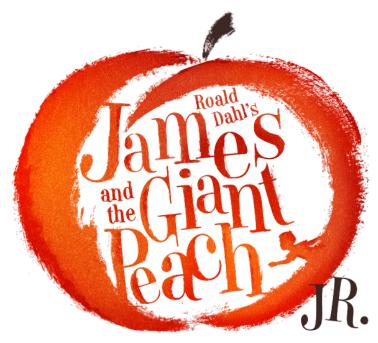


PRESENTS



### Book by Timothy Allen McDonald Music and Lyrics by Benj Pasek & Justin Paul

Adapted from the book James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

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### FROM THE DIRECTOR

Whether you read Roald Dahl as a child or are about to see the story for the first time, we welcome you to Greens Farms Academy's production of James and the Giant Peach Jr.

This was my first time directing a full length musical and it was an amazing group of individuals to work with. The kids were all so flexible, eager, and supportive as they worked together and took on their roles in this show, familiar or not. The parents and production team did everything they could to support the kids and ensure our collective success. Over 60 people worked for 9 weeks and, together, we created our best rendition of Dahl's magical story.

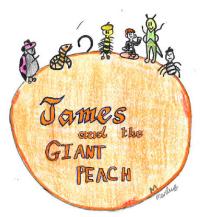
When life thrusts you into a difficult situation or the odds don't feel in your favor, the story of James and his found family reminds us that life is what you make of it. Whether a magic man hands you a potion book or a friend offers their help, there are always forces seeking to help you through the darkness and empower you. Let our musical remind you of the power you have within yourself, especially with the help of those you choose to love and call family.

So what's it gonna be? Victim? Or Hero? Because a little magic can take you a long way.

ISABELLA FERRANTE '15 Middle School Associate Teacher, Greens Farms Academy

# PRODUCTION TEAM

DIRECTOR	Isabella Ferrante
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	Marc Maier
MUSICAL DIRECTOR	Beth James
ASSISTANT MUSICAL DIRECTOR	
	Brian Dmuchowski
CHOREOGRAPHER	Kellie Comer
STAGE MANAGER	Marc Maier
TECHNICAL DIRECTION	Tope Aiyegbo, Deepthi Gopi
SET DESIGNER	Joe Foran
COSTUME DESIGNER	Kellie Comer
KEYS AND PIT DIRECTOR	Bryan Dmuchowski
BASS	Ben Gott
PERCUSSION	Arti Dixson



### CAST

LADAHLORD Lachlan Blair

JAMES Sarah Moskowitz

LADYBUG/MRS. TROTTER *Clara Robbins* 

GRASSHOPPER/MR. TROTTER Reese Garg

> SPIDER Giselle Bauer

EARTHWORM Gray Foster

CENTIPEDE Charlie Adams

> SPIKER Minna Reilly

SPONGE Addy Kline

MATRON NURSE Claire McInerney

> RHINO Ben Agard

KARL KREATOUR, WALTERS Alex Lebrija

> WATCH PERSON Colin Chudd

### CAST

WALLET PERSON/BUZZ Liv Tremaine

> PURSE PERSON Willow Lele

BILLY BOBBY-COP Emerson Watkins

BOBBY BOBBY-COP Eleanor Schlein

DOREEN DRIGGLES Arlo Griffith

VIOLET FUNKSHMELLER Blake Levin

RIDGLEY RAPSCALLION Soren Honarvar

CHRIS CRYERSMOUTH/MALE SPIDER Thomas Williams

> BITSY BOTANA Grace Hisey

JAKE Julien Meunier-Skornicki

> J O E John Howe

LUCILLE VAN KOOGLESTEIN Natalia Massie

BUNNY MACKENZIE THE THIRD *Kit Nemec* 

## ENSEMBLE ROLES

### ZOO CROWD

Soren Honarvar, Alex Lebrija, Blake Levin, Natalia Massie, Kit Nemec, Thomas Williams

