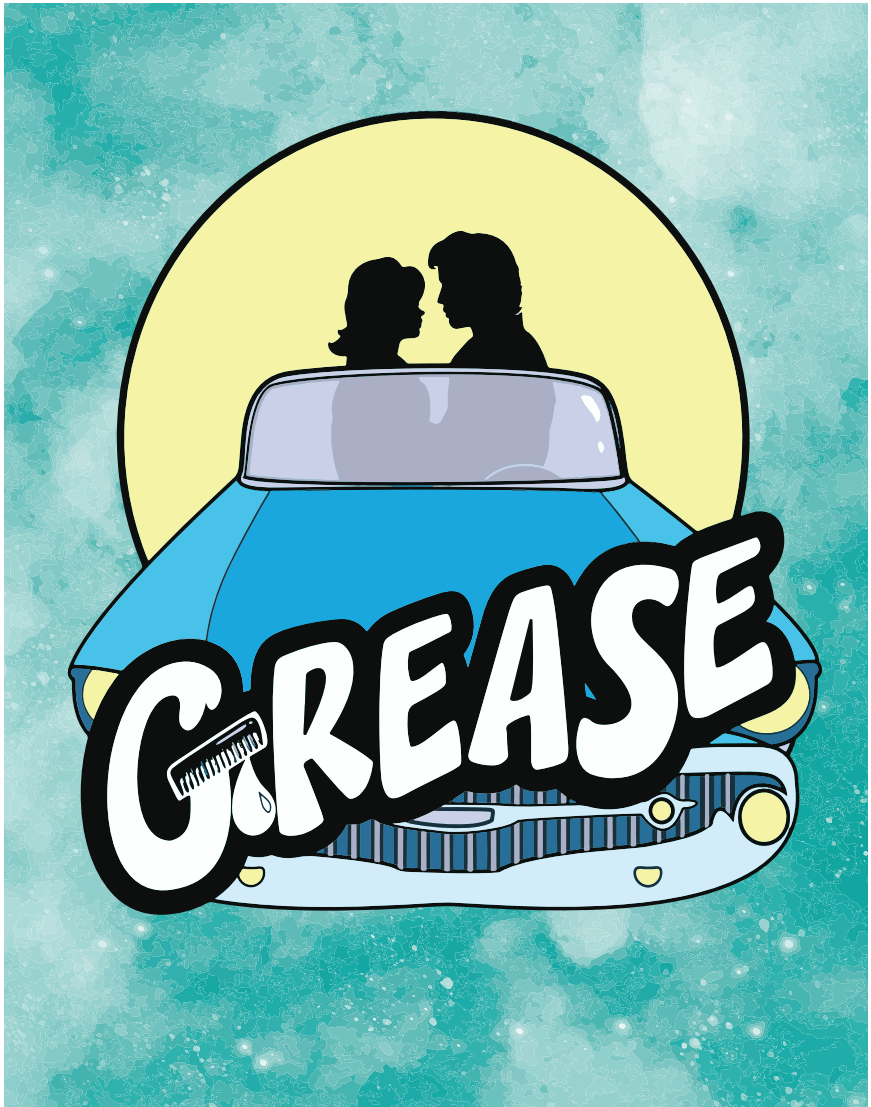


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April 28 - April 29, 2022

GREASE

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JIM JACOBS AND WARREN CASEY

Music Director

NICHOLAS SHOAF

Choreography

KELLY GREATHOUSE

Assistant Choreography

ELLA GENHEIMER

THE CAST

(In order of appearance)

Danny	.....	ELIM LUKE BROOKSHIRE
Kenickie	.....	ZANE ALEXANDER CAMPBELL
Roger	.....	RORY GOSS
Doody	.....	WILLIAM COHAN
Sonny	.....	TRISTAN GONZALEZ CORBETT
Sandy	.....	DELANEY MILLER
Rizzo	.....	ELIZABETH ELLIE DUNCAN
Marty	.....	KATELYN JOHNSON
Frenchy	.....	CORRINE MARY BELCHER
Jan	.....	AVA ELIZABETH PIKE

