



Alumni

CABARET

Saturday, May 18, 2019
7:30 PM

Woodland Hills Junior Senior High School

Alicia Giove Scaramuzzo
ACCOMPANIST

Casey Burgh
PERCUSSION

Larry George III, Joe Slick and Lee Schaffer
LIGHTING AND SOUND

Jamie Glasser
MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Kathleen Good
PRODUCER

Jessica Reed
PRODUCER

PERFORMANCES

Ashley Gaines-Cannon: *Orange Colored Sky*, DeLugg/Stein

Isabel Papariella: *Second Hand White Baby Grand*, Smash

Eamonn Blaney: *Gethsemane*, Jesus Christ Superstar

Maria Yezovich: *Remember Us This Way*, A Star is Born

Jeremiah Lott: *Hallelujah*, Cohen

Claire Bachtell & Bobby Carr: *Something to Believe In*, Newsies

Jamie Glasser: *No More Wasted Time*, If/Then

Mary Caparosa: *Home*, The Wiz

Alexandra Aks: *My Ship*, Weil

Luanne Russell: *Broadway Baby*, Follies

Reilly Reis: *Sound of Music*, The Sound of Music

Grace Belmonte & Hannah Pizzica: *Some Things Are Meant to Be*, Little Women

Michael Brawdy: *Tonight at Eight*, She Loves Me

Sarah Simon: *She Used to Be Mine*, Waitress

Ashley Winston: *I Got it Bad*, Ellington

Ashley Gaines-Cannon & Mary Caparosa: *I Get a Kick Out of You*, Porter

Claire Bachtell: *With You*, Ghost

Larry George III: *High Flying, Adored*, Evita

Tessa Douglas, accompanied by Alex Havrilla: *Everything I Know*, In the Heights

Dan Mayhak: *Forest for the Trees*, Spitfire Grill

Ava Karas: *If I Loved You*, Carousel

Hannah Pizzica: *Some Days*, Marzullo/Baldwin

AJ PrestoGeorge & Bobby Carr: *The Proposal/The Night was Alive*, Titanic

Maria Yezovich & Jenna Yezovich: *River Deep, Mountain High*, Glee

PERFORMER BIOS

Alexandra Aks ('15) is a recent undergraduate of vocal performance from Carnegie Mellon University. In this past season she has performed as Fatmè in Gélytry's *Zémire et Azor* as well as took part in scenes from Kurt Weill's *From Berlin to Broadway*. Some of Alexandra's favorite roles include playing the Queen of the Night in Carnegie Mellon University's production of *Die Zauberflöte*. She has also had the opportunity to premiere two new operas during her time at Carnegie Mellon, *Suburban Mompera* and *On Our Street*. In addition to that, just last year Alexandra was awarded first place in the Keynotes Music Competition. Alexandra currently studies voice with internationally acclaimed baritone, Daniel Teadt.

Claire Bachtell ('18) completed her freshman year at Ohio State as a Neuroscience major this spring. She had the honor of being in the ensemble cast of *Drood*, *Tiger Lily* in *Peter Pan*, the Historian in *Spamalot*, *Lucy* in *Jekyll & Hyde* and *Janet Van de Graff* in *The Drowsy Chaperone*.

Grace Belmonte ('15) is a recent graduate of the University of Pittsburgh & will be continuing her education there to earn her Master's of Social Work with a Direct Practice in mental health counseling. She sang in the Heinz Chapel Choir for all four years of undergrad, touring both domestically & internationally in the U.K. Woodland Hills stage credits include: *Les Miserables* (Young Cosette/Young Eponine), *The Wizard of Oz* (Munchkin), *Annie* (Orphan July), *The Phantom of the Opera* (Backstage singer) *Curtains* (Niki Harris), *Young Frankenstein* (Inga), *Sweeney Todd* (Johanna), & *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* (Rosa Bud). She'd like to thank her sister for singing yet another duet with her and Jamie for organizing such a wonderful event every year.

