

# HISTORIC BRUCE MAHONEY EXPANDS

SI-SHC rivalry to include women's volleyball and basketball in annual tradition

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Turf scatters as the receiver skids into the endzone. The ball slams against the backboard. The crack of a bat rings through the stands, securing the win for the St. Ignatius Wildcats – but something is missing.

Since 1893, St. Ignatius and Sacred Heart have had a spirited athletic rivalry, in fact the oldest high school rivalry west of the Mississippi River. But it wasn't until 1947 that the Bruce Mahoney we know and love took shape. The modern tradition was established in 1947 to honor the sacrifices made by Bill Bruce (SI 1935) and Jerry Mahoney (SH 1944) during WWII. On the court and battlefield alike, both displayed bravery and generosity in all they did. Ever since then, SI and SH have faced each other in a series of three games — men's football, men's basketball, and men's



*From left, SHC president Dr. Skrade and principal Dr. Cannon joined SI principal Ms. Levine and president Fr. Reese to unveil the addition of women's sports to the Bruce Mahoney games.*

baseball — in a battle over the coveted Bruce Mahoney trophy.

But since SI and SH became co-ed, in 1989 and 1987 respectively, discussions on the addition of women's sports to the Bruce Mahoney slowly progressed into action. Former Vice Principal Mr.

Charles Dullea '65 said, "My recollection is that the topic first came up after we were 'fully' co-ed...It ranged from adding three girls' sports to letting the girls have their own trophy with SHC. Not much happened on the matter because SHC was not ready to go there."

Former Vice Principal and

current math teacher at SI Mr. Grealish noted that although the addition of women's sports was never initiated during his time, he doesn't "think it was ever 'it can't be girls'...It never was that. It was like, 'Hey here's this thing that's always been a part of tradition...and sometimes traditions might seem exclusive.'"

This year SI took all the work and previous efforts to change the exclusive event into one that integrates both the female and male students at SI. Former SI Principal Mr. Patrick Ruff commented, "One of the best parts about tradition at both SI and SH is not that those traditions are fixed, but that we are able to grow and evolve and that the values that are at the heart of the tradition are true and will always guide us, and sometimes the way the tradition looks changes because realities change."

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*On August 21st, Fall Sports Media Day was held in the Carlin Commons at SI. Four Inside SI journalists —Aiden Wong '22, Jack Quach '23, Jack Stecher '23, and Luke McFadden '22 — asked varsity captains and the coaches of the fall sports questions about their teams and upcoming seasons.*

## Men's and Women's Cross Country

**Q: With such a big program, how do you see the senior's role in mentoring the freshmen and other new kids?**

“We have a number of seniors requesting to be captain, but with or without that role, we expect our seniors to help out daily with drills and other activities.”

- Coach Alvarado

“We try to foster a good relationship coach to athlete and athlete to athlete. It's an open team and everyone feels comfortable instructing one another.”

- Liam Milby '22

**Q: What is it like when you turn the corner on the home stretch, what do you see, what do you feel?**

“Its genuinely my favorite. Your whole team is usually on the sidelines and everyone feels this rush of energy. It definitely keeps me going when I feel there might not be much left in the tank.”

- Zoe Keane '22

**Q: What are your team's end goals for the season and how do you plan on achieving them?**

“Our end goal for the season is first to be the best person that we can be. We want to strive to do the best we can in all things and getting a few PRs (personal records) would be great. We will always try to do better in every single race.”

-Ben Rodriguez-Garcia '23



*SI Cross Country will compete in their first league race this year on September 21st in Golden Gate Park.*



# Women's Waterpolo

**Q: What are you most excited about coming into a full season of water polo?**

"We're really excited for the season. When we got to play six games last year and we played each team two times, I think it wasn't very exciting. This year, we have around 24 games. Almost every girl has been training since last season, so I think this season is going to be really good."

- Grace Walsh '22

**Q: Do you guys have any personal or team goals as a player or as a coach heading into the season?**

"I'm interested in growing the program. This is the first year that we have a proper sophomore team and they can all continue to improve and get better and better."

- Grace Walsh '22

**Q: How do you look forward to forming a team bond and relationships as a team?**

"The team chemistry is great. We spend so much time together it really helps with playing in games, and some of my best friends play water polo."

-Grace Walsh '22

"We have a great group of Seniors this year that show great leadership and have done a great job participating with the younger girls at practice and encouraging them to do their best. It all starts with them building the culture."

