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Co-Conceived by **Lynn Ahrens**, **Stephen Flaherty** and **Eric Idle**

Based on the works of **Dr. Seuss**

Music Supervised, Adapted and Produced by **Bryan Louiselle**

Wednesday, August 17, 12:30pm

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A Note from the Executive Director

Welcome to the start of our 2016-2017 season, and *Seussical the Musical, Jr.*!

We ended this past season with *M*A*S*H*, and while *Seussical* is an exception, we're continuing the military theme into this season.

This fall, we will be presenting a Bob Hope tribute *USO Camp Show* as a dinner theatre event which will be held on Veterans' Day weekend. If you ever watched any of Bob Hope's USO shows, you won't want to miss this.

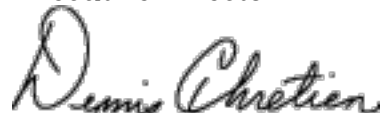
We're following that, in December, with the world premier of the stage adaptation of *Apocalypse Now!* (Seriously, this adaptation is being written—with the permission of the Francis Ford Coppola studio—and directed by our own Shane Inman.)

Next spring, we deviate again from the military theme when we present *Rumors*, a Neil Simon farce.

In addition, we will present "Foster Follies" in the spring, and we'll be holding other events along the way.

We hope that you will join us for all of our shows and events this season. Please check our website (www.swampmeadow.org) regularly to see what's happening.

Executive Director



Executive Director

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From the Director's Chair

Welcome to the show! First off, thanks for coming and supporting community theatre! *Seussical the Musical*, to me, is a show that embodies all the great things about live theatre. It is high energy, fun and entertaining. It allows the actor to play– to create wild, out-of-the-box characters who still have real, raw, human emotions. This show also contains a timeless message. At our very first rehearsal, the cast decided as a group that this is a show about standing up for what you believe in, and having confidence in yourself. I can't imagine a better message for my actors and our audiences to walk away from this show with. In the wise words of Dr. Seuss: "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

So please, enjoy the show. Put your phone away and allow yourself to be swept away by the whimsical magic of *Seussical* and live theatre. I hope, if nothing else, you smile and laugh with us, and walk away a little happier than you were when you walked in.

Thank you to my actors, for being the best teachers and students. Thank you to my family for supporting me always. Thank you to Tim, who gave me the confidence I needed to choose theatre as my path in life. And thank you to SMCT for allowing a passionate, slightly insane college sophomore and a group of kids to go on this wild adventure.

Much love.