ADDITIONAL CHARACTERS & MUSICAL SOLOS

Eugene	.....	JOSEPH KUCHARKSHI II
Mrs. Lynch	.....	GEORGIA LEE
Patty Simcox	.....	CAROLINE VERM
Vince Vontaine	.....	BRICE MARTIN
Johnny Casino	.....	CHARLES BRADFORD
Cha-Cha	.....	COOPER HARDING *DANCE CAPTAIN #1
Teen Angel	.....	“BEAUTY SCHOOL DROPOUT” SOLO RYLAND COREY COOLEY
Radio Voice/ Teen Angel Understudy	.....	“RAINING ON PROM NIGHT” SOLO CHEERLEADER LYLA MORROW

BURGER PALACE BOYS

**“Summer Nights, Magic Changes, Greased Lightnin’,
Shakin at the High School Hop, Hand Jive, We Go Together”**

Will Martin	.....	Danny understudy
Michel Axle Mabe	.....	Kenickie Understudy, Hero’s Voice Drive In
Charlie Bradford	.....	Roger & Vontaine Understudy
Will Johnson	.....	Doody
Mason Lewis	.....	Sonny Understudy, Scientist Voice Drive In, Johnny Casino Understudy

THE CAST

PINK LADIES

“Summer Nights, Magic Changes, Freddy My Love, Shakin at the High School Hop, Hand Jive, We Go Together”

Kennedy ThompsonSandy Understudy
Annabelle BiggsRizzo Understudy
Chloe J. HuangMarty Understudy, Cha-Cha Understudy, *Dance Captain #2
Amelia WinterFrenchy Understudy, Sheila’s Voice Drive In
Aaliyah M. ThornhillJan Understudy, Girl’s Voice Drive in

Teen Angel Chorus, Rydell High Cheerleading, Rydell Alma Mater Students Summer Nights, Magic Changes, We Go Together, Shakin at the High School Hop, Hand Jive, Beauty School Dropout

Reagan Albright
Annabelle Biggs
Kaylee Castrey
Jenna Clements
Izzie Gile
Valenzia Angelia Gonzalez
Maddie McDowell
Reagan Mistysyn
Cate-Thornton Reynolds
Julia Marie Saunders
Kaylee CookMrs. Lynch Understudy
Isabella RamnathPatty Understudy

Backstage Crew

Abby Swink	Caroline Mease	Ethan Pipe	Marley Bull
Addison Melton	Claire Ozipko	Karrington Cook	Meagan Brady
Alex Sweet	Dexter Lee	Kayleigh Beals	Savannah Mattei
Annabelle Lee	Emily Zhang	Maddie Yong	Simran Singhal

MUSICAL SYNOPSIS

TIME: 1950's

PLACE: Rydell High School

ACT I

1. "Alma Mater" – All
2. "Alma Mater Parody" – Greasers
3. "Summer Nights" – Sandy, Danny, Roger, Doody, Marty, Sonny, Rizzo, Jan & Ensemble
4. "Those Magic Changes" – Doody & Ensemble
5. "Freddy, My Love" – Marty & Girls
6. "Greased Lightnin'" – Kenickie & Guys
- 6a. "Greased Lightnin'/Rizzo's Entrance & Chaser" – Kenickie & Ensemble
7. "Rydell Fight Song" – Sandy, Patty & Cheerleaders
8. "Mooning" – Roger & Jan
9. "Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee" – Rizzo
10. "We Go Together" – All

ACT II

11. "It's Raining on Prom Night" – Sandy & Radio Voice
12. "Shakin' at the High School Hop" – Johnny Casino & Ensemble
13. "Born to Hand-Jive" – Johnny Casino & Ensemble
14. "Beauty School Dropout" – Teen Angel & Choir
15. "Alone at a Drive-In Movie" – Danny
16. "Rock 'n' Roll Party Queen" – Doody & Roger
17. "Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee (Reprise)" – Sandy
18. "All Choked Up" – Danny, Sandy & Ensemble
19. "Finale: We Go Together (Reprise)" – Company

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST



AALIYAH M. THORNHILL she/her (Pink Lady, Jan Understudy): is excited to be a part of Northwest Middle School's production of Grease. She has more than three years of dance history with Dance Edge of High Point and was one of the leads in her 5th-grade play. Aliyah loves being an 8th grader at NWGMS and she's excited about her future in arts as she heads into her high school years. She would like to thank her mom for supporting her goals and passions, and her friends.



AMELIA WINTER she/they (Pink Lady, Frenchy Understudy): Amelia is very excited to be part of Grease, and she is most looking forward to making people feel something when she's on stage. She thinks that everyone should support one other no matter the ambitions. She loves being a 6th grade student at NWGMS and is excited for future musicals. When she's not in school, she is practicing her lines for Frenchy and singing other actors' song so she can be ready to step in whenever the challenge. Amelia was going through a dark time in elementary school and has improved for the better thanks to Mr. Luck for how he let her be a part of the theatre. She is forever grateful for this amazing ride and can't wait for more.



