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Wydown Middle School

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PRESENTS

A CHRISTMAS STORY

A Play in Two Acts By
PHILIP GRECIAN

Director
Brian R. Engelmeyer

Technical Director
Ed Kastner

Costume Director
Carla Miller

Play by Philip Grecian, based upon *A Christmas Story*,
©1983 Turner Entertainment Co.,
distributed by Warner Bros.,
written by Jean Shepherd, Leigh Brown and Bob Clark,
and *In God We Trust, All Others Pay Cash*
by Jean Shepherd

Produced by special arrangement with
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THE SHOW

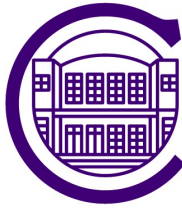
Act I - Hohman, Indiana

- 15 Minute Intermission -

(A video tribute to the work of our technical and costume crew will take place during the last 5 minutes of intermission)

Act II - Hohman, Indiana

The story that you are about to see, takes place in and around the Parker residence in the town of Hohman, Indiana during the final few days before Christmas.



**WYDOWN
MIDDLE SCHOOL**



CAST

Cast Members

Grover Dill	Finn Barbour
Randy	Charlie Blake
Storyteller Ensemble	Julia Castellano
Storyteller Ensemble	Ravi Cohen
Storyteller Ensemble	Lillian Ebeling
Storyteller Ensemble	Josie Gillette
Esther Jane Alberry	Carolyn Goode
Storyteller Ensemble	Julia Harris
Miss Shields	Wynne Havranek
Storyteller Ensemble	Lilly Hendricks
Storyteller Ensemble	Gen Hoelscher
Ralphie Parker	Sam Ilivicky
Flick	Adam Jaffe
Schwartz	Ben Levine
Mother	Sarah Litteken
Helen Weathers	Jamie Lockhart
Storyteller Ensemble	Gaby Madriz
The Old Man	Jimmy Malone
Storyteller Ensemble	James Marsden
Storyteller Ensemble	Neema Naemi
Storyteller Ensemble	Siddhi Narayan
Storyteller Ensemble	Alexander Pompian
Storyteller Ensemble	Daniel Rawitscher
Storyteller Ensemble	Jake Schneider
Scut Farkas	Charlie Steinbaum
Storyteller Ensemble	Lila Taylor
Ralph	Erik Tomasson
Storyteller Ensemble	John Woodworth
Storyteller Ensemble	Blake Zeppo

CAST

Cast Members (continued)

Cast - PA Iman Jamison

Cast - PA Katie Snelling

Production / Creative

Director Brian Engelmeyer

Technical Director Ed Kastner

Costume Director Carla Miller

District Theatre Manager David Blake

CREW

Crew Members

Technical Crew - Usher	John Angelides
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Props)	Julia Bautz
Technical Crew	Mya Bethany
Technical Crew	Emily Bober
Technical Crew	Jessica Bober
Technical Crew	Shabir Buttar-Miller
Technical Crew	Hannah Carmona Grolle
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Props)	Cece Cohen
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	Micah Franzel
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	Jackson Henson
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)	Madeleine Jue
Technical Crew - Usher	Pablo Kerschensteiner
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)	Jordan Kronemer
Technical Crew - Usher	Sabrina Kronemer
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	Gabriel Krumrey
Technical Crew	Juju Lee
Technical Crew	Eli Millner
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Spotlight)	Takuto Ogawa
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)	Salvador Planells
Technical Crew	Aidan Puricelli
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Props)	Danny Puricelli
Technical Crew - House Manager	James Waldrop
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	Dylan Wallach

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Crew Members (continued)

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	Max Walter-Morency
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	Jack Winings
Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)	William Winings
Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Lights)	Dana Anderson
Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Sound)	Ben Blinder
Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Fly System)	Noah Boeyink
Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)	Sarah Freedman
Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Backstage)	Nick Pompian
Costume Crew	Kennedy Austin
Costume Crew	Lillian Befeler
Costume Crew	Kai Blair
Costume Crew	Madeline Brown
Costume Crew	Rosie Brown
Costume Crew	Lauren Coco
Costume Crew	Anna Craver
Costume Crew	Maya Donohoo-Salsich
Costume Crew	Anna Gardner
Costume Crew	Ava Grill
Costume Crew	Tenley Hall
Costume Crew	Luly Hawley
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Wendy Humphreys
Costume Crew	Lilly Kanterman
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Erin Koc

CREW

Crew Members (continued)

Costume Crew	Chloe Lutsky .
Costume Crew	Charley Nakis
Costume Crew	Alana Osborne
Costume Crew	Mallory Palmer
Costume Crew	Katherine Rice .
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Isabella Ross
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Khaylie Ross
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Anna Rubin .
Costume Crew	Emma Sandquist
Costume Crew	Mason Sharon
Costume Crew	Alexis Simmons
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Grace Snelling
Costume Crew - (Running Crew)	Anna Sturmoski
Costume Crew	Catherine Van Luven .
Costume Crew	Vivian Wright .
Costume Crew - PA (Running Crew)	Izze Brown
Costume Crew - PA (Running Crew)	Samantha Osborne

WHO'S WHO



Finn Barbour

as Grover Dill

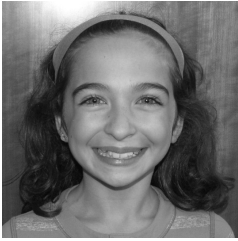
Finn is very excited to be in *A Christmas Story* because he has actually been to the house where the movie was filmed! He loves acting and has training in Shakespearean performance, improv, stage combat and playwriting. He played one of Medea's ill-fated sons in a recent Saint Louis University production of the play. Finn loves ice cream, international travel, hockey, basketball and football.



