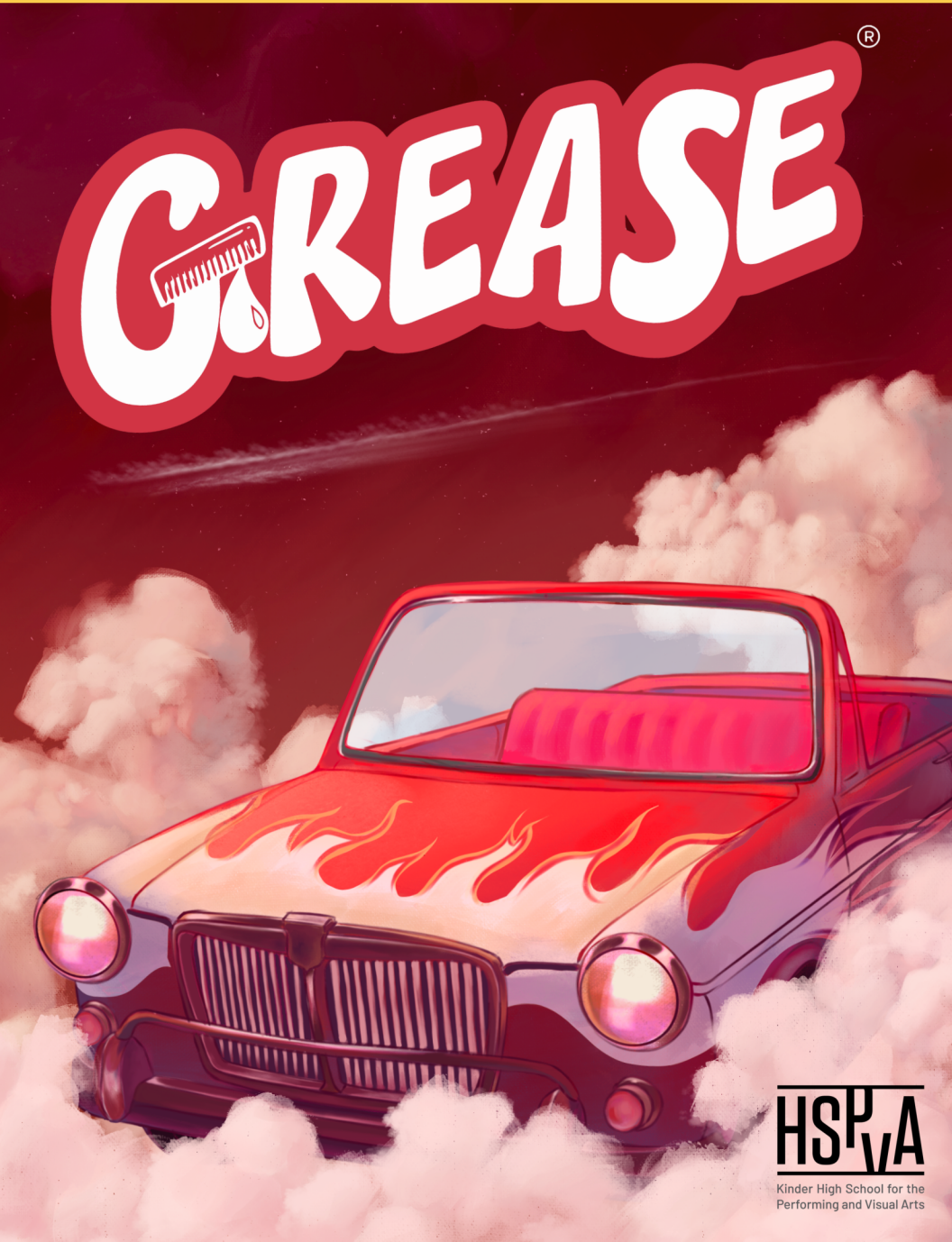
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From the Director

In September of 1985, I walked through the doors of HSPVA, and my life changed forever. Now, some 41 years later, I have walked through the doors of my alma mater once again, and change is indeed at hand.

In 1971, the same year HSPVA was founded, Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey wrote a love letter to their high school years that eventually made its way to Broadway, where it ran for 3,388 performances and subsequently cemented its place as one of the most beloved and frequently performed musicals of all time. It's nearly impossible to find anyone around the globe who has not been touched by *Grease* in one way or another. It is part of the fabric of our lives.