ANNA RIVABEM (Stage Manager): Anna is super pumped to see the show come together. Just by being part of the show, she is living in a state of euphoria. Anna is Brazilian and in her home country, she never did things like this. She is overly grateful for her mom and dad's support, and thankful for Mr. Luck giving her this opportunity. She hopes everyone enjoys Grease as much as she enjoyed helping take part in putting it together.



ANNABELLE BIGGS (Rizzo Understudy, Ensemble, Teen Angel Chrous): has enjoyed rehearsing and learning as a member of the ensemble. She participated in Drama Kids at Pearce Elementary and is also taking 6th grade theatre. When she is not at rehearsal or school, Annabelle enjoys riding and is a member of the National Barrel Horse Association.



AVA ELIZABETH PIKE she/her (Jan): Ava is so excited to have found her love for theatre and to make her theatre debut with Grease! She is a 7th grader who also enjoys drawing, spending time with friends and anime. She looks forward to many more productions in the future. She would like to thank her family and friends for their love and support, and Mr. Luck for this opportunity.



BRICE MARTIN (Vince Vontaine): No stranger to comedy, Brice is an 8th grade student at NWGMS. Outside of the theatre, he enjoys spending time with his family camping and Boy Scouts. He would like to thank everyone for their support.

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CAROLINE VERM (Patty Simcox):

Making her theatrical debut, Caroline is a new 7th grader to NWGMS this year from Houston, Texas where she had a performing arts elementary and middle school experience. She has a broad artistic background in music with seven years playing the violin, as well as training in art and ballet. She contributes to the NWGMS Orchestra, participates in the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra and takes dance at Greensboro Performing Arts. She is especially thankful for her entire loving and supportive family, including her beloved guinea pigs who make her happy.



CATE-THORNTON REYNOLDS (Ensemble, Teen Angel Chorus):

Cate-Thornton is thrilled to be a part of Grease! This is her debut on stage. She loves to sing, dance and go on adventures with her family to the beach and mountains. Cate-Thornton wants to thank her Mom for being her DJ and Driver while Cate-Thornton is living her best life. Thanks also to the rest of her family and Mr. Luck for all your support.



CHARLES BRADFORD (Johnny Casino, Roger Understudy, Ensemble):

Charlie is very excited to make his first debut at the NWGMS production of Grease. When he is not at school, he enjoys playing MTG with his friends and family, watching horror and sci-fi movies with his mother, and drawing in realism. He wants to thank his family for supporting him.



CHLOE J. HUANG she/her (Dance Captain, Marty Understudy,

Ensemble): Chloe is elated to be a part of Grease at NWGMS! She is very proud of having the privilege to be a Northwest Viking. In her free time, she likes to dance, play the piano and listen to music. She wants to thank her family and friends for supporting her!



COOPER HARDING (Cha-Cha, Dance Captain, Ensemble):

Cooper is an 8th grader who has appeared in Elf Junior and Willy Wonka Junior. She has been dancing for 10 years, plays viola and is a Scout in Troop 219. She would like to thank Mr. Luck for bringing her out of her shell.



CORRINE MARY BELCHER she/her (Frenchy):

Corrine is very excited to be a part of Grease at NWGMS! She recently began working in theatre again after a few years and is so glad she has joined the community once more. When not in school, Corrine loves thrifting, writing poems, and playing soccer for NC Fusion and even NWGMS. She also loves Broadway and any type of play! She wants to thank her family for giving her the support to try this out and encouraging her. She thanks her family and her friends!

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST



DELANEY MILLER (Sandy):

Delaney is honored to be part of NWGMS's first musical production! Prior to the shutdown, she was in rehearsals for "Hortensia" in CTG's Matilda. She loves performing in local theatre and was most recently seen as "Chitty" in Chitty! Chitty! Bang! Bang!, "Goblin Chancellor" in Princess and the Goblin, and Junie B. Jones the Musical and Beauty and the Beast. She enjoys taking screen acting classes at IN-Studio, theatre classes at UNCSA, and singing in her church's choir. She would like to thank her parents and siblings for their support in her dreams to act and Mr. Luck for all the time he's dedicated to this production.



