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MEAN GIRLS JR.

Book by Tina Fey | Music by Jeff Richmond | Lyrics by Nell Benjamin

Directed by Xerron Mingo | Music Directed by Angie Rawls | Choreographed by Chiquila Pearson

July 13-14 at 7:00pm

July 15-16 at 2:00pm

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Fetch Cast

July 13 at 7 p.m. and July 15 at 2 p.m.

Cady Heron.....	Mattie Ellis
Regina George.....	Kate Jasper
Gretchen Wieners.....	Kayleigh Summers
Karen Smith.....	Brooklyn Bailey
Damian.....	Charlie Perna
Janis Sarkisan.....	Dylan Thomas
Aaron Samuels.....	Jake Weems
Teary Girl.....	Andrea Ray
Sophie.....	Lauryn Smith
Sonja Aquino.....	Ella Young
Glenn Cocco.....	Preston McDowell
Taylor.....	Thelma Franklin
Caitlyn.....	Katelyn Williams
Rachel.....	Maegan Buchanan
Shane Oman/Featured Soloist.....	Seneca Kelly
Dawn.....	Lily Johnston
Grace.....	Elin Fowler
Lizzie.....	Emily Schulte
Kevin G.....	Austin Sampson
Martin.....	Parks Garrott
Tony.....	Lawson Carter-Price
Jason.....	Violet Daniels
Mathlete Moderator.....	Neely Moak
Marymount Captain.....	Astro Crawford
Marymount 1.....	Kaz Morgan
Marymount 2.....	Matthew McAlpin
Marymount 3.....	Maya Nevosadova
Caroline Krafft.....	Elizabeth Franklin
Mr. Heron.....	Rett Daniels
Mrs. Heron.....	Taijha Hackett
Mrs. George.....	Kara Mattingly
Mrs. Norbury.....	Kennedy Carruth
Coach Carr/Featured Soloist.....	Ethan Hartfield
Mr. Duvall.....	Colin Ridgway
French Teacher.....	Jade Smart
Dance Team.....	Johnecia Campbell, Gracyn Files, Twyneseia Graise, Addyson Russell
Plastic Swing.....	Kara Mattingly
Dance Captain.....	Jazzlyn Loving
Tech.....	Areat Davis, Jr., B. Nichols

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Grool Cast

July 14 at 7 p.m. and July 16 at 2 p.m.

Cady Heron.....	Rhen Tanaka
Regina George.....	Genevieve Kelley
Gretchen Wieners.....	Brooklynn Jefferson
Karen Smith.....	Lucy Harper
Damian.....	Walker Scott
Janis Sarkisan.....	Shaughnessy Baker
Aaron Samuels.....	Charles Grenfell
Teary Girl.....	Karis Goodman
Sophie.....	Paige Barker
Sonja Aquino.....	Amani Palmer
Glenn Cocco.....	Mark Tuttle
Taylor.....	Annie Beaugez
Caitlyn.....	Avery Warf
Rachel.....	Zyon Hubbard
Shane Oman.....	Jacob Jefferson
Dawn.....	Ashlan McGuffee
Grace.....	Angela Cole
Lizzie.....	Catherine Gregory
Kevin G.....	Larkin Rives
Martin.....	Seth Grenfell
Tony.....	DeReon Hughes
Jason.....	Connor Adair
Mathlete Moderator.....	Sarah Fowler
Marymount Captain.....	Emma Henry
Marymount 1.....	Hannah King
Marymount 2.....	Khloe Lenoir
Marymount 3.....	Chloe Jackson
Caroline Krafft/Featured Soloist.....	Harlie Hunt
Mr. Heron.....	Jacob Jefferson
Mrs. Heron.....	Breckyn Bradshaw
Mrs. George.....	Kya Jackson
Mrs. Norbury.....	Naomi Willis
Coach Carr.....	Gabriel Gernand
Mr. Duvall.....	Cayman Jackson
French Teacher.....	Avery Toth
Dance Team.....	Meredith Green, Jarrett Hall, Zuri Pearson Emma Williams, Alex Ragsdale
Plastic Swing/Featured Soloist.....	Kya Jackson
Dance Captain.....	Jazzlyn Loving
Tech.....	Andrew Hassin, Raymond Walker

MUSICAL NUMBERS

<i>Mean</i>	Janis, Damian, Show Choir
<i>It Roars</i>	Cady, Taylor, Caitlyn, Rachel, Sonja
<i>It Roars (Reprise)</i>	Cady, Ensemble
<i>Where Do You Belong?</i>	Damian, Cady, Janis, Ensemble
<i>Meet The Plastics — Part 1</i>	Regina, Gretchen, Karen
<i>Meet The Plastics — Part 2</i>	The Plastics, Cady
<i>Stupid With Love</i>	Cady
<i>Apex Predator</i>	Janis, Cady, Ensemble
<i>What's Wrong With Me?</i>	Gretchen
<i>Revenge Party — Part 1</i>	Janis, Damian, Cady, Ensemble
<i>Revenge Party — Part 2</i>	Janis, Cady, Ensemble
<i>Rockin' Around the Pole</i>	The Plastics
<i>Fearless</i>	Gretchen, Karen, Cady
<i>Whose House Is This?</i>	Kevin G., Ensemble
<i>More Is Better</i>	Cady, Aaron
<i>World Burn</i>	Regina
<i>I'd Rather Be Me</i>	Janis, Ensemble
<i>I'd Rather Be Me (Tag)</i>	Janis, Ensemble
<i>Do This Thing — Part 1</i>	Cady, Kevin G., Mathletes, Marymount 1, 2, &3, Martin, Caroline Krafft
<i>Do This Thing — Part 2</i>	Cady, Mrs. Norburry, Ensemble
<i>I See Stars</i>	Cady, Janis, The Plastics, Jason

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CONNOR L. ADAIR is a 16 years old and entering his eleventh grade year at Copiah Academy. He is the child of Anna and Terry Adair. Adair is glad to be able to attend New Stage's Broadway Jr. summer camp, and is grateful for the opportunity. Adair enjoys acting, cross-country, and spending time with friends and family. He has been a part of the following productions in Copiah Musical Theatre: *The Lion King, Jr., Seussical, Jr.,* and *Charlotte's Web*. Connor would like to thank his father, mother, and entire family for being supportive in his musical endeavors.

