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Wydown Middle School

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SHREK THE MUSICAL

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by
David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by
Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by
DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions

Director
Brian R. Engelmeyer

Music Director
Colleen Riordan

Choreographer
Kacy Voskuil

Technical Director
Edward Kastner

Costume Director
Carla Miller

Scenic Artist
Lisa Kastner

Original Broadway Production Directed by
Jason Moore

“I’m A Believer” by Neil Diamond

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SONGS

ACT I

Overture/Big Bright Beautiful World	Mama Ogre, Papa Ogre, King Harold, Queen Lillian, Shrek, Mob
Story Of My Life	Guard, Fairytale Creatures, Shrek
The Goodbye Song	Fairytale Creatures
Don't Let Me Go	Donkey
Regiment #1	Guards
Regiment (Reprise)	Guards
What's Up, Duloc?	Lord Farquaad, Duloc Performers
I Know It's Today	Young Fiona, Teen Fiona, Fiona
Forever	Donkey, Dragon, Knights, Dragon Girls
This Is How A Dream Comes True	Fiona, Shrek, Donkey, Dragon
Who I'd Be	Shrek, Fiona, Donkey

ACT II

Entr'acte	
Morning Person	Fiona, Rat Dancers
I Think I Got You Beat	Shrek, Fiona
The Ballad of Farquaad	Lord Farquaad, Thelonus, Guards, Duloc Performers
Make A Move	Donkey, Three Blind Mice
When Words Fail	Shrek
Morning Person (Reprise)	Fiona
Build A Wall	Shrek
Freak Flag	Fairytale Creatures
Big Bright Beautiful World (Reprise)	Shrek
Beautiful Ain't Always Pretty	Shrek
This Is Our Story (Finale)	Fiona, Shrek, Donkey, Fairytale Creatures, Dulocians
I'm A Believer	The Company

CAST

In Alphabetical Order

Fairy Godmother	Bailey Bacher
Three Little Pig / Dragon Puppeteer	Willy Bermingham
Papa Ogre, Captain	Michael Bernard
Three Little Pig	Sam Bernstein
Humpty Dumpty	Lynly Brennan
Three Blind Mice, Rat Dancer	Lauren Coco
White Rabbit	Eliza Copilevitz
Pied Pieper	Lise Derksen
Wicked Witch	Sarah Franzel
Guard	Jean-Martin Gerchen
Knight #2, Duloc Performer, Mob	William Goldmeier
Big Bad Wolf	Leo Goodfriend
Ugly Duckling, Dragon Puppeteer	Wynne Havranek
Duloc Performer, Rat Dancer	Grace Homann
Knight #3, Duloc Performer, Mob	Sam Ilivicky
Baby Bear	Adam Jaffe
Dragon, Little Red Riding Hood	Iman Jamison
Fiona	Lilly Kanterman
Dragon Girl, Duloc Performer, Mob	Evelyn Kastner
Mama Bear	Erin Koc
Knight #4, Duloc Performer, Mob	Alec Levenson
Dragon Girl, Duloc Performer, Mob	Abby Mann
Three Blind Mice, Rat Dancer	Rachel Markenson
Peter Pan	Ethan Mayer
Mama Ogre, Duloc Performer	Izzy Mills
Young Shrek, Garden Gnome	Max Muhm
Papa Bear	Charles Quigless
Shrek	Evan Robinson
King Harold, Guard	Ryan Rosenthal

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Pinocchio	Ian Saverin
Guard	Armon Seraji
Teen Fiona, Dragon Girl, Mob, Dorothy	Mason Sharon
Three Little Pigs, Dragon Puppeteer	Jake Sher
Donkey	Nate Slaughter
Young Fiona, Rat Dancer	Lexie Smith-Gomes
Three Blind Mice	Katie Snelling
Thelonius, Guard	Charlie Steinbaum
Sugar Plum Fairy / Gingy	Sara Stemmler
Elf	Emma Stipanovich
Rat Dancer, Duloc Performer	Jillian Straetker
Mad Hatter, Bishop	Jack Taylor
Rat Dancer, Duloc Performer	Abby Wallach
Lord Farquaad	Wil Welch
Knight #1, Duloc Performer, Mob	Kameron Williams
Dragon Girl, Duloc Performer, Mob	Annie Winings
Queen Lillian, Duloc Performer	Amanda Woodworth
Dwarf	Johnathan Woodworth

Production / Creative

Director	Brian R. Engelmeyer
Music Director	Colleen Riordan
Technical Director	Ed Kastner
Scenic Artist	Lisa Kastner
Costume Director	Carla Miller
Choreographer	Kacy Voskuil
Cast Production Assistant	Sydney Tennill
Technical Crew Production Assistants	Sophia Fish, Leeor Michelson
Technical Crew Special Projects	Anne Goode, Jody Lin
Costume Crew Production Assistant	Rachel Schneider

CREW

In Alphabetical Order

Technical Crew - Backstage	Layla Agha
Technical Crew - Lights	Dana Anderson
Technical Crew - Backstage	Christian Bauer
Technical Crew	Mya Bethany
Technical Crew - Sound Board	Ben Blinder
Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler	Emily Bober
Technical Crew - Props	Noah Boeyink
Technical Crew	Hezekaya Buse
Technical Crew - Backstage	Clay Butler
Technical Crew - Usher	Cece Cohen
Technical Crew - Backstage	Daniel Cohen
Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler	Chandler Donaldson
Technical Crew - Production Assistant - Backstage	Sophia Fish
Technical Crew - Usher	Micah Franzel
Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler	Sarah Freedman
Technical Crew	Ruby Gallegos
Technical Crew, Special Projects PA - Backstage	Anne Goode
Technical Crew - Backstage	Ben Greenberg
Technical Crew - Spotlight	Madeleine Jue
Technical Crew	Cicely Krutzsch
Technical Crew	Leah Levenson
Technical Crew - Backstage	Marissa Lewis
Technical Crew, Special Projects PA - Backstage	Jody Lin
Technical Crew	Sara Litteken
Technical Crew, Production Assistant - Backstage	Leeor Michelson
Technical Crew	Kyle Miller
Technical Crew - Backstage	Jacotte Monroe

CREW

In Alphabetical Order (continued)