Eamonn Blaney ('19) is the son of James and Barbara. Stage credits include *12 Angry Jurors* (Juror #10), *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Underling), *Jekyll & Hyde* (Bishop of Basingstoke), *Spamalot* and *Peter Pan* at Woodland Hills High School, as well as *FAME* and *Guys and Dolls, Jr.* at Woodland Hills Junior High. An Honor student and member of the Swim Team, Eamonn is also the Brass Captain of the Marching Band.

Michael Brawdy ('19) is a graduating senior who loves to act, play the drums, sing, and make people laugh. During High School, played tennis, was in the drum line, and participated in the musical all 4 years of High school. He played the roles of John in *Peter Pan*, Prince Herbert and others in *Spamalot*, the Man in the Chair in *The Drowsy Chaperone* (for which he was nominated for the Gene Kelly Award for Best Lead Actor) and Harry in *Mamma Mia!* Michael hopes to become a professional actor one day.

Mary Caparosa ('12) graduated from WHHS in 2012. During high school, she enjoyed playing the defendant in *Mock Trial* and swaggering around the stage singing about how much she hates children. Mary now spends her time crafting proposals at an Architecture and Engineering firm. She takes pride in finding every obscure karaoke night in Philadelphia, being funny on Twitter, and still knowing all of the words to *American Pie* by Don McLean. Most of all, she misses Pittsburgh very dearly.

Bobby Carr ('17)'s stage credits at Woodland Hills High School include *Sweeney Todd* (Tobias Ragg), *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* (Neville Landless), *Peter Pan* (Captain Hook/Mr Darling), *All I Really Need to Know....* (Charles Boyer), *1776* (Edward Rutledge) and lastly, *Spamalot* (Sir Dennis Galahad/Prince Herbert's Father), for which he won the Pittsburgh CLO Gene Kelly Award for Best Supporting Actor in 2017. Bobby currently attends Duquesne University, and is studying music education with a minor in history. Bobby is also active at WHHS, where he serves as Music Director for the Junior Musical. He also serves on the marching band staff and is an assistant rifle team coach. He intends to teach at WH upon earning his degree.

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Distribution of school uniforms, backpacks and supplies will be at:

Unity Baptist Church, 420 Fifth Avenue; Braddock, PA

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Tessa Douglas ('17) currently studies at Rider University and plans to earn a BFA in Musical Theater with a minor in English and a Certificate in Leadership. Tessa recently became a Rider Scholar, which is awarded to the top three students in each class. She was recently seen in *The Adventures of Jimmy De Las Rosas* and she just finished assistant directing *Morir Sonyando* at Passage Theatre in Trenton, NJ. At Woodland Hills, Tessa performed various roles in the spring musicals, including her Kelly nominated role, Tiger Lilly in *Peter Pan*. This is where she met her wonderful boyfriend/accompanist, Alex.

Ashley Gaines-Cannon ('03) graduated high school and went on to pursue a degree in Culinary Arts. While cooking at several high end eateries and on several food trucks, she found the time to have four handsome and rambunctious boys. Needless to say, performing has not been in the cards. Now, with her boys coming into their own - the stage is calling. She is looking forward to taking part in this year's Alumni Musical, *HAIR! Peace, Love, and Hair Grease!*

Larry E. George III ('02) received his BS in Communications with a concentration in Theater Arts from the University of Pittsburgh. Professionally, Larry works for the Greensburg Salem School District as the Director of Informational Services. He is an active parishioner at St. Barbara church in Harrison City, where he sings weekly in the choir and cantors regularly. He continues to give back to WHHS by producing and televising the football season collectively with a group of other alumnus. He gives many thanks to his family; Nicole, Isabella and Larry IV for their unconditional love and support.

Jamie Glasser ('97) is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and of the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. She currently works as a Senior Director of Government Relations at Wellington Strategies, and serves as President of the Woodland Hills School Board. Her favorite positions are those of Stage Manager for the Woodland Hills High School Department of Performing Arts and Attorney Coach of the Woodland Hills High School Mock Trial Team. In her free time, Jamie cantors at St. Maurice Parish and works in the community with the Forest Hills Rotary Club. Many thanks to all of the performers, and, particularly, to Kathleen Good, Jessica Reed, and Alicia Scaramuzzo for their efforts on the Cabaret.

