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Alienne

The Musical Adventures of My Little Martian

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ALIENNE: THE MUSICAL ADVENTURES OF MY LITTLE MARTIAN

premiered at The New York International Fringe Festival on August 9, 2014. The performance was co-directed by Jim Colleran and Joanna Greer and choreographed by Joanna Greer, with sets and lighting by Steve O'Shea, costumes by Megan Turek, and props by Justin Perkins. The Production Stage Manager was Chelsea Parrish. The cast was as follows:

KING NEBULA	Robert Charles Russell
ALIENNE	Jenna Dallacco
COSMINA	Maria Pedro
TIM	Joe Chisholm
SPROCKET	Daniel Moser
EARTHSULA	Tauren Hagans
QUARK	Gerardo Pelati

CHARACTERS

QUEEN/KING NEBULA – Any gender. Ruler of Mars. Imperious, haughty, noble, unyielding.

ALIENNE – Female. Nebula's teenage daughter. Spunky, optimistic, resourceful, brave.

COSMINA – Female. Alienne's best friend. Trendy, hip, astute, no-nonsense.

TIM – Male. Human amateur astronomer. Intelligent, affable, wistful, sincere.

SPROCKET – Any gender. Tim's robot companion. Sarcastic, dry, sesquipedalian.

EARTHSULA – Female. Evil space witch. Wicked, impatient, powerful, fabulous. Quark says she looks like a professional wrestler.

QUARK – Any gender. Earthsula's hench creature. Goofy, content, appealingly dumb. Quark could be anything: A furry pet? A rock-like gnome? A lizard? Doesn't matter, as long as Quark is funny.

MARSHA – Martian narrator

MARLA – Martian narrator

MARGO – Martian narrator

MARTY – Martian narrator

MARLIN – Martian narrator

ENSEMBLE – Martians, Partygoers, Ancestors, and Narrators

In a cast of seven actors, **COSMINA**, **SPROCKET**, **TIM**, and **QUARK** double as **MARTIAN NARRATORS**, and **NEBULA**, **SPROCKET**, **TIM**, and **QUARK** double as **ANCESTORS**.

The role of **NEBULA** is written as a queen singing in an alto range. If a male performer is cast in the role, licensees may feel free to change the pronouns and references to "king," "father," "sir," etc. Tracks and guide vocal recordings in baritenor keys are also available upon request.

SETTING

Mars and Earth.

TIME

The not-too-distant past.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

Scene One: The Prologue

1. Opening Instrumental
2. My Little Martian Martians
- 2a. My Little Martian (Reprise 1) Martians & Ensemble

Scene Two: The Party

3. The Martian Ball Nebula, Martians & Partygoers
- 3a. My Little Martian (Reprise 2) Martians & Ensemble

Scene Three: Alienne's Wish

4. The Earthling Stomp Cosmina & Ancestors
- 4a. My Little Martian (Reprise 3) Cosmina & Ancestors
5. I Wanna Be a Human Alienne

Scene Four: Tim's Wish

6. I Wanna Meet a Martian & Duet Tim & Alienne

Scene Five: The Deal

7. Spell #1 Earthsula
- 7a. My Little Martian (Reprise 4) Martians & Ensemble
- 7b. I Wanna Be a Human (A Cappella) Alienne
8. Space Witch Earthsula, Quark & Ensemble
9. Spell #2 Earthsula
10. Space Witch (Reprise) Earthsula, Quark & Ensemble
- 10a. My Little Martian (Reprise 5) Martians & Ensemble

Scene Six: The Meeting

11. Catch the Moon Alienne, Tim, Martians & Ensemble

Scene Seven: The Reaction

12. Alienne Nebula & Cosmina
13. Spell #3 Earthsula & Quark
- 13a. My Little Martian (Reprise 6) Martians & Ensemble
- 13b. My Little Martian (Reprise 7) Martians & Ensemble
14. The Solar Eclipse, Part 1 Martians & Ensemble
- 14a. The Solar Eclipse, Part 2 Martians & Ensemble

Scene Eight: The Confrontation

- 15. Alienne (Reprise)..... Nebula & Ensemble
- 16. Spell #4 Earthsula
- 16a. Earthsula's End Instrumental
- 17. Finale: Be Who You Are..... Company
- 18. Bows..... Instrumental

Scene One: The Prologue

[MUSIC NO. 01 – OPENING]

(MARTY enters humming, sees audience and reacts with surprise.)

MARTY. Whoa! Hey, Marsha! Marsha the Martian!! Get out here!

MARSHA. *(Entering.)* Okay, okay...what is it, Marty?

MARTY. Check it out: Earthlings!

MARSHA. I can't believe it! We better tell everyone, Marty.
(Calls offstage.) Marnie! Margo! Marlin! You've gotta see this.

MARNIE, MARGO & MARLIN. *(Ad-lib.)* What? What's all the fuss?

MARSHA. Get a look at this... we've got an Earthling audience out here, and they're expecting a Martian extravaganza!

MARNIE. Whoa... an *all*-Earthling audience? I can't believe it. We haven't had one of those in a comet's age!

MARTY. Well, we've got one now, so brush up on your Earth-speak. *(Aside.)* And speak slowly... you know how simple those Earthlings can be.