Emily Carter

Emma,

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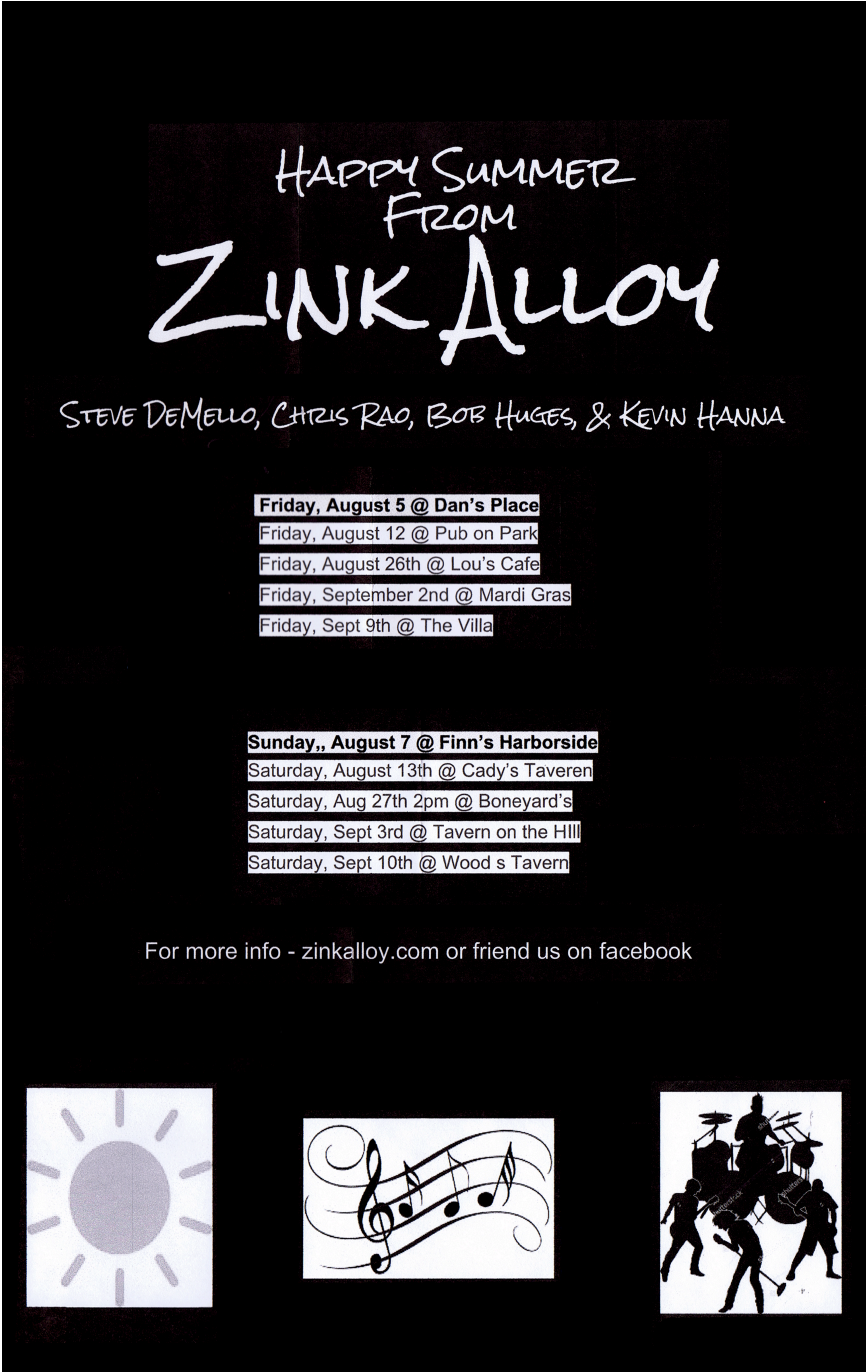
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Seussical Jr.

Cast

Horton	Peter Hernandez
JoJo	Abigail Paige
Cat in the Hat	Caroline Mercier
Gertrude	Lauryn Hall
Mayzie	Emma Broomfield
Sour Kangaroo	Kaela Bergeron
Young Kangaroo	Ellie Ash
.....	Brooke Boisvert
Mr. Mayor	Jillian Ormerod
Mrs. Mayor	Chloe Anderson
Bird Girls	Morgan Benson
.....	Juliana Desnoyers
.....	Jenna Petrarca
Wickersham Brothers	Jessica Lamoureux
.....	Rachel Roberts
.....	Molly Rush
Yertle the Turtle	Kristen Briggs
Vlad Vladikoff	Allison Capron
The Grinch	Gage Cole
Citizens of Who	Genevieve Bradley
.....	Joanna Fashjian
.....	Sara Olszewski
Jungle Creatures	Lyndsey Cairone
.....	Kylie Swett

Note: On Thursday night, Gertrude will be portrayed by Morgan Benson and Bird Girl will be portrayed by Lauryn Hall.





