

A promotional image for the TV series 'The Elephant Princess'. It features a man and a woman in the foreground, looking towards the camera with serious expressions. The man is wearing a grey tank top and the woman is wearing a blue tank top. In the background, there is a large, ornate, green stone carving of an elephant's head. The overall background is a dark green with some faint patterns.

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THE STORY

For 17 year old Alex Wilson life couldn't be better. Having finally mastered being the Princess of a magical kingdom and her real life and schoolwork, Alex finally has everything under control.

So she's moved house, and her sister Zoe is at boarding school. Alex and her best friend Amanda have been accepted into a highly prestigious music program at a new school. With the addition of a great new drummer, Taylor, they're on a fast track to fame and fortune!

As far as guardian elephants are concerned, Anala is as great as they come and remains a loyal magic protector to Alex, and a well kept secret from Alex's parents.

Despite some conflict with Veronica, a rival musician from school – who also happens to be Taylor's ex, Alex is feeling good. Who says you can't have it all?

But things are about to change. Alex's rule of the kingdom of Manjipoor is troubled by the magic return of DIVA. And this time Diva is not alone.





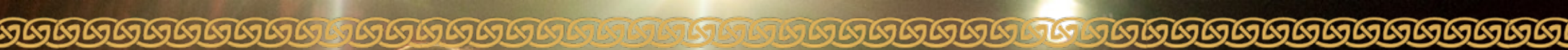
She has recruited the handsome Caleb and his sister Zamira, who are friends of Kuru's from his childhood. Playing on their unfortunate circumstances, Diva enlists Caleb and Zamira to help her uncover the forbidden evil of Dark Magic and overthrow the Princess.

When Caleb and Alex meet, they quickly fall for each other. As their relationship develops, Caleb is torn between his ambitious deal with a dangerous witch and his genuine feelings for Alex as a star crossed love is born. Diva's quest relies on the mysterious Book of INOK which details all the secrets of Dark Magic. But Alex isn't about to just give up it up.

She brings it back to her world, along with Caleb and does her best to protect it. In an attempt to protect those he loves most, Caleb reads The Book and gains Dark Magic powers. In doing so, he gains unrivalled abilities, beginning a process more dangerous than he can handle.

As the threat of Dark Magic grows more powerful, Alex finds her good magic is no match (and is confronted with the reality that Manjipoor is no longer safe).

Alex has to fight and defeat Dark Magic before the barrier between the two worlds is broken. Suddenly the fate of two worlds rests on Alex...



EPISODES



EPISODE 1

Enemies Unleashed

While Alex and Amanda find a new drummer in the real world (Taylor), Kuru runs into trouble from a gang in West Manjipoor. Alex comes to help Kuru and meets his childhood friends, Caleb and Zamira.

When the gang won't leave Kuru alone, he finds himself at the Elephant Temple Ruins, where a strange visual disturbance ignites. Caleb and Alex help Kuru against the gang but when the visual disturbance turns into a black hole, unexplained forces fire up. The black hole starts sucking in anything it can – leaves, dust, even some of the Gang Members!

Alex gestures at the heart of the shimmer and the disturbance disappears. Alex, Caleb and Kuru leave, unaware that the disturbance reappears and has stabilised. Zamira has seen everything and explains to Caleb that these ruins are actually the tomb of Dark Magic. Dark tendrils of smoke emanate from the shimmer and reveal... Diva! What have they done?

EPISODE 2

The New Recruit

Alex, Amanda and Taylor are really coming together as a band, so they put a demo CD together and score the hottest gig in town, at the Canal Club. But Taylor still mixes the sound for his girlfriend's (Veronica) band, and she doesn't like sharing.

After Veronica tries to steal their gig, the club manager decides the bands should battle it out to win the spot. Veronica gives Taylor an ultimatum – if he plays with Alex and Amanda, their relationship is over. Will he choose to play drums in a band and lose his girlfriend, or mix the sound for his girlfriend's band?

Playing on their unfortunate circumstances, their family's chequered history with Dark Magic and her disregard for the Royal Family, Diva recruits Zamira and Caleb into her quest for Dark Magic and revenge on Alex. But Caleb isn't so sure about this.

EPISODE 3

Bad Reputation

When Caleb comes to the Palace looking for work, Alex is glad to see him. Kuru isn't, and assigns him the role of Royal Elephant Washer.

The chemistry between Alex and Caleb is palpable, but Kuru is very suspicious of him. Upon instruction from Diva, Caleb gets Alex out of the Palace and takes her to West Manjipoor where she gets a taste of the other side of her Kingdom.