PERFORMER BIOS *(continued)*

Alex Havrilla ('17) played keyboard in the pit for Woodland Hills Musicals. He studies Mathematics and Computer Science at Carnegie Mellon University. This summer he will be interning at Thermo Fisher and researching Boolean Analysis with a faculty member at CMU.

Ava Karas ('19) is currently a senior. Her past Woodland Hills credits include Molly (Annie), Peter Pan (Peter Pan), Courier (1776), Dancing Nun (Spamalot), Emma Carew (Jekyll and Hyde), Janet Van deGraaf (The Drowsy Chaperone), and most recently, Sophie (Mamma Mia). She also played Zaneeta Shinn (The Music Man) and Gertrude McFuzz (Seussical) at Wexford Acting Studio. Ava takes dance classes at Wexford Dance Academy and voice lessons with Guy Russo. Next year, Ava plans to attend Elon University to study Music Theatre. She is so thankful to all of the faculty and staff at Woodland Hills, and looks forward to the future!

Jeremiah Lott ('96) is currently a Principal Software Eng Manager at Microsoft Corporation. He performed in Annie Get Your Gun, JC Superstar (Jesus), and The Mystery of Edwin Drood (Chairman). Jeremiah is married to fellow Woodland Hills musical alumna Elisabeth Lott (Gillooly) and they have two sons Alex and Isaac. Alex is a now a 2nd generation Woodland Hills musical performer who participated in Spamalot, The Drowsy Chaperone, and was the priest in this year's production of Mamma Mia!. Jeremiah would like to thank his guitar teacher Brian Hect at Sunburst Music for arranging the guitar interlude for his performance.

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Dan Mayhak ('14) is a recent graduate of the Theater Arts program at the University of Pittsburgh. Regional credits include *Grey Gardens* (Joe Kennedy Jr./Jerry) and *Violet* (Monty) with Front Porch Theatricals, *Deadly Murder* (Billy) with Ensemble Stage in Banner Elk, North Carolina, and various staged readings and cabarets throughout Pittsburgh. Some favorite roles from Pitt include *Into the Woods* (Cinderella's Prince/Wolf), *The Last Five Years* (Jamie), *Parade* (Leo Frank), *Rocky Horror* (Eddie/Dr. Scott), *Hair* (Claude), *Big Fish* (Edward Bloom), and *Urinetown* (Mr. Cladwell). He plans to continue to pursue a career in performance. Dan participated in the musical in all four years of his time at Woodland Hills.

Isabel Papariella ('18) recently completed her first year at Seton Hill University where she is studying Musical Theatre with a minor in political science. This year, Isabel's roles included the cook in the Seton Hill MainStage production of *The Seagull* this past April and at the end of May she will be moving to Ohio where she will be a counselor at Camp Luther for the Summer!

Hannah (Belmonte) Pizzica ('08) performed in WHHS productions of *Beauty & the Beast* (Mrs. Potts, Gene Kelly nomination for Best Supporting Actress), *Les Miserables* (Cosette), *Pippin*, *Seussical*, and *The King & I*. She went on to study voice at Carnegie Mellon before transferring to Pitt where she sang in the Heinz Chapel Choir. She is currently a Preschool Teacher at Woodland Hills. She wishes thanks and congrats to Jamie Glasser and all involved in the success of another Alumni Cabaret!

A.J. Prestogeorge ('18) has completed his first year at the University of Pittsburgh, studying business. He is currently a member of Pitt's Heinz Chapel Choir. Stage credits in Woodland Hills Productions include *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* (Phillip Bax), *Peter Pan* (Smee), *1776* (John Adams), *Spamalot* (Sir Robin), *Jekyll and Hyde* (Henry Jekyll), and *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Aldolpho). A.J. hopes to be involved in Pitt's theatre productions in the coming semesters.

Reilly Reis ('19) is the daughter of Jim Reis and Tara Reis. She was in the Woodland Hills productions of *Peter Pan*, *Spamalot*, *The Drowsy Chaperone*, *12 Angry Jurors*, and *Mamma Mia!* Next year, she will be attending the University of Pittsburgh Greensburg to major in Early Childhood Education and Psychology.