Charlie Blake

as Randy

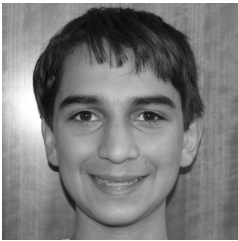
Charlie is very excited to be a cast member in this play. He has always wanted to be in a play or be an actor. And Charlie thinks it will be a really good experience. Charlie has never been in a play except for a Christmas play at his church (Which really isn't a big production). He would like to thank his parents and other cast members for working with him. Charlie will love this play.



Julia Castellano

as Storyteller Ensemble

Julia is thrilled to be cast in *A Christmas Story*! She found her passion for performing at New City School, where she spent the last 8 years. While there Julia played many parts, most recently Little Red in *Into the Woods*. She would like to thank her family for their support, her brothers for their enthusiastic attendance at her shows, and her voice coach, Tina, for always hearing the good in her.



Ravi Cohen

as Storyteller Ensemble

Ravi is very excited to be in the cast. He hasn't worked in the cast before, but has worked in tech crew. He hopes that you enjoy the show.



Lillian Ebeling

as Storyteller Ensemble

Lillian Ebeling is ecstatic about being in the play. This is her first time being in the cast. Last year she was in costume crew and Crew D for *The 39 Steps*. When she's not hanging out with friends, she's riding horses or reading or drawing.

WHO'S WHO



Josie Gillette

as Storyteller Ensemble

Josie is very excited to be in "A Christmas Story" this year. She has been in the costume crew for "39 Steps", and has been in many other productions with Shrewsbury and The Meramec coOPERative. She would like to thank her family for encouraging her and Robert and Janet Hollocher for helping her along the way. Josie is so happy to have this opportunity to be in the Cast of this production.



Carolyn Goode

as Esther Jane Alberry

Carolyn has previously been in the cast of "The 39 Steps" and is excited to be able to do another production at WMS. She can't wait to explore the character Esther Jane Alberry and make her come to life onstage.



Julia Harris

as Storyteller Ensemble

Julia is thrilled to be part of Wydown company theatre's production of, "A Christmas Story" as an Elf/Desperado. This is her first time being a part of a Wydown production, but not her first play. Julia Has taken part in 6 other plays before, and can't wait to make that number a 7! Julia cannot wait to be a valued cast member of, "A Christmas Story".



Wynne Havranek

as Miss Shields

Wynne is super excited to be the teacher in a cast in A Christmas Story. Previously, she has been in Much Ado About Middle School, The 39 Steps, and Shrek at Wydown. She also has been in several productions at COCA where she takes classes. And now, please sit back, relax, and enjoy the show! *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Lilly Hendricks

as Storyteller Ensemble

Lilly is a sixth grade student at WMS and is very excited to be a part of A Christmas Story. Last year, Lilly had her first acting role as the "cat" in the Glenridge Fifth Grade Production of Pinocchio. Lilly would like to thank her mom and family for their support and encouragement. She would also like to thank her teachers, the directors and crew for making this such a wonderful experience.

WHO'S WHO



Gen Hoelscher

as Storyteller Ensemble

This is Gen's first Wydown Production and she's very excited. She'd like to thank both of her parents for "making" her practice and the teachers for all their help and support. She couldn't have done it on her own!



Sam Ilivicky

as Ralphie Parker

Sam Ilivicky is very excited to be Ralphie in this year's play "A Christmas Story". Sam has previously been in The 39 Steps, Whodunnit, and Sherk. When Sam isn't rehearsing or at school, he likes to hang with his friends, play sports, and enjoy music. He would like to thank his friends and family for all their support. Like Ralphie, Sam has never owned a BB gun and probably never will.



Adam Jaffe

as Flick

Adam is thrilled to play the role of Flick in A Christmas Story, his third performance on the Wydown stage. As a sixth grader, Adam performed in The 39 Steps and Shrek the Musical. He looks forward to being part of yet another wonderful production. Adam would like to thank his friends and family for the guidance and support that they give him and Mr. Engelmeyer for this wonderful opportunity.



Ben Levine

as Schwartz

Ben is excited to perform in the Wydown Theatre Company for the first time, playing the role of Schwartz. Ben has always wanted to be in a show at Wydown and now is his big break. Ben would like to thank his friends and family for their support and guidance throughout the experience. Ben would also like to thank Mr. Engelmeyer for the wonderful opportunity.

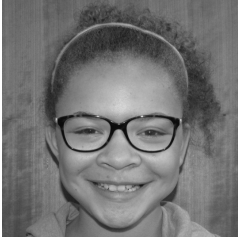


Sarah Litteken

as Mother

Sara is very excited to be in the cast of this year's production of A Christmas Story! She was in the cast of The 39 Steps and on tech-crew for Once on This Island and Shrek The Musical. She would like to thank her family for all their support. She thanks you all for coming and hopes you enjoy the show!!