SHAUGHNESSY BAKER is 17 years old and in eleventh grade at Clinton High School. She is the child of Iris Baker and William Baker. She is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Baker enjoys acting, dancing, reading, watching movies, traveling, and spending time with her friends and family. She has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre! Baker would like to thank her family and friends for being her biggest supporters!

PAIGE BARKER is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Bailey APAC Middle School. She is the child of Larry and Shandra Barker. She is very thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Barker enjoys playing volleyball, reading, singing, and dancing. Barker has been in *Children of Eden, Jr., The Greatest Showman,* and *Anxiety is Orange*. She would like to thank her family and her friends for making her believe she can reach any goal!

ANNIE BEAUGEZ is 14 years old and entering the tenth grade! They are the the child of Jennifer and Jim Beugez. Beugez is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Beugez enjoys theatre, shopping, and listening to music. They have been in *The Lion King Kids* and *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre. Beugez would like to thank Kade, her cat, and her theatre friends for being dope.

BRECKYN BRADSHAW is 16 years old and in eleventh grade at Northwest Rankin High School. She is the child of Katie and Robert Knight. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Bradshaw enjoys dancing, acting, and drawing. She has performed in *Shrek, Jr., Failure: A Love Story,* and *Children of Eden, Jr.* She would like to thank God, her family, and friends for their love and support!

MEAGAN BUCHANAN is 11 years old and in seventh grade at Old Town Middle School. She is the child of Jimmy and Tonia Buchanan. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Buchanan enjoys singing, dancing, baking, cheering, playing volleyball, and hanging out with friends. She has been in *A Year with Frog and Toad* and *The Magic Treehouse: Pirates Past Noon*. Buchanan would like to thank God, her family, and her friends!

JOHNECIA CAMPBELL is 13 years old and in ninth grade. She is Homeschooled. Campbell is the daughter of John and Felicia Campbell. She is excited to be in the New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Campbell enjoys singing, dancing, choreographing dances, acting, and making movies with her friends. She also enjoys TikTok dances with her family and friends. She has been in *The Lion King, Jr.* and *Much Ado About Nothing*. Campbell would like to thank God first, for blessing her with many talents. She would like to also thank her family and friends for always showing up, loving, encouraging, and supporting her.

KENNEDY CARRUTH is 16 years old and in twelfth grade at Northwest Rankin High School. She is the child of Nicole and Rusty. Carruth is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys reading, acting, and being creative. Carruth has been in *Icarus, Failure: A Love Story,* and *Babette's Feast*. She would like to thank her mom, her boyfriend, and Mrs. Wallace for fostering her love of theatre.

LAWSON CARTER-PRICE is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Murrah High School. He is the child of Regina and Lanier. Carter-Price is eager and excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Carter-Price enjoys playing, basketball, swimming, and gaming with his best friends Preston and Zion. He has been in *Aladdin, Jr., Jersey Boys,* and *Anxiety is Orange*. Carter-Price would like to thank God, his family, and his friends!

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ASTRO CRAWFORD is 16 years old and in eleventh grade at Madison Central High School. They are the child of Rick and Tracy Crawford. They are excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Crawford enjoys cosplaying, sewing, and building! They have been in *The Little Mermaid, Jr.*, *Children of Eden, Jr.*, and *Shrek, Jr.*

ANGELA COLE is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Jim Hill High School. She is the child of Danyele Harrell and Michael Cole. Cole is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys reading, musical theatre, visual arts. Cole has been in *Shrek, Jr.* and *Children of Eden, Jr.* She would like to thank her family and friends for being amazing.

AREAT DAVIS JR. is 13 years old and in the eighth grade at Carver Middle School. He is the child of Areat and Pe'Quawna. Davis is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys watching television, playing video games, and playing with his siblings. He has been in *Pirates Past Noon* at New Stage Theatre. Davis would like to thank his family and friends.

VIOLET DANIELS is 15 years old and in tenth grade at Madison Central High School. She is the child of James and Rainey. Daniels is elated to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Daniels enjoys speech and debate, music, and being on the newspaper staff. Daniels has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *Oliver, Jr.*, and *The Lion King, Jr.* Daniels would like to thank her family, her animals, and Mrs. Allie for all their support.

RETT DANIELS is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Madison Middle School. He is the child of James and Rainey. Daniels is proud to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Daniels enjoys robotics, playing the guitar, and being in the band. He has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Cinderella*. Daniels would like to thank his family, his pets, and Mr. Jimmy for their support!

MATTIE ELLIS is 15 years old and in eleventh grade at St. Andrew's Episcopal School. She is the child of Tara Ellis. She is elated to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Ellis enjoys doing shows at her school and New Stage, hanging with her friends, and participating in her school's mock trial team. Ellis has been in *Matilda*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Children of Eden, Jr.*, and *Little Women*. She would like to thank the directors, her voice teacher Mrs. Eva Hart, and her mom for their support.

GRACYN LEE FILES is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Christ Covenant School. She is the child of Katie and Jay Files. She is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Files enjoys acting, playing with animals, and hanging out with friends! Files has been in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*, *Pirates Past Noon*, and *Aladdin, Jr.* Files would like to thank her family, her grandparents and her friends for their love and support!

