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The casts of "The Lion King Jr." get ready for their upcoming performances.

Glorietta Elementary School presents its spring musical, Disney's "The Lion King Jr." on May 13 and 14.

Based on the Broadway production directed by Julie Taymor and the 1994 Disney film, "The Lion King Jr." tells the story of the epic adventures of a curious cub named Simba as he struggles to accept the responsibilities of adulthood and his destiny as king. The play features classic songs from the 1994 film such as "Hakuna Matata" and the Academy Award-winning "Can You Feel the Love Tonight," as well as additional songs written for the Broadway production.

The production is directed by music teacher Ron Pickett, with the assistance of parent producers Lani MacKenzie, Susan Jordan, and Kathryn Ishizu. There are two student casts, made up of

approximately 90 students along with a student tech crew. The production is funded through parent contributions, the school's Parents Club, Orinda Arts Council and EFO.

"The Lion King Jr." takes place at Glorietta Elementary School, 15 Martha Rd., at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Friday, May 13 and at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 14. Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances (all reserved seating) will be available in advance online at www.showtix4u.com. Tickets may also be available at the door prior to the show.

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