WHO'S WHO



Jamie Lockhart

as Helen Weathers

Jamie is 12 years old and is a new 7th grader to WMS. She was born in Nashville and has lived in St. Louis for 7 years. Jamie has participated in several productions at New City School including: The Jungle Book, STOMP, and Into The Woods. Jamie is looking forward to this production because most of her experience has been in musicals, and she is excited to participate in a comedy such as this one.



Gaby Madriz

as Storyteller Ensemble

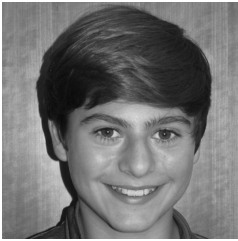
Gaby is thrilled to be in A Christmas Story's cast this year. This is Gaby's second theatrical experience, her first being Captain Elementary's second grade fairytale theatre. This is her first Wydown Theatre Company production. Gaby would like to thank her parents for their support, and her lucky lamp for accompanying her to the audition. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Jimmy Malone

as The Old Man

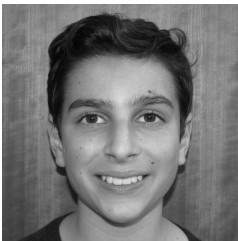
This is Jimmy's first Wydown Theatre Production. He is thrilled to be in A Christmas Story and can't wait for you to watch! A special thanks to Mr. Engelmeyer and the rest of the adults contributing to the play and to my family for helping me along the way.



James Marsden

as Storyteller Ensemble

James is very excited to be part of the Christmas Story cast. James hopes that this play will be a great learning experience. He would like to give a special thanks to Mr Engelmeyer for introducing him to Drama and inspiring him to try out . He would also like to give a special thanks to his parents for giving him tips, advice and support throughout this experience.

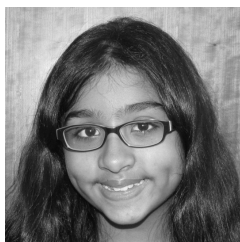


Neema Naemi

as Storyteller Ensemble

Neema is very excited to be a part of the production. He has been in two play productions one being Peter Pan the other being the Wizard of Oz. In his free time he loves to play soccer and read comics. He also loves anything to do with the Marvel Universe.

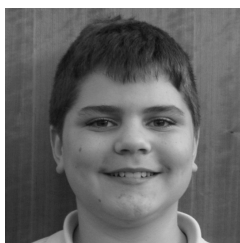
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Siddhi Narayan

as Storyteller Ensemble

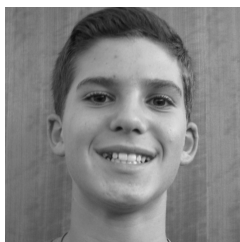
Siddhi was very involved in drama in Singapore. She acted in her school productions and won 2nd place in a national Plain English Speaking Competition in 3rd grade. She had a role in a commercially produced Peter Pan in 2014 and participated in an international story telling event this year. She was accepted in School of The Arts Singapore with scholarship before her recent move to St Louis.



Alexander Pompian

as Storyteller Ensemble

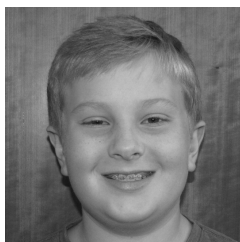
Alexander is very excited to be in this production. He has appeared in Hairspray as the newscaster and he has appeared in other shows like West Side Story, Seussical the Musical, The very Last Green Thing and Pagliacci. He has also been a 5-year member of the Saint Louis Children's Choir.



Daniel Rawitscher

as Storyteller Ensemble

Daniel is very excited to take place in his first play at Wydown. His is very excited to have the roll of Santa and Blackbart. Daniel is hoping to have lots of fun and get to know the entire cast.



Jake Schneider

as Storyteller Ensemble

Jake is excited about his first appearance with Wydown Theatre Company. He tried out last year but did not get a spot so he was thrilled to be in the cast this year. In addition to acting, Jake enjoys biking, long boarding, playing baseball, and hanging out with friends. Jake would like to thank Mr. Engelmeyer, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Kastner, and the entire cast and crew.



Charlie Steinbaum

as Scut Farkas

Charlie is very excited to be a part of the A Christmas Story production. He has been in the cast for the previous shows "Shrek", "39 Steps", as well as "Much Ado About Middle School". He would like to thank his parents for supporting and encouraging him throughout the entire duration of this production.

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Lila Taylor

as Storyteller Ensemble

Lila is so excited to be a part of "A Christmas Story". This is her last fall play at Wydown, and has loved costuming Once On This Island, The 39 Steps, and Shrek, but this is the first time she's been performing in the play. She's loved every minute of it and would like to thank her family and friends for their love and support.



Erik Tomasson

as Ralph

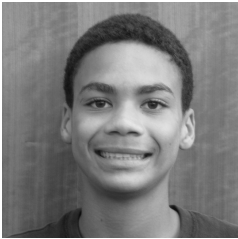
Erik has been in only one official Wydown company play, "The 39 Steps" and played the role of "Professor Jordan". Erik would like to thank his parents, Kathy and Michael for helping him memorize all his lines and Mr. Engelmeyer for being an awesome producer. "A Christmas Story" was really fun and Erik hopes you enjoy it.



