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Ann Harada and More Set for World Premiere of *The New World* at Bucks County



Ann Harada

Stafford Arima will direct the musical comedy in Pennsylvania.

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Bucks County Playhouse has announced complete casting for its new musical comedy, *The New World*, which will begin performances November 7 prior to an official opening November 11 at the New Hope, Pennsylvania, venue.

The roster includes [Ann Harada](#) ([Avenue Q](#)) as Chief Massasoit, Julius Thomas III ([The Scottsboro Boys](#)) as Squanto, Jillian Gottlieb (Theater Under the Stars' [Into the Woods](#)) as Susanna Standish, and Jennifer Perry ([Kinky Boots](#)) as Joan with Ginna Le Vine, [Clyde Alves](#) ([On the Town](#)) as Tago, Eddie Cooper (Encores! [Assassins](#)) as Miles Standish, Ann Sanders ([Frozen](#)) as Mrs. Corn, Rod Singleton (Ogunquit Playhouse's [Ragtime](#)) as Colonel Corn, and Tyler Maynard ([The Little Mermaid](#)) as Carl.

Produced by [Robyn Goodman](#), Alexander Fraser, Stephen Kocis, and Josh Fiedler, the limited engagement will continue through December 2.

The New World has a book by Regina DeCicco and L.F. Turner, music by Gary Adler (*Altar Boyz*), and lyrics by Phoebe Kreutz. [Stafford Arima](#) (*Allegiance*) will direct with choreography by Bucks County Playhouse Artistic Associate Lorin Latarro (*Waitress*).

Adena Ershow, Yael Rizowy, Kiet Tai Cao, Danny Bevins, Brandon Weber, and Annelise Cepero round out the ensemble.

The New World, which is set in 1620, reimagines the myth of the first meeting of the Pilgrims and Native Americans.

“We're thrilled to present this original musical comedy developed for and by Bucks County Playhouse. Our talented creative team has reimagined an important moment in history when love and food brought disparate cultures together and created the great melting pot we call America today,” said Executive Producer Robyn Goodman in a statement.

The production will also feature scenic design by [Anna Louizos](#), costume design by Jen Caprio, wig, hair, and makeup design by J. Jared Janas, lighting design by Kirk Bookman, sound design by Joshua D. Reid, musical direction by Paul Masse, orchestrations by [Danny Troob](#), and dance arrangements by [Sam Davis](#). Casting is by Tara Rubin Casting.

For tickets visit BucksCountyPlayhouse.org, call (215) 862-2121, or go to the box office at 70 South Main Street.



Julius Thomas III