Technical Crew - Usher	Deandre Nabors
Technical Crew	Sal Planells
Technical Crew	Gemma Redeker
Technical Crew - Props	Mac Redohl
Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler	Emilio Rosas
Technical Crew - Usher	Terrance Smith Jr.
Technical Crew - House Manager	Noah Strassels
Technical Crew - Backstage	Dylan Wallach
Technical Crew - Usher	Jack Winings
Technical Crew	Will Winings
Costume Crew	Celia Baer
Costume Crew, Crew B Leader - Running Crew	Evi Brown
Costume Crew - Running Crew	Isabella Brown
Costume Crew	Jaylin Champion
Costume Crew, Crew C Leader - Running Crew	Eunice Chung
Costume Crew	Isabella Clark
Costume Crew	Sophia Erlin
Costume Crew	Caroline Foley
Costume Crew	Gabby Gilby
Costume Crew	Lailah Hall
Costume Crew	Arisha Hodges
Costume Crew	Teaia Jackson
Costume Crew	Caroline Lockwood
Costume Crew	Claudia Miller
Costume Crew	Charley Nakis
Costume Crew	Samantha Osborne
Costume Crew	Mallory Palmer
Costume Crew	Avery Pedraza-Gasperson
Costume Crew	Khaylie Ross

CREW

In Alphabetical Order (continued)

Costume Crew - Running Crew	Anna Rubin .
Costume Crew	Annika Sandquist .
Costume Crew	Katie Scherck
Costume Crew, Production Assistant - Running Crew	Rachel Schneider
Costume Crew	Olivia Sierra-Retzlaff
Costume Crew - Running Crew	Grace Snelling
Costume Crew - Running Crew	Ida Streeto .
Costume Crew - Running Crew	Anna Sturmoski
Costume Crew, Crew A Leader - Running Crew	Nicky Taghert
Costume Crew - Running Crew	Lila Taylor
Costume Crew	Elizabeth Trempala
Costume Crew	Ellie Van Luven
Costume Crew - Running Crew	Angelica Vannucci
Costume Crew	Ally Wade
Costume Crew	Grace Wheeler

WHO'S WHO



Bailey Bacher

as Fairy Godmother

Bailey is very excited to be performing in this production. She has been in costume crew for other productions but never cast. She loves to act and sing so is therefore thrilled to be a part of Shrek the Musical! She would like to thank her friends and family for encouraging her no matter what and she hopes you enjoy the show!



Willy Bermingham

as Three Little Pig / Dragon Puppeteer

William is thrilled to be part of the Shrek cast! He has been involved in all of the Wydown productions since he was a 6th grader. William, is sad that his Wydown theater days are coming to an end. He hopes to continue with theater at Clayton High.



Michael Bernard

as Papa Ogre, Captain

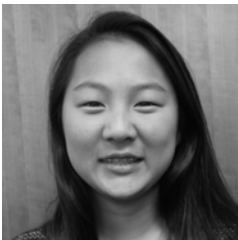
Michael is very excited to be a part of "Shrek the Musical". This is his final show here at Wydown after numerous shows in and out of Wydown Theatre. Michael enjoys playing soccer and tennis. He hopes you enjoy the show!



Sam Bernstein

as Three Little Pig

Sam is very excited to be a part of Shrek! As one of the shortest of the Three Little Pigs he has been practicing his line "Hello!" for weeks. Sam was the March Hare in Alice in Wonderland and is an accomplished musician. His favorite musical instruments include the piano, the trumpet, and his voice.



Lynly Brennan

as Humpty Dumpty

Lynly is thrilled to be a part of this fantastic crew. She was in last spring's musical "Once On This Island." She would like to thank everyone who gave support and love through out this process. She would like to give an extra thanks to the five amazing teachers and her awesome friends. But most importantly would like to thank her parents for canceling and rescheduling many doctor appointments.

WHO'S WHO



Lauren Coco

as Three Blind Mice, Rat Dancer

Lauren is so excited to be working with the company of Shrek the musical! She has done many other shows and loves musical theater She hopes you love the show!



Sydney Tennill

Cast Production Assistant

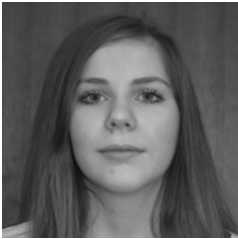
Sydney is very excited to be a cast Production Assistant for Shrek. She has been part of the cast in The Great All America Musical Disaster, Much Ado About Middle School, and The 39 Steps. She has also been part of costume crew in The Wizard Of Oz and Once On This Island. She would like to thank her family for all their support through the years.



Eliza Copilevitz

as White Rabbit

Eliza is excited to be in her last Wydown Theatre Company's production. She has been in The Wizard of Oz, Once On This Island, 39 Steps and Whodunit. She couldn't have done it without Mr.Engelmeyer, Ms.Riordan, Ms.Miller, Mr.Kastner or her supportive family and friends, so a special thanks to all of them! Now, from the whole company, we hope you enjoy the show!



Lise Derksen

as Pied Pieper

Lise is very thrilled to be part of such an amazing production. She has never before been part of the after school productions and is looking forward to seeing how it all pieces together. She is very thankful that her family is supporting her through this, especially her mom. She has done other school productions before and once was in costume crew.



Sarah Franzel

as Wicked Witch

Sarah is very excited to be part of Wydown Theatre Company's production of "Shrek the Musical". This is her second time being in the cast of one of the Wydown plays, but her fifth time being part of Wydown Theatre Co. and her first time being in a Wydown Musical. She has had so much fun rehearsing with her co-actors, and very excited to see the final production.

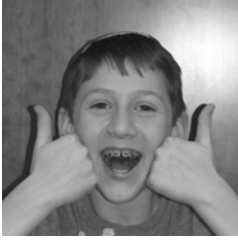
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Jean-Martin Gerchen

as Guard

Jean is very excited to be part of this great production. This will be his first time participating in a Wydown production. He'd also like to thank his friends and family for the support.



William Goldmeier

as Knight #2, Duloc Performer, Mob

William is excited to be in this production of Shrek. He has previously been in the productions of Wizard Of Oz, Once On This Island, and The Thirty Nine Steps. Sadly, this is William's last production at Wydown, but he has wonderful memories to last a lifetime. He is excited to take the skills he has learned concerning theatrics and teamwork to the next adventures in his life.



Leo Goodfriend

as Big Bad Wolf

Leo is excited to be playing the part of the Big Bad Wolf in Shrek! This will be his third Wydown Theatre Production along with other class productions. Some of his other roles include Hannay in the 39 Steps and Gatekeeper in Once On This Island. In his free time, Leo enjoys hanging out with friends and playing baseball.