John Woodworth

as Storyteller Ensemble

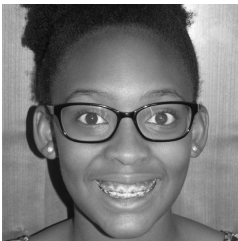
I'm actually extremely shocked that I got in this play production and so was my sister she didn't think that I would get in. I had less than a week to practice my lines and I was scared. I didn't know if I was going to make it or not. When it was my turn to audition my heart dropped as I walked to the center of the stage, but after I said my first word I felt like I was a professional actor.



Blake Zeppo

as Storyteller Ensemble

Blake has previous experience dancing with the My King Studio of Dance and has performed as a tin soldier at the Fox Theater in "The Nutcracker." He has taken drama courses through his homeschool co-op and is super excited to perform in his first school production. Blake extends his thanks to his family, who have encouraged his love of the theater and endured his countless hours of comic relief.

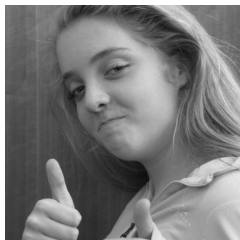


Iman Jamison

as Cast - PA

Iman is very excited to be cast PA in this production and has been a part all the plays and musicals since she has been at Wydown. She would like to thank her mom for all her support throughout this year. Iman is very happy that she can be a part of this play. *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180

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Katie Snelling

as Cast - PA

Katie is so excited to be a cast PA for "A Christmas Story". This is Katie's 5th show with Wydown Theatre Company. She has been in the cast of "Much Ado About Middle School", and "Shrek the Musical". Katie has been on costume crew for "Once on this Island", and "The 39 Steps".

CREW WHO'S WHO



John Angelides

Technical Crew - Usher

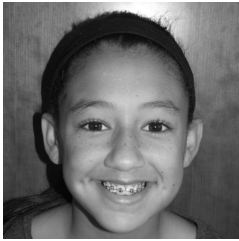
John is excited to be part of Tech Crew. The only play he has been in was in 5th grade, and he was in Chorus. He can't wait to start Tech Crew.



Julia Bautz

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Props)

This is Julia's second time working on a production. She is very excited to be part of it. (Though she's never actually seen A Christmas Story) She's never really wanted to be on stage, and loved building things, so was very happy when she got in.



Mya Bethany

Technical Crew

Mya Bethany has one year of Tech Crew experience. She worked on the production of Shrek last spring (2015). Mya would like to thank her brothers for teaching her to use a screwdriver properly. When she was little she was holding it the wrong way thinking "Why isn't this thing working?" She'd also like to thank her mother and father for helping her grow strong, physically and mentally.



Emily Bober

Technical Crew

This is Emily's second production with the Wydown Theatre Company. She loves being in tech crew and she is honored to come back and participate in the play. She would like to thank the costume crew and the cast for all the hard work they do for the play. Thank you for coming to the show and she hopes you enjoy it as much as she does.

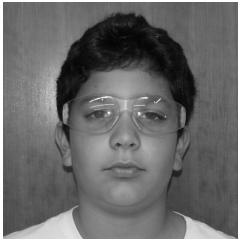


Jessica Bober

Technical Crew

This is Jessica's first year at Wydown and her first year in Tech Crew. Jessica is so excited to be in Tech Crew and hopes that she will have at least one more experience with Tech Crew. This is one of the movies that Jessica knows the best because her family plays it a lot during the holidays and she is so excited she gets to make the sets and to learn a lot more about the play.

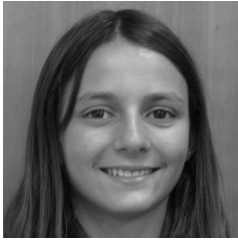
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Shabir Buttar-Miller

Technical Crew

Shabir looks forward to working on his first play as a member of Tech Crew. He can't wait for the show this year and for the future years he is in middle school.



Hannah Carmona Grolle

Technical Crew

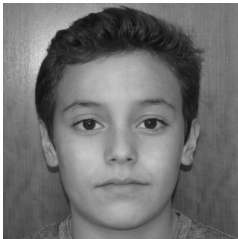
My name is Hannah and I am excited to participate in my first Wydown Production as a tech crew member. I chose tech crew because I like building stuff, and painting things, and I also like being part of a play. Also, I am from Spain and Germany and I have lived in many countries so I speak four languages.



Cece Cohen

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Props)

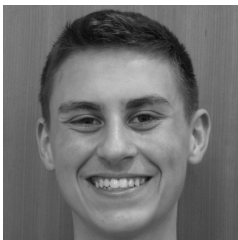
Cece is very excited to be in tech crew for the play. This is her third play at Wydown. She was in 39 Steps and Shrek.



Micah Franzel

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)

Micah has been in three productions before and is very excited to be in The Christmas Story.



Jackson Henson

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)

Jackson is excited to be working on his first-ever production this year. Although he has no prior show experience he has worked with his mom on her shows since he was two. He likes to build and create things on his own and makes different things with his vast amounts of Legos.

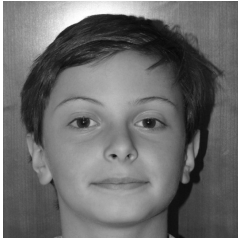
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Madeleine Jue

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)

Madeleine is very excited to be a part of tech crew this year! Before this she has been on tech crew for Much Ado About Middle School and Shrek. She can't wait to make more memories. She would like to thank everyone who made this production possible. We couldn't have done it without you.