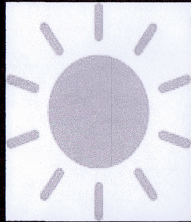
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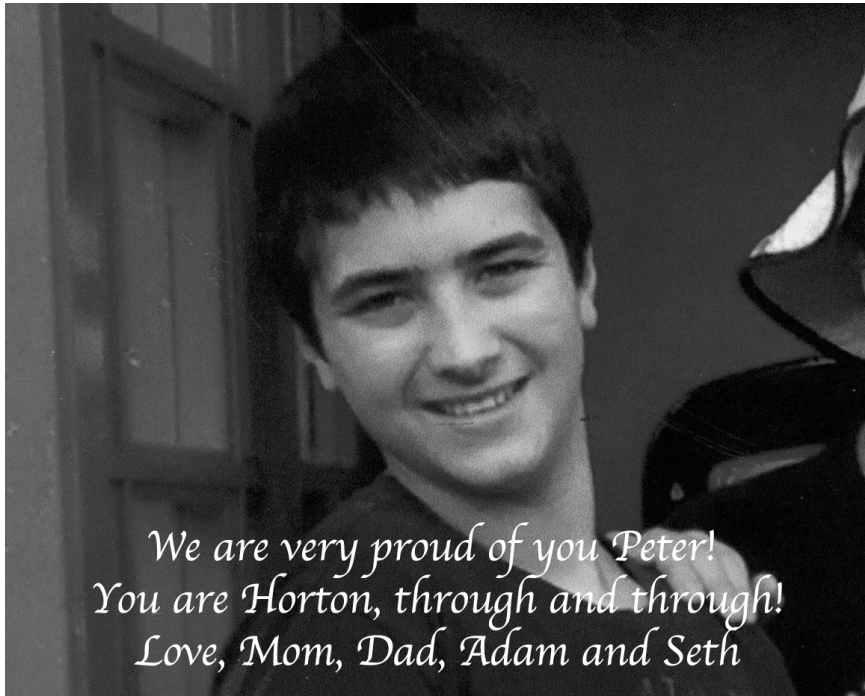
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Grandma, Grandpa, Memere,
Pepere, your aunts, uncles, and
cousins

Cast



Peter Hernandez, 15, Horton.

This is Peter's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** Various school performances. **Hobbies:** Playing guitar and saxophone, wrestling, lacrosse and football, woodworking, singing and performing. **Personal Statement:** I am thrilled to be making my debut at SMCT as Horton. It has been a wonderful experience and I am grateful for the opportunity!



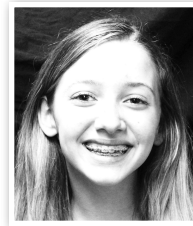
Abigail Paige, 11, JoJo.

This is Abigail's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** GCole Productions: *The Wizard of Oz* (Scarecrow); The Artists Exchange: *A Christmas Carol* (Fan); J-DAPA: *Seussical* (JoJo). Other experience. **Hobbies:** Scrapbooking, reading, time with family and friends. **Personal Statement:** I would like to thank everyone from tech to the talented cast to the directors—I hope you all enjoy the show. To keep up with what I am doing next as well as a view of some of my previous work, please like my Facebook page: www.facebook.com/abigailpaigetheactor



Caroline Mercier, 16, Cat in the Hat.

This is Caroline's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** *Snow White and the Seven Dwarves* and *A Christmas Carol* at Bradley Theatre; *Brigadoon* at CTAA, *You Can't Take It With You*, *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, *Our Town*, and *Musical Comedy Murders of the 1940s* at NFA. **Hobbies:** Fencing and drawing. **Personal Statement:** Success isn't started by spontaneous combustion; you must set yourself on fire.



Lauryn Hall, 15, Gertrude.

This is Lauryn's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** Ten performances with Heritage Ballet and two shows with Scituate Drama. **Hobbies:** Classical ballet, playing with nieces & nephews. **Personal Statement:** Cool beans!

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Ellie - we are so proud of you! Keep up the good work!

