

PROUDLY PRESENTS

Disnep THE LITTLE MERMAID



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July 14 -16, 2017

Music by Alan Menken

Book by Doug Wright

Lyrics by Howard Ashman & Glen Slater

Based on Hans Christian Anderson story and the Disney film produced by Howard Ashman & John Musker and written & directed by John Musker & Ron Clements. Originally produced by Disney Theatrical Productions.

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<u>SYNOPSIS</u>

Set under and above the high seas, The Little Mermaid tells the story of Ariel, an adventurous young mermaid who's got a thing for disobeying the rules and following her heart.

Ariel's fascination with the human world often leads her to the sea surface, a zone that's designated as "off-limits" by her father Triton, the sea king. One day while sneaking to the surface, Ariel witnesses a shipwreck and rescues Prince Eric, with whom she becomes instantly smitten.

Furious at Triton's inability to understand her love for the prince, Ariel runs away and strikes a deal with Ursula, Triton's evil witch of a sister, to experience the life she dreams of on land. But the bargain is not what it seems, and Ariel needs the help of her colorful friends, Flounder the fish, Scuttle the seagull and Sebastian the crab to restore order under the sea.



There will be a 15 minute intermission between acts.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

The World Above	Overture	Orchestra
Daughters of Triton	The World Above	Ariel
If Only (Triton's Lament)King Triton Daddy's Little AngelUrsula, Flotsam, Jetsam Part of Your WorldAriel The StormSailors Part of Your World (Reprise)Ariel She's in LoveMersisters, Flounder Her VoicePrince Eric Under the SeaSebastian, Sea Creatures After Under the SeaSebastian, Sea Creatures If Only (Ariel's Lament)Ariel Sweet ChildFlotsam, Jestsam Poor Unfortunate SoulsUrsula	Fathoms Below	Pilot, Sailors, Prince Eric, Grimsby
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Poor Unfortunate SoulsUrsula	If Only (Ariel's Lament)	Ariel
	Sweet Child	Flotsam, Jestsam
Act I Finale Ursula, Ariel		
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ACT II

Entr'acteOrchestra
PositoovityScuttle, Gulls
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Beyond My Wildest DreamsAriel, Maids, Grimsby
Les PoissonsChef Louis
Les Poissons (Reprise)Chef Louis, Chefs
One Step CloserPrince Eric
Daddy's Little Angel (Reprise)Ursula, Flotsam, Jetsam
Kiss the GirlSebastian, Animals
If Only (Quartet)Ariel, Prince Eric, Sebastian, King Triton
The ContestGrimsby, Princesses
Ariel Steps ForwardUrsula
Poor Unfortunate Souls (Reprise)Ursula
Ariel's TransformationMersisters
Finale UltimoKing Triton, Ariel, Ensemble, Prince Eric

CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE

Ariel	Madeleine Barbeau
Pilot	Jeremie Bacon
Prince Eric	Martynas Snarskis
Grimsby	Jay Hruska
Flounder	Mia Lee
Scuttle	Trevor Shingler
Windward	Emma Hutchison
Leeward	Lilyan Ryan
King Triton	Terry Foster-Hulbert
	Andy Emmerich
Mersister – Aquata	Nicole Zralka
	Emma Lee
Mersister – Arista	Rose Murphy
Mersister – Atina	Nicole Miller
Mersister – Adella	Catherine Ferrill
Mersister – Allana	Sarah Grace Hollander
Jetsam	Anne Marie Bacon
Flotsam	Brian Vidales
Ursula	Qiana McNary
Lady Beta Fish	Isabella Newhuis
Eels	Luke Alfonso, Christopher Hutchison,
	Maggie Reynolds, Alexander Vjestica
Chef Louis	David Hollander
Carlotta	

SAILORS

Luke Alfonso, Dave Amato, Justin Craig, Josh Dennison, Christopher Hutchison, Malachy Murphy, Hayden Valecek, Alexander Vjestica, Michael Foster-Hulbert, David Hollander

<u>GULLS</u>

Eliza Mattson, Natalie Mattson, Emma Mize, Isabella Newhuis, Allison Roach, Haley Shadden, Mary Ann Shurilla

SINGING MAIDS

Makenna Case, Amy Hollander, Melanie Lorang, Emily Maher, Maria Purpura

SINGING PRINCESSES

Brooke Kassal, Tracy Kay, Amber Miller, Gwendolynne Royle, Julianna Tomecki

WATER DANCERS

Eliza Mattson, Natalie Mattson, Cooper Meek, Tommy Melgoza, Mary Ann Shurilla, Marrisa Wantroba