Pablo Kerschensteiner

Technical Crew - Usher

Pablo is excited to be part of the tech crew of "A Christmas Story". This is the first time he is taking part in a theater production and cannot wait to see the play. His other interests include playing soccer, reading and playing with his dog. He would like to thank his family for all the support.



Jordan Kronemer

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)

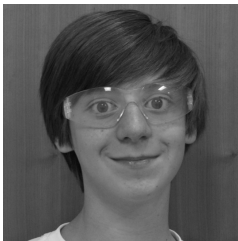
This is Jordan's third show working tech at Wydown, having worked on Much Ado about Middle School and The 39 Steps. He is very excited to be working with the tech crew at least once more while at Wydown. I would like to thank my parents and Mr. Kastner for their support.



Sabrina Kronemer

Technical Crew - Usher

This is Sabrina's first school show. She has appeared in the Meramec Cooperative and small community musicals. She loves theater and kitty cats. Since there are no cats in this production, she enjoyed building and climbing on the sets, even with crutches. Thanks to my best friend Hannah, my parents and my brother who encouraged me to be involved in theater. The acting crazy was all on me!



Gabriel Krumrey

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)

This is Gabe's fifth production with the Wydown Theatre company. He has learned so much during these shows and has enjoyed working with Mr. Kastner and getting to know so many different people.

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Juju Lee

Technical Crew

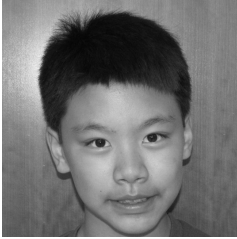
Juju is very excited to be a part of the production! She loves crafts and has experience working with wood and paint. Additionally, Juju acted in her fifth grade play, so she knows what goes on in the theater. She is looking forward to building up the Fall Play to its best as a member of the tech crew!



Eli Millner

Technical Crew

Eli is very excited to be working with the tech crew this year. This is his first year at Wydown but he has prior tech experience at his previous school. He is continuing to help out at his old school productions. He is very glad to be working on the fall play this year.



Takuto Ogawa *Technical Crew - Running Crew (Spotlight)*

Takuto is very thrilled to be a tech crew in the play, A Christmas Story. Although he does not have prior Tech crew experience, he has been working hard to be more helpful to the teachers and the PA's. He thanks his parents and relatives, who took care of him for his entire life.



Salvador Planells

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)

Sal is very excited to be a part of the Tech Crew for the Fall Play. He likes the opportunity to use tools and build sets from the bottom up and see the final results during the performances. Sal has been part of the Tech Crew for all three years at Wydown and thanks Mr. Kastner, Mr. Engelmeyer and Ms. Miller for allowing him this opportunity.



Aidan Puricelli

Technical Crew

Aidan is very excited to be a part of the play this year. He has been in tech crew in one other production, Much Ado About Middle School. He can't wait to help build the set for a Christmas Story.

CREW WHO'S WHO



Danny Puricelli *Technical Crew - Running Crew (Props)*

Danny was very excited that he would be a part of the Wydown Theatre Company. Danny was part of tech crew in 6th grade. He helped build the set for the Integrated Arts program. Danny would like to give a special thanks to Mr. Kastner for letting him be a part of the Wydown Theatre Company.



James Waldrop *Technical Crew - House Manager*

James is extremely excited to be in tech crew this year. James has always loved building things when he was 10 he helped his uncle renovate a building. James is excited to build a house and a 20's car.



Dylan Wallach

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)

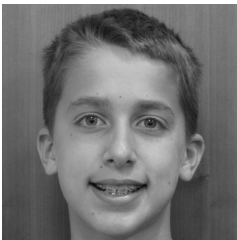
Dylan is very happy that he is part of A Christmas Story. He has been doing Wydown productions since 7th grade. His work can be seen in The 39 Steps, and Shrek the Musical, and of course, A Christmas Story. Dylan wishes that all of you have a great time at the show tonight! *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Max Walter-Morency

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)

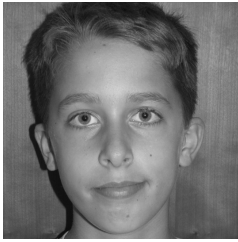
Max is very very excited to be on tech crew.



Jack Winings *Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)*

Jack is very excited to be part of the show this year because of the fun he had last year. Jack really enjoys watching the set come together over time and can't wait for the final outcome of this play.

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William Winings

Technical Crew - Running Crew (Backstage)

William enjoys putting together sets and being a part of a company. He likes seeing the whole thing come together.



Dana Anderson

Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Lights)

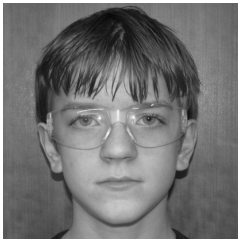
Dana was so happy to be a part of the 2015 production of A Christmas Story. She has been in tech crew for four other productions, Much Ado About Middle School, Once On This Island, 39 Steps, and Shrek the Musical. She is very excited to be a Tech PA for this show!



Ben Blinder

Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Sound)

This is Ben's third production. He was very happy to be chosen as a Production Assistant for the tech crew and he loves working on the set with the rest of the crew.



