Charles J. Wyly, Jr Auditorium

November 12th & 13th-7:00pm

LAKEHILL PERFORMING ARTS



A fun night of acting, singing and dancing featuring selections from your favorite Broadway musicals!

Co-Directed by Mark Guerra & Tracy Herron Music Direction by Tracy Herron Choreography by Lela Bell

Tickets:

Premium Reserved - \$20 | Reserved - \$15 General Admission - \$10 | Students - \$5 Teachers - Free

Lakehill Preparatory | 2720 Hillside Dr. | Dallas, Tx

The Addams Family Musical Highlights

Music and Lyrics by Vic Mizzy and Andrew Lippa
Arranged by Mark Brymer
Full Ensemble

I'm Still Here

from Follies

Words and Music by Stephen Sondheim

Abi Price (junior)

Shall We Dance

from *The King and I*by Rodgers and Hammerstein
McKinney Waggoner (junior) and Leandro Yang (freshman)

Giants in the Sky

from Into the Woods

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim

Varun Iyer (junior)

Practically Perfect

from *Mary Poppins*Music by George Stiles and Lyrics by Anthony Drew

Charlotte Abate (senior)

The Elevator Scene

from Sweet Charity
Book by Neil Simon and Music by Cy Coleman
Vanya Suchan (freshman) and Liam Reece (freshman)

I Wanna be a Producer

from *The Producers*Music and Lyrics by Mel Brooks

Noah Bernstein (junior) and girls ensemble

Newsies Musical Highlights

Lyrics by Jack Feldman and Music by Alan Menken Boys Ensemble

I Have a Dream

from *Mama Mia*Arranged by Mac Huff
Girls Ensemble

Mister Cellophane

from *Chicago*Music by John Kander

Braden Burt (freshman)

Lily's Eyes

from *The Secret Garden*Lyrics by Marsha Norman and Lyrics by Lucy Simon
Noah Bernstein (junior) and Varun Iyer (freshman)

Adelaide's Lament

from *Guys and Dolls*Music and Lyrics by Frank Loesser

Tillie McCoskey (junior)

You're the Fairest Flower

from Little Mary Sunshine

Music and Lyrics by Rick Besoyan

Warren Lester (sophomore)

Scene from Little Mary Sunshine

Book by Rick Besoyan
Heather Hines (freshman), Warren Lester (sophomore) and Katie McKnight (sophomore)

In Izzenschnooken on the Lovely Essenzook Zee

from Little Mary Sunshine

Music and Lyrics by Rick Besoyan

Katie McKnight (sophomore)

Highlights from the Musical Footloose

Music by Kenny Loggins
Full Ensemble

MEET THE DIRECTORS



Tracy Herron (Musical Director) A native of Wichita, Kansas, Mr. Herron attended private school from eighth through twelfth grade. He received his Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance from Wichita State University, a Master of Music in Vocal Performance from the University of Kansas, and has taken doctoral classes at the University of North Texas. After receiving his Masters, Mr. Herron taught voice at Wichita State where many of his students were top five finalists at the yearly NATS Regional Competition. He has a litany of successes to his credit. Mr. Herron founded and directed the Wichita Women's Chorale and has performed as a soloist with several symphonies. He has performed operatic roles receiving favorable reviews published in the national magazine Opera News. Choirs under his direction have won both local and international competitions. Mr. Herron is also currently serving as the Director of Music Ministries at Woodhaven Presbyterian Church in Irving, TX where he directs the adult choirs and oversees all musical aspects of the church. Mr. Herron also continues to teach private voice lessons and sing with the Dallas Opera where he has appeared in the chorus of over 40 operas, three of which were world premieres, and over 200 performances in the last 17 years. Mr. Herron has been teaching for over 20 years, the last eight have been at Lakehill.