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Love, Mom, Dad and Mac



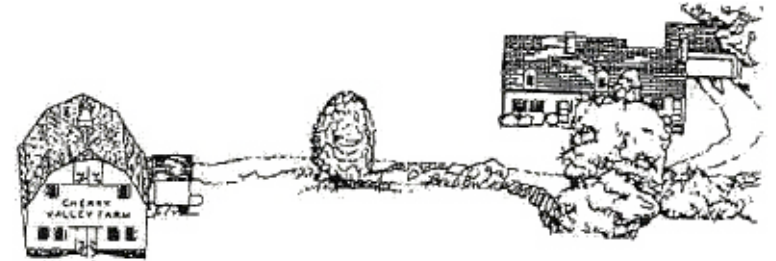
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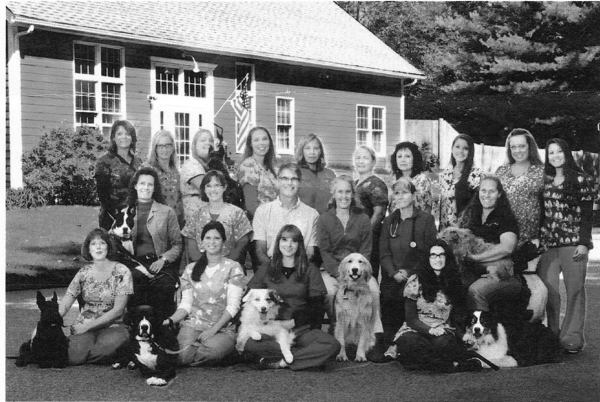
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Emma Broomfield, 13, Mayzie la Bird.
Previous SMCT Experience: *Tom Sawyer* (Ben Rogers), *Annie Jr.* (July), *Willy Wonka Jr.* (Violet Beauregard), *The Crucible* (Betty Rodgers).
Other Experience: Trinity Rep: *A Christmas Carol* (Young Fan/Child of Want); Kaleidoscope Theatre: *Three Little Pigs* (Ziggy) and *BULLY* (Lori); Center Stage Saints: *The Lion King* (Older

Nala), *The Threads that Bind* film (Young Story). **Hobbies:** Cheerleading, dance, acting, singing, being crazy with friends, and playing Pokemon Go!. **Personal Statement:** There are a lot of Pokemon to catch out here.



Kaela Bergeron, 17, Sour Kangaroo.
This is Kaela's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** *Frog Prince*, *Cinderella*, *Emperor's New Clothes* and more at Kaleidoscope Theatre; *Seussical* (Gertude) and *Spring Awakening* (Ilse) at Academy Players; *Little Mermaid Jr.* and *Fame the Musical* (Mabel) at Stadium Theatre.

Hobbies: Voice, piano, and track and field; currently training for a half- marathon. **Personal Statement:** Life is short, so relax a little and have fun.



Ellie Ash, 10, Young Kangaroo.
This is Ellie's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** GCole Productions: *The Wizard of Oz* (Tin Man), Academy Players: *Seussical* (Young Kangaroo) and *Aladdin Jr.* (Harem Girl); Kaleidoscope Theatre: *Three Little Pigs* (Ralph Piggie) and *Snow White and the Seven Dwarves* (Sleepy); Film: *Grandpaland* (Molly). **Hobbies:**

Singing, gymnastics, reading, and acting. **Personal Statement:** Thank you to Emily and everyone involved in *Seussical*. And thanks to my family.

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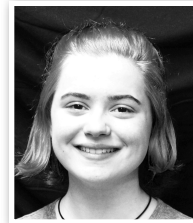
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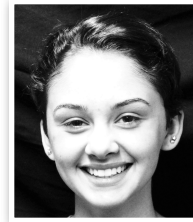
Brooke LeeAnn Boisvert, 10, Young Kangaroo.
Previous SMCT Experience: *Annie Jr.* (Molly).
Other Experience: Academy Players of RI, Ocean State Theatre Company, Theatre Company of RI, Bradley Playhouse of Putnam CT, Stadium Theatre of Woonsocket RI.
Hobbies: Playing piano and reading. **Personal Statement:** I love acting and singing. Thanks

for this opportunity, Emily and Swamp Meadow Community Theatre.

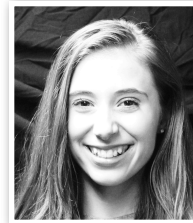


Jillian Ormerod, 15, Mr. Mayor.
Previous SMCT Experience: *Tom Sawyer* (Doc Robinson/Clyde), *Annie Jr.* (Cecile/dancer), *The Jungle Book* (Chameleon), *Willy Wonka Jr.* (dancer), and *Little Shop of Horrors* (puppeteer).
Other Experience: *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*, *Sweeney Todd*, and *The Music Man*.