ENSEMBLE

Dave Amato, Andrea Arce, Jeremie Bacon, Julia Bacon, Makenna Case, Justin Craig, Claire Dause, Josh Dennison, Brooke Ferricks, Maija Flannery, Michael Foster-Hulbert, Megan Harmon, Paige Henley, Charlie Hickman, Amy Hollander, David Hollander, Emma Hutchison, Brooke Kassal, Tracy Kay, Addison Kyrychenko, Ava Lee, Payton LeFevers, Skylar LeFevers, Annette Lichacz, Kate Loeffler, Melanie Lorang, Lauren Magdziarz, Emily Maher, Eliza Mattson, Natalie Mattson, Nicole McCallion, Audrey McGee, Brooke McWherter, Cooper Meek, Tommy Melgoza, Amber Miller, Emma Mize, Malachy Murphy, Isabella Newhuis, Maria Purpura, Allison Roach, Gwendolynne Royle, Lilyan Ryan, Haley Shadden, Mary Ann Shurilla, Allie Skelley, Alexis Timejardine, Juliana Tomecki, Anastasia Treanor, Hayden Valecek, Marrisa Wantroba

PRODUCTION STAFF

ProducerSandy Doebert
Assistant to the Producer Mary Beth Pingatore
Director Heather Hutchison
Choreographer/Scenic DesignerBrett Baleskie
Assistant ChoreographerDarby Schober
Music Director/ConductorMichael Kennedy
Vocal Director Amy Brockman
Technical DirectorElyse Willis
Stage ManagerMatt Gottardo
Assistant Stage Manager Erin Grace
Backstage ManagerSean Hattan
Lighting DesignersAlaina Pizzoferrato, Sam Valone
Sound DesignerBaillie Costigan
Costume DesignersDiane Bancroft, Judy Gordon
Prop ManagersTracy Roach, Hannah Schober
Makeup DesignerDiane Link
Hair DesignerLynn Hodak
Front of House ManagersShelley Taylor, Odete Garmute
Rehearsal PianistKurt Meyer
Audition PianistRichard Sladek

PRODUCTION VOLUNTEERS

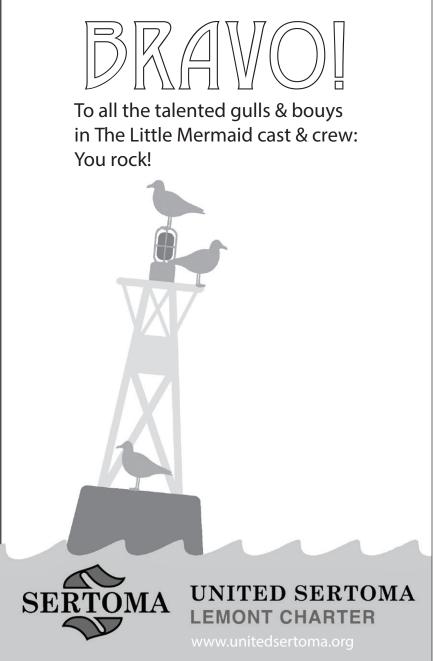
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ORCHESTRA MEMBERS

Hannah Wilger	Flute/Piccolo
Ryan Fase	Clarinet
Heather Winters	Oboe/English Horn
David Godbold	Clarinet/Saxophone
Matt Swick	Bass Clarinet/Clarinet
Jered Montgomery	Trumpet
Brock Royle	Violin
Chris Glenn	Bass
Kurt Meyer	Piano
Aaron Swenson	Piano/Synthesizer
Alex Murphy	Piano/Synthesizer
Bill Winters	Drum Set/Percussion



Please see the list of crew members for *The Little Mermaid* posted in the PAC.



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<u>CAST BIOS</u>



LUKE ALFONSO (*Eel/Sailor*) - Luke, 13, is excited to be in his second LMCT production. He has enjoyed performing in LMCT's *Fiddler on the Roof* and his school's productions of *Rock Around the Block* and *Kilroy*. He enjoys playing the piano and trumpet. Luke would like to thank his family for their support.

DAVE AMATO (Sailor/Ensemble) - Dave

is excited to be returning to the LMCT stage after playing the Constable in last year's production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. He would like to thank his family and friends for their continued love and support.





ANDREA ARCE (Ensemble) - Andrea is

very excited to be participating in her first LMCT production. *The Little Mermaid* is one of her favorite Disney movies and, prior to this, she played Timon in another Disney classic, *The Lion King*. She looks forward to continuing her passion of performing throughout high school.

<u>ANNE MARE BACON</u> (*Jetsam*) - Anne Marie is electrically excited to be taking part in *The Little Mermaid*! In her free time, she has a blast playing five instruments and studying for the SAT. She sincerely hopes everyone has a great time "sea-ing" this musical!





JEREMIE BACON (Pilot/Ensemble) -

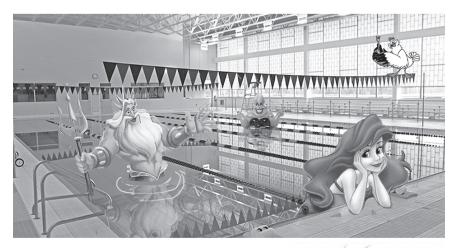
Jeremie is excited to be a part of the LMCT family and can't wait for opening night! In his free time, he enjoys hanging out with his family, running ultra-marathons, and eating piles of donuts!