Noah Boeyink

Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Fly System)

Noah is thrilled to be a PA for this production. Noah has always wanted to be a PA for one of the productions at Wydown. He loves to work for tech crew. *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Sarah Freedman

Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Mic Wrangler)

Sarah is very excited to be a part of "A Christmas Story"! This is her third time in tech crew for Wydown Theatre Company, previous experiences include "The 39 Steps" and "Shrek the Musical". Sarah would like to thank her parents for dealing with her insanely busy schedule. She hopes you enjoy all aspects of the show. *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180

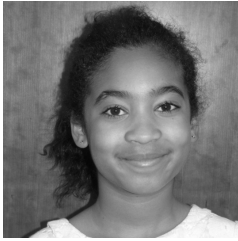
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Nick Pompian

Technical Crew - PA - Running Crew (Backstage)

Nick is very excited to be in this amazing production. Nick also worked on The 39 Steps and Shrek The Musical. Nick is a Production Assistant and is proud to hold this fantastic position of prestige. He is also very happy to be involved in the arts as he is not a very experienced actor/singer this is his way of getting involved.



Kennedy Austin

Costume Crew

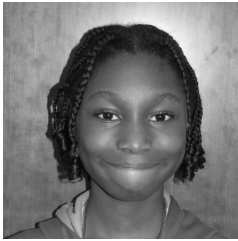
Kennedy is very excited to be apart of costume crew because she loves to sew and design. This is her first experience being apart of Wydown Theater Co. But she is so excited. Special thanks to Ms.Miller.



Lillian Befeler

Costume Crew

Lillian or Lily is very excited for this years play. It is her first year at Wydown and her first production.



Kai Blair

Costume Crew

Kai has never had any experience in producing theatre. But in 2nd grade she was the narrator of the Fairy Tale Theater. She is kind of nervous on being in costume crew and is excited as well.



Madeline Brown

Costume Crew

This is Maddie's first time working a play. She is very excited to costume characters. In the past, she has made her own Halloween costumes. She enjoys designing and making costumes and props.

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Rosie Brown

Costume Crew

Rosie is excited to be a part of Wydown Theatre Co. for the very first time! While she has attended many of the Wydown Theatre co. plays, she has never seen the process of bringing them together and is grateful to have a new perspective of them. She hopes to improve her (very basic) knowledge of sewing and costume design, and would like to thank everyone in the crew for teaching her so much.



Lauren Coco

Costume Crew

Lauren is very excited to be doing costume crew. This is her first time doing it and she is very happy for the opportunity. Lauren is super excited to see the outcome of this show, but she's knows it will be great. *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Anna Craver

Costume Crew

Anna is a very creative and expressive person. She is excited to be part of the costume crew because it lets her express her creativity through costume designing. Anna would like to thank her mother and father for always being there and supporting her while she explores her artistic talents.



Maya Donohoo-Salsich

Costume Crew

Maya is a 6th grader and is thrilled to be a part of the costume crew this year! She has participated in a number of Broadway musical camps at COCA which included bits from shows such as Grease, Legally Blonde, The Munster's and Beauty and the Beast. She wants to send a very special thank you out to her mom and dad for encouraging her to try new things.



Anna Gardner

Costume Crew

Anna is extremely proud to be joining the fall production of A Christmas Story. She is in the sixth grade and loves literacy & writing. Her past experiences include performances at COCA, The Meramec Community Opera Theatre & The Meramec Choir. She is excited to be part of this years Costume Crew and would like to thank all of the teachers and parent's who helped make this performance a success.

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Ava Grill

Costume Crew

Ava has never been a part of anything like this before, and is REALLY happy to be a part of costume crew. She is happy to be doing this with friends and can't wait for the next production.



Tenley Hall

Costume Crew

Tenley loves to play volleyball, design, and work with others. She has loved seeing actors in their character's costumes and is excited to be able to design one of them herself.



Luly Hawley

Costume Crew

This is Lulu's first production, and she is very excited to be costuming this year. Lulu would like to thank her mother and grandmother, for teaching her how to make things and craft at an early age.



Wendy Humphreys

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

Wendy is very excited to be part of the costume crew and working with the play. She has not had any experience with the Wydown Theatre Company but has had some prior acting plays/musicals.

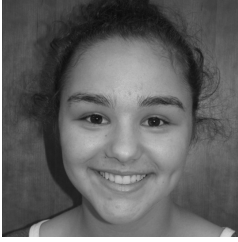


Lilly Kanterman

Costume Crew

Lilly is thrilled to be a part of the costume crew for the first time this year. This is her third production at WMS. She would like to thank Mrs. Miller and Mr. Engelmeyer for this wonderful opportunity.

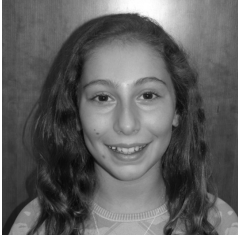
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Erin Koc

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

Erin is very excited to be a part of costume crew for A Christmas Story! This is Erin's first time on costume crew, but Erin was a part of the cast for The 39 Steps and for Shrek The Musical. While Erin is very crafty she also enjoys dancing (more specifically tap, ballet, and musical theatre), photography, and traveling! Erin has loved being part of costume crew, and hopes you enjoy the show! *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Chloe Lutsky

Costume Crew

Chloe Lutsky is very excited to be working on costume crew because she loves to be creative in where her mind can take her. She would also like to give a special thanks to my parents for teaching her to be creative with my mind.