ELIN FOWLER is 11 and in sixth grade at Jackson Prep. She is the child of Jason and Elizabeth. Fowler is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys playing basketball, reading, being on the track team, hanging out with friends, and studying! She has been in *The Magic Treehouse*, *The Monkey's Paw*, and *Winnie the Pooh*. Fowler would like to thank her family and friends for being there for her!

SARAH FOWLER is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Murrah High School and Wells APAC. She is the child of Kristen and Josh Fowler. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Fowler enjoys writing, playing bass, and singing! She has been in *Braids*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Actor's Nightmare*. Fowler would like to thank her family, her Wells APAC family, and especially her older sister Kaitlyn.

ELIZABETH RAYE FRANKLIN is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Pisgah High School. She is the child of Jill Franklin and Richard Franklin. She is elated to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Franklin enjoys participating in New Stage's Youth Acting Troupe, playing guitar, and singing and dancing in show choir. Franklin has been in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *It's a Wonderful Life*, and *Much Ado About Nothing*. Franklin would like to thank her family, the color pink, and Luke!

THELMA FRANKLIN is 13 years old and in the ninth grade at Ridgeland High School. She is the

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child of DeMarcus and Lena Franklin. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Franklin enjoys running track, drawing, and skateboarding. She has been in *Shrek, Jr.* and *Children of Eden, Jr.* Franklin would like to thank her family!

PARKS GARROTT is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Rosa Scott High School. He is the child of Ben and Lori Garrott. He is eternally grateful to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Garrott enjoys songwriting, reading, and hanging out with his friends! Garrott has been in *Cinderella*, *Children of Eden, Jr.*, and *Singin' in the Rain!* Garrott would like to thank his friends for being cool and his parents for supporting his decision to be in the arts.

GABRIEL GERNAND is 13 years old in eighth grade at Clinton Jr. High School. He is the child of CC and Daniel Gernand. He is happy to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Gernand enjoys playing games, writing stories, and reading poetry. Gernand is excited to make his New Stage Theatre debut in *Mean Girls, Jr.* He would like to thank his family and the directors of New Stage!

KARIS GOODMAN is the child of Brad and Sarah Goodman of Brandon. She is in eighth grade at Northwest Rankin Middle School. She is excited to be a part of New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Goodman loves to play board and spend time with friends. She has been in *Magic Tree House's Pirates Past Noon*, *Winnie the Pooh*, and *Cinderella*. Goodman would like to thank her family for their love and support and her theatre teachers and directors for their instruction and encouragement that has allowed her to grow her love for the arts.

TWYNESEIA GRAISE is 15 years old and in tenth grade! She is the child of Twyla and Marcus Graise. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Graise enjoys scrapbooking, playing video games, and watching musicals. This is her debut performance at New Stage Theatre! She would like to thank her family and friends for their love and support!

MEREDITH GREEN is 17 years old in twelfth grade at Park Place Christian Academy. She is the child of Brenda and Robert. Green is extremely excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys soccer, archery, winterguard, and creating art! Green has been in *Frozen, Jr.*, *Shrek, Jr.*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* She would like to thank her family, friends, and her boyfriend Ethan for supporting her.

CATHERINE GREGORY is 14 years old and in tenth grade at Madison Central High School. She is the child of Margie and Levi Williams. Gregory is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys singing and spending time with her friends and family. This is Gregory's theatrical debut! She would like to thank her friends and family!

CHARLES GRENFELL is 15 years old and in tenth grade at Jackson Prep. He is the child of Ric and Tracy Grenfell. He is exuberant to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Grenfell enjoys being outdoors, reading, and gaming. He has been in *Mary Poppins, Jr.*, *The Little Mermaid, Jr.*, and *Phantom of the Opera*. Grenfell would like to thank his family and the directors for their support.

SETH GRENFELL is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Christ Covenant School. He is the child of Ric and Tracy Grenfell. He is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Grenfell enjoys playing outside with friends, playing Xbox, and reading. Grenfell has been in *Phantom of the Opera* and *Beauty and the Beast, Jr.* He would like to thank his family, Miss. Jones, and his friends for their support.

TAIHA HACKETT is 15 years old and going into the tenth grade at Clinton High School. She is the child of Shamika Conley and Howard Hackett and the granddaughter of Paula Conley! Hackett is very excited and honored to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys making YouTube videos, baking, and going to Barnes and Noble with her friends. Hackett has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre! She would like to thank her family, friends, and God for believing in her and loving her unconditionally.

ETHAN HARTFIELD is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Northwest Rankin Middle School. He is the child of Zane and Michelle Hartfield. He is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp!

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Hartfield enjoys reading, running, and listening to music. He has been in *The Sound of Music*, *Matilda the Musical*, and *A Christmas Carol*. Hartfield would like to thank God and his family!

LUCY HARPER is 18 years old and a graduate of Germantown High School. She is the child of Trey and Heather. Harper is feeling bittersweet to be in her last year of New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys babysitting, theatre, and volunteering at her church. Harper has been in *Frozen, Jr.*, *Shrek, Jr.*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre! Harper would like to thank her family, fellow campers, and all the camp counselors for their support!

HARLIE HUNT is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Northwest Rankin Middle School. She is the child of Stephanie and Brian Hunt. She is proud to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys cooking, reading, and singing! Hunt has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *It's a Wonderful Life!* Hunt would like to thank her friends, her family, and Kenzie for helping her with her scholarship essay!

JARRETT HALL is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at St. Joseph Catholic School. He is the child of Jhoh and Tondra. Hall is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Hall enjoys acting with his friends and dancing! He has been in *Singin' in the Rain*, *Clue*, and *Shrek, Jr.* Hall would like to thank Lauryn and his family.