Meanwhile, Diva raids the Palace in an attempt to get The Book. Alex senses a problem and returns for a showdown with Diva in which Caleb gets injured protecting Alex. Diva flees empty handed but now Caleb is working on the inside. Everything has gone according to her plan.



EPISODE 4

Falling For The Enemy

Alex returns to Manjipoor to check on Caleb, who's still very hurt. Kuru doesn't like her being here with Diva loose but Alex won't leave until she has what Diva's after – The Book.

After magically revealing The Book, Alex takes it and Caleb to the real world for protection. Caleb is brought to the Taylor's Warehouse and although Taylor has questions about where he's come from, he agrees to let Caleb crash.

Once Alex's magic has brought Caleb back to good health they are closer than ever. Caleb kisses Alex and she calls it a heat of the moment thing, but is surprised by the emotions it has stirred up in her.

Between covering for Alex's "weird habits" and dealing with Veronica, Amanda helps Taylor see that he's better off without his ex.



EPISODE 5

Star Crossed Lovers

Even though Caleb is getting better, and is getting along well with Alex, she wants to cool off their relationship and doesn't think he should come to the band's gig.

When Caleb suggests he'll return to Manjipoor, Alex doesn't object and he takes this as a sign that she feels nothing for him.

Caleb begins to read The Book but stops, aware of his choice between this or Alex. Veronica interrupts and brings him to the gig in an attempt to make Taylor jealous. It doesn't work.

However, it does make Alex realise how strongly her feelings for Caleb are. As Kuru and Zamira spend time together, they return to their roots as best friends from West Manjipoor. But is that all they'll ever be?



EPISODE 6

Double Trouble

Desperate to know why Diva wants The Book so badly, Alex plans a trip to Manjipoor but Caleb refuses to let her go without him. So Alex turns Amanda into her double, "Alex". "Alex" looks like the real Alex but inside it is really Amanda, who is tasked with keeping Caleb occupied.

After "Alex" grills Caleb with questions about his relationship history, Caleb figures out who he's really dealing with and decides to have a little fun. But when things go out of hand "Alex" bails, losing track of Caleb.

Meanwhile, Alex seeks answers about The Book from Zamira, who is resentful toward Alex's Royal Family and of little help. Alex and Kuru go to the Elephant Temple Ruins and discover that The Book is linked to the ruins and may contain the ways to control Dark Magic. They must protect The Book so that Diva never gets it.



EPISODE 7

Secret Love

Caleb's place in the real world is distracting Alex from schoolwork and her band, so she decides it's best for Caleb to go back to Manjipoor.

Before he leaves, Caleb secretly reads The Book, but returns empty handed, which infuriates Diva. In an attempt to protect Alex, Caleb goes to the Elephant Temple Ruins and performs a ritual to gain Dark Magic powers which grants him super strength.

Caleb uses his new powers against the local gang, but it isn't until he sees them the next day that he remembers the fight. Caleb begins to wonder if he got more than he bargained for.

Without Caleb, Alex is distracted and struggles to study for her music theory exam. Amanda tries to help Alex focus but realises she belongs with Caleb.

EPISODE 8

Love Your Enemy

For their music assignment, bands must write an original song. When Veronica's group can't write theirs, she steals the recording of Alex's band's song, replaces her vocals for Alex's, and tries to claim it as her own.

The truth is revealed and Veronica faces expulsion as punishment, but in an unexpected turn Alex begs the teacher to give Veronica another chance. Veronica still struggles to write an original song, until Alex puts their rivalry aside and helps her succeed.

In Manjipoor, Caleb practices his Dark Magic, while Diva and Zamira begin to suspect he has feelings for Alex. Zamira tries to get closer to Kuru, in an attempt to get The Book back to Manjipoor and in her reach.

EPISODE 9

The Secret Admirer

Zamira finds out that Caleb has been reading The Book and gaining Dark Magic. Despite the great danger this puts them in if Diva found out, Zamira helps Caleb gain a new power – to jump between worlds.

Caleb uses this power to secretly come to the real world and protect Alex from Todd, a friend of Veronica's who's interested in Alex.

Though Alex is happy when Todd leaves her alone, she's completely unaware of Caleb's dark secret. Now Zamira plays the dangerous game of keeping the truth about Caleb from Diva, at a time when Diva's suspicions are rising.



EPISODE 10

Tangled Web

When Caleb comes to the warehouse in secret to read The Book, Taylor almost catches him. In an attempt to conceal his identity, Caleb transports Taylor to Manjipoor, where Taylor gets lost.

Alex and Amanda are concerned when they can't find him anywhere. But it's not long before Diva captures Taylor, and upon finding out he's a friend of the Alex's, she tries to use him as a bartering chip to get The Book.