-Coach Daniel Castagnola



*Grace Walsh '22 guarding the net vs Menlo Atherton on August 27th.*

# Men's Waterpolo

**Q: After an irregular year, what are your goals and expectations for this year?**

“Our expectations are to build on what we've been able to do so far. Every year we try to take a step in the right direction. There was a lot of motivation to push through last year.”

“Our team motto this year is “build what you believe” and so we want to build a program that we are proud of. So I think that this year is kind of that reset, refocus, understand where we want to go and how we want to get there.”

- Coach Grant

**Q: What is your team's biggest strength coming into this season and how do you plan on using it?**

“Having stability in the coaching position helps the team bond.”

- Max Castro

Speaking of stability... “It improves our want to win”

-Nick Paez



*Greg Dorn '22 (left), Max Castro '22 (center), and Nick Paez '22 (right) are Captains for this season and answered questions long with Coach Grant as Sports Media Day.*



**Q: “What are your hopes and expectations for the fall season?”**

“First off, I’m really excited to have a regular season after the last season was cut short. I’m excited to get out and compete, especially in our competitive league against schools like St. Francis. Additionally, we’ve got a really great vibe going on in our team and the family we’ve created with our new players joining the program. There’s a lot of spirit and energy and excitement around the season and I’m looking forward to that continuing from now until November.” - Coach Haley Sanchez

**Q: “After an irregular year last year, how has the team been building chemistry?”**

“So our team is really focusing on team bonding this year. We’ve already started planning team dinners and team activities outside of the field so that when it comes to game time we’re going to be on the field as a team.” - Sophie Edwards '22

“Since we practically missed last year, we all really want to be here and that’s helping our chemistry build together.” - Catherine Ideka '22

**Q: “What do you think is one strength the team has and how will it affect the season?”**

“One strength I know we have is working together effectively. From the start we’ve been so close with all our teammates and it’s just been super super nice to be together and have such a positive and kind attitude.” - Molly Ashendorf '22

“I feel like it’s really important that we have such a strong chemistry because that’s not something you can teach a team. For us to have that from the get go, that’s going to give us an advantage over other teams and help us in the long run.”  
- Charlotte Edwards '22



*Catherine Ikeda (left) and Martina Gaehwiler (right) in last year's game against Redwood.*

# Football

**Q: Is there any big event or experience you, the players, are looking forward to this year given that you did not have a traditional full season last year?**

"I'm looking forward to getting to know everyone on varsity and playing with everybody on this team."

-Santino Franco '23

"For me it's my first real year this year. So it's just getting a full experience of seeing all the players in the conference make it to the playoffs and win a championship."

-Ryan Ivers '22

**Q: What is one goal you are looking forward to achieving or striving for this year?**

"I am looking forward to developing as a team and our season. Last year we didn't get a chance to do that with a six game season. This year we will have development and we will see guys in certain roles: Juniors, Seniors, everyone."

-Aidan Smith '22

"A goal for us every year as a whole program is to really build up our team over the course of time we are together. We spend a lot of time talking about core values building relationships and talking about success and things you want to accomplish. I think a goal for us is to stay with the process and enjoy the process for what it is and when you put those together you'll be able to experience what will ultimately be our fall 2021 season. That is what is important for me as a coach and us as a program."

-Coach John Regalia



*From left, Junior Santino Franco, Seniors Ryan Ivers and Aidan Smith, and Coach John Regalia speak to the SI audience before the start of their season.*



**Q: "What's the most exciting part of this season, especially considering we will have much more accessibility to indoor games?"**

"The Mitty and SH games are very interesting because they're very competitive teams, and I think that we're going to be just as competitive as them this year. Those games are going to be really exciting to watch." - Audrey Yung '22

"I think we're all really excited for this season. We've known each other since Freshman year and played together through all that, so this is the culmination of all that time." - Angelina Hemingway '22

**Q: "What advice would you give to the player you were when you began volleyball?"**

"I would tell my younger self to never give up and keep working hard. Hard work and keeping that motivation gets us far. Just to be the best player that I can be." - Natalie Lau '22

"To focus on myself, because especially at the Freshman tryouts or even JV a lot of the time you focus on other people around you and start comparing yourself. And I think that's really hard, especially with volleyball." - Hannah Angsten '22