JULIA BACON (Ensemble) - Julia

is thrilled to be in this year's production

of *The Little Mermaid*. In her free time she likes to read books and sing. She would like to thank her sister and dad for doing this show with her, and for also supporting her. She hopes you enjoy the show!



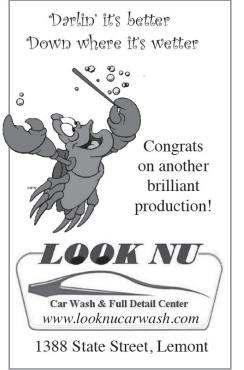


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MAKENNA CASE (Singing Maid/

Ensemble) - Makenna is overjoyed to be in *The Little Mermaid*. She has studied at The School of Performing Arts for three years. She loves acting, singing and dancing, and performing in show choir. She also enjoys creative crafting and baking. She thanks the amazing cast and crew in this show.

JUSTIN CRAIG (Sailor/Ensemble) – A

recent high school graduate, Justin is excited to be part of *The Little Mermaid*. While it is his first time performing with LMCT, he has performed in *Fiddler on the Roof* and *The Snow Queen* with Neuqua Valley High School. Justin will be headed to Millikin University in the fall.





CLAIRE DAUSE (Ensemble) - Claire

is excited to perform in her first production with LMCT. Her favorite role to date is Rosie in *Bye Bye Birdie*. In her free time, she can be found reading a book or snapping pictures.

<u>JOSH DENNISON</u> (Sailor/Ensemble) – Josh is looking forward to exploring the Seven Seas in *The Little Mermaid* this

summer. You may have seen him previously as Motel in last summer's production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. Josh thanks his always supportive family and friends and the entire team of this musical.





<u>ANDY EMMERICH</u> (*Sebastian*) – Last seen as the Doctor in *Next to Normal* and Yertle the Turtle in *Seussical*, Andy is grateful to LMCT for helping him fulfill his ambition to become the area's go-to actor for shelled and exoskeletal creatures. He dedicates his performance to his salubrious wife, Nancy. <u>CATHERINE FERRILL</u> (*Mersister-Adella*)–Catherine already has two sisters, and now she can say she has six more! She is very excited to be a part of LMCT since moving to Lemont a year ago. She thanks you for coming and hopes you enjoy the show!



BROOKE FERRICKS

(Ensemble) - Brooke is thrilled to be in her

fourth LMCT production! Her all-time favorite role was playing Miss Hannigan in *Annie*. Brooke spends her time directing shows to help others. She has been featured in various news media for her community work.

MAIJA FLANNERY (Ensemble) - Maija

is thrilled to be a part of *The Little Mermaid* cast. This is her first time being in an LMCT production. When not singing in her school choir or competing in gymnastics, she can be found drawing, reading, or hanging out with friends.





MICHAEL FOSTER-HULBERT (Sailor/

Ensemble) - Michael is celebrating his third year with LMCT. His recent credits include Big Bad Wolf in *Shrek* and Lazar Wolf in *Fiddler on the Roof*. Outside theatre, Michael is pursuing his Ed.D. in Higher Education Leadership and teaching at National Louis University. To King Triton... swim my way!

TERRY FOSTER-HULBERT (King Triton)

- Terry is excited to spend this summer

under the sea with his LMCT family. This is his third show with LMCT. He has appeared as Lord Farquaad in *Shrek* and The Russian Tenor in *Fiddler on the Roof*. When Terry is not the King of the Sea, he is a flight attendant for American Airlines.





MEGAN HARMON (Ensemble) - Megan is happy to be in *The Little Mermaid* this

summer. This is her second LMCT production, and her second Disney musical. She played Pumbaa in *The Lion King* in this year's school play. She looks forward to more performances in the future.



PAIGE HENLEY (*Ensemble*) - Paige is pumped to be in her second LMCT show! Her last musical was *The Lion King Jr.* at Kennedy Junior High School where she played Nala. Paige attends The School of Performing Arts and is involved in their show choir. She loves her family, friends and pets.



CHARLIE HICKMAN (Ensemble) -

Charlie is proud to be in his third consecutive LMCT production. He has also

performed in three school plays. When not acting, Charlie enjoys being active with friends, reading and watching television. He'd like to thank LMCT for these opportunities and his family for their support.

<u>AMY HOLLANDER</u> (*Singing Maid/Ensemble*) - As a huge fan of all things Disney, Amy is thrilled to be a part of this production! She was last seen with LMCT as Golde in *Fiddler on the Roof.* She is happy to once again share the stage with her talented daughter, Sarah, and husband, Dave.