Alex goes to Manjipoor, prepared to make the exchange to save Taylor, but before she has to, Caleb discreetly uses his powers to save Taylor. Caleb doesn't reveal his secret to anyone, but Diva is certain someone is using Dark Magic. Back in the real world, Taylor knows Alex's secret! After Caleb loses Taylor he goes to Zamira for help, and though she's frustrated by Caleb using his powers so carelessly, she tries to help Taylor, but only winds up in the middle of Diva's plans.

EPISODE 11

Welcome To My World

Unhappy at spending so much time apart, Alex invites Caleb to live in the real world permanently. Much to Kuru's concern, Caleb accepts the proposal. But Zamira insists on staying in Manjipoor where Caleb can't protect her from Diva.

When Diva threatens Zamira's safety, Caleb uses his Dark Magic and not only reveals his secret to Diva, but that he's not scared of her either.

Caleb can get The Book, and uses this to gain power over Diva and keep Zamira safe. When Alex and Taylor get invited to Veronica's birthday party, Amanda is left off the guest list.

After pretending she doesn't care, Amanda goes to the party as Taylor's guest, but Veronica doesn't make her welcome.

EPISODE 12

Exposed

While Alex gets excited about Caleb coming to live in the real world, he is busy keeping his Dark Magic secret from her. Diva learns that Caleb has fallen for Alex and sends Zamira to tell Kuru about Caleb's secret powers.

Caleb has betrayed Alex and when Kuru confronts him about this, a fight breaks out between the two boys. Seeing Kuru's injuries and hearing his suspicions gives Alex suspicions of her own about Caleb.

Alex lays a plan and catches Caleb with The Book, red-handed. Heartbroken by his betrayal, she sends Caleb back to Manjipoor. They're finished.

Everything went exactly to Diva's plan, Alex is hurt, Caleb has nowhere to go and all that's left is for Caleb to bring them The Book. Kuru now feels he can no longer be Alex's advisor and quits his job.



EPISODE 13

Exiles

When Alex tries to destroy The Book, she finds that it is protected by magic. Unable to convince Caleb to help them, Diva begins a Dark Magic ritual, guided only by what Zamira can remember from reading The Book in the past. It's a success; Diva gains Dark Magic, including the power to jump between worlds, and Kuru sees it all!

While Diva storms the warehouse, seeking The Book, Kuru confronts Zamira, hurt by her betrayal. Kuru learns what Diva's up to and goes to the real world with Caleb to fight. Alex puts up a good fight but her powers are no match for Dark Magic. It is Caleb who stops Diva from killing Alex, but his efforts don't redeem him for his betrayal. Diva returns to Manjipoor with The Book where she and Zamira claim the Palace. With nowhere else to go Caleb stands by Zamira, but he doesn't like this at all. Kuru convinces Alex it's pointless going after Diva without The Book. Alex accepts it for now, but this isn't over.



EPISODE 14

Trouble Comes To Town

Despite Diva's reign of the kingdom, Alex goes to West Manjipoor to visit Kuru. As they can't beat Diva, they try to cut her power off from the source – the vault. But even with magic, Alex can't close it, nor can she convince Kuru to come to the real world with her.

Life in the Palace bores Caleb; he returns to the real world and runs into trouble with Taylor. In a heated moment Caleb uses his powers against Taylor and Veronica sees!

They have a hard time explaining it. When Alex finds out Caleb's around she makes sure he knows that she wants nothing to do with him.



EPISODE 15

Under New Management

Just as the band are looking forward to their gig, Alex, Amanda and Taylor find out the club is closing down and they've lost their only place to play.

Seeing how important it is to Alex, Caleb uses Dark Magic to conjure up money and becomes an investor in the Canal Club.

The band get their gig back! But Alex won't play for him, not when he's using Dark Magic and risks exposing their secrets. Instead, Veronica and her group get the gig they've always wanted and Alex spends some time with a friend in need.



EPISODE 16

Dangerous Secrets

When Caleb uses Dark Magic to give himself incredible guitar skills, Veronica is quick to recruit him for her music.

Once again, Alex is disappointed in Caleb for using Dark Magic publically as he could expose their secret. Caleb apologises and is about to quit Veronica's group, except when Veronica videotaped their rehearsal she recorded footage of Caleb using his Dark Magic to disappear.

She makes it very clear that if he quits on her, everyone will know his secret. Afraid it'll lead back to her, and Manjipoor, Alex helps Caleb out of this mess.

At Veronica's gig, Alex, Caleb, Amanda and Taylor work together to destroy the footage of Caleb disappearing and completely turn the tables on Veronica.

EPISODE 17

Feud

It's Amanda's birthday so Alex and Taylor are planning an awesome surprise party, which leads them to lie to Amanda.