**Q: "If you could fast forward to the end of the season and look back at the team now, what's one aspect of the game you want to say you definitely improved in?"**

"I would hope that they could tell that their team chemistry just skyrocketed, that they knew they could trust each other on that court, that the person who had close the block for them was closing the block. Everyone knows their roles, so I think that's what I hope for: everyone can see that the chemistry, the trust. Everyone's doing their job with confidence and with character. I hope that they can all say, 'Wow, look how far we've come.'" - Coach Jennifer Curtin



*The team prepares together for their match against Marin Catholic.*

**Q: "Can you pinpoint a player, coach, or person you take inspiration from heading into this season?"**

"I think that I speak for most of us when I say Coach Jess has taught us so many things, from being the loudest ones on the courts to being the kindest girls off the courts. We all look up to her so much in every way." - Anna Scandalios '22

"I think an outstanding player is Nabie. She is an underclassman, and she inspires us all the time to be our best selves on the courts and show kindness to everyone. She is so inclusive and helped us create such a bond this year." - Maeley Nakamura '22

**Q: "Could you describe a moment you found true excitement in playing tennis?"**

"Today has been awesome. Yesterday, Coach Jess made us a scavenger hunt, which really solidified us as a team together and we got to see it and got to see our future as a team this year!" - Anna Scandalios '22

"Just being back on the court together with all of my teammates after the summer has been absolutely amazing. Everyone has been so spirited this year it has been awesome just hanging out with everyone." - Maeley Nakamura '22

**Q: "What's one aspect or skill you want to say your team definitely improved on if you could travel to the end of the season and look back at the team now?"**

"I think I have to say continuing to build the family that we have. The philosophy of the tennis program is to create a culture of family and support and camaraderie. While my team is already wonderful at that, I look forward to the end of the season, when we are even more unified." - Coach Jessica Ruth



*This year's captains, Maeley Nakamura (left) and Anna Scandalios (right) play against NDB.*



**Q: "What part about heading out onto the course and being able to interact more with your teammates are you most looking forward to?"**

"I'm mostly looking forward to the talks I have with teammates when we're playing because we're super focused, but at the same time we're having a casual conversation." - Cameron Howard '22

"Golf is a very individual sport, but since we're all on the same team I'm looking forward to collectively getting better together and hosting a positive playing environment." - Milan Murphy '22

**Q: "Struggles in golf can at times feel isolating. How do you find the trust and support in your teammates to lift you up as well as celebrate together?"**

"Everyone on the team will agree that we have a strong sense of humor. Everyone feels like it's OK to make mistakes but at the same time we build each other up and make everyone the best player they can be. " - Cameron Howard '22

"Since we are just eight girls, it's really easy for our personalities and friendships to shine through. Every practice is a step forward for our game and friendships" - Elizabeth Schuth '22

**Q: "What's one part of golf you want to say your team absolutely improved in when you reach the end of this season?"**

"I would say scoring definitely, but also our short game and our positivity. Golf is such a mental sport that we just have to stay positive and be willing to do that." - Coach Lance Wong



*Captains Elizabeth Schuth (left) and Cameron Howard (right) golfing against Mitty.*

## NEW VARSITY SPORT: DANCE AND DRILL!!

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Managing Editor

For those of us uneducated on the inner workings of the complex game of football, Dance and Drill has been a top motivation for showing up and supporting our classmates. As dance is a mixture of both art and athletics, this talented team has finally and officially been granted the title varsity sport.

Starting out as a club, dance and drill has shown up and provided the student body much needed school spirit. Dance and Drill captains Mary De Guzman '23 and Gemma Oakley-Lynch '22 explained how "School spirit is very important to hype up not just the crowd but the players and the way we communicate that is through music and body art forms". They explained how it is their responsibility to "make sure the crowd is highly energetic throughout the entire game".

Often under appreciated, dance is an art form that requires great strength and athleticism. Not only does dance and drill provide the school with the SI community to recognize dancers' skills and the beauty and intricacies of dance" said Senior Captain intense spirit, they also provide an

"opportunity for Caroline Wong.

With this new title, Dance and Drill hopes to "garner more appreciation for students' individual talent and passion for dance and provide a glimpse into what arts at SI has to offer" (Caroline Wong '22). Along with this overall goal, Senior Captains Gemma Oakley-Lynch and Maddie Bibat also aim to "shock everyone with a new piece for every performance ... [and will continue to] hype up the crowd at every home game with high energy!"