Wynne Havranek

as Ugly Duckling, Dragon Puppeteer

Wynne is excited to be in her first musical at Wydown. She knows you'll love it just as much as she does! Wynne has been in Wydown's past two plays, and does shows at COCA, where she also takes lessons. She would also like to thank her parents for rides and all her friends in the company that made her feel comfortable. She hopes you enjoy the show and keep your eye out for the Ugly Duckling!

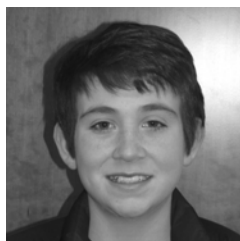


Grace Homann

as Duloc Performer, Rat Dancer

Grace is ecstatic to be a part of this production. This is her first musical and she is excited to work with this amazing company to put together this awesome show. Grace would like to thank her mother and father for helping her so much with the audition and with acting in general, and thank her sister for being supportive.

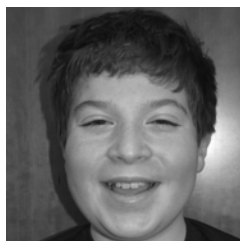
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Sam Ilivicky

as Knight #3, Duloc Performer, Mob

Sam is most delighted to be in Shrek. This is his second production with the Wydown Theater Company. When he's not participating in theater he likes to hangout with his friends, draw, play music, and play sports. He would like to thank his family and friends for all of their support and he couldn't do it without them. Enjoy the Show!



Adam Jaffe

as Baby Bear

Adam is excited to perform on the Wydown stage for a second time following his debut as a sixth grader in The 39 Steps. He looks forward to being a part of another great production with a wonderful cast and crew. Adam wants to thank his family and friends for helping him out and Mr. Engelmeyer for this wonderful opportunity.



Iman Jamison

as Dragon, Little Red Riding Hood

Iman is very excited to be a part of Shrek the musical. Iman has been in 3 Wydown productions. Much Ado About Middle School, Once On This Island, and The 39 Steps. Iman would like to thank her mom for all her support.



Lilly Kanterman

as Fiona

Lilly is thrilled to participate in her second WMS production. Prior experiences include parts in the musicals Les Mis (Muny), Gypsy (Stray Dog Theatre), Once On This Island (WMS) and The Very Last Green Thing (STL Opera Theatre). Thank you to my family, Nance, Lara, Carrie and Christine for their support and guidance. Special thanks to Mr. E and Ms. Riordan for their encouragement.



Evelyn Kastner

as Dragon Girl, Duloc Performer, Mob

Evelyn Kastner is proud of her involvement in every Wydown fall play and spring musical since 6th grade as a costume crew or cast member. She would like to thank her friends and family for their unwavering support. Evelyn also wants her fabulous directors to know how much she appreciates their guidance and help. Now, sit back, get comfy, and enjoy our magnificent production of Shrek The Musical!

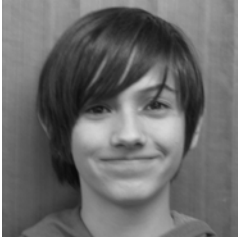
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Erin Koc

as Mama Bear

Erin is very excited to be a part of the company of Shrek the Musical. This is Erin's second show at Wydown, but she loves theatre. Her favorite shows she has done include Willy Wonka Jr., Seussical the Musical Jr., and The 39 Steps! Erin also loves photography, soccer, and traveling! She would like to thank her family and Christine Chase for supporting her, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



Alec Levenson

as Knight #4, Duloc Performer, Mob

This is Alec's third production at Wydown Middle School but it is his first musical. This is why Alec is so excited about Shrek the Musical. Never before has Alec been able to sing, dance, and act on stage.



Abby Mann

as Dragon Girl, Duloc Performer, Mob

Abigail is very excited to be in the cast of Shrek The Musical. She was on costume crew for The 39 Steps and loved the Wydown Theatre Company experience. She would like to thank her family and others who helped her get to where she is now.



Rachel Markenson

as Three Blind Mice, Rat Dancer

Rachel is very excited to be a part of the production of Shrek. She also took place in the musical, Once On This Island, last year and enjoys the production process very much. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Ethan Mayer

as Peter Pan

Ethan, who plays the role of Peter Pan, is extremely proud to be a cast member in Shrek the Musical. Ethan would like to thank Mr. Engelmeyer, Ms. Riordan, Mr. Kastner, and Ms. Miller for making this production an amazing experience. Thanks also to the entire Wydown Theater Company! Oh....and Ethan thanks his mom and dad for all their love and support.

WHO'S WHO



Izzy Mills

as Mama Ogre, Duloc Performer

Izzy is thrilled to be a part of Shrek! It has been a highlight for her in the spring to participate in Wydown Musicals. Working with everyone has shown Izzy just how challenging it is to make a production that is entertaining and successful. She has been fortunate enough to be around a great group of students and teachers and hopes to be able to share what she has learned at Clayton High.



Max Muhm

as Young Shrek, Garden Gnome

Max is very enthusiastic about acting in a musical. He loves to sing and dance and a musical is a perfect way to express it



Charles Quigless

as Papa Bear

Charlie is very excited about being a part of his 4th musical. Other productions he been in: "Much Ado About Middle School", "Once on This Island" and "The 39 Steps". He likes to sing, dance and play basketball. He is a fan of "Shrek" and saw the musical 4 times. He would like to thank his parents, Mr. Engelmeyer and Wydown Theatre for the support.



Evan Robinson

as Shrek

Evan is thrilled to be playing the role of Shrek & sharing the stage with his awesome & talented classmates! Evan performs year-round with the Munny Kids & has performed on The Munny's mainstage since he was 8 yrs. old. You'll see him busking (street performing) before & after Cardinal baseball games - GO CARDS! Evan thanks the Wydown Theatre Company's staff & his family & friends for their support!



Ryan Rosenthal

as King Harold, Guard

Ryan is very excited to be a part of "Shrek The Musical." This is Ryan's fourth production at Wydown Middle School. Ryan's shows include "Much Ado About Middle School," "Once On This Island," and "The 39 Steps." Ryan would like to thank his family for supporting him and a special thanks to his cat, Honey, for comforting him and for always lying on top of him and keeping him warm.

WHO'S WHO



Ian Saverin

as Pinocchio

Ian is in 6th grade and is very excited to be in Shrek the musical. Ian has had no past experiences in any theatrical productions but Ian really loves drama/acting. Ian would like to say a special thanks to his Mom for giving him very helpful input and Ian would love to be in any future theatrical productions



Armon Seraji

as Guard

Armon is very excited to be a part of Shrek. This is his first production. His hobbies include playing basketball and watching football with his family.