LADIES' GARDEN GUILD Elise Cameron, Grace Hisey, Natalia Massie, Claire McInerney, Kit Nemec, Eleanor Schlein

VAGRANTS

Ben Agard, Josh Ames, Leighton DiFabio, Lexie Goralski, Arlo Griffith, Soren Honarvar, John Howe, Blake Levin, Julien Meunier-Skornicki, Thomas Williams

> MAGIC GARDEN CHORUS Full Ensemble

### HOLLYWOOD AGENTS

Lachlan Blair, Lexie Goralski, Soren Honarvar, Willow Lele, Blake Levin, Liv Tremaine, Thomas Williams



## ENSEMBLE ROLES

#### REPORTERS

Josh Ames, Ellie Charette, Colin Chudd, Leighton DiFabio, Alex Lebrija, Emerson Watkins

CRUISE ENSEMBLE

Ellie Charette, Colin Chudd, Lexie Goralski, Alex Lebrija, Blake Levin, Natalia Massie, Eleanor Schlein, Liv Tremaine

#### SHARKS

Ben Agard, Josh Ames, Lachlan Blair, Miranda Cameron, Ellie Charette, Colin Chudd, Leighton DiFabio, Lexie Goralski, Grace Hisey, John Howe, Willow Lele, Blake Levin, Natalia Massie, Julien Meunier-Skornicki, Kit Nemec, Eleanor Schlein, Emerson Watkins, Thomas Williams

#### SEAGULLS

Arlo Griffith, Soren Honarvar, Alex Lebrija, Claire McInerney, Skylar Taylor, Liv Tremaine

> NEW YORKERS Full Ensemble



### STUDENT CREW

NAT BUCHALTER

#### REAGAN FARBER

MARNUELY GONZALEZ-HERNANDEZ

BENNY HARKEY

BEN KIEV

EMMELINE KILCULLEN

ESME KIRT

ELIZZA LILLIEN

DREW MCINERNEY

LULU MEISEL

BECKETT O'MALLEY

SOFIA PONOMAREVA

MADDIE RIEGER

ELIANA ROMINE

STELLA STIDOLPH

NORA TEMEROWSKI

LUCY WELLEN

CAMERON ZAPANTA

# MUSICAL NUMBERS

"RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES" Ladahlord, James, Insects, Spiker, Sponge, Company

> "ON YOUR WAY HOME" James

"RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES (REPRISE #1)" Ladahlord

"PROPERTY OF SPIKER AND SPONGE" Spiker, Sponge, Vagrants, James, Billy and Bobby Bobby-Cop, Doreen Driggles, Violet Funkschmeller, Ridgley Rapscallion, Chris Cryersmouth, Matron Nurse

"RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES (REPRISE #2)" Ladahlord

> "SHAKE IT UP" Ladahlord, James, Garden Chorus, Insects

"SHAKE IT UP (REPRISE)" Ladahlord, James, Garden Chorus

"THERE'S MONEY ON THAT TREE" Spiker, Sponge, Ida Walters, Bitsy Botana, Buzz, Reporters, Ladies' Garden Guild, Hollywood Agents

"ON YOUR WAY HOME (REPRISE)" James

"OUR ADVENTURE BEGINS!" Ladahlord, James, Insects, Spiker, Sponge

"FLOATIN' ALONG" Grasshopper, Ladybug, Earthworm, Spider, James, Centipede

# MUSICAL NUMBERS

"FLOATIN' ALONG (REPRISE)" Grasshopper, Ladybug, Earthworm, Spider, James, Centipede

"A GETAWAY FOR SPIKER AND SPONGE" Spiker, Sponge, Ensemble, Billy and Bobby Bobby-Cop

> "EVERWHERE THAT YOU ARE" Ladybug, Grasshopper, Spider, Earthworm

"RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES (REPRISE #3)" Ladahlord

> "I GOT YOU" Spiker, Sponge, Cruise Ensemble

"PLUMP AND JUICY" Earthworm, Spider, Centipede, Ladybug, Grasshopper, James, Seagulls

"RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES (REPRISE #4)" Ladahlord

"EMPIRE STATE/THE ATTACK" Ladahlord, New Yorkers, Joe, Jake, Lucille Van Kooglestein, Bunny Mackenzie the Third, Spiker, Sponge

"WELCOME HOME" James, Grasshopper, Ladybug, Centipede, Earthworm, Spider, Ladahlord, Ensemble

# WHO'S WHO



### CHARLIE ADAMS '29

(Centipede) Charlie has been acting for only a year. He has played Little John in The Absolutely True Story of Robin Hood and a Gnome in Shrek the Musical. His hobbies include drawing, reading, playing games, and hanging out with his brothers. He would like to thank his family and friends for supporting and helping him discover new hobbies!

### **BENJAMIN AGARD '30**

(Rhino, Ensemble) Benjamin is 11 years old. He lives with his two parents, and his dog Mila. His hobbies include playing basketball, gaming, and piano. He started to act at the age of 7 at a performing arts club. Ben enjoyed being in James and the Giant Peach Jr and hopes he can be in a musical again!



### **JOSH AMES '30**

(Ensemble) Josh Ames has just started acting this year. He loves acting in James and the Giant Peach Jr. His hobbies are swimming, playing tennis, and gaming. Josh loves taking walks in the nice spring breeze. He has 2 dogs named Lizzie and Dodger.









### GISELLE BAUER '27

(Spider) Giselle is excited to be Spider in James and the Giant Peach Jr! She has had some acting experience throughout her life. She has performed in many musicals and productions outside of school and loves to perform on stage. She cannot wait for you all to see the hard work the cast has put into this production and hopes that you enjoy the show!

**LACHLAN BLAIR '28** (Ladahlord) Lachlan is very excited to be playing the role of Ladahlord! He was in The Absolutely True Story of Robin Hood and the Musical Revue last year here at GFA. He has been acting since he was seven at the Performing Arts Conservatory of New Canaan. There, he has been in eleven shows and ten singing recitals. Lachlan would like to thank the rest of the cast and crew! Enjoy!

### MIRANDA ELISE CAMERON '30

(Ensemble) Elise's performance life started when she started to sing in the shower. She would sing various songs, but her mom's personal favorite was a Beethoven song which randomly got stuck in her head. She eventually started taking singing lessons and now she sings all the time. She thanks everyone who helped her on the way to success and hopes you enjoy the show!

ELLIE CHARETTE '30 (Ensemble)

Ellie Charette hasn't ever officially been in a show or musical, but is ready to step up to any acting challenge. She loves the story of James and the Giant Peach Jr and enjoys that she is helping the show become alive. She likes to read, write, and is a passionate artist. Ellie thanks her team of awesome humans for supporting her, and hopes everyone breaks a leg!



COLIN CHUDD '30 (Ensemble)

Colin just started acting. This year he is part of the ensemble in the James and The Giant Peach Jr musical. His hobbies include playing with his dogs, video games, and playing tennis.







### **LEIGHTON DIFABIO '30**

(Ensemble) Leighton DiFabio is absolutely thrilled to be in this awesome production. Having been in four productions before, she is totally in love with theater and feels that she was born for the stage. Her hobbies include playing with her awesome dogs, lacrosse, and absolutely slaying the ski hill where she races in Vermont. She hopes that you enjoy the show!

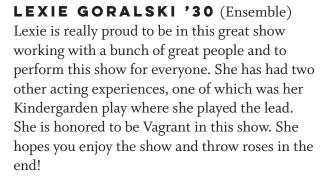
**GRAY FOSTER '29** (Earthworm) Gray will be playing the role of Earthworm which is very different from her role as Professor Triassi in last spring's production of The Absolutely True Story of Robin Hood. Gray's hobbies include lacrosse, skiing, diving, and spending time with her family. She would love to thank her parents and brother for supporting her in all of her adventures.

