

The musical

Words and lyrics by Tom S. Long and Allen Pote

The story of Esther has all the ingredients for a great Hollywood thriller---a beautiful and spirited heroine, a dark-hearted villain, a twisting plot full of danger and intrigue, and a cliffhanger of a climax. And in the midst of this excitement we find a powerful message---the smallest person acting bravely can make an enormous difference, for God has placed us where we are for a reason.

Everyone in the cast has at least one role, often several.

Here are the actors and singers in order of appearance:

Narrator:	Susan Ippersiel
King Ahasuerus:	Scott Patton
Queen Vashti:	Susan Hawke
Haman:	John Osborne
Mordecai:	Danielle Bastien
Advisors:	Bonnie Jennings Sue McKenzie
Head Guard:	David Pryce
Guard:	Leslie McEwen
Harem Keeper:	Marion Golden
Queen Esther:	Elin Thordardottir
Beauty Candidates:	Sue McKenzie Apet Madding Leslie McEwen
Tiara Bearer:	Jane Percy
Record Keeper:	Mary Guynan
Zaresh:	Sue McKenzie
Haman's Friends:	Bonnie Jennings Apet Madding Jane Percy

Songs

1. Crisis in the Palace.

The King finds himself suddenly queenless and sends searchers into all the land to find candidates for a new queen.

2. Beauty Secrets.

Esther, an Israelite, is among the candidates for Queen. The other contestants tease her because she looks so drab.

3. Stand Up.

Mordecai encourages the people of Israel to stand up for their belief in God and not obey Haman's wishes. Haman plots to destroy all the Israelites. Mordecai sends word to Esther that her people are in grave danger and asks her to go to the King at once and beg for mercy.

4. Wings of the Dawn.

Queen Esther sings to God to give her strength to approach the King, though by law she is not allowed to do so. She asks him and Haman to a special banquet during which she will reveal what's on her heart.

5. It Would Take a Miracle.

Haman and his wife, Zaresh, and friends celebrate his being invited to the Queen's banquet and the approaching annihilation of the Israelites. Meanwhile the King decides to reward Mordecai for saving his life once and has Haman lead Mordecai on horseback through the streets of the city.

6. This is the Day.

The time arrives for Queen Esther to reveal her secret, that she is an Israelite, too. She tells the King of Haman's evil plot to kill her people.

7. Chant.

Haman is threatened with death by the King's guards.

8. A Simple Prayer.

The Israelites are saved by Esther's intervention and even Haman repents and joins the cast in singing this simple prayer that all find their place in God.

9. God Is Our God.

The whole cast



Music and Stage DirectionConnie Osborne

Pianist.....David Burrage

Costumes, props, sets, and backstage crew..... Kim Roy

Barbara Costello

Richard Roy

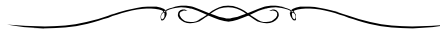
A special "tip of the hat" to Elizabeth Wightman who made
all the hats and headpieces in the show.

Videographer.....Jacob Osborne

Programme.....Colleen Kilkenny

Poster.....David Coffin

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in set up and clean up.*



*It has been a great pleasure to work with the cast
and crew on this production of Malice. A huge thank you to all
who participated in this musical. It takes a lot of people to make a successful performance, and I
couldn't do it without you! Bravo!*

Connie