Mark "Mr. G" Guerra. Mr. G is excited to have found his home at Lakehill Prep after 5 years teaching at a middle school in Grand Prairie. Mr. G was a former Intern and Intern Supervisor for Theatre Three from 2006 to 2009. He has previously directed The Little Mermaid, Jr. and Fiddler On The Roof, Jr., Throughly Modern Millie, Jr, Annie, Jr and Anything Goes and worked as Costume Designer for Suessical, Jr. (2008), Cinderella, Jr. (2009) and Aladdin, Jr. (2010) for Imagination Players. Mark has previously directed Something's Afoot and Sunday In New York for Rover Dramawerks, Pinkalicious, the Musical at C.A.T.S. in Arlington, and Don't Dress For Dinner, Kiss or Make Up at Mesquite Community Theater. Mark has also acted in several shows in several theaters around the D/FW Metroplex since 2006. In January 2015, Mr. G co-founded the Musical Theatre Academy at Theatre Three in Uptown where he and co-producer Lynn Ambrose have a mission to provide kids ages 5 to 19 with a true professional rehearsal and performance process. Big thanks to Mr. Herron and Mrs. Booth for being a great team to work with!



Lela Bell Wesley is originally from London, England and grew up in Beaumont, Texas, where she trained at Marsha Woody Dance Academy. She has worked as a professional dancer and choreographer performing and working with companies such as Dancer's Unlimited, Nova Dancing Company, Five Degreez of Dance, Dallas Black Dance Theatre, Dallas Children's Theatre, Flower Mound Performing Arts Theatre, Water Tower Theatre, Ewert & Company, Ballethnic, and The Dallas Opera. In addition to performing, Mrs. Wesley has taught dance in Dallas, London, Wales, Atlanta, Nacogdoches, and Beaumont. She has studied cultural dance as well as classical dance styles from various renowned artists such as Chuck Davis, Babatunde Olatunji, Robert La Fosse, Juanita Finkenberg, and Donald McKayle. She has worked with organizations such as TITAS, the Office of Cultural affairs in Dallas, Big Thought, Thriving Minds, and Junior Players to help bring the art form of dance to underserved communities. Her choreography in African Tales of Earth and Sky toured nationally and was nominated for a Leon Rabin Award in 2002. Her choreography for Cabaret at Flower Mound Performing Arts Theatre won a Column award in 2004. Mrs. Wesley is a professional actress represented by Linda McAlister Talent. She has been in many commercials, industrials, and films. She appeared on Barney & Friends as a dancer October 2009 and premiered her first major short film title "Changing" in February 2010, which was nominated for "Best Texas Film" at the Texas Black Film Festival. Mrs. Wesley holds a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Masters of Science in Counseling. She thanks God, her wonderful husband and beautiful twin daughters for their unending love and support of dance!

MEET THE CAST



Charlotte Abate is a Senior here at Lakehill. She has been seen as a chorus member and a baseball player in the Lakehill production of *Damn Yankees*, as numerous roles in *The Dining Room*, a lady in waiting in *Once Upon a Mattress*, Joanne in *Vanities*, Penelope Ann in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and Celia Granger (the female lead) in *Design for Murder*. Charlotte has participated in a variety of musicals and plays since she was 6 years old. She has participated in many extra-curricular activities such as Sisteens, National Honor Society (President), Science Club, French Club, Ambassadors, and is an Honors Thespian in the International Thespian Society. She has been a member of the choir for the past three years. Charlotte would like to thank everyone in the cast and crew who have helped with the show, especially Ms. Bell, Mr. Guerra, and Mr. Herron. She will miss being a part of the Lakehill performing arts! Charlotte plans to study International Business at the university of her choice after



Noah Bernstein, a junior, is no stranger to the stage, having been involved since the ripe age of 3. He has appeared in several productions of stage, film, and voiceover. His favorite roles include being Conrad Birdie (*Bye Bye Birdie*), Dave (*The Emerald Circle*), and Cardamon the Wizard (*Once Upon a Mattress*). This is his fourth year of Lakehill Musical Theatre. His other interests include (but are not limited to) basketball, cinematic arts, and the legends Snoop Dogg and Nicolas Cage. He is a proud contributor to Dank Memes. He would like to thank Mr. Guerra and Mr. Herron for his newfound optimism in the theater.



Shelby Britton is performing in her second Upper School musical and is very excited to be a part of the production. Shelby is an Ambassador, a member of Sisteens, Film Club, French Club, and hopes to play softball in the spring. She is looking forward to a great performance!