**REESE GARG '28** (Grasshopper) Reese is in 7th grade and has been acting and singing for a few years. She has previously enjoyed the roles of the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz and Lavender in Matilda and is excited to be in her first GFA production as Grasshopper. Outside of school, she enjoys dancing, playing volleyball, listening to Percy Jackson, and ladybugs. She thanks the director and wishes the whole cast good luck!









**ARLO GRIFFITH '29** (Doreen Driggles, Ensemble) Arlo is a 6th grade student who has acted in a few shows. In this play, she plays the role of Doreen Driggles (Vagrant). When she is not doing academic activities she enjoys playing lacrosse and soccer for athletics. She is very excited to be in this play and knows that everyone will enjoy this play as much as she does.

**GRACE HISEY '30** (Bitsy Botana, Ensemble) Grace has been acting every summer since she was 7. Her favorite role was the Caterpillar in Alice in Wonderland from last summer. Her favorite hobbies are reading and drawing. She also loves to play with her little brother. She is really exited and hopes everyone breaks a leg and has fun.



**SOREN HONARVAR '29** (Ridgley Rapscallion, Ensemble) Soren has been acting for three years. He's acted in two GFA productions, as Professor Jean-Luc in The Absolutely True Story of Robin Hood, and Wilhelm in a Mixed Up Fairytale. His hobbies include reading, writing, watching shows, and hanging out with his dogs. He thanks his parents for supporting him and hopes everyone breaks a leg!



**JOHN HOWE '30** (Joe) John is in fifth grade and this is his first play ever. He is working hard at becoming a better actor and improving his skills through being in the show. Although he has only been at GFA for a few months, he feels like he learning more then he ever had!







**ADDY KLINE '29** (Sponge) Addy is in 6th grade, and is so excited that you have come to see the show! Addy plays the role of Sponge, a mean aunt, in this production of James and the Giant Peach Jr. This show is her fourteenth production and she loves the theater. She would like to thank the amazing directors for all their hard work and her parents and sister for coming to every play. Break a leg, guys!

**ALEX LEBRIJA '28** (Walters, Karl Kreatour, Ensemble) Alex is so excited to play Walters, Karl Kreator, and a Reporter as he has been in multiple plays/musicals over the last few years. His hobbies include playing tennis, playing video games, and hanging out with his friends. He thanks his parents for the support throughout this journey. As the movie theatre in Norwalk says, "Sit back and enjoy the show."

WILLOW LELE '30 (Ensemble) This is Willow's first time in a musical and she is very exited to be a part of James and the Giant Peach Jr, one of her favorite movies. She is doing really well and participating like a Queen. This roll is a great start for being a great actor. She is really thankful to be participating.









### BLAKE LEVIN '29 (Violet

Funkschmeller, Ensemble) Blake is so excited to be participating in her first musical! Previous roles included King George in an online production of New York Stories, Dorothy's sister, Gail, in The Wizard of Oz, and Pharaoh in The Story of Passover. She enjoys playing soccer, reading, and hanging out with family and friends. She wishes the cast good luck!

**NATALIA MASSIE '29** (Lucielle Van Kooglestein, Ensemble) Natalia started acting when she was a child, and in this play she is Lucielle Van Kooglestein. She loves listening to music and wants to thank the staff for making this show possible! Her favorite track from this play is "There's Money on That Tree". She likes drawing, acting, and the theatre!

**CLAIRE MCINERNEY '28** (Matron Nurse, Ensemble) Claire McInerney is very excited to be in James and the Giant Peach Jr. She will be playing the role of Matron Nurse and Ensemble. She loved acting in The Absolutely True Story of Robin Hood. She loves to read, write, and play soccer, squash, and basketball in her free time. She thanks her family and friends for supporting her.

### JULIEN MEUNIER-SKORNICKI

**'30** (Jake, Ensemble) Julien Meunier-Skornicki has been acting for one year and this is his first play. He is thrilled to be in James And The Giant Peach Jr. He loves reading, math, judo, and playing video games with friends. He also hopes the cast breaks legs!