ELIM LUKE BROOKSHIRE he/him (Danny):

Elim is excited to be part of Grease at NWGMS. He first found enthusiasm for theatre when he volunteered at VBS last summer and was cast as "Thomas" in The Rocky Railway. More recently, Elim has performed in The Drowsy Chaperone as a "reporter." Currently, Elim is playing "Oscar" in the Curtains production this spring at StageLights. Elim enjoys tap dancing, voice training, and playing basketball with friends. Elim deeply appreciates the continual support from his parents and their help with rehearsing roles. Elim will attend Penn Griffin School for the arts with the class of 2026 as a theatre major.



ELIZABETH "ELLIE" DUNCAN she/her (Rizzo):

Ellie is excited to join the amazing cast of Grease at NWGMS! Ellie is an 8th grader at NWGMS. In her free time, she loves to read, write and sing. Ellie would like to thank her family for dealing with her craziness. She hopes you enjoy the show! Grease is the word!



ELLA GENHEIMER (Associate Choreographer):

Ella is very excited to help and support the cast of Grease at NWGMS. Ella has performed for several years with summer camps and Drama Kids. She dances with Daliana Dance and is on the Competition team. She would like to thank her family for helping her with her dance and supporting her interests in theatre.



GEORGIA LEE (Ms. Lynch):

Georgia is very excited to have a part in Grease. She is an 8th grader at NWGMS. She loves to sing and listen to music. She wants to thank her friends and family for supporting her. She also wants to thank Mr. Luck for the leadership and vision he had for our musical.



GRIFFIN LUND he/him (Assistant Director, Eugene Understudy):

Griffin is very excited to be assistant director in NWGMS's production of Grease. He has participated in several plays as an actor, and is now making his debut assistant directing. Griffin is happy to be back in school for 7th grade. When not in school, he enjoys the outdoors and hanging out with his brothers. He wants to thank his family for supporting and encouraging him!

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ISABELLA RAMNATH (Ensemble, Patty Understudy, Rydell Cheerleader): Isabella is happy to be a part of Grease. She participated in Drama Kids at Colfax Elementary. Outside of theatre, Isabella likes gymnastics, drawing and singing. She is mostly looking forward to being a big sister to her baby brother. She would like to thank her mom Sheri for supporting her dreams.



ISABELLA GILE (Ensemble, Teen Angel Chorus): Isabella is very excited to be part of her first musical production at NWGMS. Izzie has performed in Elf Junior with the Liberty Lake Community Theater in Spokane, Washington. Izzie has always loved dance and tumbling since she was 4 years old. She wants to thank her family for all the support and especially her grandparents for traveling to see her perform.



JENNA CLEMENTS (Ensemble, Rydell Cheerleader): Jenna is a 7th grader at NWGMS and no stranger to being athletic. She is a cheerleader and sprinter on the NWGMS track team. She is mostly looking forward to being a part of this show and wants to thank her mom for her support throughout this year.



JOSEPH KUCHARSKI VI (Eugene): Joseph has been in drama since he was 9 years old. He was part of the Drama Kids program and now he is very excited to be part of Grease at NWGMS. Other activities that Joseph enjoys are golf, taekwondo, camping and chess, among other things. Joseph is grateful that some family members were able to travel from out of state to watch his performance.



JULIA MARIE SAUNDERS she/her (Ensemble, Rydell Cheerleader): Julia is very excited to be in her first show at NWGMS. She is a hard worker who always tries her best. Julia has experience with dance performing at Destination Arts for a few years. Julia also really likes animals and painting. She aspires to be a zoologist someday. Julia hopes to be in more shows in the future!



KATELYN JOHNSON she/her (Marty): Katelyn is thrilled to be a part of Grease! She enjoys participating in the performing arts and has a passion for improvisation and musicals. She recently worked with the North Carolina Black Repertory Company on The Golden Tales of Hip Hop, and with Drama Kids of the Triad in The Rehearsal. She wants to thank her family and friends for always supporting her. Katelyn will attend Penn Griffin School for the Arts with the class of 2026 as a theatre major.

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KAYLEE CASTREY she/her (Ensemble, Teen Angel Chorus): Kaylee is thrilled to be a part of Grease this year! She has always had a passion for music and dancing. She is currently a 6th grader at NWGMS. In her spare time, she likes to do gymnastics, reading and writing, and spending time outside with friends and family. She wants to thank her family for supporting her.