Kaeli Bunger, Assistant Stage Manager, has attented Lakehill since Kindergarten. She has participated in every sport and club offered but has yet to participate in any kind of theatrical production. She decided for her senior year she would venture out and help out with the musical so she'd have no regrets for missing out on this fantastic experience!



Braden Burt. This is Braden's second year of Musical Theater and his first year of High School Musical Theater. Braden played the male lead in last year's Middle School Musical.



Warren Cao. This is Warren's first year at Lakehill Prep School. He loves musical theater and loves to perform on stage.



Kevin Dai, a Senior, is an exchange student from China. This is his third year at Lakehill Preparatory School. He really enjoys playing in the musical, and it will be his last musical performance at Lakehill. He is so excited and honored to be performing with the Lakehill Drama Dept. During these three years at Lakehill, he has changed a lot and has numerous memories, but the most indelible moment is his first play in the musical, *Once Upon A Mattress*. "I will try my best to perform well in my final performance at Lakehill."



Brandon Douglas would first like to thank Mr. Herron, Mr. Guerra and all those who have contributed in some way to this production. Brandon is in twelfth grade, and has attended Lakehill Preparatory School since the seventh grade. Brandon has been thoroughly involved in the arts at Lakehill, taking painting, drawing, ceramics, photography, and drama classes. He played Zeus in a middle school mythology play and had an awesome time playing the Jester his sophomore year in the musical *Once Upon A Mattress* and Hugo his junior year in *Bye-Bye Birdie*. He also plays football and runs track for Lakehill. In his free time, Brandon enjoys hanging out with friends, producing music, painting or just chilling. Brandon remains active at school as the President of the Student Council and a member of the Hip-Hop Club. After completing his senior year at Lakehill, Brandon plans to attend the college of his choice and explore the world while studying English and Music Business.



Macy Ellis. This is Macy's third musical at Lakehill, having also been in *Aladdin* and *Mulan* in middle school. Macy has been in the drama productions of *Rowdy Kate* and *Mrs. McThing*. She is very excited to be in the medley and hopes you enjoy the show.



Alice Feng is new here in Lakehill this year. She is so happy to take musical theater class because she loves music! It helps her relax everyday!



Attiyya Fortune' is a senior and has been at Lakehill since the fifth grade. She had roles in the plays: It's a Wonderful Neverland and The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza. She played Martha in Design for Murder and Gloria Rasputin in Bye Bye Birdie. She also had roles in the musicals Cinderella and Captain Louie. She dances at the Dallas Black Dance Academy and is a part of the teen company Allegro for 4 years. She would like to thank everyone that helped in the making of this production, especially Ms. Bell, Mr. G, and Mr. Herron.



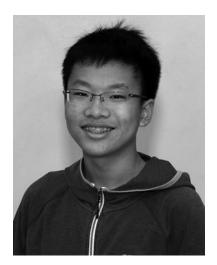
Griffin Gleboff, Stage Manager. Griffin is Senior Class Vice President and Co-President of Sisteens. As a Senior here at Lakehill, Griffin couldn't to be happier to be a part of musical theater again. "It's been such a fun experience and I am so glad to be involved in it."



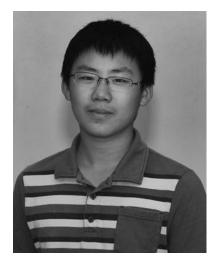
Evyn Greene has been in the middle school productions of *Aladdin Jr.*, and *Mrs. McThing* in seventh grade, and the productions of *Mulan Jr.*, and *Rowdy Kate* in eighth grade. She is very excited to become part of her first high school performance of *On Broadway*.



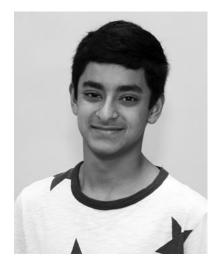
Heather Hines is very excited to be in her first high school musical. During middle school Heather was in *Aladdin* and *Mulan* and *Mrs. McThing* and *Rowdy Kate*. Heather has appeared in productions with Dallas Children's Theater.