**KIT NEMEC '29** (Bunny Mackenzie the Third, Ensemble) Kit has done two other plays including Aladdin and Black Beard the Pirate. Her role in James in The Giant Peach Jr is being a member of the Lady's Garden Guild and a New Yorker. Kit had a lot of fun working on the play. She hopes you enjoy the play!





**MINNA S. REILLY '28** (Spiker) Minna is thrilled to be playing the role of Spiker, the clever aunt made of pure evil. She has acted before in last year's middle school play, The Absolutely True Story of Robinhood, and has been a member of two improv groups. Minna enjoys singing, acting, and improv, as well as drawing, reading, and spending time with her friends and family. Enjoy the show!

**CLARA ROBBINS '29** (Ladybug) This will be Clara Robbins's second time acting in a GFA middle school play. Clara portrays the role of Ladybug, a bug with a sweet heart who acts as the motherly figure for James. She is grateful for all her fellow cast mates and her parents who made the play so much fun. Clara wishes all of her fellow cast mates to break a leg.



**ELEANOR SCHLEIN '30** (Bobby Bobby-Cop) Eleanor has been acting for 3 years. Her favorite role was the Wicked Witch of the West in the Wizard of Oz. She is super excited to be Bobby Bob Cop in James and the Giant Peach Jr. Her favorite things to do are to play soccer, draw, paint, and read. She hopes the play will be a success and lots of fun!



**SKYLAR TAYLOR '30** (Ensemble) This is Skylar Taylor's first time acting in a show. This year she is very excited to be in the ensemble in James and the Giant Peach Jr. Her hobbies include playing ice hockey, playing piano, and doing art. She thanks her friends & family for supporting her and hopes everyone in the cast has fun.



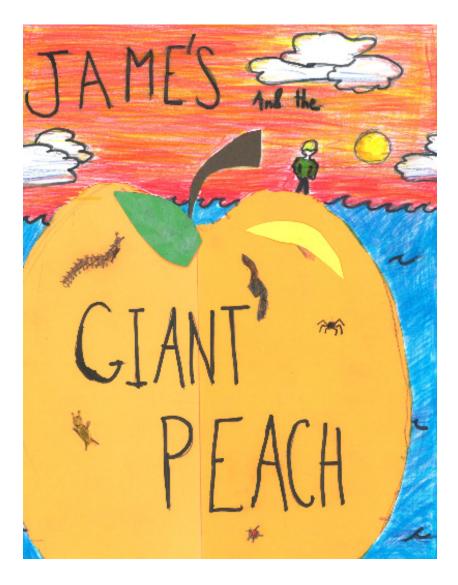


LIV TREMAINE '30 (Buzz, Ensemble) Liv has been acting since she was four years old. Her first part was the ensemble in Seussical. She also played Jafar in Aladdin, a Maid in the Nutcracker, a Lemur and Steak in Madagascar, Marty and a lead dancer in Footlose Jr., and now Buzz and ensemble in James and the Giant Peach Jr.! Liv also has a love for gymnastics and she would love to be a famous actress one day!

**EMERSON WATKINS '30** (Billy Bobby-Cop, Ensemble) Emerson has been acting for two years. Her favorite role was Cruella in 101 Dalmatians. This year shes thrilled to be playing Billy-Bob Cop in James and the Giant Peach. Her hobbies are acting, lacrosse, and art. Break a leg everyone!



**THOMAS WILLIAMS '29** (Chris Cryersmouth, Male Spider) Thomas Williams has been acting for three years. His favorite role is a Baby Bear in A Mixed Up Fairy Tale. This year, he is thrilled to play the role of Chris Cryersmouth and the Male Spider in James and the Giant Peach Jr. His hobbies include reading, playing video games, and squash. He is excited for the play and hopes it goes well.



### SPECIAL THANKS

Tope Aiyegbo Julia Byrne Erin Cuomo Daniel Dietz Laurie Ferrante Deepthi Gopi Chris Hisey Drew Meyer Lindsay Russo Parents and Families



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