DAND HOLLANDER (Chef Louis/Sailor/

Ensemble) - After participating in last summer's production of *Fiddler on the Roof*, David was thrilled to be cast in *The Little Mermaid*. He was last on stage as Mr. Bumble in *Oliver* at Community Players of Naperville. An 8th grade teacher and coach, David enjoys chances to perform and gives thanks for his supportive family.

SARAH GRACE HOLLANDER (Mersister-Allana) - Sarah is thrilled to be back with LMCT after playing Tzeitel in Fiddler on the Roof last summer. Other favorite roles include Nancy (Oliver) and Snoopy (You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown) with Community Players of Naperville. By day, she teaches high school science at Plainfield Academy. Thanks to her family and friends for the support!





JAY HRUSKA (Grimsby) - Jay is excited

to be back at LMCT. He was last seen as Nachum in *Fiddler on the Roof*. Favorite roles include Grandpa Joe (*Willy Wonka*) and Colonel Pickering (*My Fair Lady*). He would especially like to thank his wife for supporting his theatre addiction.



MAKE WAVES!

Congratulations to the cast and crew for a SEA-RIFFIC show, from all of us dreamers and doers at the Highwater Foundation. We've been making waves (and making a difference in Lemont) for years.

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CHRISTOPHER HUTCHISON (*Eel/Sailor*) - Chris is very excited to be a part of *The Little Mermaid*. He has been seen in other stage productions at both LMCT and in The Spectrum program in Naperville.

<u>EMMA HUTCHISON</u> (*Windward/ Ensemble*) - Emma is very excited to be a part of *The Little Mermaid* as Windward and in the ensemble. She has been

a villager in *Fiddler on the Roof* and Baby Bear in *Shrek* with LMCT. She has also performed in Naperville with The School of Performing Arts and Magical Starlight Theatre.





BROOKE KASSAL (*Singing Princess/Ensemble*) - Brooke can't wait to make her LMCT debut as a princess. She would like to thank her family and friends for their love and support.

TRACY KAY (Singing Princess/Ensemble) - This is Tracy's first show with LMCT. She has performed with several

community theatre groups including Summer Place Theatre, Westchester Civic Theatre, Magical Starlight Theatre, North Central College and Fox Country Players where she recently played Mother Superior in *Sister Act*. Tracy teaches music to first through eighth graders in LaGrange.





ADDISON KYRYCHENKO (Ensemble) - Addison is thrilled to go swimming under the sea with the cast of The Little Mermaid. She has performed in Beauty and the Beast, The Lion King, and more at The School of Performing Arts in Naperville. She can't wait for her first performance with LMCT.

<u>ANA LEE</u> (*Ensemble*) - Ava is excited to be appearing in her first ever LMCT

production. She has appeared previously in North Central College's productions of *Peter Pan, Bye Bye Birdie* and *Seussical*, and in Magical Starlight Theatre's production of *Seussical*. She wants to thank her family for all the love and support.





<u>EMMA LEE</u> (*Mersister-Andrina*) – Emma is thrilled to be returning to the LMCT stage for Disney's *The Little Mermaid*. Her favorite role to date is Peter Pan in Magical Starlight Theatre's production. Emma is grateful to God for her opportunities, and her family and friends for their endless love and support.

 $\underline{\mathsf{MIA}\,\mathsf{LEE}}\,(Flounder) - \mathrm{Mia}\,\mathrm{is}\,\mathrm{excited}$

to be playing the part of Flounder. This is her third LMCT production. She played the part of Young Fiona in *Shrek* in 2015 and Bielke in *Fiddler on the Roof* last year. Mia would like to thank her family for supporting and encouraging her.





PAYTON LEFEVERS (Ensemble) -

Payton is so glad to be on stage with LMCT again after playing Gretel in the 2015 production of *Shrek*. In her free time, she enjoys singing, dancing, acting and playing sports.

SKYLAR LEFENERS (Ensemble) -

Skylar is happy to be back on stage with LMCT after her first year of college. Having been a part of many plays on

campus she is excited to revisit musical theatre with this wonderful cast and crew. She would like to thank all of her family and friends for supporting her every adventure.





$\underline{ANNETTE\ LICHACZ}\ (Ensemble) - \\$

Annette is the youngest of four children in her family. This is her first performance and she is so excited to be a part of *The Little Mermaid*. She loves to sing and dance. She hopes you enjoy this wonderful and amazing performance.

KATE LOEFALER (*Carlotta/Ensemble*) – Kate is honored to perform with

LMCT! She teaches elementary music and junior high choir, and private voice, piano and guitar lessons. Past musicals include *The Music Man* (Maud), *The Sound of Music* (Sister Margarethe) and *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*. She sends thanks and love to her family and friends for their support.



<u>MELANE LORANG</u> (*Singing Maid/Ensemble*) – Melanie is excited to be a part of your world in this great musical! This is her fourth LMCT musical, with *Fiddler on the Roof* her favorite to date. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all of the under the sea fun and hopes you enjoy the show!