As we look forward to the amazing performances of Dance and Drill, SI students can continue their support by showing up and supporting the Dance and Drill team at every performance!



*The Dance and Drill Varsity athletes performing during the Football team's first home game.*

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In order to avoid the confusion that occurred in previous years when too many differing interests and opinions stalled discussions and frustrated decisions, this year just the leaders of the schools decided to move forward with the proposed change.

And although the initial proposal to add women's sports to the Bruce Mahoney competition was met with some resistance from alumni when it was proposed over the years, this changed in 2021 when both SI and SH announced the addition of women's basketball and women's volleyball to the Bruce Mahoney series.

With knowledge of possible complications in the plan — such as having only two women's sports versus three male sports — the SI and SH principals and presidents plan to reevaluate the plan by the end of four years: "We want to give it a good shot," Ms. Levine explained.

With the new changes Principal Ms. Levine wants the Bruce Mahoney "to remain the same in the sense that I want students and people of the city of San Francisco to be really excited about attending those competitions. I want people to be as excited as they have been in the past... I want female

athletes to be highlighted along with male athletes. So not more than male athletes, not less than male athletes, but along with male athletes at our school."

Now that women's volleyball and women's basketball have finally been added to the Bruce Mahoney, SI is looking towards the future. Coach Curtin, the head coach for women's volleyball, says the team feels "honored to be a part of the tradition. SHCP is already a very emotionally heightened game for us, but the girls' competitive spirits are really coming out. We cannot wait to represent SI."



# SI'S YEAR OF PERFORMING ARTS AT A GLANCE

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Editor-in-Chief

## Orchestra

As Dr. Clements introduced the orchestra program to the group of eager students, she shared a little bit of insight into the repertoire for the winter season. Their Winter Instrumental Concert will feature a “mixture of classical and rock orchestra music, which will be complemented by a light show” with Bannan’s new technicolor lights.

Dr. Clements’ enticing pitch of a family united in their pre-rehearsal dinners, concerts, and trips was successful in bringing in a big pool of freshmen. Dr. Clements looks forward to a semester “getting back to in-person music with returning instrumentalists and getting to know and make music with the many new ones.”



## Jazz Band

Jazz Band’s Mr. Green was not at the performing arts meeting because he was too busy honeymooning, but the general consensus within the performing arts is that we think we can forgive him, especially with such an exciting season planned for the Jazz Band. His hook is this: “Jazz band provides an opportunity to learn about this uniquely American art form that emphasizes self-expression, cooperation, and personal style and that has influenced all of the forms of popular music we hear today.”



## Dance

No one brings more enthusiasm to the performing arts meeting than the Dance Workshop students, and when Mr. Curry introduced Ms. Shick, Bannan theatre erupted with cheers. Only this year, Ms. Shick was not alone in representing SI’s dance program; in addition to assisting with Dance Workshop, Ms. Garcia — a new member of the performing arts faculty — will be teaching technique classes throughout the semester that work to strengthen dancers’ general technique rather than their mastery of a specific number.

Those numbers, featured in the Winter Dance Concert, will follow the theme of “Moments.” Ms. Shick explained that she chose this scene to “celebrate the little moments in community that we have lost the last year and a half and feature music from the soundtracks of iconic movie/TV moments.” Ms. Shick emphasized that “the dance program is open to dancers of all levels, abilities, and styles” and invites all to join dance workshop in its home in Weigand.

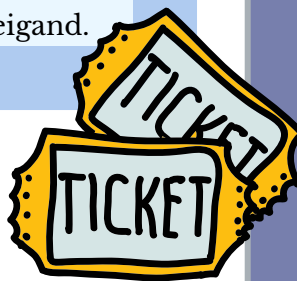


## Drama

The biggest reveal of the introductory meeting came when Mr. Curry announced that this semester’s play would be *Radium Girls*. Students who have taken SI chemistry may be familiar with this group of women; the show tells the story of the workers in a World War One dial painting plant and their struggle for justice after the radium in the paint proves cancerous.

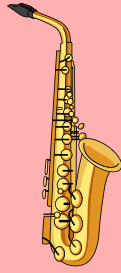
Although Mr. Curry joked about its plot being admittedly dark, he emphasized that “the show has empowering themes of fighting for what you believe in ... being faced with powerful challenges and yet still sticking to what you know is right.”