Hobbies: Binge watching, food, music, and internet. **Personal Statement:** I never thought my life would come to the point where I'm crying over fictional characters, but look what happened.



Chloe Anderson, 15, Mrs. Mayor.
Previous SMCT Experience: *Tom Sawyer* (Cousin Mary); *The Crucible* (Ruth Putnam); *Our Town* (Dead Person); and *Annie Jr.* (Howe - Street Sweeper). **Other Experience:** *A Miracle on 34th Street* with RISE. **Hobbies:** Cheerleading and gymnastics. **Personal Statement:** Even the darkest night will end, and the sun will rise.



Morgan Benson, 13, Bird Girl/Gertrude understudy.
Previous SMCT Experience: *Tom Sawyer* (Tom Sawyer), *Annie Jr.* (chorus/dancer). **Other Experience:** *Annie Jr.* (Lily St. Regis) and *Peter Pan* (Fawn) at the Little Theatre on Broadstreet.
Hobbies: Acting, singing, dancing, swimming, and hanging out with friends. **Personal Statement:** "Expecto Patronum!" -Harry Potter

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Molly, we have been so proud of you in the past 8 years and saddened that this is your last show. Have fun you "little monkey"!

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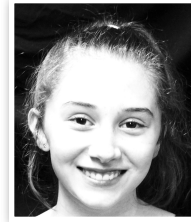
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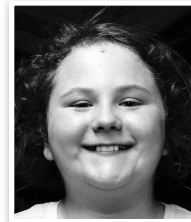
Juliana Desnoyers, 12, Bird Girl.

This is Juliana's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** *Thoroughly Modern Millie, Annie, and Crazytown.* **Hobbies:** Karate, acting, and dancing. **Personal Statement:** Life waits for no one.



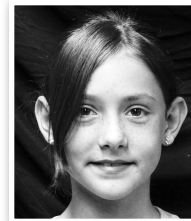
Jenna Petrarca, 12, Bird Girl.

This is Jenna's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** *Crazytown, Beauty and the Beast, and Pinocchio.* **Hobbies:** Figure skating, photography, and acting. **Personal Statement:** Be a proton; always positive.



Jessica Lamoureux, 11, Wickersham Brother.

Previous SMCT Experience: *Tom Sawyer (Sid), Annie Jr. (Pepper), and The Jungle Book (Frog).* **Hobbies:** Drawing, reading, family time. **Personal Statement:** "With great responsibility comes the great need to take a nap." -Nico di Angelo, *The Last Olympian*



Rachael Roberts, 11, Wickersham Brother.

Previous SMCT Experience: *Tom Sawyer (Johnny).* **Hobbies:** Soccer and gymnastics. **Personal Statement:** A huge thank you to the cast and crew for such a great time in this production! "Throw me to the wolves; I'll return leading the pack."



Molly Rush, 16, Wickersham Brother.

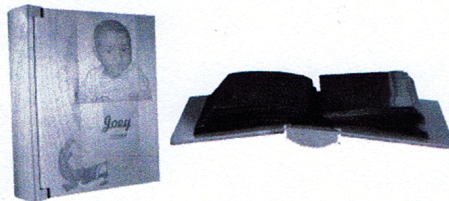
Molly has been involved in 9 other shows with SMCT. **Other Experience:** 3 school shows; symphonic band and chorale at Woodstock Academy. **Hobbies:** Food, internet, music jamming, and not living in my own generation. **Personal Statement:** "If I hold back. I'm no good. I'd rather be good sometimes, than holding back all the time." -Janis Joplin

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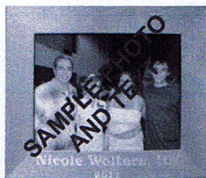
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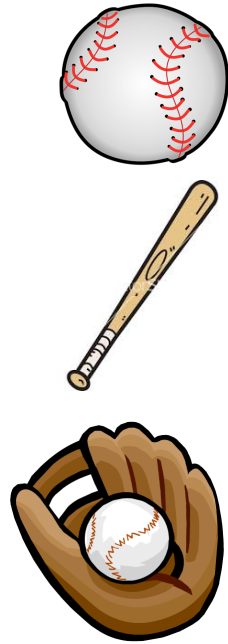
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it out of the
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Cameron Waitkun, Stage Manager.