ANDREW HASSIN is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Madison Middle School. He is the child of Christiera and Drew Hassin. He is so happy and nervous to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Hassin enjoys bike rides with his mom! He has been in *Cinderella*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *The Wizard of Oz*. Hass would like to thank his mother and father.

EMMA HENRY is 16 years old and in tenth grade at Christ Covenant School. She is the daughter of Mark and Meredith Henry. She is crazy excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Henry enjoys soccer, singing, and playing the guitar. Henry has been in *Shrek, Jr.*, *Children of Eden, Jr.*, and *The Help*. She would like to thank her sisters, Ella and Morgan, and her Mom and Dad!

ZYON HUBBARD is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Murrah High School. She is the child of D'Andrea Gilmore! Hubbard is so happy to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys spending time with her family, acting, and playing video games. Hubbard has been in *The Happiness Shop*, *Peter Pan*, *Help Desk*, *The Dozens are Coming*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* She would like to thank her mom, sister, brother and her friends!

DEREON GRACE HUGHES is 15 and in the tenth grade at Germantown High School. She is the daughter of DeSheila V. Hughes. Hughes is very happy to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys singing, painting, and dancing. Hughes has been in *Matilda, Jr.* at Germantown High School and looks forward to this opportunity to add *Mean Girls, Jr.* to her list. She would like to thank God, her family (especially her mom), and her friends for all their prayers and support.

CAYMAN JACKSON is 16 years old and has his General Education Development Diploma! He is the child of Maria King. Jackson is so excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys playing videos games and acting! Jackson has been in *Shrek, Jr.* and *Much Ado About Nothing* at New Stage Theatre! Jackson would like to thank his parents, his dog, and his brother.

CHLOE JACKSON is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Bailey APAC Middle School. She is the child of Sharon Williams and Calvin Jackson and the bonus child of Terry Williams. Jackson is happy to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Jackson enjoys acting, watching television, and reading. She has been in *Broadway Revue*, *The Happiness Shop*, and *Willie Wonka, Jr.* Jackson would like to thank her parents and friends!

KYA JACKSON is 18 years old and is an incoming freshman at The University of Mississippi. She is the daughter of Kevin and Veta Jackson. She is so grateful to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Jackson enjoys singing, and playing bass and acoustic guitar. She has been in *Aladdin, Jr.*, *Frozen, Jr.*, *Shrek, Jr.*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* She would like to thank her family and friends.

KATE JASPER is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Madison Central High School. She is the

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child of Tammy and Scott Jasper. She is overjoyed to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Jasper enjoys participating in musical theatre, show choir, and the speech and debate team. Jasper has been in *The Little Mermaid*, *All Shook Up*, and *Newsies, Jr.* She would like to thank her family, her friends, and her voice teacher for being so supportive of her!

BROOKLYNN JEFFERSON is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Bailey APAC Middle School. She is the child of Reginald and F. Janelle Jefferson. She is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Jefferson enjoys hanging out with family and friends, singing, playing the trombone, and practicing self-care. Jefferson has been in *Aladdin, Jr.*, *Shrek, Jr.*, *The Wiz*, *Annie*, *The Happiness Shop*, and *Anxiety is Orange*. She would like to thank God, her parents, and her teachers for their support, love, and guidance!

JACOB JEFFERSON is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Murrah High School. He is the child of Reginald and F. Janelle Jefferson. He is ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Jefferson enjoys playing music in the band, singing, acting, and playing sports. He has been in *Aladdin, Jr.*, *Shrek, Jr.*, *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *A Christmas Carol*, *The Wiz*, *The Happiness Shop*, and *Anxiety is Orange* to name a few. Jefferson would like to thank his parents and all the people who have helped him thus far and God for blessing him!

LILY JOHNSTON is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Northwest Rankin High School. She is the child of Nancy Johnston! She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Johnston enjoys horseback riding, theatre, creating art, and being in band! Johnston has been in *Much Ado About Nothing*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre! Johnston would like to thank Ms. Sharon Miles for inspiring her to continue her pursuit of theatre and her mother for encouraging her interest in acting!

GENEVIEVE KELLEY is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Jackson Academy. She is the child of Hillary Dove. Kelley is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys theatre, show choir, and spending time with her friends. Kelley has been in *Once on this Island, Jr.*, *The Lion King, Jr.*, and *West Side Story*. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support.

SENECA KELLY is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Terry High School. He is the child of Sandra and James. Kelly is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys gaming, dancing, playing basketball, singing, and rapping. Kelly has been in *Jackie and Me* and *The Lion King, Jr.* He would like to thank Mrs. Pierson, his family, and the Mississippi Boy's Choir.

HANNAH KING is 16 years old and in tenth grade at Murrah High School. She is the child of Stacy and Andrew Lee. King is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! King enjoys listening to music, reading, writing, and spending time with her sister! She has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *In the Heights*, and *The Brothers Grimm Spectacular*. King would like to thank her mom and dad for allowing her to chase her dreams!

KHLOE LENOIR is 12 years old and in 7th grader at Germantown Middle School. She is the child of Eric and Marjorie Lenoir. She is so excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Lenoir enjoys spending time with family, singing, tumbling, hanging out with friends, and watching movies. Lenoir has been seen in *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre! She would like to thank God, her family, her music teacher, and her friends!

JAZZLYN LOVING is 15 years old in eleventh grade at Clinton High School. She is the child of Marquise and Pat Kessee. She is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Loving enjoys dancing, singing, and watching dance tutorials. She has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *Folk Tails*, and *Footloose*. Loving would like to thank God, her mom, and New Stage's Education Department for their love and support.