Mason Sharon *as Teen Fiona, Dragon Girl, Mob, Dorothy*

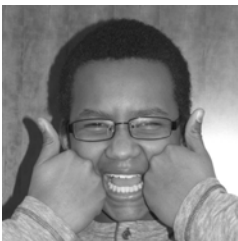
Mason is very excited to be a part of this production. In the past she has costumed The 39 Steps, and played the Cat in the Hat in Suessical Jr. She would like to thank her parents, for reminding her to run through her choreography one more time, and the directors, for putting their own unique spin on this wonderful musical.



Jake Sher

as Three Little Pigs, Dragon Puppeteer

Jake is very excited to be a part of this production of Shrek: The Musical. He knows that this is the perfect last show as an 8th grader to do, and loves the plot line. He hopes that everyone enjoys the production, and understands all of the hard work and dedication everyone involved needed to lay out on the table.

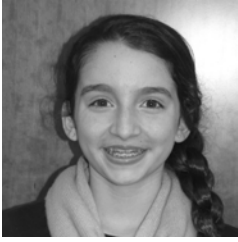


Nate Slaughter

as Donkey

This is Nate's third time being a part of the theatre company. He is very excited to be a part of Shrek and hopes you enjoy the show! Nate wants to give a special thanks to his Mom, who took time out of each day to pick him up from the rehearsals and always being very supportive.

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Lexie Smith-Gomes

as Young Fiona, Rat Dancer

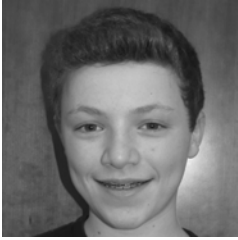
Lexie is thrilled to be making her debut with the Wydown Theatre Company in this Shrek-tastic production! In her free time, Lexie plays volleyball, is a springboard diver and takes voice lessons. She enjoys reading, sketching and anything to do with the Marvel Superhero Universe. She would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers for their constant support and inspiration!



Katie Snelling

as Three Blind Mice

Katie is so happy to be involved in Shrek the Musical! She would like to thank Molly Koebbe for helping her choose the song for her audition. She also wants to thank her family for helping her with her audition materials. Katie has been in previous Wydown productions such as Much Ado, Once On This Island, and The 39 Steps.



Charlie Steinbaum

as Thelonius, Guard

Charlie Steinbaum is very excited to a part of the cast for this production. He has enjoyed performing previously in the play Much Ado About Middle School, as well as The 39 Steps. He hopes you like the show!



Sara Stemmler

as Sugar Plum Fairy / Gingy

Sara is thrilled upon entering her 4th production at Wydown, and is even more delighted that the production just so happens to be the very musical she has viewed on Netflix at LEAST eight times. Sara enjoys music and the outdoors away from school, and is also eager at the prospect of developing professional skills in the art of puppetry during the rehearsal process of Shrek.



Emma Stipanovich

as Elf

Emma is very excited to be in Shrek the Musical. She thinks it is going to be a great experience. Emma is so happy she got this role. She loves this play and is so happy you chose it. She has experience with plays before. This will be Emma's 5th play. Emma says thank you for giving her this amazing role.

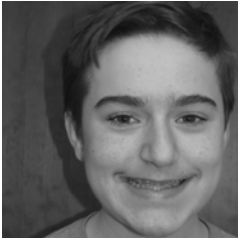
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Jillian Straetker

as Rat Dancer, Duloc Performer

Jillian is very excited to be a part of Shrek!! This will be her last production in the company, given that she is an 8 grader at Wydown. She was in the cast for The 39 Steps and Once on This Island. Also, she was in costume crew for Disaster, The Wizard of Oz, and Much Ado about Middle School. She hopes you all enjoy the show!!



Jack Taylor

as Mad Hatter, Bishop

Jack is so excited to be in the cast of Shrek the Musical! His previous Wydown Theatre productions include the Wizard of Oz and the 39 Steps as a Production Assistant. He hopes you enjoy the show!



Abby Wallach

as Rat Dancer, Duloc Performer

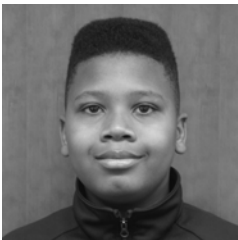
Abby is very excited to be a part of the cast in Shrek The Musical. She was in costume crew for the fall play The 39 Steps, and was also a part of a musical at Camp Sabra in Lake of the Ozarks. Abby has been dancing at Merle Scheff since she was four. She likes dancing, singing, acting, and spending time with friends. Abby enjoys being a part of Wydown Theatre Company.



Wil Welch

as Lord Farquaad

Wil Welch - 8th Grade. Wil is honored to be a cast member of "Shrek" and is thrilled to be playing the role of Lord Farquaad. During the 2012, 2013 and 2014 seasons, Wil was cast in the Wydown Theatre productions of "Disasterama," "The Wizard of Oz," "Much Ado About Middle School," and "Once On This Island". Wil would like to thank his parents and sisters for their support and encouragement.



Kameron Williams

as Knight #1, Duloc Performer, Mob

He is a 6th grader. This is his first time he has been in a Wydown Production. He loves to sing, dance, and act. He is very excited to be in the musical. He wants to give thanks to Mr.Engelmeyer, Ms.Miller, Ms.Riordan, and Ms.Voskuil for casting him in this Shrek-tastic musical.

WHO'S WHO



Annie Winings *as Dragon Girl, Duloc Performer, Mob*

Annie is thrilled to be a part of Shrek the Musical! She has done costume crew for Wizard of Oz and was in the cast for Once on This Island. This is her second and last time being apart of a Wydown production. She would like to thank Mr Englemeyer, Mrs Miller, Miss Riordan, and Mr Kastner for helping her during her three years of being a part of Wydown theatre. She hopes that you enjoy the show!



Amanda Woodworth *as Queen Lillian, Duloc Performer*

Amanda is so excited to be a part of this wonderful production! She has been in "Once on this island," "39 Steps, and "Whodunit." Amanda has made so many memories with school productions! She would like to thank her friends and family for all the love and support through out this experience. Amanda Would personally like to thank the 5 amazing teachers that made all of this possible!