America in the 1950s is often remembered through a sepia-toned haze of poodle skirts, June Cleaver, and the Mickey Mouse Club. But not so fast. For the first time in American culture, teenagers were taking charge. They were beginning to dictate the culture, music, clothing, attitudes, and subtle sense of anarchy that challenged the status quo and has fueled pop culture ever since. The kids were leading the way, and there was no looking back. Little Richard, Jerry Lee Lewis, and some guy named Elvis lit a fuse that woke up the world with rock and roll, giving the youth of America a voice—and making sure that voice was heard.

As we began to mount this production of *Grease*, I was instantly reminded that, just as in the 1950s, the kids are in charge—and we are all the better for it.

Every element of this production has been created by HSPVA students. Their talent, ideas, hearts, passion, vision, and brilliance are all on full display, and it is beyond inspiring to watch. I found myself asking them repeatedly, "What do you want to do?" And they always led the charge, delivering the most jaw-dropping results.

I left rehearsals each day with a full heart and a growing sense of calm, knowing that with these students at the helm, the art form—and the world at large—will be even better than we could have ever imagined.

Grease, as all great musicals do, fills you with an unbridled optimism. With these students leading the way, that optimism is catapulted into the stratosphere, leaving you with the feeling that better days are indeed ahead of us.

I love musicals. I love HSPVA. And I am in awe of these young artists. I have no doubt that you will be, too. Fasten your seatbelts! These kids are in charge, and you are in for the time of your life!

Kevin Cahoon (Theatre '89)

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

Alma Mater	**Miss Lynch, Patty & Eugene**
Alma Mater Parody	**Pink Ladies & Burger Palace Boys**
Summer Nights	**Sandy, Danny, Pink Ladies & Burger Palace Boys**
Those Magic Changes	**Doody, Burger Palace Boys & Pink Ladies**
Freddy, My Love	**Marty & Pink Ladies**
Greased Lightnin'	**Kenickie & Burger Palace Boys**
Rydell Fight Song	**Sandy & Patty**
Mooning	**Roger & Jan**
Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee	**Rizzo**
We Go Together	**Pink Ladies & Burger Palace Boys**

ACT II

Shakin' at the High School Hop	**Company**
It's Raining On Prom Night	**Sandy & Radio Voice**
Born to Hand Jive	**Johnny Casino & Company**
Hopelessly Devoted to You	**Sandy**
Beauty School Dropout	**Teen Angel, Frenchy & Choir**
Sandy	**Danny**
Rock 'N' Roll Party Queen	**Doody & Roger**
There Are Worse Things I Could Do	**Rizzo**
Sandra Dee (Reprise)	**Sandy & Rizzo**
You're the One That I Want	**Pink Ladies & Burger Palace Boys**
Finale - We Go Together (Reprise)	**Company**
Bows and Exit Music	**Company**

THE CAST

Danny Zuko	Enzo Han
Sandy Dumbrowski	Carmela Batuigas
Betty Rizzo	Layla Beauchamp-Gonzalez
Frenchy	Abigail Freedman
Marty	Sophie Lowe
Jan	Alyx Cooper
Doody	Manny Colorado
Kenickie	Mack Hutchison
Sonny Latierri	Kaleb Millan
Roger	Will Giesen
Patty Simcox	Kamila Galindo Amador
Johnny Casino	Scott Brunton
Teen Angel	Gavin Waddy
Vince Fontaine	Peter Theurer
Cha-Cha DiGregorio	Elle King-Roberts
Eugene Florczyk	Shaler Raborn
Miss Lynch	Kate Hinojosa
Reunion Miss Lynch	Rozie Curtis
Reunion Eugene	Josh Styskal

UNDERSTUDIES

Danny Zuko	Cameron James
Sandy Dumbrowski	Maya Bhavsar
Betty Rizzo	Alissa Holmes-Connor
Frenchy	Reagan Hough
Marty	Layla Sahni
Jan	Dinah Washington
Doody	Austin Jagger Krueger
Kenickie/Teen Angel	Peter Theurer
Sonny Latierri	Conner Ferrell
Roger	Angelo Eriksen
Patty Simcox	Nia Lewis
Vince Fontaine	Liam McDonough
Miss Lynch	Lila Johnson

THE BAND

Keyboard 2	**Nadia Weaver**
Bass	**Micah Nelson**
Bass	**Samuel Elder**
Drums/Percussion	**Quinn Lyster**
Drums/Percussion	**Hayden Monroe**
Guitar	**Jeremiah Price**
Guitar	**Sidney Miller**
Guitar	**Benjamin Gonzalez**
Guitar	**Ilan Garrett**
Tenor Sax	**Jameson Sweeney**
Tenor Sax	**Giovanni Quizon**
Bari Sax	**Kristian Williams**
Trumpet	**Gabriela Beltran**
Trumpet	**Jackson Poullard**
Trombone	**Carter McDaniel**