KARA MATTINGLY is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Madison Central High School. She is the child of Erin and Mike Mattingly. She is pumped to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Mattingly enjoys going to speech and debate tournaments, painting, and catching frogs and bugs. Mattingly has been in *The Little Mermaid*, *Shrek the Musical*, and *The Music Man, Jr.* She would like to thank her parents and her friends Loria for always believing in her.

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MATTHEW McALPIN is 11 years old and in sixth grade at Lovett Elementary. He is the child of Josh and Laura McAlpin. He is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys hanging out with his friends, listening to music, and traveling with his family. He is excited to make his theatrical debut at New Stage! McAlpin would like to thank his family for encouraging him to try new things and his brother for helping him practice!

PRESTON McDOWELL is 13 years old and in ninth grade at Tougaloo Early College High School. He is the child of Darrell and Crystal McDowell. He is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! McDowell enjoys acting, being with friends and family, and playing games. He has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *Shrek, Jr.*, and *The Greatest Showman*. McDowell would like to thank his parents, friends, and family.

ASHLAN MCGUFFEE is 14 years old and in ninth grader at Northwest Rankin High School. She is the child of Leslie McGuffee and Daywood McGuffee. She is exuberant to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! McGuffee enjoys acting, singing, and swimming. She has been in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre. McGuffee would like to thank Mrs. Wright, Tina Fey, and Mrs. Nancy for being her personal Uber driver.

NEELY MOAK is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Northwest Rankin High School. She is the child of Nan and Rusty Moak. She is happy to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Moak enjoys drawing, listening to music, and spending time with her mini schnauzer. Moak has been in *Much Ado About Nothing* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. She would like to thank her family and her treasured support dog, Mae Angela Hugo Moak the First, for supporting her endeavors and being awesome.

KAZ MORGAN is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Florence High School. She is the child of Laurin and Justin Morgan. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Morgan enjoys playing in band, drawing, and going on walks. She has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.* at New Stage Theatre. She would like to thank her mom for everything!

MAYA NEVOSADOVA is 12 years old and in the seventh grade at St. Joseph Catholic School. She is the child of Tereza and Frank. Nevosadova is nervous and excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys summer fun with her friends, playing sports, and just chilling! Nevosadova has been in *Hatshepsut: Queen of Denial* and *Fifty Nifty* at her school. She would like to thank her family for being so supportive!

B. NICHOLS is 15 and in the tenth grade! Nichols is the child of Nicki and Nathan. Nichols enjoys creating digital and traditional art. Nichols is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! This is Nichols' debut production at New Stage Theatre! Nichols would like to thank their family for their love and support!

AMANI PALMER is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Shirley Simmons Middle School. She is the daughter of T'Ondrea and Jonathan Robinson and Jermaine Kelly. Palmer enjoys making food, drawing, and acting. She has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *The Sound of Music*, and *Fences*. Palmer would like to thank her family for making her dreams come true.

ZURI PEARSON is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Byram Middle School. She is the child of Chiquila Pearson. Pearson is so flattered and excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Pearson enjoys reading relatable books, drawing, and spending time with friends. She has been in *Shrek, Jr.*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *Children of Eden, Jr.* Pearson would like to thank Nana Bridget for always being there to love and support her and her Mama for doing everything that a Mama does.

CHARLIE PERNA is 13 years old and in the eighth grade at Clinton Jr. High School. He is the child of Nicholas and Mandy Perna. He is ecstatic and grateful to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Perna enjoys listening to music, reading, and catching up on Disney news! He has been in *Children of Eden, Jr.*, *The Sound of Music*, and *Much Ado About Nothing*. Perna would like to thank his friends, his teachers, his directors, and his family for being supportive of his passion.

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ALEX RAGSDALE is 18 years old and going to Hinds Community College in the fall. She is the child of Kirby and Renita Ragsdale. She is thrilled to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Ragsdale enjoys gaming, eating, and finding new music. Ragsdale has been in ***Frozen, Jr.*** and ***Children of Eden, Jr.*** at New Stage Theatre. She would like to thank her friends and family!

ANDREA RAY is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Madison Middle School. She is the child of Ivette and Marty. Ray is ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys cheer, archery, and tumble. Ray has been in ***Cinderella, Oliver,*** and ***The Lion King, Jr.*** Ray would like to thank her family and friends for their love and support.

COLIN RIDGWAY is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Madison Central High School. He is the child of Julius and Stephanie Ridgway. He is super excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp. Ridgway enjoys making short films, collecting vintage video games, and watching movies. Ridgway has been in ***Children of Eden, Jr., Shrek the Musical, Jr.,*** and ***Maltida the Musical.*** He would like to thank his family and friends for their support!

LARKIN LEE RIVES is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Germantown Middle School. He is the child of Ryan and Katie Rives. He is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Rives enjoys playing video games and spending time with his family. This is Rives' debut performance at New Stage Theatre! Rives would like to thank his family for being cool.

ADDYSON RUSSELL is 13 years old and in eighth grade at St. Joseph Catholic School. She is the child of Melvin and Latasha Russell. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Russell enjoys band, colorguard, singing, and hanging out with her friends. She has been in ***Children of Eden, Jr.,*** and ***Snow White.*** Russell would like to thank her family for being so supportive.

AUSTIN SAMPSON is 16 years and in eleventh grade at Clinton High School. He is the child of Amber McMillian, Anthony Evans, Brandon McMillian, and Angelia Sampson! Sampson is absolutely ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys listening to music, singing, and talking to close friends. This is Sampson's debut performance at New Stage Theatre! Sampson would like to thank his mother, grandmother, and therapist for their love and support!