Amanda thinks they've forgotten her birthday until a great surprise which leaves her ecstatic. But the party is crashed by Zamira who has some unsettling news... After too much time spent reading The Book, Zamira is going to call it quits until Diva tells her that Alex's mother killed Zamira and Caleb's mother.

Full of anger at Alex and her Royal family, Zamira goes to the real world to get Caleb. The first person she meets is Veronica, whose suspicions about Caleb are rising. Veronica leads Zamira to Amanda's party. After the new revelation about their mother's death, Zamira expects Caleb to cut all ties with Alex, but he doesn't believe what Diva told Zamira and sides with Alex. Zamira goes home with more anger at Alex and the Royal family than ever.

EPISODE 18

Reinforcements

Zamira comes to a section of The Book that is blocked by the Royal Seal. Unable to get past it without a Royal, Diva plans to force Alex to read it for them.

Diva gives Senq (a West Manjipoor thug) and his gang Dark Magic powers to help her mission in the real world. Veronica is gathering more suspicions about Alex and Caleb and is happy to oblige when Diva arrives, wanting help getting to Alex.

Veronica thought she'd get answers from Diva, but instead gets a dangerous showdown in her backyard.

When Alex refuses to help Diva, Caleb comes to save her but gets hurt in the process. Caleb recovers and it looks like he and Alex are growing closer again.



EPISODE 19

Unmasked

Still unable to make progress reading The Book, Diva sends Senq to bring Kuru to the Palace to see if he can be of use. Upon learning that Kuru is being held against his will, Zamira helps him escape the Palace and Caleb helps him escape Senq.

On a mission to get The Book back before Diva can read any more of it, Alex runs into Zamira and reads the blocked section of The Book. The Book plays a flashback, which reveals the truth that Diva killed Zamira and Caleb's mother.

Diva confirms this and although Zamira will never help her again, it's too late, Alex has unlocked The Book for Diva. Dealing with Veronica's suspicions about Alex and Caleb is becoming a very difficult task, but Amanda and Taylor do their best.

EPISODE 20

A Princess For All

After leaving Diva's fold, Zamira is reluctantly in the real world and still at odds with Alex. Determined to learn the truth about their mothers, Zamira works with Alex, who, with Kuru, uses her magic to observe Zamira's memories.

The truth is that their mothers were good friends who worked together, and Zamira finally stops seeing Alex as the enemy.

When Veronica secretly records a conversation between Amanda and Taylor about Alex's secret, she plans to put everything she knows on the internet. Instead of letting Veronica tell the world, Alex tells Veronica the whole truth, and Veronica has to believe it when she meets Anala!

EPISODE 21

Out Of Control

When Zamira and Kuru return to life in West Manjipoor, Zamira is threatened by Senq and Caleb feels he needs more Dark Magic to protect those he loves.

He begins the ritual to gain more power, but Senq causes Caleb to mess up the ritual, giving him more Dark Magic than he meant and much more than he can handle.

Now that Veronica knows Alex is a Princess, she begins treating her like royalty. After Veronica decides to join Alex's band, Alex decides it's all too much and gives her the Royal direction to go back to the old Veronica... who isn't in their band!



EPISODE 22

Flare Up

Unable to read The Book herself, Diva plans to capture Alex to make Caleb read it. But when Senq is sent to get Alex, he takes Amanda as well.

Caleb and Taylor realise the girls are gone, and rush to Manjipoor to help them. While Taylor helps rescue Amanda, Caleb is helpless. He suffers from visions of a disturbance at the vault of Dark Magic and when he gets these flashes, he loses control.

Diva's plan is foiled when Alex, Amanda and Taylor return home safely, no thanks to Caleb. Realising how worried Taylor was when Amanda was in trouble is just the push those two needed to take their friendship to the next level.



EPISODE 23

Cursed

The end of year music awards are on and it's a big deal when Alex asks Caleb to go with her – he promises not to let her down. But just as he's about to meet Alex he gets transported between worlds against his will and Zamira helps him see that this is the vault of Dark Magic controlling him.

Despite his weakened state, Caleb goes to the Palace, tries to seek answers from The Book (to no success) and barely escapes Diva.

Meanwhile, Alex goes to the awards night alone, her band wins an award but she can't get Caleb off her mind. Then, in an attempt to save Alex from more pain, Caleb tells her he can't see her anymore and he leaves for good.



EPISODE 24

Hunted

Knowing he's dangerous, Caleb goes into hiding and doesn't want to be found. But when Zamira and Kuru tell Alex that Caleb is a victim to the vault, she insists he needs their help.

