



Ellen Soraya Nikbakht

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Height: 5'5"
Vocal Range: mezzo-soprano

Regional

FUN HOME	Medium Alison	Lisa Rothe	Kansas City Rep
PETER AND THE STARCATCHER	Molly	Casey Sams	Clarence Brown Theatre
URINETOWN	Little Becky Two-Shoes	Bill Osetek	Clarence Brown Theatre
CANDIDE with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra	Waitress/Ensemble	Calvin MacLean	Clarence Brown Theatre
SOUTH PACIFIC	Ensemble	Terry Silver-Alford	Clarence Brown Theatre
MR. BURNS: A Post Electric Play	Jenny/Itchy	Casey Sams	Clarence Brown Theatre
THE THREEPENNY OPERA	Betty	Calvin MacLean	Clarence Brown Theatre
A CHRISTMAS CAROL	Martha Crachit	Micah-Shane Brewer	Clarence Brown Theatre

Selected Theatre

WALLS: A Play for Palestine	Diaspora Child	David Ratliff	NYC Fringe Festival
THE UNUSUAL TALE of Mary and Joseph's Baby	Mary	Joshua Peterson	River & Rail Theatre Co.
EVERY BRILLIANT THING	Narrator	Amelia Peterson	River & Rail Theatre Co.
THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK	Margot	Irene Crist	Playhouse on the Square
LES MISÉRABLES	Ensemble	Gary John La Rosa	Playhouse on the Square

Production

KING CHARLES III	Director's Assistant	John Sipes	Clarence Brown Theatre
EVERY BRILLIANT THING	Production Manager	Joshua Peterson	River & Rail Theatre Co.

Voice Over

ATLAS OF THE SMOKIES National Park Service

Training

University of Tennessee, Double major: Theatre and Studio Art (B.F.A. Painting & Drawing)

- Acting/Scene Study - Lisa Rothe, Jed Diamond, Carol Mayo-Jenkins, David Alley
- Voice - Katy Wolfe, Dr. Jemmilou Rye
- Dance - Casey Sams, Terry Silver-Alford
- Acting for Film - David Keith, David Brian Alley, Carol Mayo-Jenkins
- Heightened Text - Carol Mayo Jenkins, David Alley
- Improv - Second City workshop (Chicago), Steve Sherman
- Alexander Technique - Jed Diamond
- Clown - Christopher Tramantana
- Directing for the Stage - Kate Buckley

Skills

Painting, drawing, tennis, swimming, singing (mezzo), tight harmonies, acapella, rollerblading, Farsi fundamentals (reading, writing), ear for dialects (Cockney, RP, French, Southern US)