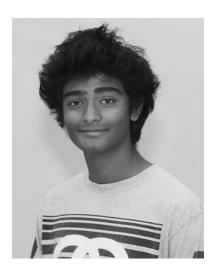
John Hirata is a student in musical theater. He likes this class very much because he enjoys singing and dancing at the same time.



Gary Hou loves musical theater very much. "It's fun during the class and Mr. Herron is really kind." The class makes him like singing and he becomes happy. He's made a lot of friends in the class. "Everything in this class is cool!"



Kumail Imam has acted in a number of plays in his seventh and eighth grade years at Lakehill. Kumail is very excited to be in his first high school musical of his lifetime!



Varun Iyer has been attending Lakehill since third grade. He has participated in musical theater and other performing arts. In seventh grade, he performed in musicals such as *Captain Louie* and played the role of The Pilot in *The Little Mermaid*. He has also participated in choir throughout middle school and continued though high school as well. He also participates in football, basketball, cross country, track, and debate. Outside of school his hobbies are listening to lots of hip hop music and making music. He is in a rap group with Brandon Douglas and others called [sic] muzik, which has successfully produced a full album called *Summer Fever* and also has performed at the House of Blues. His all time idol is Kanye West, while still idolizing many other artists. Varun wants to thank Mr. Herron for pushing him to keep on performing, Brandon Douglas for inspiring him to follow music as a passion, his friends, and his mom and dad!



Kate Langley. Kate is very excited about being in her first high school musical. Prior to this she was in *Aladdin Jr.* and *Mulan Jr.* During her middle school time she was also in *Ms. McThing* and *Rowdy Kate.*



Warren Lester started acting in the fifth grade in Ms. Riggs' drama club. He had fun, and knew that he would continue through high school. In seventh and eighth grade he was finally able to participate in drama class and musical theater, which he did for both years. For the last few summers he has been doing Rover Dramawerks (yes, that is how you spell it) summer camps in Plano, which has helped him sharpen his techniques. Last year, he was Mr. MacAfee in Bye Bye Birdie and Sgt. Brent in Design for Murder. He will sadly not be able to participate in Drama this year, so he will put everything he has into this production. "I am excited for the medley, because I haven't really gotten to do much singing wise for the past few years, and I am looking forward to learning more about the music part of musical theater."



Tillie McCoskey is a junior and has been at Lakehill since kindergarten. She participated in a production her freshman year of *Once Upon a Mattress* as Lady Rowena, as well as last year's production of *Bye Bye Birdie* as Ursula. She has also been in choir and musical theater every year since seventh grade. She enjoys other activities which include cheerleading, softball and hanging out with her friends. Tillie is very active with the youth group at Webb Chapel Church of Christ. She plans on keeping up her musical career all through high school and is very excited to be a part of this year's musical review!



Katie McKnight. This is Katie's first year in high school Musical Theater but participated in Musical Theater in middle school. She is very excited to be performing this year.



Elizabeth Motes is very excited to be in her first high school musical. She has acted in *Mrs. McThing* and *Rowdy Kate*. She has also been in the chorus of *Aladdin Jr.* and *Mulan Jr.*



Jhordyn Nelson-Allen is 15 years old. She is a junior at Lakehill Preparatory School where she is a varsity cheerleader. Her hobbies are spending time with her family and friends, and she has a passion for dancing. She trained in ballet, hip hop, jazz, modern, lyrical, tap, and African at Dallas Black Dance Theater. She has been with Dallas Black Dance Theater since she was 7 years old, and she is in the Allegro Ensemble. She has also trained in New York at the Dance Theater of Harlem and Leon School of Dance. Her life's motto is Proverbs <u>4:13</u>. "I can do all things through Christ, who gives me strength."



Abi Price is performing in her fourth musical theater show with Lakehill: *The Little Mermaid* (Ursula), *Once Upon a Mattress* (Queen Aggrivain), *Bye Bye Birdie* (Mae Peterson), and tonight's performance as many characters. Abi has also enjoyed participating in Lakehill's Upper School Choir as well as Credo Choir for three years. Abi is excited to once again work with Mr. Herron and be a part of Mr. G's debut musical theater performance at Lakehill!



