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Laraway Staffer Plays Lead in Lyric Theatre's Production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Sometimes you just have to take a chance. Kyle Bennett was new to Vermont. He was even newer to Laraway---his first day, actually----when he learned about Lyric Theatre's auditions for its fall musical.

Equipped with a newly-minted degree in musical theater from Millikin University, this native Iowan found his way to Vermont's Green Mountains. He was soon hired as a Behavior Interventionist in Laraway's Backpack Program, a role in which he provides one-on-one support to youth in public schools. Kyle is soon to demonstrate to local theater-goers that he's equally adept at playing a lead role on stage, under bright lights and accompanied by a live orchestra.

"I am excited to do *Joseph* because it was the first show I was involved in as a child," Kyle said. "I was in the children's choir and it's amazing to revisit the show and experience it from a whole new perspective. It's a treat to have been cast as Joseph when I was so new to Vermont and Lyric Theater. I'm thankful for the opportunity."

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will be performed at the Flynn Center for the Performing Arts on November 14-17. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Flynn Box Office at (802) 863-5966 or visiting www.flynntix.org.

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