Caleb uses the last of his strength to protect Alex's friends from Senq, but has lost the power to jump when Diva takes him prisoner. There's no comfort for Caleb, not only has he lost control, but the vault is sucking life out of him as well. So what does Diva want him for?



EPISODE 25

Between The Worlds

Things only get worse for Caleb as Diva takes him to the vault of Dark Magic and breaks into his memories. With Diva out of the Palace Alex, Kuru and Zamira decide to get a look at The Book instead.

Alex takes pictures of The Book on her phone and they go back to the real world where they print the pictures to solve a pictogram puzzle.

Alex and her friends solve the puzzle learning the same thing that Diva learns from Caleb's memories – the vault of Dark Magic is the barrier between the two worlds and returning Dark Magic to the vault will destroy it! Diva is planning to destroy the barrier and with it, the two worlds...

EPISODE 26

Sacrifice

Diva begins returning Caleb's Dark Magic to the vault and Senq arrives in the real world to stop Alex getting in the way of Diva's plan. As Diva sacrifices Caleb to the vault, the barrier begins to break and Alex escapes from Senq to West Manjipoor quicker than ever.

Alex arrives in time to see Caleb disappearing into the vault and Diva smiling in victory. But Alex won't give up. She throws herself into the vault after Caleb and destroys it from the inside.

Caleb and Alex land outside while Diva is sucked back in, where she belongs and never to be seen again...

But Caleb is lifeless. Was Alex too late? Just as Alex kisses him one final time, Caleb returns to life! The Book is safely returned to the Palace, where Kuru and Zamira are together at last, while Alex and Caleb go back to the real world and rock out at another gig.





CHARACTERS

ALEX

For 17 year old Alex Wilson life couldn't be better.

Having finally mastered being the Princess of a magical kingdom and her real life and schoolwork, Alex finally has everything under control. So she's moved house, and her sister Zoe is at boarding school.

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Emily Robins *(The Actor)*

Landing the role of Alex Wilson in THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS was a dream come true for Emily Robins. She was able to combine her two passions, singing and acting, in one show!

Emily was only eight years old when she caught the acting bug. Her first ever role played was as a munchkin in "The Wizard of Oz" at her local theatre. She enjoyed it so much she kept going and her roles only got bigger. She played the leading roles Annie in ANNIE and Wendy in PETER PAN.

When Emily turned sixteen, she was over the moon when she won the role of Claire on the popular New Zealand Soap SHORTLAND STREET. Emily juggled both school work and adjusting to her first television role with success. During Emily's time on the show she was nominated for "New Zealand's favourite Television Personality" and she won "New Zealand's Rising Star".

When the audition for Alex came to New Zealand from Australia, Emily thought it would be too good to be true. After all the fun Emily had filming the series, she still can't believe her luck!

KURU

Kuru is still the best advisor Alex could have – and also one of her best friends. But when Kuru is lured into a trap by his school friend Zamira, he inadvertently helps unleash the ancient force of Dark Magic upon West Manjipoor. While Alex and Kuru battle Diva with the help of Zamira’s brother Caleb, Kuru starts falling for Zamira, not knowing that his affection for her will soon turn sour when he discovers she’s been working for the enemy. Kuru will be in for the fight of his life, both for the kingdom and his heart.

Miles Szanto *(The Actor)*

Miles is a multi-talented young performer who began performing professionally in 1997 at the age of 6 years with the Janice Breen Showgroup in CAROLS IN THE DOMAIN. He has since appeared in THE PREMIER’S CONCERTS 1997 – 2001 and THE AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR CONCERT in 2001.

He made his television debut in 2003 playing the role of Sam Keogh in SNOBS, for which he was nominated for an AFI award for Best New Young Talent. He was a presenter for K-ZONE TV and AM TV in 2004 and for STUDIO DISNEY in 2005. He played the role of Marcus in series two and three of the award winning LOVE MY WAY.

In 2007/08 Miles appeared in the lead role as Kuru in Jonathan M. Shiff’s action/adventure series THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS which has been seen on television screens worldwide and returns to screens for series 2 in 2010.

2009 saw Miles working with award winning director Craig Boreham on two films; DROWNING in which he starred opposite Xavier Samuel (Twilight) and OSTIA, a role for which Miles learnt to speak the Italian language and the film was subsequently pre-selected for the illustrious Cannes Film Festival. In 2010, Miles is honoured to be making his Sydney Theatre Company debut in Polly Stenham’s play TUSK TUSK.



CALEB

Caleb is the series' bad boy – Romeo to Alex's Juliet. He's also Zamira's brother.