KAYLEE COOK (Ensemble, Mrs. Lynch Understudy, Teen Angel Chorus): Kaylee is very excited to make her debut in Grease for NWGMS! In her younger years, she had many major parts in school plays and had experience in dance. Recently she wanted to try something new and be in Grease. If you don't find her on the stage, she's on the softball field. She wants to thank her family for always supporting her.



KENNEDY THOMPSON (Pink Lady, Sandy Understudy): Kennedy is a 7th grader and is excited to be in her first play at NWGMS. She started singing when she was 4 years old. When she's not in school, you can find her on the soccer field or the basketball court. She wants to thank her mom and her dad for supporting her in all her passions. She also wants to thank her brother for motivating her to audition for Grease.



LYLA MORROW (Radio Voice, Ensemble, Rydell cheerleader): Lyla is an 8th grader and is thrilled to be a part of NWGMS's production of Grease. Her passion is singing, and she most recently performed with Guilford County School's All County Chorus. She is a NWGMS cheerleader and while she's not at school, Lyla enjoys gymnastics, baking, and hanging out with friends at church. She wants to thank her mom and dad for their support and picking her up from rehearsals.



MADDIE MCDOWELL (Ensemble, Teen Angel Chorus): Maddie is excited to return to acting after COVID stopped many programs. She previously performed with Drama Kids for three years and was the lead role as the "Reindeer Whisperer" in Colfax Elementary's school musical in the 5th grade. She's a 7th grader and loves Mr. Luck's theatre class! When she's not at school or acting, she's in the pool. She swims for Enfinity Aquatic Club and loves the breaststroke! She is thankful that her parents support the things she loves, and also for being her constant Uber drivers.



MASON LEWIS (Burger Palace Boy, Sonny & Johnny Casino Understudy, Scientist Voice Drive In): Mason is very excited to make his acting debut in Grease! He is an 8th grader at NWGMS. In his free time, Mason enjoys reading, playing golf, and hanging out with friends. He wants to thank his family for always supporting him and cheering him on.

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MICHAEL AXLE MABE Mabe (Burger Palace Boy, Kenicke Understudy): Axle is an 8th grader at NWGMS and has enjoyed preparing for Grease with his friends. Outside of theatre he enjoys spending time with his dad and working on the truck. He would like to thank his mom for encouraging him.



REAGAN ALBRIGHT (Ensemble, Rydell Cheerleader): Reagan is in 6th grade at NWGMS and is thrilled to be part of their first theatre production! She has a passion for singing and has been active in drama club and dance since she was little. In her spare time, she plays soccer with ORYA and she loves to cook and bake. She wants to thank her friends and family for always supporting her.



REAGAN MISTYSYN (Ensemble, Teen Angel Chorus): Reagan is very excited to be a part of the ensemble for the NWGMS's production of Grease. Reagan has taken many drama and theatre classes at StageLights in Greensboro and has been a part of a quick production play in a theatre summer camp. In her free time, Reagan enjoys taking hip hop dance classes and hanging out with her friends. Reagan has a fun loving, spunky personality that makes everyone smile.



RORY MICHAEL GOSS (Roger): Rory is filled with joy to make his stage debut in NWGMS's Grease. Outside of theatre, Rory enjoys playing clarinet in the band and singing in his church choir. Rory is looking forward to playing his character and 'Greased Lightnin''. He would like to thank Mr. Luck, Mr. Shoaf, Ms. Kelly for bringing Grease to life. Love you mom!



RYLAND COOLEY (Teen Angel): Ryland is thrilled to be a part of Grease! This is Ryland's second time to the stage after being selected for a main role in "Go Fish" in third grade. He has most recently been named All County Chorus, once again, and was chosen for National Honors Chorus in 2019. When he's not singing and acting, he enjoys swimming and getting together with friends. Ryland thanks all who have supported him in his passion for music and theatre. He knows without their appreciation of his abilities, none of this would be possible.



TRISTAN CORBETT (Sonny): Tristan is excited to finally get the chance to be in a musical as part of the cast. For years, theatre and art has been his passion, and now he will get to embody that passion in the wonderful production that is Grease. He wants to thank his mother and his sister - his mother for allowing him this opportunity, and his sister for helping him grow his theatrical talent.

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VALENZIA GONZALEZ she/her (Ensemble, Rydell Cheerleader): Valenzia is excited to begin acting at NWGMS's production of Grease. She enjoys 6th grade and hanging out with her friends. While offstage Valenzia is known to be athletic and a passionate soccer player while traveling with teammates. She wants to give a shout out to all her family and friends who support her goals.