This is Cameron's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** Sophomore theater student at URI, management and design concentrates. Hobbies: almost exclusively, theater and strategy games. **Personal statement:** "Ask not what you can do for your country. Ask what's for lunch." –Orson Welles

Laura Giorgianni, Producer.

Previous SMCT Experience: Laura has been involved in 23 other Swamp Meadow productions, including *M*A*S*H* (Congresswoman Goldfarb); *The Canterbury Tales* (The Cook); *Willy Wonka Jr.* (Producer); *It's a Wonderful Life* (Miss Carter). **Hobbies:** Cooking, exercising, walking on the beach. **Personal Statement:** "In these bodies we will live, in these bodies we will die. And where you invest your love, you invest your life." –Mumford & Sons

Gianna Zavota, Choreographer.

This is Gianna's first show with SMCT. **Other Experience:** Stadium Theatre: *Wizard of Oz*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, and *Bye Bye Birdie*. Scituate High School Drama: 3 years. Marie K Jennison School of Dance: 13 years.

Harry Preston, Assistant Stage Manager.

This is Harry's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** Two years with EGHS tech.

Gage-

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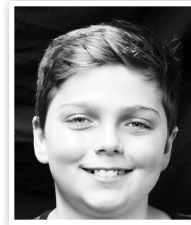


Kristen Briggs, 12, Yertle the Turtle.
Previous SMCT Experience: *Annie Jr.* (Tessie), *Willy Wonka Jr.* (Charlie's friend), *The Jungle Book* (Rann), and *Tom Sawyer* (Joe Harper).
Hobbies: Hockey, soccer, softball, helping out on the family farm, and playing the trumpet.
Personal Statement: What should my personal statement be?

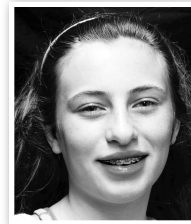


Allison Capron, Vlad Vladikoff.
Previous SMCT Experience: *The Jungle Book* (Elephant Pitala (Clarinet)); *Charlotte's Web* (Chorus, Gosling, Baby Spider); *Scheherzade and the Arabian Nights* (wedding party); and *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* (oyster).
Other Experience: Various plays at Captain Isaac Paine School and chorus. **Hobbies:**

Listening to music, singing, being with friends, reading, and playing the clarinet.



Gage Cole, 10, The Grinch.
This is Gage's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** Kent County YMCA (Father John V. Doyle). **Hobbies:** Playing video games.
Personal Statement: Life is like chocolate, you never know what you are going to get.



Genevieve Bradley, 12, Citizen of Who.
Previous SMCT Experience: *The Jungle Book* (Wolf Sikari); *Tom Sawyer* (Samuel Rice) and *Annie Jr.* (Orphan). **Other Experience:** Several school productions, most recently *The Reluctant Dragon* and *Fractured Fairy Tales*. **Hobbies:** Drawing, painting, swimming and singing.
Personal Statement: "Obviously." -Severus Snape, Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix

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We love you, Lyndsey!

-Mom & Dad

To our wonderful granddaughter
Lyndsey:

Good luck!

Grammy & Gramps

Izzi Giorgianni, 16, Assistant Music Director/Lighting Designer/Sound Effects Operator.

Previous SMCT Experience: Izzi has been involved in 27 other Swamp Meadow productions, including *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Keyboard); *Tom Sawyer* (Stage Manager); *M*A*S*H* (Stage Manager). **Other Experience:** *A Christmas Carol* at Bradley Theatre Playhouse; Know Your Notes Competition 2014; *The Chronicles of Jane/This is a Test, Beauty and the Beast, Once on This Island* (music director), *Twelfth Night* (tech crew), *Seussical the Musical* (tech crew), *Starmites* (sound effects), *Darcy's Cinematic Life* (spotlight), *The Seussification of Romeo and Juliet* (sound effects), and *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (sound board) at The Prout School; Barrington Enrichment Summer Theatre Program.