Following this announcement, Mr. Curry revealed that there would be no Playwright Festival this year. Instead, *Radium Girls* would have “a large cast with many new actors.” The ensemble will make the show feel all the more alive and will work together with the rest of the cast to tell this powerful story.



## Saxophone

Cassidy Chew '25  
Nicholas Graham '23  
Tiffany Fong '23  
Carmen Aaronson '24  
Anam McCartney '25  
Lana Villegas '24



## Clarinet

Dylan Sunga '24  
Matt Lee '22  
Caden Kalagayan '24  
Melissa Hua '23



## Trombone

Anthony Jin '24  
Thomas Niclas '25  
Aiden Wong '22  
Naomi Ko '24  
Samantha Major '23



## Bass Drum

Carina Li '25  
Caroline Zheng '24  
Raven Shaw '23  
Kassandra Yeung '23



## Trumpet

Nicholas Sokolov '23  
Maasai Berry (6th  
grade - FSA)  
Tanner Wan '25  
Miles Yee '22



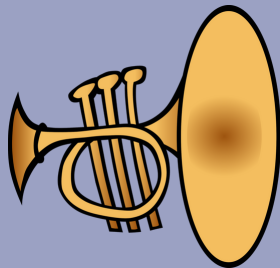
## Snare Drum

Ronald Wen '25  
Meredith Foster '23



## Mellophone

Alina Lum '23



## Flute

Olivia Leigh '23  
Kassandra Yeung '23



## Sousaphone

Monty Tipton '25



*The SI Pep Band made its long awaited return by kicking off the year at Varsity Football's first home game on Saturday, September 5th. They will perform at major men's and women's athletic competitions.*



## Violin 1

\*Angelina Melis '23  
Nick Graham '23  
Serena Fan '25  
Shea Tran '24  
Phianna Luu '24  
Annie Chen '24  
Wilson Chen '25

## Violin 2

\*Ethan Tam '22  
Kevin Guo '25  
Alycia Tam '23  
Samantha Major '23  
Nikki Lui '25  
Natalie Niclas '23  
Thomas Niclas '23

## Viola

\*Ariana Lum '22, \*Ellis Lugar '24

## Cello

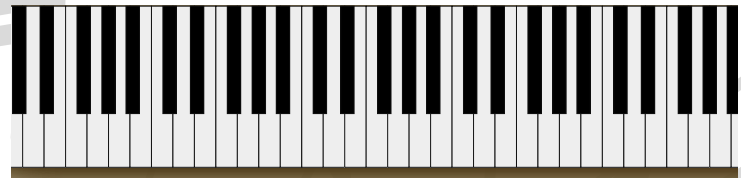
\*Dahlia Leung '22  
\*Caden Huang '25  
Selina Rong '24  
Aryanna Karageuzian '25  
Abby Lee '23

## Trumpet

Miles Yee '22

## Tuba

Monty Tipton '25



## Flute

\*Olivia Leigh '23 , Aidan Liang '23 , Maya Santos '22, Naomi Ko '24

## French Horn

\*Alina Lum '24  
Kaitleya Nelson '23

## Percussion & Piano

\*Cassie No '22 - bells & timpani  
\*Adrian Tang '22 - piano & aux  
Abby Lam '23 - aux  
Summer Jackson '23 - xylophone, bass drum  
Nick Versace '24 - timpani & piano  
Lindsay Lee '24 - xylophone & timpani  
Alex Kao '24 - aux  
Rohan Kohli '24 - snare , bass drum  
Ronald Wen '25 - snare / drumset  
Stuart Barakos '25 - harp & aux

## Trombone

Anthony Jin '25  
Aidan Wong '22

## Bass Clarinet

Matt Lee '22

## Clarinet

\*Melissa Hua '23  
\*Carmen Aaronson '24  
Anam McCartney '25  
Julian Ozaeta '25  
Coen He '23



# THE REVEAL: THE TRADITION OF THE PERFORMING ARTS KICKOFF MEETING

Dory Miller '22

Managing Editor

After months of keeping the fall and spring seasons underwraps, the Performing Arts Department hosted its Annual Kick Off Meeting on the first day of school to announce the various performances. Nearly every seat was filled with both eager freshmen and veteran artists, each squeezing their eyes tight as they awaited the reveal of their particular art form's fall and spring performances. Ryan Stretch '22, a longstanding member of the drama department, described the Kick Off Meeting as “a perfect opportunity to gather in community and collectively share excitement over the coming year of performing arts.”