EMILY SCHULTE is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Christ Covenant School. She is the child of Rachel and Russell. Schulte is ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys reading, writing, acting, singing, and roller-blading! Schulte has been in ***Beauty and the Beast, Jr., Fishtales,*** and ***Sticky Notes with a Bible Quote!*** Schulte would like to thank her family for being supportive and patient.

WALKER SCOTT is 17 years old and in twelfth grade at Madison Central High School. He is the child of Sid and Mandy. Scott is excited and grateful to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Scott enjoys writing—especially fiction, running, and speech and debate. Scott has been seen in ***The Little Mermaid.*** He would like to thank his family, friends, and mentors.

JADE SMART is 14 years old and in ninth grade at Benton Academy. She is the child of Ashley and Dusty Chisolm and Johnathan Smart! She is over the moon to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Smart enjoys listening to rock music, spending time with her aunt, and tending to the family garden. Smart has been in ***Children of Eden, Jr.*** and ***Much Ado About Nothing.*** She would like to thank her aunt for supporting her, MT for driving her to camp, and everyone in the show!

LAURYN SMITH is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Bailey APAC Middle School. She is the child of Jamario and Kimberly Smith. Smith is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys dancing, cheering, and playing card games. Smith has been in ***The Wiz, Jr., Willie Wonka, Jr.,*** and ***Anxiety is Orange.*** Smith would like to thank her family and teachers for their support.

KAYLEIGH SUMMERS is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Northwest Rankin Middle School. She is the child of Kristin Barnes and DeMorris Summers. Summers is ecstatic and anxious to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys singing, dancing, acting, cheering, playing

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basketball, and spending time with friends and family. Summers has been in ***The Magic Treehouse: Pirates Past Noon*** and ***Children of Eden, Jr.*** at New Stage Theatre. She would like to thank her mom, grandparents, and family for always supporting and encouraging her. She would also like to thank her Aunt Linda for getting her started at New Stage Theatre!

RHEN TANAKA is 16 years old and in eleventh grade at St. Andrew's Episcopal School. They are the child of Linda and John Schmidt and Javier Tanaka. They are delighted to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp again! Tanaka enjoys theatre (duh), reading, and hanging out with friends. Tanka has been in ***The Sound of Music***, ***The Wizard of Oz***, ***The Diary of Anne Frank***, and countless Broadway Jr. shows! Tanaka would like to thank their friends and family— especially their big siblings!

DYLAN THOMAS is 16 years old and in eleventh grade at Madison Central High School. She is the child of Ashlee and Billy Thomas. She is grateful to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Summer Camp! Thomas enjoys reading, painting, and singing. Thomas has been in ***Children of Eden, Jr.***, ***The Little Mermaid***, and ***Shrek, Jr.*** She would like to thank her family, friends, and the teachers who got her to this point!

AVERY TOTH is 13 years old and in seventh grade at St. Joseph Catholic School. She is the child of Michael and Shannon. Toth is so excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys reading, writing stories, acting, and playing volleyball. Toth has been in ***Pirates Past Noon***, ***A Year with Frog and Toad***, and ***Much Ado About Nothing***. She would like to thank God and her family for this amazing opportunity!

MARK S. TUTTLE is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Bailey APAC Middle School. HE is the child of Steve Tuttle and Anita DeRouen. Tuttle is ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys playing video games, singing, and reading. Tuttle has been in ***Anxiety is Orange***, ***Children of Eden, Jr.***, and ***The Greatest Showman!*** He would like to thank his family.

RAYMOND VALENTINE WALKER is 17 years old and in eleventh grade at Fairfax High School. He is the child of Katie and Ryan Rives and Jody Walker and Shelli Poe. Walker is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! He enjoys gaming and knitting. Walker has been in ***Babette's Feast*** and ***Fly by Night***. He would like to thank his family, his friends, and Hissy!

AVERY WARF is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Jackson Prep. She is the child of Bruce and Meredith War. She is ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Warf enjoys singing, dancing, playing basketball, and reading mysteries. Warf has been in ***Aladdin, Jr.***, ***Grease***, and ***Phantom of the Opera***. She would like to thank her family and friends for their encouragement!

JAKE WEEMS is 12 years old and in seventh grade at Bailey APAC Middle School. He is the child of Jamie and Julia Weems. He is ecstatic to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Weems enjoys playing the drums, piano, and tuba! Weems was seen as Captain Bones in ***Pirates Past Noon***, Young Adam in ***Children of Eden, Jr.***, and Boraccio in ***Much Ado About Nothing***. Weems would like to thank Xerron and the rest of the New Stage Theatre staff and volunteers and his friends who fought bravely in the animal cracker wars.

EMMA B. WILLIAMS is 12 years old and in seventh grade at St. Joseph Catholic School. She is the child of Ivy and Christiana Williams. Williams is elated to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys singing, horseback riding, softball, basketball, volleyball, and creating crafts. Williams has been in Ballet Mississippi's ***The Nutcracker***, Ballet Magnificat's ***The Snow Queen***, and Ballet Magnificat's ***Most Incredible Christmas***. She would like to thank her Dad, Mum, Grandma, Auntie Connie, and Jarrett Hall for their support and encouragement.

KATELYN WILLIAMS is 12 years old and in seventh grade. She is the child of I.C. and Laura Kincaid. Williams is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Williams enjoys spending time with family, dancing, writing, shopping, and making videos with friends. She has been in ***Much Ado About Nothing*** and ***It's a Wonderful Life***. Williams would like to thank her friends, family, directors, and her fellow cast members for their support!

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NAOMI WILLIS is 15 years old and in tenth grade at Northwest Rankin High School. She is the child of Pamela and Bryan. Willis is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! She enjoys video games, fashion, and reading. She has been in *Shakespeare Unbound*, *A Midsummer's Night Dream*, and *Celeste*. Willis would like to thank her family, her theatre teachers, and her sister!

