

LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY THEATRE PROGRAM PRESENTS

# NEXT TO NORMAL

**MUSIC BY TOM KITT  
BOOK & LYRICS BY BRIAN YORKEY**

ORIGINAL BROADWAY PRODUCTION  
PRODUCED BY DAVID STONE,  
JAMES L. NEDERLANDER,  
BARBARA WHITMAN, PATRICK CATULLO  
AND SECOND STAGE THEATRE.

## MISSION

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Welcome to Lindenwood University and the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts. Tonight's event is part of our Academic Series, which supports our mission to afford cultural enrichment to the surrounding community. Since 2008, the J. Scheidegger Center has played host to an impressive list of artists, entertainers, and touring productions, including Jay Leno, Willie Nelson, Bernadette Peters, Amy Grant, The Beach Boys, and the national tours of *CATS*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, and *Movin' Out*. Our 2016-2017 season is no exception. From laughs to legends to Broadway, there is something for everyone, and it's all Live at Lindenwood!

## J. SCHEIDEGGER CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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Students who choose Lindenwood University's School of Arts, Media, and Communications have the extraordinary opportunity to study at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts. A living laboratory for the arts, the Center includes two professionally equipped theaters, two art galleries for exhibiting traditional and multimedia artwork, a high-definition television studio, dance studios, music studios, traditional classrooms, costume and scene shops, and multiple computer labs.

## THANK YOU

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Our sincere gratitude to the alumni, friends of Lindenwood, and students who volunteer as ushers for each Main Stage production.

Special thanks to SSM Hospital for their donations.

Thanks to First Baptist Arnold for the use of their drum shield.

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### CAST

Diana ..... Erin Olson

Dan ..... Will Pendergast

Natalie ..... Megan Wiegert and Victoria Rossi\*

Gabe ..... Jacob Wyckstrom

Henry/Chorus Ensemble ..... Jordan Wolk

Dr. Fine/Chorus Ensemble ..... Weston Lundy

Dr. Madden/Chorus Ensemble ..... Darnell Brown

\*All performance will be done by.

### PIT ORCHESTRA

Piano..... Jon Garrett

Drums & Percussion..... Patrick Harris

Bass..... Connor Stinehart

Violin..... Oliver Johnson

Licensing Information: Next to Normal

Music by Tom Kitt | Book & Lyrics by Brian Yorkey

Original Broadway Production Produced by David Stone, James L. Nederlander, Barbara Whitman,  
Patrick Catullo, and Second Stage Theatre.

New York Premiere Produced by Second Stage Theatre, New York, February 2008

Carole Rothman, Artistic Director & Ellen Richard, Executive Director

'Next to Normal' was subsequently produced by Arena Stage in November 2008.

Developed at Village Theatre, Issaquah, WA (Robb Hunt, Executive Producer, Steve Tomkins,  
Executive Director). An earlier version was presented in the 2005 New York Musical Theatre Festival.  
Support for the development of 'Next to Normal' was provided by the Jonathan Larson Foundation.

## PRODUCTION

Director .....	Natalie Turner-Jones
Musical Director/Conductor.....	Jon Garrett
Assistant Musical Director .....	Killion Lewis-Foot
Movement.....	Natalie Turner-Jones
Stage Manager .....	Rachael Baugh
Assistant Stage Manager .....	Grace Tritsch
Technical Director.....	Stuart Hollis
Assistant Technical Director.....	Christopher Phillips
Paint Shop Manager/Prop Coordinator.....	Christopher Speth
Lighting Designer .....	Tim Poertner
Master Electrician and Assistant Lighting Designer .....	Kevin Promsey
Sound Designer .....	Brian Bird
Costume Designer.....	Wes Jenkins
Props Designer .....	Jason Flannery
Program Design .....	Darren Collier
Poster Designers.....	Amanda Laughman & McKinzie Chelberg

## DIRECTOR'S NOTES

"Differences are challenging in a world that relies upon conformity in the mistaken belief that it is the only way to create stability. All differences have the potential to create suffering under these conditions. Often the greatest suffering we experience arises through the denial that a difference exists in the first place. We fear difference because we fear rejection. The potential exists to heal these fears through recognizing the opportunities presented to us daily where acceptance is possible.

The hope we have for this production is that those whose lives are touched by mental illness might be met with empathy and understanding, and that those whose lives have not, may come away with a deeper desire to understand."

