad Scientist ..... Harper Upchurch

**THE CREW**

Director ..... Jess Smyly  
 Assistant Director/Stage Manager ..... Paris Burdick  
 Lights/Sound ..... Lisa Ponder  
 Program Design ..... Donna Stinson Williamson  
 Box Office ..... Donna Stinson Williamson  
 T-shirt Design ..... Terry & Dan Strickland, Delaine Derry Green

**THE SETTING**

**ACT I:**

Planet Pergo, a Baseball field, Mad Scientist's Lab

**ACT II:**

Planet Pergo

Present day. All action takes place in one day.

There will be one 15-minute intermission.

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## BIOS

**Barrett Alvis (Advertiser)** is excited to make his SCT debut. He is in the 4th grade and loves playing video games, watching YouTube, and shooting his sister with nerf guns.

**Maggie Alvis (Gale Ardent)** is thrilled to make her SCT debut. She has dabbled in theatre in the past and has been in shows including *Seussical* and *Peter Pan*. Maggie is in 6th grade and loves to ride horses and cheer.

**Ju-Ju Carden (Zap Pronto)** is so excited to return to the South City stage. They were last seen in *Alice in Wonderland* and *The Lion King, Jr.* JuJu is in 9th grade and in their free time they love to draw.

**Bella Reese Dittenhoefer (Speck)** is excited to make her South City Theatre acting debut in *Zap Pronto, Jr.* She is in 5th grade and was last seen in *The Gospel According to Scrooge* which was produced locally. In her spare time, Bella loves to bake, do arts and crafts or film *A Day in the Life...* movies on her phone.

**Haniah Edwards (Advertiser)** is ready to make her acting debut in this performance of *Zap Pronto Jr.* at South City Theatre. Niah is in 3rd grade and loves playing with her baby sister, watching shows on her iPad, and reading books.

**Caroline Hamlin (Princess)** is so excited to make her acting debut in South City Theater's production of *Zap Pronto Jr.* She is in third grade. In addition to theater, Caroline enjoys gymnastics, painting, hanging out with friends, and hunting with her dad.

**Lanie Klawitter (Machines/CRAB)** has enjoyed acting in her first play at South City Theatre. Lanie is in 8th grade and loves running, reading, and writing.

**Jesse “JJ” Mishoe (Announcer)** is 10 1/2 years old and in the 5th grade. Jesse has loved acting for as long as she can remember, reciting lines from movies and plays through the years. When not at school or theater she spends her time singing, dancing and reading. Jesse is happiest when hanging out with her friends and being at theater class.

**Rez Self (Dung the Humorless)** is excited to be in this production of *Zap Pronto, Jr.* They began acting in second grade, in a production of *Peter Pan, Jr.* and their love of theater has grown ever since. Rez, now in their freshman year of high school, loves drawing and watching movies in their spare time.

**Harper Upchurch (Mad Scientist)** has enjoyed acting in her first South City Theatre show. She is in the 6th grade and loves to draw, call her friends, and play video games.

**Bella Walker (Emo)** is super excited to be a part of the *Zap Pronto, Jr.* cast. She has been acting since Kindergarten and her favorite show she has been in is *Matilda*. Bella is now in 7th grade and loves singing, dancing, and hanging out with friends.

**Paris Burdick (Assistant Director/ Stage Manager)** - This is the first year Paris has been involved with South City Theatre and her first experience as a director! Paris is in her second year at the University of Montevallo where she studies performance and costume design with a minor in deaf studies. Her favorite roles include Audrey in *Little Shop of Horrors* and Junie B. Jones in *Junie B. Jones, The Musical*. When not in class or on stage, Paris is president of the cosplay club on campus and enjoys attending conventions with friends, *The Muppets*, and video games.

**Jess Smyly (Director)** is so excited to return to South City Theatre after all these years. Jess was in a number of children’s workshop performances in the late 2000s including *Seussical, Jr.*, *Cinderella: the Untold Story*, and *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. She was last seen on the SCT stage in *Student Discount* - a musical revue arranged, directed, and acted by Jess and her three best friends. When not at the theatre, Jess is a Pre-K teacher and enjoys hiking and camping, watching movies, and snuggling her kitties: Salem and Jinx.

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## Director’s Notes

I have had a blast directing this year’s Fall kid’s workshop at South City Theatre. My actors have done an amazing job these past few months and we are very excited to see their hard work come to fruition. I grew up acting at South City Theatre and was in my fair share of children’s workshops and main stage productions during my tween and teen years. I was honored when approached by my own former directors, Dianne Daniels and Lisa Ponder, and asked to direct this show. I am blessed to be able to continue the circle of theatre life and pass down all the love I received to new little actors!

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