LAUREN MAGDZIARZ (Ensemble) -

Lauren, 11, is excited to be part of LMCT's production again this summer. She enjoyed her role as a villager in *Fiddler on the Roof* in 2016. Previous roles include Tinker Bell in Peter Pan Jr., Timone in *The Lion King Jr.*, and Gingy in *Shrek Jr.* Lauren would like to thank LMCT for this opportunity.

EMILY MAHER (Singing Maid/En-

semble) - Emily is ecstatic to be performing in her fourth LMCT production. She has been seen in other shows as well, including Lemont High School's recent production, *High School Musical*. In her free time, she enjoys playing bass clarinet and conducting in the LHS Band. She hopes





you enjoy the show!

<u>ELIZA MATTSON</u> (*Gull/Water Dancer/Ensemble*) – Eliza is excited to be part of LMCT's production of *The Little Mermaid*. Her favorite role to date is Flounder in *The Little Mermaid Jr*. In her free time, Eliza likes to sing, play piano and dance. She thanks her family for the support and hopes you enjoy the show!

NATALE MATTSON (*Gull/Water Dancer/Ensemble*) – Natalie is thrilled to be in *The Little Mermaid*. She loves to perform, and her favorite role to date is Belle in *Beauty and the Beast Jr*. Other than theatre, she enjoys singing, playing piano and dancing. She would like to thank her family for their loving support.





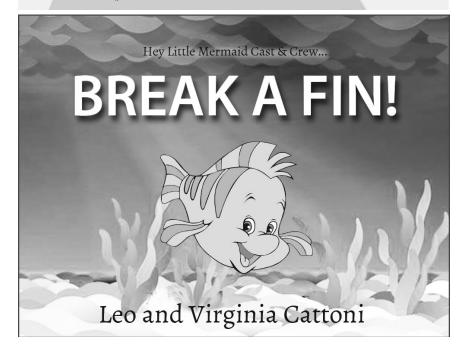
NICOLE MCCALLION (Ensemble)

- Nicole is excited to be a part of her favorite story. She has been in numerous fairy-tale plays and musicals; her favorite being *Peter Pan* at both North Central College and Magical Starlight Theatre. She enjoyed working with Ariel and her friends at Disney World and hopes to spend more time with them in the future.



Lemont High School District 210 congratulates Little Mountain Community Theatre on gracing the stage for a fourth exciting "Sea-son."

Way to go, cast & crew!



<u>AUDREY MCGEE</u> (*Ensemble*) – Audrey is ecstatic to be involved in her second production with LMCT, especially *The Little Mermaid*. She is obsessed with all things Disney and has been in love with this show since she saw the original production nine years ago! She thanks her parents for their constant comfort and support.





QIANA MCNARY (Ursula)

- Qiana is excited to make her debut with

LMCT! She has performed in numerous opera and musical theatre productions in and out of the country, however, this is her first opportunity to terrorize an entire ocean. You can see Qiana next in Joliet Drama's production of *Hairspray* and with her band, The McNary Experience. This performance is dedicated to her Grandma Sweet!

BROOKE MCWHERTER (*Ensemble*) - While this is Brooke's first production with LMCT, she is no stranger to theatre. She is currently majoring in Theatre Arts at Eastern Illinois University and has recently performed in *Dogfight, West Side Story, Mary Poppins* and *Oklahoma*. She thanks everyone





at LMCT for giving her a part in one of her favorite musicals.

<u>COOPER MEEK</u> (*Water Dancer/Ensemble*) – This is Cooper's first experience with LMCT. He has done shows at The School of Performing Arts in Naperville for several years. He is excited to have his friend Chris performing with him in the show and excited to work with Heather again.

TOMMY MELGOZA (*Water Dancer/Ensemble*) – Tommy is excited to be part of the LMCT world for the first time in this year's production of *The Little Mermaid*. When not on stage, Tommy enjoys spending time with family and being a food enthusiast. Previous roles include Bert Healy in *Annie* and





Manager in Elf Jr.

AMBER MILLER (Singing Princess,

Ensemble) – Amber has been a part of LMCT since its start with *The Wizard of Oz* and is excited for this new production. She is a musical theatre major at North Central College and loves performing. Favorite roles to date are Gertrude McFuzz in *Seussical* and Miss Andrew in *Mary Poppins*.



NICOLE MILLER (*Mersister - Atina*) – Nicole is ecstatic to play her favorite fantasy role of a mermaid and mersister. While this is her first appearance with LMCT, she has appeared in numerous musicals in the Naperville area. She has also been seen on television in Chicago Fire and Sirens. She enjoys writing and recording music in her free time.

<u>EMMA MIZE</u> (*Gull/Ensemble*) – Emma is thrilled to be swimming and flying into her first LMCT production, *The Little Mermaid*. She has enjoyed the roles of Virginia in *Oklahoma* and Miss Andrew in *Mary Poppins*. Her favorite musical is *Finding Nemo*. She thanks the directors for this amazing production and her family for their support.





