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**TonyNominee Tony Yazbeck Visits Former Cast Member
of On The Town at Bucks County Playhouse**



Tony Yazbeck Visits Clyde Alves on set of The New World at Bucks County Playhouse Photo by Chris Smith

It was a reunion for two of the lead actors from Broadway's *On the Town* when Tony-nominee Tony Yazbeck visited New Hope, PA to see Clyde Alves at Bucks County Playhouse. Alves plays the role of Tago in the world premiere of *The New World*.



Clyde Alves, Tony Yazbeck Photo by Chris Smith

Bucks County Playhouse's production of *The New World* is produced by Robyn Goodman, Alexander Fraser, Stephen Kocis, and Josh Fiedler. *The New World*, which received its first reading at the Playhouse's Oscar Hammerstein Festival in 2014. The book is by Regina DeCicco and L.F. Turner, music by Gary Adler (*Altar Boyz*) and lyrics by Phoebe Kreutz. Stafford Arima (Broadway's *Allegiance*) directs with choreography by Bucks County Playhouse Artistic Associate Lorin Latarro (*Waitress*).



Clyde Ayles, Ann Harada, Tony Yazbeck Photo by Chris Smith

The cast includes a mix of Broadway veterans and newcomers led by Ann Harada (*Avenue Q*, *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella*) as Chief Hyannis, Jillian Gottlieb (*The Golden Bride* Off-Broadway) as Susanna Standish and Jennifer Perry (Broadway's *Kinky Boots*, *Mamma Mia!*) as Joan. Theater and recording star, Justin Guarini, as Santuit. Guarini last appeared at the Playhouse in the new musical "Cake Off" as well as in the theater's acclaimed production of "Company." He is a member of the Playhouse Artists Board of Directors.



Tony Yazbeck with Cast Photo by Chris Smith

The cast also features Ginna Le Vine (*Picnic* Off-Broadway). Le Vine is the grand-niece of Oscar-winning actress Grace Kelly, who made her professional stage debut in 1949 at Bucks County Playhouse, where she was a member of its famed apprentice program. She is joined by Clyde Alves (Broadway's *On the Town*, *Bullets Over Broadway*) as Tago, Eddie Cooper (*Encores Assassins*, *Little Shop of Horrors*) as Miles Standish, Ann Sanders (Disney's *Frozen* and Broadway's *The King and I*) as Mrs. Corn, Rod Singleton as Colonel Corn and Tyler Maynard (Broadway's *The Little Mermaid* and "Altar Boyz" Off-Broadway) as Carl. Adena Ershow, Yael Rizo wy, Kiet Tai Cao, Danny Bevins, Brandon Weber and Annelise Cepero round out the ensemble.



Clyde, Justin and Tony Photo by Chris Smith

The New World is the third of four world premiere productions presented at Bucks County Playhouse this year. The summer season launched in May with the debut of *Clue: On Stage*, *Rock and Roll Man: The Story of Alan Freed* and a new comedy by Gordon Greenberg and Steve Rosen, *Ebenezer Scrooge's Big Playhouse Christmas Show*, which resets Dickens' classic tale *A Christmas Carol* in New Hope.

For complete details, and to purchase tickets, please visit buckscountyplayhouse.org