Luanne Russell (TCHS '59) has appeared in many featured roles and choruses in musicals at Boal Barn Summer Playhouse, Turtle Creek High School, and elementary school in East Pittsburgh. She has worked in scenic design, painting, drawing, or color mixing on all 31 Woodland Hills High School Musicals and served as cantor, choir director and assisting minister at the former Hebron Lutheran Church in East Pittsburgh. She is a Penn State graduate, current Historian of Penn State Thespians' Alumni Board, board secretary of the Pittsburgh Youth Concert Orchestra, and retired from WTAE-TV. Luanne is proud to be an alumna of the Woodland Hills merger and hopes you enjoy the show!

Alicia (Giove) Scaramuzzo ('98) earned her Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Music Education from Duquesne University. She is currently the music teacher at Edgewood Primary in the WHSD. She is also the music director for the Woodland Hills Musicals. Alicia is very happy to be able to contribute to the alumni cabaret each year. She is a proud 1998 WH graduate.

PERFORMER BIOS *(continued)*

Sarah (Rossman) Simon ('09) enjoyed performing in the chorus of 6 musicals while at Woodland Hills. Sarah then went on to Clarion University to study Special Education and performed in the Show Choir. Currently, she is a Learning Support English Teacher at Deer Lakes High School. Sarah lives in Greensburg with her husband, Joe and their two Dachshunds, Geno and Toby. She is very excited for this opportunity to perform again!

Ashley Winston ('97) graduated from Woodland Hills with gold ropes because her brother, Lance, got them two years earlier and she decided it was time to stop being a slacker. After living in Texas, California, and (don't be jealous) Farmington, PA, she moved back to Pittsburgh to be close to family, and raise her now five year old son, Henry, with 99' alum Matt Dettore. Henry will soon finish kindergarten in the Woodland Hills School District. This is her second performance, besides perhaps some questionable karaoke, since Indianapolis in 1997.

Jenna Yezovich ('18) is currently majoring in business marketing along with coaching volleyball at Trinity Christian School and working at Edgewood Daycare. A recent WHHS grad, Jenna participated in the musical productions of *The Drowsy Chaperone* where she portrayed the role of *The Chaperone* for which she won Best Supporting Actress in the 2018 Gene Kelly Awards. Jenna also was seen in the Performing arts show of *Jekyll and Hyde* as Lucy Harris. She also played the roles of *The Lady of the Lake* in *Spamalot*, *Twin 2* in *Peter Pan*, & was a member of the ensemble in *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*. Jenna is very excited to make a return to the stage this year.

Maria Yezovich ('98) is a Registered Financial Assistant with The Kanaan Group at Hefren-Tillotson, Inc. She continues to enjoy performing as a lead singer with the cover band, *Walkin' Rosie*, which she started with four of her brothers and a close friend a few years back. Maria is the proud dog mom of 6 ½ year old, Diesel. She is very excited to share the stage for the first time with last year's Gene Kelly Award winner for Best Supporting Actress- her little sister, Jenna. Maria would like to thank the WH Foundation for keeping the tradition of the Alumni Cabaret going and wishes this year's seniors all the best as they tackle new adventures!

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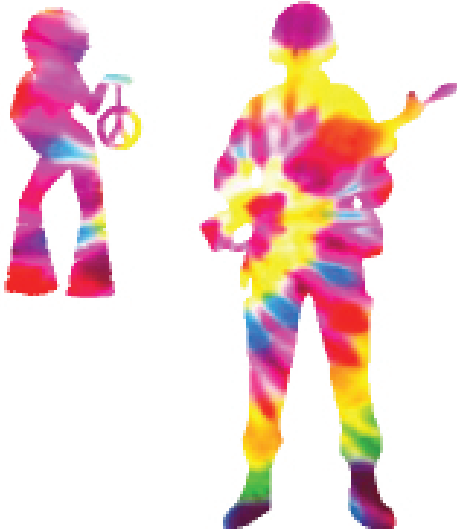
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