Johnathan Woodworth *as Dwarf*

I want to thank my sister, my mom and friends for inspiring me to be in the cast. Without them, I would probably still be in tech crew. I love to act. It is my favorite thing to do when I am at home. my other interests are soccer, the St. Louis Zoo and playing with my dog. It is first performance with my sister, Amanda Woodworth. I am really excited!

CREW WHO'S WHO



Layla Agha

Technical Crew - Backstage

Layla is very excited to be a part of the company this year! Since it's her last year at Wydown, being a part of the production means so much to her, as it will be her last production of middle school. She is sad to be leaving Wydown, but happy to be in Shrek The Musical.



Dana Anderson

Technical Crew - Lights

Dana is very excited to be on tech crew for Shrek the Musical. She has been involved in three other productions, Much Ado About Middle School, Once on this Island, and 39 Steps. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Christian Bauer

Technical Crew - Backstage

Christian Bauer is new to Wydown this year, and was very excited to participate in the musical production of Shrek. Christian's theater experience started when he was cast as Puck in his school's production of A Midsummer Night's Dream. Christian also wanted to thank everyone who pushed him to act on his wishes to participate in the production.



Mya Bethany

Technical Crew

Mya Bethany is part of the tech crew and absolutely loves it. She is very hard working so this is the perfect job for her. She is good with her hands and is very excited about working on the set. Mya would like to thank her parents and Mr. Kastner for allowing her to be a part of Shrek.



Ben Blinder

Technical Crew - Sound Board

Ben was in the fall play earlier this year and was excited to return to tech crew for another play. He loves the production experience and was very happy to be back in tech crew for a second time.

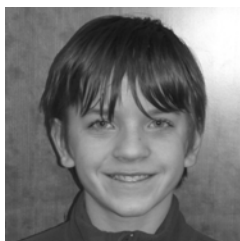
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Emily Bober

Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler

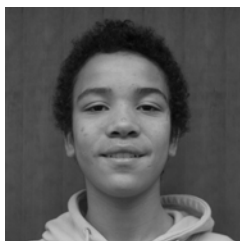
This is Emily's first year in the Wydown Theatre Company. She is thrilled to be a part of Shrek. When she is not painting sets for tech crew she is playing soccer, reading, doing homework, and playing the french horn. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Noah Boeyink

Technical Crew - Props

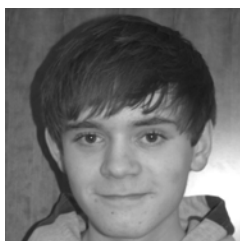
Noah has been working for every production since he has arrived at Wydown. His favorite production so far has been Once On This Island. Noah is absolutely thrilled to be part of the Shrek production.



Hezekaya Buse

Technical Crew

Heze is very excited to finish the set and watch the play. Heze has good friends in tech crew as well.



Clay Butler

Technical Crew - Backstage

Clay is happy to be in his 3rd Production, He has also been in Once on This Island and was one of the 2 tech PAs along with Ben G. for The 39 steps. Clay is excited to start High School next year and wants to be in every production in his High School career.

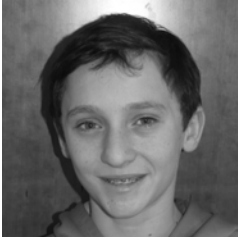


Cece Cohen

Technical Crew - Usher

Cece is very excited to be in tech crew for this production. Cece was also in tech crew for The 39 Steps. Cece would like to thank Mr. Kastner for choosing her to be in tech crew.

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Daniel Cohen

Technical Crew - Backstage

Daniel is very excited to be part of this production. He has been part of every production while at Wydown Middle School. For two of the productions, Daniel has been in the cast. Then for four productions he has been in tech crew. Daniel hopes everyone enjoys this production of Shrek the Musical!



Chandler Donaldson

Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler

Chandler is thrilled to be in this shrektacular production of Shrek the Musical! He has been in 5 Wydown Theatre productions, including The Wizard of Oz and The 39 Steps, and now Shrek. He hopes that you enjoy not only the show, but the well layered set as well, assembled by the Tech Crew.



Sophia Fish

Technical Crew - Production Assistant - Backstage

Sophia is very excited to be a Tech PA for Shrek The Musical. She has worked in tech crew on The All American Musical Disaster and The Wizard of Oz.



Micah Franzel

Technical Crew - Usher

Micah is very excited to be in Tech Crew. This is his second show at Wydown and hopes to be in more over the next year.



Sarah Freedman

Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler

Sarah is very excited to be a part of Shrek! This will be Sarah's second time working on tech crew and she has really enjoyed the whole experience of creating the sets. She would like to thank her parents for being so supportive!

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Ruby Gallegos

Technical Crew

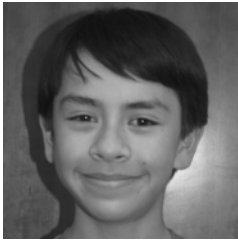
Ruby is very excited to be in the production Shrek the Musical, and has been in several productions before, and is very excited to see how this musical will turn out. Special thanks to Ruby's friends and family who have been there for her.



Anne Goode

Technical Crew, Special Projects PA - Backstage

Anne is very excited to be a tech crew PA for the Shrek The Musical production. She has previously worked in tech crew for The Wizard Of Oz, Once On This Island, and The 39 Steps.



Ben Greenberg

Technical Crew - Backstage

Ben is excited to be on the tech crew for his sixth and final production at Wydown. It has been an amazing experience, allowing Ben to learn all that goes on behind the scenes and to make new friends. He would like to thank Mr. Kastner for giving him this opportunity. Ben would also like to thank his other friends who joined tech crew, and those in this production for creating a great show.



Madeleine Jue

Technical Crew - Spotlight

Madeleine is very excited to be a part of tech crew again and can't wait for all of you to see the amazing sets tech crew has made. She has been in tech crew before during Much Ado About Middle School. She thanks everyone who has made this possible and has had fun working with everyone together



Cicely Krutzsch

Technical Crew

Cicely is very excited to be in Tech Crew for this production. Cicely had never been in Tech Crew, but she had a lot of fun and she can't wait to see the musical to come together.

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Leah Levenson

Technical Crew

Leah was in costume crew for the fall play, Much Ado About Middle School, and in tech crew for the spring musical, Once On This Island. She is very excited to be a part of this production.



Marissa Lewis

Technical Crew - Backstage

Marissa is very happy to be part of "Shrek The Musical"! She also participated in Tech Crew for the 2012 fall production of "The Great All-American Musical Disaster". She is very excited to be a part of the Tech Crew again for the last musical she will be a part of in Wydown.