He is great looking and tends to charm people with his impressive muscles and slick martial arts moves. Caleb believes in action – not words. He's not a deep thinker. He's physical. Caleb harbours resentment for the poor situation he and his sister are in and is determined to change it. His ambition for wealth leads him to strike his dangerous deal to help Diva. But the more time he spends with Alex the more he genuinely likes her. Initially he accepts the role as a spy in Alex's midst to play his part in Diva's plan. It's not long before he realizes that being with Alex is the first time in his life he has felt like more than a West Manjipoor tough guy.

While staying in the real world with Alex he is constantly tempted to open the Book of Dark Magic and even though Alex trusts him to help her protect it, Caleb's curiosity gets the better of him. Caleb opens the Book, drawing in the first hit of Dark Magic – which both excites and scares him. After which he is a different person, who keeps a dark secret.

By the time he decides he wants to completely be with Alex, free of Diva, it's too late, he has already betrayed Alex by giving Diva the Book, and in doing so, given Diva Dark Magic. Alex wants nothing more to do with him, and though she kicks him back to Manjipoor his feelings for her remain.



Richard Brancatisano *(The Actor)*

Richard Brancatisano is a major Australian musical and acting talent. From a diverse background of musical theatre, film acting and musical performance, Richard has cut his teeth on Australian dramas such as HOME AND AWAY, WHITE COLLAR BLUE and FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR. He reached international recognition for his role Xander in the series , POWER RANGERS.

For THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS SERIES 2, Richard's character Caleb will adopt his musical talents – a testament to his skill and ease in the musical arena.

Richard is enthusiastic about his lead role in one of Australia's leading children's television brands. With music, martial arts and acting alongside one of New Zealand's proven talents, Emily Robins, this is a role he is looking forward to sinking his teeth into!

AMANDA

Amanda is Alex's best friend and is super thrilled when they both move to the Gold Coast to pursue their dreams of becoming a rocking music act. Amanda's first mission – find a drummer for the band. When Taylor comes along, Amanda thinks he's too good to be true. Cute, well dressed, an awesome warehouse to hang in and a good drummer? I don't think so! Amanda is proven wrong and the threesome becomes a tight knit group, scoring a gig at the local music joint, the Canal Club. But Amanda's loyalties are beginning to be torn between keeping Alex's secret and holding Taylor's knowledge at bay. Especially when he could be a potential boyfriend!