ELLA YOUNG is 11 years old and in seventh grade at Old Town Middle School. She is the child of Jason and Ashley Young. She is excited to be in New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp! Young enjoys singing, playing volleyball, and playing tennis. Young has been *Once on this Island, Jr.*, *Pirates Past Noon*, and *A Year with Frog and Toad*. She most recently served as an understudy in New Stage Theatre's production of *Fences* by August Wilson. Young would like to thank her family!

In loving memory of
Caden Wesley Porter

March 9, 2006-February 16, 2023



Caden loved being on stage and had plans to be a part of 2023 camp and production of *Mean Girls, Jr.* For the past two summers, Caden participated in New Stage Theatre's Broadway Junior Summer Camp, where he further developed his passion and talent for theater. He performed in plays for both New Stage and Hartfield Academy. His credits include *Children of Eden*, *Shrek, Jr.*, *My Fair Lady*, *Mary Poppins*, and Hartfield Revue. Caden loved to experience Broadway musicals and was known for bursting into song at any moment. Caden experienced a cardiac event while rehearsing a production that ended his life much sooner than expected. He would be thrilled with having his own tribute in the program as well as to know others received the gift of attending camp in his memory because this camp was truly life giving to him. For those who knew Caden, there is no doubt they were changed for good.

Thank you to the Porter Family for your generous sponsorship.

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XERRON X. MINGO (Education Director/Show Director) is a graduate of Florida A&M University. Born in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands and recently resided in New York City where he worked as health and safety manager for productions on Apple TV and HGTV. He also worked as a testing secretary and production coordinator for television shows with LIONSGATE and Apple Music Reviews. For the past ten summers, Mingo has worked at Raquette Lake Camps teaching musical theatre to students from all across the world. Mingo recently appeared in *Fences* (Gabriel) in New Stage's 57th season. Mingo has also served as choreographer for productions such as *The Sound of Music* and *A Christmas Carol*. He has worked professionally at a plethora of regional theatres in a handful of states. Some of his past credits include *Matilda* (Rudolpho/Choreographer), *Hell In High Water* (Cephus), *Sister Act* (TJ), *Shakespeare in Love* (Wabash/Frees), and Disney's *Beauty & The Beast* (Monsieur Dar'que). Moreover, *The Wiz* (The Lion) and *The Hot Mikado* (Pooh-Bah) at the GLOW Lyric Theatre in Greenville, S.C. He was in *Black Nativity* (Narrator) at Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe, *The Great Society* at Asolo Rep, and *Hairspray* (Gilbert) at American Stage. Mingo continues to live in the light and could not be more blessed to do so as he embarks on this journey at New Stage Theatre.

REESE OVERSTREET (Administrative Assistant) is a recent summa cum laude graduate of The University of Mississippi. She graduated with a BFA in acting for stage and screen with an emphasis in musical theatre. Her directing credits include *Small Mouth Sounds*, *How Far We Have to Go*, and *Ramona the Pest*. In addition to directing, Overstreet has performed in shows such as *Into the Woods*, *Legally Blonde*, *Romeo and Juliet*, and *Near/Far*. Last summer, she toured the country with Missoula Children's Theatre, where she mounted a production each week in a different town with local kids. Overstreet is thrilled to be back at New Stage Theatre! She spent most of her childhood participating in camps, YAT, and main stage productions here at New Stage and she is amazed by all the talent at Broadway Jr. Camp.

ANGIE RAWLS (Music Director) recently retired from Pearl High School where she served as choral director for 30 years. She directed choirs and ensembles for numerous choral competitions and musical productions while at Pearl High School. Angie has directed and appeared on stage in shows with Pearl High School, Actor's Playhouse, Pearl Community Theatre, Natchez Little Theatre, and Biloxi Little Theatre. Some of her favorite credits include *Smokey Joe's Café*, *Seussical the Musical*, *Footloose*, and *Children of Eden*. Rawls is honored to be able to work with the talented people at New Stage Theatre. She would like to thank her family for always being so supportive.

ASHIA BENFORD (Assistant Director/Lead Acting Instructor) holds a BA in sociology and theatre from Jackson State University. After graduating, Benford joined the professional acting internship program at New Stage Theatre, where she was seen in *Race*, *9 Parts of Desire*, *The Cat in the Hat*, *Mahalia: A Gospel Musical*, and *Hairspray*. Currently, she is an acting instructor/director with local theatre companies and privately trains children and adults preparing for educational and professional auditions. Last year Benford earned a MA in clinical mental health counseling and is a therapist at Progressive Movement Counseling. She enjoys working with children and integrates various theatre techniques into the counseling process. She has recently been seen as Ella Baker in *The Debate for Democracy* and *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*. She would like to thank Destin and Audrey-Grace for their continuous love and support.

CHIQUILA PEARSON (Choreographer/Dance Instructor) is a dance educator, dancer, choreographer, and costume designer and is the dance educator/dance director at Gary Road Intermediate School. She has danced with Montage Theatre of Dance for the past 14 years. She started working as a dance teacher for Dance Works Studio in 2014 and was one of the dance teacher/choreographers for Legends of Dance Works Studio. Her work was featured for several Montage Theatre of Dance shows including *The Dance of the Lion King* (choreography and costuming), *Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Dance Factory*, and a host of other performances. She was the featured choreographer for New Stage's productions of *Crowns*, *Singin' in the Rain, Jr.*, and *Shrek the Musical, Jr.* Her work was also featured in a dance collage at Carnegie Hall in New York City and she has performed at the Lincoln Center and The Grand Ole Opry. She had the honor of performing for Barak Obama during his campaign for Senator of Chicago. She is the proud mother of three beautiful children Kandace, Le'Thario, and Zuri and a proud grandmother of a grandson Landen.