MALACHY MURPHY (Sailor/Ensemble) – Malachy is thrilled to be involved with LMCT. Since he walked into the audition he has met some phenomenal people, actors and directors. He thanks everyone for giving their best effort throughout the show. Malachy would also like to thank his mother for supporting him. He hopes you enjoy the show!

ROSE MURPHY (Mersister - Arista) -

Rose is thrilled to be in her first production with LMCT. She has had roles in many other theatrical productions such as the Baker's Wife in *Into the Woods* and Alice in *Alice in Wonderland*. She is very excited and hopes you enjoy the show!





ISABELLA NEWHUIS (Lady Beta Fish/

Gull/Ensemble) – Isabella is grateful to return to LMCT's stage in *The Little Mermaid*. Past credits include Hodel (*Fid-dler on the Roof*), Wendy (*Peter Pan*), Hermoine (*The Harry Potter Vignettes*) and Annie (*Annie*). Isabella is a national and world competitor for US Figure Skating. She will be a senior at Benet Academy.

MARIA PURPURA_(Singing Maid/

Ensemble) – Maria is excited to be in *The Little Mermaid*, her fourth show with LMCT! In her free time, she plays ukulele and listens to Broadway show tunes. She thanks the production staff for their hard work and her family and friends for their support. She hopes you enjoy the show!



MAGGIE REYNOLDS (*Eel*) – Maggie is thrilled to be in her first production with LMCT. The role she has enjoyed the most is Emily Arden in *State Fair*. In addition to doing music and theatre, she is also an artist.



<u>ALLISON ROACH</u> (*Gull/Ensemble*) – Allison is excited to be back at LMCT! Thanks to the cast and crew for making

this a magical summer "under the sea." Allison has appeared in LMCT's *Shrek* and *Fiddler on the Roof* as well as The School of Performing Arts' productions of *The Wizard of Oz, Beauty and the Beast, Shrek* and *Mary Poppins*.

<u>GWENDOLYNNE ROYLE</u> (Singing Princess/Ensemble) – Previous credits include Teen Fiona and Ugly Duckling (Shrek), Sphrintze (Fiddler), Colin (The Secret Garden), Amarylis (Music Man), Bird (Hansel and Gretl), Gretl (The Sound of Music), Ensemble (Joseph) and Zuzu Bailey (It's a Wonderful Life). When not at the theatre, she can be found in dance class, voice lessons, or in band or choir.





LILYAN RYAN (*Leeward/Ensemble*) – Lilyan is very excited to be cast in *The Little Mermaid*. This is her first time on stage with LMCT. Her favorite role to date is Dory in *Finding Nemo*. In her free time, she enjoys reading, singing and riding her bike.

HALEY SHADDEN (Gull/Ensemble) – Haley is excited to be in her first show at LMCT. Her favorite role has been a tap

dancer in Lincolnway East High School's production of 42nd Street. In her free time she enjoys watching Netflix and being with friends.





TREVOR SHINGLER (Scuttle) - Trevor

is thrilled to be a part of such a wonderful

show. This is his fourth LMCT production. He would like to thank the directors for giving him the opportunity to do what he loves to do best! He would also like to thank his family and friends for their love and support.





MARY ANN SHURILLA (Gull/Water Dancer/Ensemble) – Mary Ann is excited to be involved in LMCT's production of *The Little Mermaid*! In the past she has been in LMCT's productions of *The Wizard of Oz* and *Shrek*. She cannot wait to perform in this one as it is her favorite movie of all time. She hopes you enjoy the show!

<u>ALLIE SKELLEY</u> (*Ensemble*) – Allie is thrilled to be part of her second main stage production with LMCT! She was seen as a villager in *Fiddler on the Roof*. Her favorite role to date is Andrina in *The Little Mermaid*. She has been a member of Young Naperville Singers for six years and has been dancing for five years.





<u>MARTYNAS SNARSKIS (Prince Eric)</u> – After a hiatus in theatre, Marty is thrilled to make a dramatic return to the stage. Previously the Cat in a Hat and a park keeper, Marty finally lives out his dreams as a prince. When away from the poop deck, you might find him studying neuroscience or building robots.

ALEXIS TIMEJARDINE (Ensemble)

- Alexis is ecstatic to go under the sea

for her debut with LMCT. She has always had a love for all things Disney. Her favorite role to date is Alice Kinnian from *Flowers for Algernon*. Besides theatre, Alexis enjoys drawing and sleeping.





JULIANA TOMECKI (Singing Princess/

Ensemble)–Juliana, 13, is excited to be back at LMCT. Theatre credits include *Dracula*, *Annie*, *The Miracle Worker*, *Whistle Down the Wind*, *Nuncrackers*, *The Wizard of Oz* and *Shrek*. Juliana is humbled to have appeared in six independent films and a music video. Love and thanks to her family. A magical world awaits!