Hobbies: Technical theatre, nature, music, and sleeping.

Personal Statement: "When the power of love overcomes the love of power the world will know peace." Jimi Hendrix

Bob Hollis, Mentoring Director.

Bob has been involved in 37 other Swamp Meadow productions, including *The Wizard of Oz* (The Cowardly Lion); *FolkTown* (Director, Writer, Producer); and *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Co-Director). **Other Experience:** Writing, directing, and acting. Creating and leading ceremonies of life: Dedications, Baptisms, Weddings, Blessings, and Funerals.

Hobbies: Driving, Law & Order, Making bad jokes, laughing at my bad jokes, playing games.

Audrey Dubois, Stage Manager.

Audrey has been involved in 18 other Swamp Meadow productions. **Other Experience:** Scituate Middle/High School Drama Club, Wheaton College theatre, The Dimple Divers improv group, and the 2013 RI Shakespeare Competition. Favorite shows include *11 Variations on Friar John's Failure* (Lady Macbeth), *Testing Testing* (Wendy), *The Vagina Monologues* (stage manager), and *Wheaton Words* (herself).

Hobbies: Eating cereal, watching Star Trek, and going on long romantic walks to the kitchen. **Personal statement:** [Exit, pursued by a bear.]

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Joanna Fashjian, 11, Citizen of Who.
This is Joanna's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** *Remember Christmas* (Head Elf/dancer) and *Seussical* (Yertle the Turtle) with J-DAPA Theatre; Ferri Middle School talent show. **Hobbies:** Dance, listening to music, sleeping, theatre, and obsessing over bands. **Personal Statement:** Remember that every day has the potential to be the greatest day of your life, make it count.



Sara Olszewski, 8, Citizen of Who.
This is Sara's first time with SMCT. **Hobbies:** Dancing, reading, taking care of numerous pets, and playing with friends. **Personal Statement:** I am very excited to be in my first Swamp Meadow Community Theater play.



Lyndsey Cairone, 14, Jungle Creature.
Previous SMCT Experience: *The Jungle Book* (Villager Leora) and *Annie Jr.* (Annette). **Hobbies:** Playing soccer, figure skating, and making videos.



Kylie Swett, 11, Jungle Creature.
This is Kylie's first time with SMCT. **Other Experience:** *Broadway Babies*, directed by Lauryn who plays Gertrude. **Hobbies:** Drama, soccer, and basketball.

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-Dr. Seuss

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Emily Carter, Director.

Emily has been involved in 11 other Swamp Meadow Productions. **Other Experience:** Many shows with Academy Players of Rhode Island, Trinity Repertory Company, Kaleidoscope Theatre, and University of Rhode Island Theatre. Favorite roles include Cinderella in *Into the Woods*, Emily Webb in *Our Town* and Faith in *columbinus*. Emily is a sophomore acting/directing major at The University of Rhode Island and has been acting and taking theatre, voice and dance classes for 13 years. **Personal Statement:** "Love the art in yourself and not yourself in the art." –Constantin Stanislavski

Shane Inman, Assistant Director/Sound Board Operator.

Previous SMCT Experience: Shane has been involved in 6 other Swamp Meadow productions, including *M*A*S*H* (Hawkeye); *Little Shop of Horrors* (Tech: Sound); *Tom Sawyer* (Assistant Director, Assistant Tech Director). **Hobbies:** Writing fiction, making short films, being slowly devoured by the cannibalistic machine of academia. **Personal Statement:** The hardest part of being an assistant director is grappling with the inherent meaninglessness of existence. I guess that's probably the hardest part of doing anything, but my point still stands.

Nigel Richards, Music Director.

Previous SMCT Experience: *Olivia* (Fagin); *Footloose* (Garvin); and *The Canterbury Tales* (Cadence Monk/Kazoo Player).

Other Experience: Multiple shows with Trinity Rep, Wilbury Theatre Group, Encore Rep Company, Academy Players, and Shining Light Productions, most recently as Sebastian in Encore Rep's *The Little Mermaid*.