Charley Nakis

Costume Crew

Charley is very happy to be a part of Costume Crew again. She had so much fun last year, and is very excited about this show. She enjoys creating and sewing, and looks forward to seeing all of the finished costumes on stage.



Alana Osborne

Costume Crew

Alana Osborne is happy she was in costume crew this year for A Christmas Story. She knows how to sew, and is a wonderful designer. She participated in costume crew for the 39 steps, and she is in 7th grade.



Mallory Palmer

Costume Crew

Mallory is so excited to be working on A Christmas Story! This is her second time working on a Wydown Theatre Company show through costume crew. Mallory would like to thank Mrs. Miller and Mr. Engelmeyer for all of their hard work on the show!

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Katherine Rice

Costume Crew

Katherine is very excited to be on costume crew for the first time. She can't wait to see all the hard work come together in the end for the show.



Isabella Ross

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

Izzy is very excited to be on the costume crew for the play. She can't wait for the play to see the costumes and how they look on the actors! She hopes that you enjoy the play!



Khaylie Ross

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

Khaylie Ross is excited to be a part of The Christmas Story because she has always loved to design and create unique things. She has been a part of the productions Much Ado about Middle School, Once on this Island, and Shrek. In the future she want to be a fashion designer. And she would like to thank her mother for all her love and support.



Anna Rubin

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

This is Anna's fourth time on costume crew and is very excited to be a part of it again! When not working on costumes she is most likely playing volleyball or hanging out with her friends. Anna is very excited for and hopes you enjoy A Christmas Story! *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Emma Sandquist

Costume Crew

This is Emmy's first time doing a show at Wydown. She is very excited to be a part of this production. She would like to thank her family who supported her throughout the process.

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Mason Sharon

Costume Crew

Mason is super excited to be a part of Wydown's production of A Christmas Story!! She has costumed 39 Steps ast year, and has been in the cast of Once On This Island, and Shrek the Musical with Wydown Theater Company. She is a part of the Junior International Thespian Society, and hopes to be a part of it in high school. Outside of the theatre, Mason enjoys playing soccer, and singing. *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89 180



Alexis Simmons

Costume Crew

Alexis is very excited to be on the costume crew. This is her first year at this school but, at her old school she had a sewing class which she excelled at. She feels like being in this production will be a great new opportunity for her to make new friends and have fun doing what she loves to do.



Grace Snelling

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

Grace is very happy to be on costume crew! In the past she has done costumes for Once on This Island and Shrek, and was a cast member in The 39 Steps. Costume crew has always been really fun and exciting, and Grace can't wait to have new experiences this year. She would like to thank everyone who supported her and helped her through this show.



Anna Sturmoski

Costume Crew - (Running Crew)

Anna is very excited to be costuming A Christmas Story. This is her fifth time on Costume Crew, and she loves it. She is sad that this will be her last Fall Play at Wydown, but she will enjoy costuming this fun show. She would like to thank the Tech and fellow Costume Crew members, as well as the cast for all their hard work towards this production, and she hopes you enjoy the show.



Catherine Van Luven

Costume Crew

Cate has worked as an actor in many of New City School's drama club productions. She has worked on plays such as Stomp, The Jungle Book, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, etc.

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Vivian Wright

Costume Crew

Vivian is very excited to be part of the costume crew for this production. She loves art, being creative and all things Christmas.



Izze Brown

Costume Crew - PA (Running Crew)

Isabella is excited to to be working on her third show at Wydown Theatre Co! She is grateful to have worked with such a fun group of people! *A member of Wydown Jr. International Thespian Society Troupe #89180



Samantha Osborne *Costume Crew - PA (Running Crew)*

Samantha is very excited to be a Production Assistant for costume crew in her last year at Wydown! She has been part of costume crew ever since she was in sixth grade. She would like to thank her parents for letting her participate all these years, even though we had a tight schedule during the week. She hopes that you enjoy the show!



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2015 - 2016

A Christmas Story
Disney's Mary Poppins The Musical
Legally Blonde Jr.
Pirates!
Beyond the Canvas

2014 - 2015

The 39 Steps
Shrek The Musical
Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr.
The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Beyond the Canvas

2013 - 2014

Much Ado About Middle School
Once On This Island
Disney's High School Musical Jr.
Beyond the Canvas

2012 - 2013

The Great All-American Musical Disaster
The Wizard of Oz
Disney's Mulan Jr.
Beyond the Canvas
Treasure Island

2011 - 2012

Twisted Tales of Terror
Guys and Dolls
Aladdin Jr.
Beyond the Canvas
Little Luncheonette of Terror

2010 - 2011

MacBeth
Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr.
The Canterville Ghost

2009 - 2010

Murder at the Goon Show
Seussical the Musical
Disney's High School Musical Jr.
Treasure Island
Beyond the Canvas

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2008 - 2009

Dastardly Deeds at Yoursin Mine
Singin' in the Rain
Disney's Mulan Jr.
Treasure Island
Beyond the Canvas

2007 - 2008

Romeo and Juliet Together and Alive, at Last!
42nd Street
SchoolHouse Rock Live, Jr.
Beyond the Canvas
The Canterville Ghost

2006 - 2007

The Hobbit
Disney's Beauty and the Beast
Disney's Aladdin Jr.
Treasure Island
Honk Jr.