ANASTASIA TREANOR (Ensemble) -

Ana, a fifth grader, has been seen as an orphan in *Annie*, Snow White's bird in *The Ever After* and Gretel in *Blame it on the Wolf*. This is her first main stage show with LMCT. In her free time, Ana enjoys doing cartwheels! She thanks LMCT and her family for this opportunity.



HAYDEN VALECEK (Sailor/Ensemble) – This is Hayden's second production with LMCT, and he is excited to be back! He was most recently seen as Willy Wonka in Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory and Harry the Horse in Guys and Dolls. Hayden thanks his family and friends, and the LMCT cast and production team.





BRIAN VIDALES (Flotsam) – Brian is

excited to make his debut on the LMCT stage alongside his girlfriend Nicole. Past roles include Will in *Oklahoma*, Lucas in *The Addams Family*, Barnaby in *Hello Dolly*, Marcellus in *The Music Man* and many others. To his family, friends and girlfriend, "I love you guys!"

ALEXANDER VJESTICA (Eel/Sailor) -

Alexander is thrilled to be back with LMCT for his fourth year! He hopes you enjoy your time under the sea and would like to thank the production team for making this possible. He would also like to thank his family for their constant love and support.





MARRISA WANTROBA (Water Dancer/

Ensemble) – Marrisa has been involved in many productions, but this will be her first time performing with LMCT. In her free time, she spends a lot of time at Lemont High School involved in various activities. After graduation, she plans to major in musical theatre and minor in music education.

NICOLE ZRALKA (Mersister - Aquata)

- Nicole has been in many musicals including: 42nd Street, Oklahoma, Sleeping Beauty and Annie. In her free time, she likes vocal jazz, art and madrigals. She would like to thank her family and friends for all of the support and rides. Break a leg everyone and have a great show!



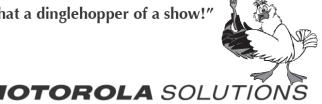


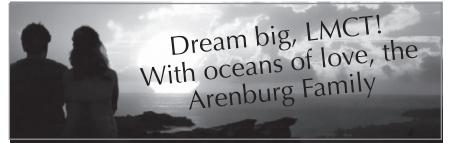
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SANDY DOEBERT (*Producer*) - Sandy is excited to be producing LMCT's main stage production again this year! As president of the LMCT Board of Directors, she has been involved with the organization from its beginning ... from organizing the board to encouraging sponsorships to managing the day-to-day business. She thanks the Lemont community for its support of LMCT and her loved ones for their encouragement.





MARY BETH PINGATORE (Assistant to the Producer) -Due to a back surgery, Mary Beth was unable to audition for this year's musical. But, that didn't stop her from diving head first onto the production team as assistant to the producer. Mary Beth began her theatre career at the age of 70. She loved being Mother Goose in *Shrek* and a townsperson in *Fiddler on the Roof.* She plans to be back next year to audition for LMCT's fifth-anniversary show!

HEATHER HUTCHISON (*Director*) - Heather is proud to be the artistic director for LMCT. She is also the program director for Artful Impact, the not-for-profit wing of The School of Performing Arts in Naperville, where she heads up the Spectrum program giving young people and adults with disabilities and special needs the opportunity to experience the arts. She has been director, actor, and vocal director for numerous Chicagoland, Connecticut and United Kingdom theatre companies.





BRETT BALESKIE (*Choreographer/Scenic Designer*) - Brett is happy to be back working with LMCT for another show, this time as choreographer and scenic designer! Brett has been choreographing for the past several years and recently started teaching tap dancing at That's Entertainment Performing Arts in Palatine. He is also a freelance scenic designer and painter working throughout Chicagoland. In addition to his involvement with LMCT, he has worked with the theater programs at Schaumburg High School, Metea

Valley High School, and Rosary High School.

DARBY SCHOBER (Assistant Choreographer) - Darby is thrilled to be a part of the artistic team for *The Little Mermaid*. After graduating from Illinois State University with a degree in dance, Darby owned and operated her own dance studio. Darby is a long-time teacher of dance and theatre for children at The School of Performing Arts in Naperville, where she also helps with musicals and works with their Spectrum and Artful Impact programs.





MICHAEL KENNEDY (Music Director/Conductor) -

Michael is an active performer and music educator throughout the Chicagoland region. He has performed with many jazz luminaries, and was the featured saxophone soloist in the award-winning revival of the "Original Grease" at the American Theatre Company. He is thrilled to be working with LMCT!

<u>AMY BROCKMAN</u> (*Vocal Director*) - Recent credits include Spamalot (Music Director), Bad Seed (Christina Penmark), The Secret Garden (Ayah), A Year with Frog and Toad (Bird/Turtle), and Miracle of 34th Street (Doris Walker), all at Wheaton Drama Inc. Amy teaches K-5 music for CCSD66, as well as voice and piano privately. Her proudest role, however, is "Mom" to Brock and Gwen.