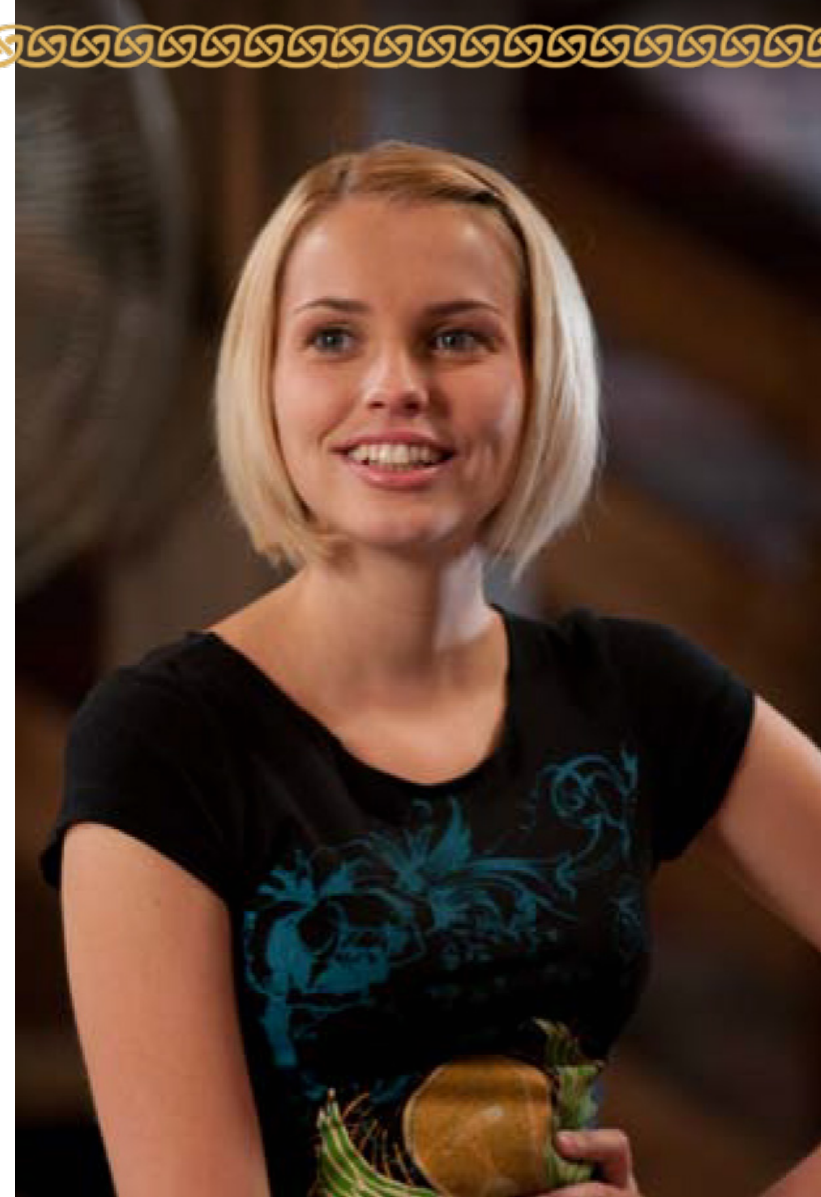
Maddy Tyers *(The Actor)*

Maddy Tyers grew up in Melbourne, Australia always dreaming of a life as a movie star. From being the centre of attention as a toddler she always strived to improve her skills but never imagined that the day would come where she would land herself a dream role.

Maddy has been performing since the age of two, taking several dance and singing classes during her school years, she has had key roles in productions such as FAME, ANNIE, CABARET, MACBETH and ALICE IN WONDERLAND.

Maddy is extremely excited to be playing the co-lead role of "Amanda" in THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS SERIES 2. Filming the first series for 7 months, Maddy enjoyed the company of Emily (Alex), Sebastian (JB), Miles (Kuru) and Liam (Marcus).

Not only has "Amanda" captured her heart but she helped Maddy learn to play guitar and sing lead vocals in a super wicked rock band! Maddy is not only interested in being a star on screen but is planning on a studying Film and Television Production at University in the near future.



ZAMIRA

Zamira is enigmatic and smart – she's been in trouble at the Palace school and was kicked out for trying to read the Book of Dark Magic. She's a thinker. She grew up poor in West Manjipoor and was a childhood friend of Kuru. He stayed in the Palace and prospered – she was expelled. Zamira vowed to herself there and then that she'd get her revenge. She's devoted to secret potions and has a stall in the West Manjipoor market selling them to the locals. She's starryeyed and seduced by Diva's plan to unlock Dark Magic and seize the throne. Zamira loves her brother and wants to protect him. At first he's more ambitious than she is but she soon devotes herself to Diva's cause. Her journey through the series sees her attain Dark Magic – but when she realizes just how dangerous Diva is, and that her brother may not survive his allegiance to the witch, she changes sides, joining with Alex and her gang. Zamira is smart and capable – she's no one's fool.

Georgina Haig *(The Actor)*

Georgina Haig was a student of the prestigious performing arts school, Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts. Since graduating in 2008, Georgina has been snapped up by film and television productions around Australia. Her lead roles in Australian productions ROAD TRAIN and WASTED ON THE YOUNG paved the way for her role in Australian Prime Time drama smash hit, UNDERBELLY 2. Playing Zamira in THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS SERIES 2 represents a change in pace for Georgina; her first teenage television role. With presales in Australia, New Zealand, Germany, France, Italy and the UK, Georgina recognises the show as a great chance to establish her international profile.



TAYLOR

Taylor is a cool cat – he looks like a musician. Great clothes, stylish hair and sunglasses. He’s not a geek. When our story starts Veronica is his girlfriend – he’s smart enough to know she can be vacuous and a bit selfish – but he also knows that never stopped anyone getting ahead in the music business. Taylor is passionate about music – he’s a great drummer who has taught himself to play, engineer and record music and his ambition is to become a music producer. He’s warm-hearted and quickly becomes devoted to Amanda. He can be tongue-tied when it comes to love – but not when it comes to music. Taylor is handsome without being a Calvin Klein model – and he’s not rich.

Eka Darville *(The Actor)*

Brought up in Northern New South Wales, Eka Darville is a multiskilled performer. Having to choose between a life in acting, music, university and even politics early on, Eka’s passion and enthusiasm drew him into whatever challenged him most at the time. Acting was a natural choice for Darville; a nuanced and natural performer, he has had varied roles in productions such as POWER RANGERS R.P.M., SPARTACUS and NIM’S ISLAND.

An accomplished African and classical drummer and with a talent for mixing sound, Eka has also forged a name for himself on the international DJ scene and has played in shows all around Australia, Europe and America. Eka is looking forward to his role in THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS SERIES 2, which combines his love of both music and acting in a lead role of an international teenage hit series.



DIVA

Diva is back, and is hungrier for power than ever before. After Diva has spent the last two years in a magical exile, she recruits down and out brother and sister team Zamira and Caleb to do her bidding – unlock the secrets to Dark Magic and use them to overturn the Princess.