The meeting officially began with a warm introduction from the Director of the Drama Department and Performing Arts Program, Mr. Curry, who then handed off the mic to each of the program directors, including Choral Director Ms. Audrey Gomes, Dance and Cabaret

Director Ms. Emily Shick, Jazz Band Director Mr. Galen Green, Orchestra and Pep Band Director Dr. Gillian Clements, and Technical Director Mr. David Lam. Each unveiled the show or performance concept unique to their program, revealing this year's abundance of heartwarming themes that celebrate our full return to campus, such as the Choral Program's “Singing Together” concert, Jazz Band and Orchestra's annual “Winter Concert”, and the Dance Program's “Moments” recital. Jacqueline Patterson '22, who has shared her many talents within various programs, remarks that “the performing arts kick off truly shows the expansiveness of the arts at SI.”

At the end of these announcements, the mic was passed back to Mr. Curry, whose announcement created a sudden upheaval to the uplifting tone of the season.

Though insisting that descriptions such as “cheerful” and “light” did match the shows he had picked, mouths dropped when a click of a remote finally displayed the titles, *Radium Girls* and *Carrie: the Musical*. While both shows have an undeniably dark storyline (both involving copious amounts of death, to clarify), the fall play, *Radium Girls*, provides a surprisingly hopeful narrative of perseverance and a fight for justice, despite tragic circumstances.

Reagan Poland '23, playing the role of a “radium girl” named Irene, expressed “I am super excited to take part in *Radium Girls*!” After attending the Performing Arts reveal, I couldn't wait to audition. I am so grateful to take part in this production!” To find out the performance dates and more about how to purchase tickets, head to the Performing Arts Box Office page on siprep.org.



The last Fall Play was held in 2019, and the entire SI Community can't wait for it to return this year.

## Fall Play Cast List

GRACE FRYER : Dory Miller '22  
 KATHRYN SCHAUB : Chloe Dalzell '23  
 IRENE RUDOLPH: Reagan Poland '23  
 MRS. ROEDER: Maeve Kramer '22  
 MISS WILEY: Ryan Stretch '22  
 SOB SISTER: Molly O'Connell '22  
 MRS. FRYER: Abby McCarroll '22  
 MADAME CURIE: Jacqueline Patterson '22  
 MacNEIL & ENSEMBLE: Ilaria Rossetto '24  
 HARRIET & ENSEMBLE: Kaitlyn Cline '23  
 MRS. MICHAELS & ENSEMBLE: Chloe Ovbiagele '23  
 SOCIETY WOMAN & ENSEMBLE: Alexis Paras '25  
 CLERK & ENSEMBLE: Anais Cooper '23  
 SHOP GIRL & ENSEMBLE: Fiona Brandon '22  
 FEMALE CUSTOMER & ENSEMBLE: Sophia Dekermenjian '24  
 ELDERLY WIDOW & ENSEMBLE: Noelee Hurley '22  
 ENSEMBLE: Anna Cheishvili '24, Jackie Ewing '25, Grace Miller '24,  
 Naomi Popple '24, Loren Sandoval '25  
 ARTHUR ROEDER: Anthony O'Neil '22  
 VON SOCHOCKY: Jonathan Aban-Hermosura '22  
 LEE: James Nicolson '23  
 MARKLEY: Denis Murphy '22  
 TOM: Tommy DeBenedetti '22  
 BERRY: Declan Poland '22  
 REPORTER: Rex Bales '22  
 MARTLAND & ENSEMBLE: Dom Rossetto '22  
 KNEFF, VENETIAN SALESMAN & ENSEMBLE: William Alexander '22  
 FLINN & ENSEMBLE: Louis Ng '23  
 COWBOY & ENSEMBLE: Killian Murphy '23  
 DRINKER & ENSEMBLE: Oliver Raber '24  
 BOARD MEMBER #1 & ENSEMBLE: Neel Noronha '24  
 STORE OWNER, BOARD MEMBER #2 & ENSEMBLE: Alexander O'Neil '24  
 SHOPPER, BOARD MEMBER #3 & ENSEMBLE: Lucas Ubaldo '24  
 JUDGE & ENSEMBLE: Preston Ho '23  
 BAILEY, PHOTOGRAPHER & Ensemble: Max Wix '24