Jody Lin

Technical Crew, Special Projects PA - Backstage

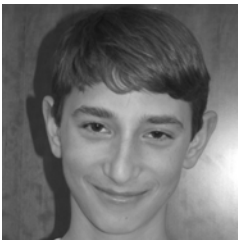
Jody is very excited to be in Shrek the Musical in her last year at Wydown, and she is very excited to be a Tech Crew PA in this production. She has been in all of the productions since 6th grade. She loves to work on the sets, and she can't wait for this production.



Sara Litteken

Technical Crew

Sara is so excited to be on tech-crew for Wydown Theatre Company's production of Shrek the Musical! Sara was on tech-crew for the production of Once On This Island and on the cast for The 39 Steps. She would like to thank her parents for allowing her to participate. She would also like to thank Mr. Engelmeyer, Ms. Miller, and Mr. Kastner for making this experience possible. Enjoy the show!!!

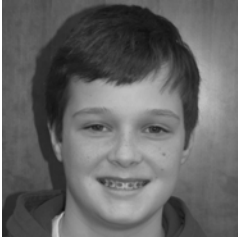


Leeor Michelson

Technical Crew, Production Assistant - Backstage

Leeor is very happy to be part of the musical. He is the Tech Production Assistant. He has been in 2 other plays: Much Ado About Middle School, and The 39 Steps.

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Kyle Miller

Technical Crew

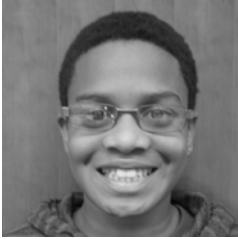
Kyle is very happy to be a part of this production. Kyle chose tech crew because he loves all of the building and painting the sets. Kyle hopes everyone enjoys the show!



Jacotte Monroe

Technical Crew - Backstage

Jacotte is very excited to be in the musical this year, especially since it's Shrek. Jacotte has already been in Tech. Crew for Much Ado About Middle School, Once On This Island, and 39 Steps. Jacotte had a lot of fun making the backdrops for this musical and can't wait to see how it all comes together. She hopes you enjoy the performance!



Deandre Nabors

Technical Crew - Usher

DeAndre is very excited to be here because he likes to build things while being with his friends at the same time. Also he has experience because he and his grandfather build things together.



Sal Planells

Technical Crew

This is Sal's second Wydown Production with Tech Crew. He enjoys building the sets and knows Shrek will be an amazing show. Sal thanks Mr. Kastner for his support.



Gemma Redeker

Technical Crew

Gemma is super excited to help build the set. This is Gemma's first time on Tech Crew, and she really likes it!

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Mac Redohl

Technical Crew - Props

Mac is very excited to be working with the company of Shrek. Mac loves working in new areas that he hasn't seen before. Mac has traveled all over the world. Mac loves working with his friends. Mac is very excited about the next few months of 2015.



Emilio Rosas

Technical Crew - Mic Wrangler

Emilio is thrilled about being in the school musical once again. Tech Crew has been awesome, and aside from that, Emilio plays piano and the clarinet, and loves to play soccer. He would like to give thanks to his sister, who has always been there for him. Enjoy the show, and in the morning, he's making waffles!



Terrance Smith Jr.

Technical Crew - Usher

This is Terrance's first time ever being in the Company. Terrance is excited about how the Shrek Musical will turn out. Terrance is in the tech crew and he likes being there every Tuesday.



Noah Strassels

Technical Crew - House Manager

Noah is very excited to be part of the tech crew his last spring in middle school. Shrek the Musical is his first production. He is glad to be part of this production and has never had this type of experience before. Noah wants to thank his parents for allowing him to be in tech crew.

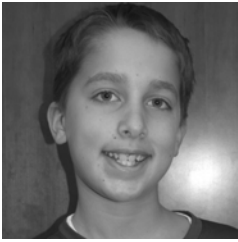


Dylan Wallach

Technical Crew - Backstage

Dylan is very excited to be a part of Shrek the Musical. This will be his second Wydown theater production, along with The 39 Steps (tech crew as well). He hopes you enjoy the show!

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Jack Winings

Technical Crew - Usher

Jack loved participating in the last play, *The 39 Steps*, so he wanted to tech for the musical. The main reason Jack wanted to tech again was because it was fun, watching set after set being made and trying to see what the final thing would look like.



Will Winings

Technical Crew

Will is excited to be in tech crew because he saw the other plays and wanted to do what other tech crews have done. Will thought it would be fun to say that he built that. Will wanted to be a part of putting all of the drops and other things together.



Celia Baer

Costume Crew

Celia is very excited to be a part of the production of *Shrek*. When the movie *Shrek* came out Celia was drawn to the imagery and characters. Celia has always had an interest in fashion and is excited for the opportunity to showcase her design skills in this production.



Evi Brown

Costume Crew, Crew B Leader - Running Crew

Evi is very excited to be on costume crew and have the chance to be a crew leader. Evi couldn't wait to get started and share her ideas with everyone.



Isabella Brown

Costume Crew - Running Crew

Isabella is very excited to be working on her second *Wydown Theatre Company* show. She would like to thank her friends and family.

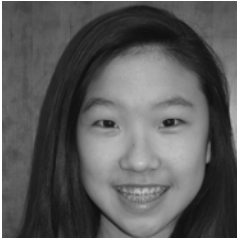
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Jaylin Champion

Costume Crew

She has always wanted to be in costume crew because she is very crafty and wants to be more involved in school.



Eunice Chung

Costume Crew, Crew C Leader - Running Crew

Eunice is extremely excited for this show. She had a previous experience in the Fall play of 2013 as well. As for the 8th graders, it is their last production. Eunice cannot wait for the final outcome. A special thanks to the cast, tech crew and costume crew. Please enjoy the show.



Isabella Clark

Costume Crew

Izzy is very excited to be working on the costume crew for Shrek the musical this year. Last year, she worked on the costume crew for Once on This Island and enjoyed it very much. She has some experience with working with design and clothes. Special thanks to my parents for helping her through this and to Ms. Miller for providing this.



Sophia Erlin

Costume Crew

This is Sofia's first production. She is very excited to be part of costume crew!

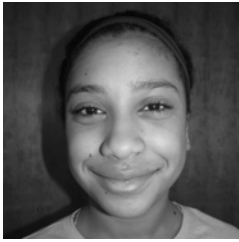


Caroline Foley

Costume Crew

This is Caroline's second company experience (the first being Once on This Island). Caroline is very excited to be working on costume crew with some of her close friends.