MARSHA. Now, now...be nice. No one in the universe thinks that way anymore.

MARGO. Maybe not. But there certainly was a time when Earthlings were considered the lowest of the low.

MARLIN. The gutter of the Galaxy.

MARNIE. The yuck of the Universe.

MARSHA. Enough. All that has changed, thank the stars.

MARGO. I do remember one particular story, however...

MARLIN. Back when humans were the “out” in “outer space.”

MARTY. Yes, there was one particular Martian who wanted something more...

MARSHA. Ah, I remember her, too. Little Alienne...

MARTIANS. My little Martian!!

[MUSIC NO. 02 – MY LITTLE MARTIAN]

MY LITTLE MARTIAN,
LONG AGO AND FAR AWAY...
MY LITTLE MARTIAN,
THAT'S THE TALE WE'RE TELLING TODAY!

MARTY. Hey, I have an idea. Audience, you can help us tell our story. Any time someone says, “my little Martian,” you help us sing that theme song.

MARSHA. Great idea! Let's practice once to get it right.

(MARTIANS teach the audience the song and movements.)

MARNIE. And now, it is our pleasure to present...

MARTIANS. *Alienne: The Musical Adventures of...My Little Martian!*

**[MUSIC NO. 02A – MY LITTLE MARTIAN
(REPRISE 1)]**

(ENSEMBLE MARTIANS enter, joining.)

MY LITTLE MARTIAN,
LONG AGO AND FAR AWAY...
MY LITTLE MARTIAN,
THAT'S THE TALE WE'RE TELLING TODAY!

Scene Two: The Party

MARGO. It all began at one of Queen Nebula's Universe-famous parties.

MARLIN. Life forms came from all over just to hang out with the Queen.

MARSHA. And believe us, those

[MUSIC NO. 03 – THE MARTIAN BALL]

space creatures know how to party!

NEBULA.

DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME AT THE GALAXY MALL,
COME ONE, COME ALL, TO THE MARTIAN BALL.
WE'VE GOT PULSAR PUNCH AND SOLAR SNACKS
AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

MARTY.

WITH THE ALL-STAR, SPACED-OUT, BIG-BANG BAND

MARSHA.

AND THE LITTLE DIPPER DANCERS TO LEND A HAND,

MARNIE, MARGO & MARLIN.

WE'LL GIVE THAT DANCE FLOOR QUITE A WAX,

MARTIANS.

AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

NEBULA.

SO, GATHER YOUR SQUAD AND BEAM YOURSELF OVER!
USE A ROCKET, A POD, OR A LUNAR ROVER!

NEBULA, MARTIANS & ENSEMBLE.

WE'LL SING AND DANCE ALL NIGHT AND DAY,
AT THE BIGGEST BASH IN THE MILKY WAY.
WE PROMISE THERE'LL BE NO "MARS ATTACKS"
AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

NEBULA.

HEY, HEY!

COME ONE, COME ALL!

AND BOOGIE WOOGIE
BOOGIE

AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

ALL OTHERS.

HEY, HEY!

COME ONE, COME ALL!

AND BOOGIE WOOGIE
BOOGIE

AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

GROUP 1.

HEY, HEY!

COME ONE, COME ALL!

AND BOOGIE WOOGIE
BOOGIE

AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

GROUP 2.

HEY, HEY!

COME ONE, COME ALL!

AND BOOGIE WOOGIE
BOOGIE

AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

NEBULA. Thank you, everyone, for attending the annual Martian Ball! I am your host, Queen Nebula, and it is my pleasure to welcome our guests from several planets and solar systems. Did anyone fly all the way from Ursa Minor? That's a long trip...your arms must be tired! (*Cracks herself up.*) Now, I hope you didn't come across any Earthlings along the way!

ALL OTHERS. Ooh.

NEBULA. That would certainly spoil a Martian party! Well, my daughter, Alienne, promised me a dance, so let's get back to the festivities!

ALL.

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS IN THE GALAXY,
FROM JUPITER TO MERCURY,

FROM ANY STAR OR MOON OR SUN,
TO THE MARTIAN BALL!

NEBULA.

THERE'S JUST ONE RULE, OF WHICH WE'RE PROUD,

(Spoken in rhythm.)

AND THAT IS:

ALL. *(Spoken in rhythm.)*

NO EARTHLINGS ALLOWED!

(Sung.)

HUMANS AREN'T ANY FUN
AT THE MARTIAN BALL!

MARTY.

WEAR A SPACESUIT OR SHROUD,
SOMETHING YOU LOOK NICE IN.

MARSHA. *(Spoken in rhythm.)*

NICE OUTFIT!

MARTY. *(Spoken in rhythm.)*

THANKS!

NEBULA.

NO EARTHLINGS ALLOWED!

MARTY. *(Spoken in rhythm.)*

NOT EVEN NEIL DEGRASSE TYSON?

NEBULA. *(Spoken in rhythm.)*

NOT EVEN HIM!

ALL.

SO, SING AND DANCE FOR ALL YOU'RE WORTH,
UNLESS YOU COME FROM PLANET EARTH!
BUT OTHERWISE, BRING ANYONE
TO THE MARTIAN BALL!

(ALIENNE exits the party.)

WAIT, THERE'S MORE!

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