Liam Reece has never been in musical theater before but he enjoys it throughly now, and he has always enjoyed drama and been a thespian and a musical person at heart.



Allison Riemer has been in musical theater since middle school and has taken part of each musical since seventh grade. Last year she played Randy in the school's rendition of *Bye Bye Birdie* and the year before that she took part in the chorus. She is very excited to be participating in this year's musical medley.



Vanya Suchan has participated in musical theater as well as drama for many years. She has been in and around theater for her whole life and is excited to be able to participate during her freshman year!



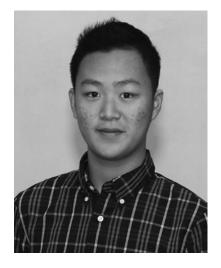
Camryn Thompson is a senior at Lakehill and has been here for six years. She has been involved in theater since the fifth grade. Her first musical at Lakehill was last year and she played the role of a Conrad Birdie Fan in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Camryn has enjoyed her time working on the musical and would like to continue acting in the future. She would also like to thank Mr. Herron and Mr. G for their dedication to this musical.



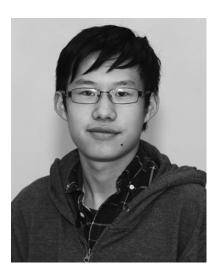
Lily Turner has been in musical theater for four years including her performances in *The Little Mermaid, Once Upon A Mattress, Bye Bye Birdie,* and this year *On Broadway!* Lily loves to sing and act and has been in choir from after-school choir in 3rd grade with Ms. Booth to The Lakehill Chorale with Mr. Herron. Outside of school Lily loves to participate in State Affairs Forum Debate and World Quest. She also loves to play guitar and will play Softball in the spring. Lily is excited for this year's and next year's musical theatre performance!



McKinney Waggoner is a junior and is loving musical theater this year! She has acted in many Lakehill productions before including *Design for Murder, The Little Mermaid Jr.*, and *Once Upon a Mattress*. She'd like to thank the whole cast and crew and especially the directors, Tracy Herron and Mark Guerra for all the hard work put into the production.



Leandro Yang. This is Leandro's first year at Lakehill Prep. School. "I'd love to perform on stage."



Jenson Zhou is a student from China, Jenson didn't have many chances to be in a show or play on the stage. He is really glad to take musical theater during the first semester in Lakehill. Although it is really tough to get great scores in eleventh grade, musical theater gives him a way to enjoy the music.

LAKEHILL PERFORMING ARTS UPCOMING EVENTS

Middle School and Upper School Winter Concert

December 8, 7:00 PM

Middle School Play

December 11 & 12, 7:00 PM

Middle School and Upper School Choir Concert at Northpark Mall

December 12, 4 PM

Upper School Play

April 15 & 16, 7:00 PM

Middle School and Upper School Spring Concert

April 26, 7:00 PM

Upper School Performing Arts Banquet

April 29, 6:00 PM

Middle School Musical

May 13, 7:00 PM

SPECIALTHANKS

Lakehill Administration, Faculty and Staff

NJHS Volunteers

Irwin Thompson, for the beautiful photographs of our stars (and Ron Gavinski for allowing us to use a previous portrait)

Our talented videographers

Family and friends of students in the Performing Arts Department for showing your appreciation and support

Volunteer parents who donated food and time and helped out with many other important tasks

Performing Arts Committee:

Pam Abate Sandhya lyer Winnie Arrington Tora Greene

Break a leg, Elizabeth Motes!!



We love you and are so proud of you! Enjoy every minute!!!

Mom, Dad and Christopher

(and Jonathan, aka Harvey Johnson)

Break a leg to our Wizardly Zombie Conrad. Again. Love, Mom, Dad, Rachel and Kasha!







Charlotte, you are indeed "Practically Perfect" in every way! "Thank You For The Music" and more than 15 years of brilliant performances! We are SO proud of you! XO Mom, Dad, Katie, Hilary, and of course, Melody!

















The Many Faces of Abi
- We Love Them All!!

Mom, Dad & Hannah