— Natalie Turner-Jones, Director

## SCENES & MUSICAL NUMBERS

**SETTING:** Right here; very close to where you live. Time: Now

### ACT I

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"Prelude (Light)" – Orchestra  
"Just Another Day" – Diana, Natalie, Gabe, Dan  
"Everything Else" – Natalie  
"Who's Crazy" / "My Psychopharmacologist and I" – Dan, Doctor Fine, Diana  
"Perfect for You" – Henry, Natalie  
"I Miss the Mountains" – Diana  
"It's Gonna Be Good" – Dan, Natalie, Henry, Diana  
"He's Not Here" – Dan  
"You Don't Know" – Diana  
"I Am the One" – Dan, Gabe, Diana  
"Superboy and the Invisible Girl" – Natalie, Diana, Gabe  
"Doctor Rock" – Doctor Madden  
"I'm Alive" – Gabe  
"Make Up Your Mind" / "Catch Me I'm Falling" – Doctor Madden, Diana, Dan, Natalie, Gabe, Henry  
"I Dreamed a Dance" – Diana, Gabe  
"There's a World" – Gabe  
"I've Been" – Dan, Gabe  
"Didn't I See This Movie??" – Diana  
"A Light in the Dark" – Dan, Diana

### ACT II

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Entr'acte – Orchestra  
"Wish I Were Here" – Diana, Natalie  
"Song of Forgetting" – Dan, Diana, Natalie  
"Hey #1" – Henry, Natalie  
"Seconds and Years" – Doctor Madden, Dan, Diana  
"Better Than Before" – Doctor Madden, Dan, Natalie, Diana  
"Aftershocks" – Gabe  
"Hey #2" – Henry, Natalie  
"You Don't Know" (Reprise) – Diana, Doctor Madden  
"How Could I Ever Forget?" – Diana, Dan  
"It's Gonna Be Good" (Reprise) – Dan, Diana  
"Why Stay?" / "A Promise" – Diana, Natalie, Dan, Henry  
A Promise – Dan, Henry  
"I'm Alive" (Reprise) – Gabe  
"The Break" – Diana  
"Make Up Your Mind" / "Catch Me I'm Falling" (Reprise) – Doctor Madden, Diana, Gabe  
"Maybe (Next to Normal)" – Diana, Natalie  
"Hey #3" / "Perfect for You" (Reprise) – Henry, Natalie  
"So Anyway" – Diana  
"I Am the One" (Reprise) – Dan, Gabe  
"Light" – Diana, Dan, Natalie, Gabe, Henry, Doctor Madden

*Note: There will be a talk back after each performance of Next to Normal.*

## RUNNING & CONSTRUCTION CREWS

Lighting Board Op .....	Nicole Weiss Bueno
Sound Board Op .....	Brian Bird
A2 .....	Kaitlynn Ferris
Deck Crew 1 .....	Tony Elliott
Wardrobe 1 .....	Tim Lewarne
Wardrobe 2 .....	Kristen Ellerman
Wardrobe 3 .....	Valerie Grant
Spot 1 .....	Allison Arana
Spot 2 .....	Miranda Rehm
Spot 3 .....	Collin Boresinko
Spot 4 .....	Marissa Meyers
Stitchers .....	Adam Brewster Emily Friesen Anna Heinold Lindsey Kellen Katherine Mayhew Melanie Scranton
Construction .....	Jenah Bickel Dan Cable Jessica Goddard Jamie Greco Rachael Hollis Wil Spaeth Grace Tritsch Mary Walton Nicole Weiss Bueno
Electrics .....	Megan Girardier Kevin Proemsey Haley Underwood Joel Virtudazo Katie Wilhelm
Sound .....	Kaitlynn Ferris Olivia Long James Schneider Christopher "Scotty" Watson

## PRODUCTION STAFF

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Production Manager .....	Bob Cook
Technical Director .....	Stuart Hollis
Assistant Technical Director .....	Christopher Phillips
Associate Production Manager .....	Stacy A. Blackburn
Audio Director .....	Brian Bird
Paint Shop Manager/Props Coordinator .....	Christopher Speth
Lighting Director .....	Tim Poertner
Assistant Lighting Director .....	David LaRose
Audio Technician .....	Adam Donohue
Costume Shop Manager .....	Louise M. Herman
Assistant Costume Shop Manager .....	Cassie Kay Hoppas
Director of Marketing & Communications .....	Peter Colombatto
Box Office and Patron Services Manager .....	Tony White
Graphic Designer .....	Darren Collier



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