2005 - 2006

Charlie and The Chocolate Factory & James and the Giant Peach
Hello! Dolly
Annie Jr.
The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Beyond the Canvas

2004 - 2005

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe
Rogers and Hammerstein's Cinderella
The King and I Jr.
The Canterville Ghost
The Prince and the Pauper

2003 - 2004

Robin Hood
Big River

2002 - 2003

Charlotte's Web
Bye Bye Birdie

2001 - 2002

Stage Door
Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

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1999 - 2000

Annie Get Your Gun

1998 - 1999

The Fabric of Our Lives
Peter Pan

1997 - 1998

Our Town
The Sound of Music

1996 - 1997

The Power of the Dream
Annie

1995 - 1996

Stores From the Campfire
Bye Bye Birdie

1994 - 1995

The Pirates of Penzance

1993 - 1994

Little Luncheonette of Terror

1992 - 1993

I Am a Star

1991 - 1992

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FINN BARBOUR: We r thrilled & proud 2 c u on stage! XO Mom & Dad

CHARLIE BLAKE: Move over Larry Olivier

JULIA CASTELLANO: Proud of you Julia! Love Mom & Erin

ANN CRAVER: Proud you are using your artistic skills! GD & PP

ANN CRAVER: Your talents "fit" the occasion, kudos! GG&N

LILLIAN EBELING: You always deliver! We're proud of you! Love, Mom & Dad

SARAH FREEDMAN: We are proud of you! Love Mom, Dad & Kate

JOSIE GILLETTE: We're so proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, Jane & Jake

LILLY HENDRICKS: We are proud of you! Love Mom, J & J

GEN HOELSCHER: We are proud of your perseverance! Love, Mom & Dad

WENDY HUMPHREYS: You Rock! We love you! Mom & Dad

SAM ILIVICKY: We are proud of you! Have a great time, Love Mom, Dad, Isaac & Anna

ADAM JAFFE: Get your tongue stuck to a pole! Love, Mom & Dad

ADAM JAFFE: We are so proud of you! Love, Grandma, Doug, Papa & Diane

MADELEINE JUE: Job well done! Love, Mom & Alex

JORDAN KRONEMER: WTG - Have a great show. Love, Bubee & Zadee

SABRINA KRONEMER: Congrats and have a great time! Love, Bubee & Zadee

BEN LEVINE: We are proud of your hard work! Love, Mom, Dad & Isaac

SARAH LITTEKEN: Break a leg! Love you! Mom, Dad, Andrew & Benjamin

JAMIE LOCKHART: We're so proud of you. Love Mom & Dad & Cameron

GABY MADRIZ: Estamos muy orgullosos de ti. Love tus papas

JIMMY MALONE: Break a leg and a lamp!

JIMMY MALONE: We couldn't be more proud of the "Old Man." Love, Mom & Dad

JAMES MARSDEN: So proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, Caroline & Ava

ALEXANDER POMPIAN: Break a leg! We love you! Mom, Dad, Spencer & Nicholas

NICHOLAS POMPIAN: Great Job! We love you! Love, Mom, Dad, Alexander & Spencer

DANIEL RAWITSCHER: Congratulations Wydown Theatre Co. for an amazing play!

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KHAYLIE ROSS: We're so proud of you Khaylie! Love Mom & Dad

JAKE SCHNEIDER: We are very proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad

KATIE SNELLING: Your whole family is so proud of you, Katie!

GRACE SNELLING: We are so excited to see your designs!

ERIK TOMASSON: We are so proud of you, Love Grandma & Pere

ERIK TOMASSON: Can't wait to see the show, "break a leg" Love, Mom, Ellie & Julia

DYLAN WALLACH: Congratulations: We're so proud of you. Love, Mom & Dad

MAX WALTER-MORENCY: We're so proud of your hard work! Love, Mom & Chris

END NOTES

I am extremely proud of this production. The quality of the cast, technical crew, and costume crew are outstanding. A truly successful production however, involves more than what is presented on stage. It should not only be an artistic learning experience, but a personal one as well. I'm especially proud of the cooperation, mutual respect, the level of commitment, and the teamwork that has been demonstrated by everyone involved with this production. These students have put egos aside and discovered that whether they had one line or fifty, were on or off stage, that everyone shares equally in the pride and success of such an accomplishment.

We are excited to bring this classic story to the Wydown stage. I know that many of you sitting here in this theatre have seen the movie countless times and perhaps it is even an annual tradition in your household each winter season. The stories that will be shared with you tonight are about family and love and the things that mean the most to us as we grow older. As I have been sitting in rehearsals for the past several weeks, I have often found myself thinking back to my childhood and all the fond memories I have of my family and growing up on a farm. This film was an annual tradition for our household and something that we often looked forward to. We each had our favorite parts and would sometimes have to act them out or do our best impersonation of the dialogue or scene. I can still hear my parent's laughter when we would watch the movie together in our living room gathered around the fireplace on a cold winter night.

This show celebrates the child in all of us and the innocence and magic of our youth and that we sometimes never grow up. I hope that as you watch this production, you are reminded of your fondest memories from your youth.

Please be sure to take a moment and silence your phones and other electronic devices. Sit back, relax and enjoy the show!

Thank you,
Brian R. Engelmeyer



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