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Gabby Gilby

Costume Crew

Gabby is excited to be a member of the Wydown Theatre Company assisting with "Shrek The Musical". This is Gabby's second production with the company. Gabby was a member of the Fall Production "39 Steps". Gabby is a natural when it comes to the Performing Arts. Gabby is passionate about performing, and is comfortable behind the scenes or in front of an audience.



Lailah Hall

Costume Crew

Lailah is really excited to be working in costume crew, especially because of all of the elaborate and funky costumes we will be designing for the actors.



Arlisha Hodges

Costume Crew

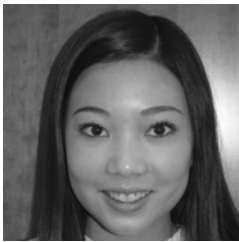
Arlisha is extremely pumped to be part of the costume crew for Shrek the musical. Although this is her first year, Arlisha is having so much fun.



Teaia Jackson

Costume Crew

Teaia is very excited to be in costume crew for another year. She has been helping out in school productions since she was in the sixth grade. Teaia loves fashion and clothes. Going shopping is Teaia's favorite thing to do after her sports and academics. Teaia can make anything work when it comes to outfits. She is very creative and she thinks outside the box. Teaia is the girl you need



Caroline Lockwood

Costume Crew

Caroline Lockwood is excited to be a part of the costume crew again, this time for Shrek. Caroline enjoys working with such creative and talented people on the Wydown productions and hopes to work on shows during her high school years too.

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Claudia Miller

Costume Crew

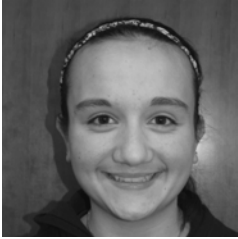
This is Claudia's 3rd time doing costume crew. She really enjoys it and is glad to be part of this production.



Charley Nakis

Costume Crew

Charley is excited to be a part of the Shrek Production. After doing tech crew last Fall for The 39 Steps, she was happy to be a part of the costume crew this time so that she could try out something new.



Samantha Osborne

Costume Crew

Samantha is very excited to be a part of this year's company. She has costumed several plays, but never any musicals. She would like to thank her parents for supporting her through this experience. She hopes to be a part of many companies in years to come.



Mallory Palmer

Costume Crew

This is Mallory's first time being part of the Wydown Theatre Company, and she is so excited to be working on this production! She is so thankful for this amazing experience and everyone who is a part of it. :)



Avery Pedraza-Gasperson

Costume Crew

Avery is very excited to be involved with Shrek production. She enjoys designing clothes, fashion. She has participated in the past as tech crew member.

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Khaylie Ross

Costume Crew

Khaylie is extremely excited to be a part of Shrek the Musical. She has participated in Costume Crew for Much Ado About Middle School and Once on This Island. She has a lifelong dream to become a fashion designer & sends a special thanks to her mom, dad & brother for supporting her & adjusting their schedules to accommodate hers!



Anna Rubin

Costume Crew - Running Crew

This is Anna's third time on crew and she loves it! Anna has had a lot of fun working on costumes with both Mrs. Miller and Mr. Engelmeyer. When she is not at crew Anna likes to read and play volleyball. She wants to thank the rest of crew for making the production possible!



Annika Sandquist

Costume Crew

This is Annika's second time being on Costume Crew. Last year Annika was a part of Once on the Island and loved the experience, so she is very excited to be on crew again this year!



Katie Scherck

Costume Crew

This is Katie's first time on Costume Crew. She is very excited to be a part of Shrek The Musical. Katie would like to thank her family. She would also like to thank Mrs. Miller for helping her along the way and for making Costume Crew happen. Enjoy the show!



Rachel Schneider

Costume Crew, Production Assistant - Running Crew

Rachel is very excited to be a costume crew PA. This is her 4th costume crew experience and 6th Wydown Theatre company experience. She hopes you enjoy the show and the costumes!

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Olivia Sierra-Retzlaff

Costume Crew

Olivia is very happy to be a part of the production. She is very crafty and creative so costume crew is a perfect fit for her! She had a bit part in the 5th grade play at Glenridge: The Princess And The Pea. She does not have any production experience at Wydown. She hopes the audience enjoys the show!



Grace Snelling

Costume Crew - Running Crew

Grace can't wait for you to see all the amazing costumes that the crew has constructed this year for "Shrek The Musical"! She has had so much fun working with everyone on costume crew. She was a cast member in "The 39 Steps" and was on costume crew in "Once on This Island." Thank you to everyone who made this possible!



Ida Streeto

Costume Crew - Running Crew

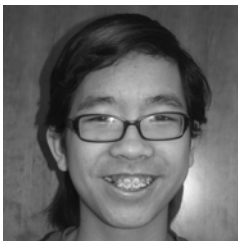
Ida is very excited to participate in Shrek after her positive experience in Once on This Island and The Thirty-nine Steps. She is glad to have been a part of such a fun, team building experience at Wydown.



Anna Sturmoski

Costume Crew - Running Crew

This is Anna's fourth time being on Costume Crew, and she loves it. She's super excited to be costuming such a unique and animated show. She costumed Much Ado About Middle School, Once on This Island, The 39 Steps, and now Shrek the Musical. Anna would like to thank the Tech Crew and her fellow Costume Crew members, as well as the amazing cast. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Nicky Taghert

Costume Crew, Crew A Leader - Running Crew

Nicky is very excited but very sad that this is his last performance at WMS. He's been in four performances by the Wydown Theatre Company and can't wait for what's in store for high school. Have a great show everyone!

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Lila Taylor

Costume Crew - Running Crew

Lila is very excited to be a part of the Shrek Company. She loves being on costume crew and is very excited for you to see all of the hard work everyone put into this production. She's done costumes for The 39 steps and Once on this Island. She would like to thank her family and all of her friends for supporting her. Thank you, and enjoy the show.



Elizabeth Trempala

Costume Crew

Elizabeth Trempala is very excited to be working on the costume crew for the Shrek musical. This is her first production with the Wydown Theatre Company. She costumed the Ugly Duckling. She also hopes you enjoy the show.



Ellie Van Luven

Costume Crew

Ellie is very excited to be a part of this production! She has performed in "High School Musical" and "Alice in Wonderland". Ellie has done costume crew for "Much Ado About Middle School", and can't wait to make more unique and creative costumes! She would love to thank the 5 teachers who made this show and experience possible for her, since it will be her last!