WILLIAM JOHNSON he/him (Burger Palace Boy, Doody Understudy): Will is excited to make his acting debut in Grease! An 8th grader at NWGMS, Will enjoys playing tennis, Scouting and collecting sneakers. Will wants to thank his loving parents for supporting him. Will also wishes to thank Mr. Luck for this experience. He has caught the theatre bug and hopes to participate in many more productions in the future.



WILL MARTIN (Burger Palace Boy, Danny Understudy): Will is excited to make his stage debut in Grease. A 6th grader at NWGMS, Will enjoys playing soccer, attending Boy Scouts, and spending time with family. He looks forward to Greased Lightning! He would like to thank his family for supporting him.



WILLIAM COHAN (Doody): Will is eager to make history in NWGMS's first musical production. Ever since discovering Broadway's Hamilton, he has been excited to learn acting techniques and musical theatre skills. Outside of theatre, Will enjoys playing guitar, traveling with his family, and his grandparents. Will looks forward to performing on a stage with his newly found friends, and thanks his family for supporting and sponsoring tonight's production.



ZANE ALEXANDER CAMPBELL he/him (Kenickie): Zane is ecstatic to be in the production Grease. He is an 8th grader at NWGMS. His hobbies when he is not in school are animating and drawing. His animations are a collaborative effort between his family and friends. He has been in multiple shows; the most memorable role was "Charlie" in Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. He wants to thank his friends and family for believing in him!

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THE CREATIVE TEAM



JACOB LUCK he/him (Director/Actor):

Mr. Jacob Luck resides with his fiancé Tatum and newest family member Remi in the Piedmont Triad and is pleased to announce his marriage coming October 2022. Born and raised in High Point by his hard-working mother Ashley, a healthcare professional for the state of NC, Jacob was known for playing football at Ledford, where his older brother Austin was also an athlete and NCAA football champion. Jacob's family historically are known for Lucks Pinto Beans. Musically, Jacob spent five years in the Ledford band programs before he took a liking to theatre arts at the age of 14. Jacob is committed to theatre education in Guilford County Schools and a recent graduate of GCS Alternative certification track. This production is dedicated to Jacob's theatre teacher Bob Dye who he thanks for bringing him to the theatre a decade ago. What once was a dream is now my reality. "Be yourself; everyone else is already taken."

Jacob's theatre experience includes: Regional – The Lost Colony, The Hunting of The Snark (Roanoke Island Historical Association), South Pacific, Beautiful Star: An Appalachian Nativity (Triad Stage). Local – "Barfee" in The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Open Space Café Theatre); "George Gibbs" in Our Town (High Point Community Theatre); "Old Fezziwig" in A Christmas Carol (Twin City Stage); "Shrek" in Shrek: the Musical; "Smee" in Peter Pan (Lexington Youth Theatre); "Edna" in Hairspray; "Norman" in The Boys Next Door (Ledford High School). Educational – Antigone, Hello Out There! (UNCG); "Chris" in Hands on a Hardbody (GTCC). Stage Management: Dembe (Paper Lantern Theatre Company). Film/TV: Ain't No Man music video, Horizon Forest products. Education: Bachelor of Arts Drama with a Minor in Musical Theatre, UNCG. In-Studio. Actors' equity candidate, SAFD Unarmed and single sword.

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THE CREATIVE TEAM



NICHOLAS SHOAF (Music Director):

Mr. Nicholas Shoaf is currently the Director of Choirs at Kernodle Middle School in Greensboro, NC. Mr. Shoaf has a Bachelor of Music in Music Education (Voice Concentration) and a B.A. in Arts Administration from UNC Greensboro. He is currently pursuing a Master of Music in Music Education from UNC Greensboro. Mr. Shoaf has a background in opera theatre, choral music, musical theatre, and instrumental music.



KELLY GREATHOUSE she/her (Choreographer):

Ms. Kelly Greathouse is the director of Sheets' Dance Academy in Lexington, NC. She has a BA in Dance Education, Performance and Choreography, and Arts Administration from Goucher College in Maryland and is currently working on her Masters in Equity and Diversity in Education from The University of Nevada, Reno. A native of NC, Kelly has taught, performed, and choreographed throughout Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina. She is thrilled to be working with Mr. Luck and the talented students at NWGMS!

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