<u>ELYSE</u> WILLIS (*Technical Director*) - Elyse is new to LMCT, but not to theatre. She works as a stage manager and producer at Wheaton Drama. Some of her favorite shows include Amadeus and *Elephant Man*. She also is a founding member of Bard in the Burbs where she just closed A Midsummer Night's Dream.

MATT GOTTARDO (Stage Manager)

- This is Matt's fifth production with LMCT and his thirteenth production in Lemont High School's Performing Arts Center. He is a recent LHS graduate and plans to continue with a career in production management. While at LHS he was involved in the theatre technology program as well as the marching and jazz bands.



<u>ERIN GRACE</u> (Assistant Stage Manager) - Erin is excited to be working with LMCT for her third summer. She has also worked backstage for LMCT's production of Shrek and Fiddler on the Roof. She has also worked on many of Lemont High School's productions over the past three years. She hopes you enjoy the show!





<u>SEAN HATTAN</u> (Backstage Manager) -Sean, 17, is excited to be able to help during

this production of *The Little Mermaid*. He has taken theatre tech classes at Lemont High School for two and half years. He would like to thank his family for giving him constant support.

ALAINA PIZZOFERRATO (Lighting

Designer) - Alaina is a freshman at Millikin University pursuing a degree in Theatre Design and Production. She is also an alum of Lemont High School. In her first year at Millikin she worked on shows including: *Heathers, As You Like It, HEADSHOT!, Nice Work If You Can Get It,* and *Super Sidekick the Musical*. She's very excited to have the opportunity to design for LMCT again!





SAM VALONE (*Lighting Designer*) - Sam recently graduated from Lemont High School where he was involved in the theatre tech program for four years. While at LHS he worked on *Guys and Dolls, Mary Poppins, High School Musical, Mr.* LHS, and several concerts. Sam is excited to be involved with LMCT again this summer.

BAILLIE COSTIGAN (Sound Designer)

This is Baillie's second production as sound designer, her first was this spring with Lemont High School's *High School Musical*. She has worked backstage on the LHS production of *Mary Poppins*, has been involved with community theatre in LaGrange and worked on LMCT's Acting Workshop for





Children's production of Aladdin Jr.

DIANE BANCROFT (*Costume Designer*) - Diane has been sewing and designing costumes for more than 40 years, her first being in high school. She has worked for The School of Performing Arts, Leap of Faith and Plainfield Dance Academy. She loves making dance, theatre and Halloween costumes. She thanks her family for putting up with the chaos.



JUDY GORDON (Costume Designer) - A love of creating has always been in Judy's blood. For the past six years Fifth Avenue Costumes has provided her with a new creative outlet. A self-taught seamstress, she began sewing Halloween costumes for her son more than 20 years ago. Now costuming is her passion! Favorite shows include Seussical, Wizard of Oz, and Shrek – anything without real people!

HANNAH SCHOBER (*Prop Manager*) - Hannah is returning for year three with LMCT. From Downers Grove, she has had a lifelong relationship with the arts, including dance, music, theater, and painting. She now extends that passion to creating magic behind the curtain. An advertising art director by day, she has designed set and props for *Beauty and the Beast, Alice in Wonderland, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, Mary Poppins, Shrek,* and *Fiddler on the Roof.* Most recently roles include Sister Mary Patrick in *Sister Act* and Mrs. Mayor in *Seussical.*





TRACY ROACH (*Prop Manager*) - Tracy is so excited to be back for a third season with LMCT! Many thanks to the cast and crew for such an amazing adventure "under the sea". You all inspire me every day. Special thanks to my daughter, Allie, for sharing her theatre world, and to Heather for pulling me backstage! Enjoy the show!

DIANE LINK (Makeup Designer) -

Diane has been involved in music and theatre for most her life from choir in grade school to being on stage in high school and beyond. More recently, Diane has found an outlet for her creative energy by working in hair and makeup design. In addition to LMCT, she has worked with Magical Starlight Theatre, The School of Performing Arts, Summer Place Theatre, and Epic Theatre Productions.





LYNN HODAK (*Hair Designer*) - Lynn is so excited to take to the sea with this stellar group of cast, crew, orchestra, and production team! It is a joy and an honor to be a part of my third journey with Little Mountain Community Theatre! Enjoy the show!

SHELLEY TAYLOR (Front of House Manager) - Shelley joined the LMCT Board of Directors in 2014 to support database management and communications. By day she is executive editor at the Radiological Society of North America. Seeing Annie at the Arie Crown Theatre in Chicago had her hooked at age 9. She and husband Andy enjoy attending local productions with their two boys, Ben and Will.





ODETE GARMUTE (Front of House

Manager) Odete became involved with the Lemont High School Theatre Tech Program her freshmen year and has been very involved with all the school plays and musicals. The Performing Arts Center is like a second home to her because of the amount of time that spends at the theatre. She will be a junior in the fall and is happy that she will have two more years doing what she loves.



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