Angelica Vannucci

Costume Crew - Running Crew

Angelica is really excited to be on costume crew for this production.



Ally Wade

Costume Crew

Ally is thrilled to be a part of this production. This is her first time taking part in one of the after school productions at Wydown, so she is very excited. She can't wait to hear others' reactions to the show!

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Grace Wheeler

Costume Crew

Grace helps & adores animals and she was in The 39 Steps play on tech crew. Grace loves being in this show because she is a genius at crafting. Grace wants to give thanks to all the people that helped her, especially my parents, my grandma, Ms. Sarah and Mrs. Miller and Mr. Engelmeyer. She would also like to give thanks to her 3 pets, Sammy an Old English Bulldog, Dutchess a St. Bernard and Chloe,

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CHS & WMS Jazz Bands Concert
March 31, 2015

CHS Symphonic Band & 6th Grade Band Concert
April 8, 2015

Night of Percussion
April 21, 2015

WMS Orchestra Concert
April 29, 2015

CHS Symphonic Orchestra Concert
May 5, 2015

WMS Choir Concert
May 7, 2015

Night of Bands Concert
May 15, 2015

WMS Integrated Arts Performance
May 18, 2015

Alice in Wonderland Jr.
May 21, 2015

Elementary Strings & Vibravo Concert
May 19, 2015



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BOOSTER ADS

LAYLA AGHA: I know you will do your best today and tomorrow! Love, Mom & Dad

CHRISTIAN BAUER: Great Job - C

WILLY BERMINGHAM: Willy, Good luck! Love, Mom and Dad

MICHAEL BERNARD: Michael, break a leg! You ogre! Love, The Fam

SAM BERNSTEIN: Sam - Hello! Love, Mom and Dad

NOAH BOEYINK: We Love you, Bear! Mom, Chris, Zack, Susie & Luke!

LYNLY BRENNAN: Way to go Lynly! Love, Mom and Dad

ELIZA COPILEVITZ: Eliza Congrats on a great performance to end your Wydown Career XOXO Mom, Dad, Anna, Abby, Buster and Carson

SOPHIA FISH: I am so proud of you! Love Mom

SOPHIA FISH: Awesome work by you and your team! Love Dad

WILLIAM GOLDMEIER: A "Knight to Remember" Have fun. Your brothers - Josh, Bradley, Eric, and Gary, Love Mom and Dad

BEN GREENBERG: Congratulations on your 6th production! Love, your family

SAM ILIVICKY: Break a leg Sam, and have fun! Love, The Fam

ADAM JAFFE: Adam, you'll always be our Baby Bear! Love, Mom & Dad

MADELEINE JUE: We love you! Great Job! Mom, Alex, Mimi and Papa

LILLY KANTERMAN: Lilly K, Break a Horn! Love, Mom, Dad & Jack

LILLY KANTERMAN: Congrats to the Cast and Crew from the Kanterman's

EVELYN KASTNER: "I'm a Believer" in you: with lots of love, MDALM&L

ALEC LEVENSON: Alec, Hope you have a great time in your final show!

LEAH LEVENSON: Congrats Leah! Love, Mom & Dad

ETHAN MAYER: In the morning we are making waffles! Love Mom & Dad

LEEOR MICHELSON: Leeor, best wishes for your 3rd great show, we are proud of u!

IZZY MILLS: We are so excited to watch this last musical - Love you!

CHARLES QUIGLESS: Congrats! Your 4th play We are proud of you. Dad & Mom

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EVAN ROBINSON: So proud of you Evan! Love, Mom, Dad & Caroline

EVAN ROBINSON: Break-a-leg Evan! Love, Grandma, Grandpa & Petris

RYAN ROSENTHAL: Way to go, Ryan! We love you-Mom, Dad & Kevin

IAN SAVERIN: Ian, You're the origin of a million smiles!

IAN SAVERIN: Love Mom, John, Jack and Samantha

LEXIE SMITH-GOMES: Shine bright! You're our STAR! Love, Granna & Nobie

LEXIE SMITH-GOMES: Break a leg, bug! Love, Nemie & Penny

LEXIE SMITH-GOMES: We are so proud of you! Love-Dad, Grandma & Grandpa

LEXIE SMITH-GOMES: I love watching you perform, "Broadway Baby" - Mom

KATIE & GRACE SNELLING: We are all proud of you, Katie and Grace

JILLIAN STRAETKER: The show's about to begin! Love, Mom, Dad & Matt

NOAH STRASSELS: Noah, you rock! Love, Grandma, Grandpa, and Cincy

NOAH STRASSELS: Noah, amazing sets! Love, Fancy

NICKY TAGHERT: Last performance, yay!

JACK TAYLOR: Jack, we are so proud of you - break a leg! Love, Your Family

SYDNEY TENNILL: Sydney, we are so proud of you! Mom, Dad & Liv

ELIZABETH TREMPALA: Elizabeth, We love you & we are proud of you! Mom, Dad, J&F

ABBY WALLACH: Congratulations: We're so proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad

DYLAN WALLACH: Congratulations: We're so proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad

WIL WELCH: Wil, We are so proud of you! Love Mom, Dad, Emma & Ella

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

I am extremely proud of all the students in 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 this 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.

I have always been a firm believer that everything happens for a reason. Each year we spend a lot of time deciding on what our productions for the following season will be. As a theatre director, I believe that it is important to not only give the students and audience members productions that they want, but more importantly, productions that they need. "Shrek The Musical" was originally slated to be the final production in the old Wydown Theatre back in 2013. Due to the delayed availability of the theatrical rights, we had to choose another show, and that is when The Wizard of Oz was selected. That ended up being the perfect ending to our time in the old theatre. I kept Shrek on my "must-do" list and waited for the rights to become available and knew that when the time came, it would be the right moment for this show.

Fast-forward two years, and here we are. Shrek The Musical has landed in the New Wydown Theatre. This show is about so much more than the fairytale-creatures and their journey, it is simply about acceptance and embracing all that makes us special and different. This couldn't be more important in our lives than right now. The anthem for this show states "All the things that make us special, are the things that make us strong!" I couldn't say it better myself. Hence my belief that everything happens for a reason, this show was meant to be performed, now!

It has been a true honor to be a part of this theatrical journey with all of the kids involved with this production. Their endless dedication and efforts have made this production what it is and you will now become part of it as soon as the music begins and the curtain goes up.

Enjoy the show!

Brian R. Engelmeyer