Once Diva discovers that Caleb has a weakness – his love for the Princess – she exploits it and uses that to get exactly what she wants. The Book of Inok and the right to rule over Manjipoor. But Diva's craving for riches and stature will go too far. As she gains more and more strength, Alex and the gang will realise that if Diva succeeds, she will not only rule both worlds, she'll destroy them.

Emelia Burns *(The Actor)*

Emelia Burns always knew she wanted to be an entertainer. She began her training at the age of 10, and since then has studied at various establishments throughout Queensland, completing an Advanced Diploma in Film, television and Theatre Acting.

In the ensuing years, Emelia has performed in numerous commercials, educational videos and award winning short films, as well as singing in various bands throughout Queensland. She continued to do small roles in various television series until 2006 when she landed her break as a supporting lead in the American feature film, THE CONDEMNED, starring Vinney Jones and WWF wrestling legend Steve 'Stone Cold' Austin.

Emelia has since had a guest role in Channel Nine's SEA PATROL amongst other things, and has relished the role of Diva in THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS.

Emelia continues to follow her passion for singing and acting.



VERONICA

Veronica is a rich girl – and behaves like a Princess. She's fuelled by an abiding sense of entitlement and position and genuinely sees herself as a musical talent. She not only attends the same school as Alex and Amanda – she feels she runs the school. She's a selfappointed arbiter of what's cool, in music, fashion, trends, and, worst of all, people, so Taylor was not only a boyfriend but also a possession. Veronica is the leader of the band – with Gemma and Holly her back-up singers – they accompany her most places, usually two steps behind. Her bravado masks insecurity – and although Veronica is a mean girl – she's not irredeemable. She's just spoiled.





CREW

CREATOR AND PRODUCER

Jonathan M. Shiff

Jonathan M. Shiff founded Jonathan M. Shiff Productions in 1988, establishing an innovative and independent boutique production house, which has quickly become a world leader in children's television programming.

The company has an impressive catalogue of drama and documentary series, including the OCEAN GIRL and THUNDERSTONE, both of which claimed BAFTA Awards for Best Childrens' International Programme in 1998 and 1999 respectively.

Other critically acclaimed programmes include WICKED SCIENCE and H2O: JUST ADD WATER, which have been sold to more than 120 territories worldwide.

Shiff has personally been awarded the 2002 Australian Institute of Export Heroes of Export Award for Screen Production as well as the 2001 Screen Producers of Australia (SPAA) Children's Producer of the Year Award. In 2008, Jonathan won the Australian TV WEEK LOGIE AWARD for Most Outstanding Children's Programme for H2O: JUST ADD WATER SERIES 2 and in 2009 for THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS.



DIRECTOR OF EPISODES 1–13

Colin Budds

Colin Budds is a film and television director with 25 years mainstream experience. He has worked extensively for both local and international producers over a wide range of genres sharing the set with Hollywood stars and wide eyed newcomers alike, from action feature films for Paramount Pictures, adult dramas, MISSION IMPOSSIBLE and THE LOST WORLD to the locally produced, THE FLYING DOCTORS and STINGERS.

Colin has won prestigious BAFTA awards for Best Children’s Drama in “89 and 90”, the US Nickelodeon Award, Chicago Film Festival and has been nominated for four AFI awards.

DIRECTOR OF EPISODES 14–26

Grant Brown

Grant has been working in the Australian television drama industry for nearly 20 years covering many genres. Recent dramas include STINGERS, LAST MAN STANDING, McLEOD’S DAUGHTERS, two series of UNDERBELLY, DIRT GAME, BED OF ROSES and RUSH.

His work in children’s television for Jonathan M Shiff includes PIRATE ISLANDS, THE ELEPHANT PRINCESS, LOST TREASURE OF FIJI and WICKED SCIENCE, which went on to win the 2004 Australian Film Institute Award for BEST CHILDREN’S TELEVISION DRAMA. This series also won the 2005 SILVER WORLD MEDAL at the New York Festivals’ International Television Awards.

He was nominated for BEST DIRECTOR at the 2004 Australian Film Institute Awards for an episode of STINGERS which won the AFI award for BEST TELEVISION DRAMA in that year.

In 2009 he was twice nominated for an AUSTRALIAN DIRECTORS GUILD AWARD – for his work on DIRT GAME and UNDERBELLY: A TALE OF TWO CITIES. In the same year he was also nominated for an AFI award for BEST DIRECTION IN TELEVISION for the same episode of UNDERBELLY.

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Co Story Producer: Joss King

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Zenon "Butch" Sawko

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