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MATTEA PIERCE (Stage Manager) is a recent graduate of Belhaven University with a BFA in acting and a B.A. in graphic design. Some past productions credits include: *The Spitfire Grill* (Stage Manager), *The Wizard of Oz* (Projections Design), and *Steel Magnolias* (Hair and Makeup Design). She has recently served as the Assistant Stage Manager for New Stage's production of *Ring of Fire*, as well as the Stage Manager for *Seussical Kids*.

CLAIRE JUSTICE PORTER (Assistant Music Director) is so excited to be assisting with camp this year! Porter just finished her time as a member of the New Stage Associate Artist team as the Acting/Directing Associate. She also music directed for this summer's First Stages Camp. She has appeared at New Stage Theatre previously in *The Sound of Music, 9 to 5, Clue*, and *Beauty and the Beast*. With Unframed at New Stage Theatre, she appeared in *What Every Girl Should Know* and *Small Mouth Sounds*. She is a graduate with a BFA in acting for the stage and screen from the University of Mississippi, where some of her favorite roles included #25 in *The Wolves* and Paulette in *Legally Blonde*. Much love to her family and friends who endlessly support her and break a leg to the casts of *Mean Girls, Jr.* @clairejusticeporter

TIMOTHY JAMES MAGEE, JR. (Teaching Assistant) is currently a sophomore at Hinds Community College and will be attending the Norwalk Conservatory in Connecticut this fall to join the musical theatre class of '25. He attended the Mississippi School for the Arts and Wells APAC as a graduate from Murrah high school. He has been in New Stage's *A Christmas Carol, Aladdin, Jr., Once On This Island, Jr., Beauty and the Beast*, and more recently *Sunset Baby, Clue, Fences*, and *The Sound of Music*. Being a big time Packers fan he also enjoys spending time with loved ones, watching movies, appreciating art, and playing cards in his free time. Magee would like to thank his friends and family for their love and support.

DELVIN KELLY (Teaching Assistant) is from Brandon, is a member of Montage Theatre of Dance, and a recent graduate of Hinds Community College where he pursued an associates degree in instrumental music education. He is excited to be working with New Stage's Broadway Jr. Camp as an assistant dance instructor. He is also a member of the First Baptist Church of Jackson Worship Orchestra. This fall, Kelly plans to further his music education studies at the University of Southern Mississippi.

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Based on Ken Ludwig's Tony Award-winning **Lend Me A Tenor**, this madcap screwball comedy features ladies in the leading roles and is guaranteed to leave audiences teary-eyed with laughter! It's 1934, and the clever and combustible Lucille Wiley, Manager of the Cleveland Grand Opera Company, is ready to welcome world-class soprano Elena Firenzi for her one-night-only starring role in *Carmen*. However, Elena arrives late, she is sick, and her passionate husband Pasquale has a fit of jealousy. So, Mrs. Wiley's mousy but determined assistant Jo has to come up with a plan to save the day in order to keep her job!

What The Constitution Means to Me *By Heidi Schreck*
October 24 – November 5, 2023

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Fifteen-year-old Heidi earned her college tuition by winning Constitutional debate competitions held across the United States. In this hilarious, hopeful, and achingly human play, author Heidi Schreck resurrects her teenage self to trace the profound relationship between four generations of women and the founding document that shaped their lives. This powerful play is a love letter to our constitution, giving it new life and imagining how it will shape the next generations of Americans. **What The Constitution Means to Me** will be presented in the Hewes Room with general admission seating.

The Secret Garden: Spring Version *Music and Lyrics by Marsha Norman; Music by Lucy Simone*
Based on the novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett
February 6 – 25, 2024

CLASSICAL MUSICAL

Orphaned in India, 11-year-old Mary Lennox returns to Yorkshire to live with her embittered, reclusive uncle Archibald and his disabled son Colin. The estate's many wonders include a magic garden which beckons the children with haunting melodies and the "Dreamers," spirits from Mary's past who guide her through her new life, dramatizing **The Secret Garden's** compelling tale of forgiveness and renewal. This enchanting classic of children's literature of hope and perseverance is reimagined in brilliant musical style by composer Lucy Simon and Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Marsha Norman.

Chicken & Biscuits *By Douglas Lyons*
April 9 – April 21, 2024

NEW BROADWAY COMEDY - REGIONAL PREMIERE

Rival sisters, Baneatta and Beverly, are trying to bury their father without killing each other first. When a family secret is revealed at the church altar, decorum flies out the stained glass window. With fast-paced jokes that will have audiences rolling in the aisles—and Grandpa turning over in his grave—this dysfunctional family comedy is even more satisfying than its namesake.

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical *Book by Douglas McGrath;*
Words and Music by Gerry Goffin & Carole King, Barry Mann & Cynthia Weil
May 28 – June 9, 2024

BROADWAY MUSICAL

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical follows the inspiring true story of Carole King's remarkable rise to stardom. Long before she was Carole King, chart-topping music legend, she was Carol Klein, Brooklyn girl with passion andchutzpah. She fought her way into the record business as a teenager and, by the time she reached her 20s, had the husband of her dreams and a flourishing career writing hits for the biggest acts in rock 'n roll. But it wasn't until her personal life began to crack that she finally managed to find her true voice. Along the way, she made more than beautiful music, she wrote the soundtrack to a generation. Featuring a stunning array of beloved songs—including "I Feel the Earth Move," "One Fine Day," "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman," "You've Got a Friend," and the title song—**Beautiful** is filled with the songs you remember—and a story you'll never forget.



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