ENSEMBLE

Daniyle Allen-Ned	**Zyed Lakdawala**
Giada Babarczy	**Maya Ordonez**
Natalie Baldonado	**Anabel Rodriguez**
Frances Beserra	**Sophia Shernak**
JK Cheshire	**Neriyah Sterling**
William DeLeon	**Miles Thomas**
Joshua Green	**Valvert Thompson**
Ella Gor	**Jazelle Wilson**

STUDENT PRODUCTION TEAM

Assistant Stage Manager	**Annie Blitz**
Assistant Stage Manager	**Lucia Landois Engster**
Student Technical Director/Rail Crew	**Margaret Bell**
Assistant Scenic Designer	**Anna Moore**
Assistant Costume Designer	**Naomi Williams**
Assistant Costume Designer	**Ava Worley**
Assistant Lighting Designer	**Cayden LaSalle**
Assistant Sound Engineer	**Elijah Reynoso**
Assistant Hair and Makeup Designer	**Loralie Hamilton**
Scenic Artist	**Araceli Santamarina**
Assistnt Scenic Artist/Run Crew	**Ava Wise**
Stage Management Shadow	**Abby Gibbs**
Stage Management Shadow	**Skylar Hicks**
Set Design Shadow	**Melania Gigliobianco**
Set Design Shadow	**River Henry**
Costumes Shadow	**Harley Coleman**
Costumes Shadow	**Naomi O'Neal**
Costumes Shadow	**Liya Sumazin**
Lighting Shadow	**Penelope Blythe**
Lighting Shadow	**Vivienne Richard**
Sound and Projections Shadow	**Sabine Cao**
Sound and Projections Shadow	**Oliver Chanpong**
Sound and Projections Shadow	**Lily Eason**
Prop Shadow	**Landry Lumpkin**
Prop Shadow	**Dhruvi Shah**
Prop Shadow	**Caitlyn Yip**
Publicity Shadow	**CJ Meador**
Publicity Shadow	**Madeline Williams**

STUDENT PRODUCTION TEAM

Rail Crew	Shelby Brown
Head Dresser	Lucy Wilkerson
Wardrobe Crew	Ella Bibi
Wardrobe Crew	Tori McCarthy
Wardrobe Crew	Channing Suber
Wardrobe Crew	Gemma Tully
Run Crew	Everett Baumgarten
Run Crew	Brenley Corbins
Run Crew	Melania Gigliobianco
Run Crew	River Henry
Run Crew	Libby Marblestone
Run Crew	Jake Mitchell
Run Crew	Dhruvi Shah
House Manager	Harley Coleman
House Manager	Gamani Goldsmith
House Manager	Yadira Stepney-Quezada

AFTER SCHOOL CREW

Raya Astrich	Noble Hutchison
Ella Bibi	Kayleigh McCarter
Sophia Bush	Maggie Ruiz
Brynn Cabe	Noa Solomon
Jack Campbell	Jemma Tully
Coco Dalglish	Sienna Tully
Gamani Goldsmith	Lucy Wilkerson
Skylar Hicks	Elena Wogan

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MEET THE **CAST**

Daniyle Allen-Ned (Ensemble) is a junior in the Dance Department at Kinder HSPVA. She has performed in *Dear Prairie View* (Youth Cast) under Mr. Harrison Guy, *Houston Urban Nutcracker* (Toy Soldier) for two years, and the Houston Arts Alliance's Debbie Allen Tribute Performance (Youth Cast). She was also part of *Hope Stone: Grace in Motion* through HSPVA and Jane Weiner's Community Dance Outreach Program. Along with being a HSPVA Koffee House Leader for the 2026-27 school year. Daniyle is grateful for the opportunity to be part of this production and to continue growing as a performer alongside such a talented cast and creative team.

Kamila Galindo Amador (Patty Simcox) is a senior Acting major in the Theatre Department. She has been honored to participate in HSPVA's All-School Musicals *9 to 5* (Maria) and Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* (Ensemble, Grace Understudy), and has served as Follow Spot Operator for *Sister Act* and *The Prom*. Additional Theatre Department credits include *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Ensemble, King Herod Understudy), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Miss Prism, Set Designer), and *You on the Moors Now* (Amy March, Caroline Bingley). Kamila would like to thank the cast, crew, creative team, and directors for their dedication and support throughout this production. She is deeply grateful for the friendships, memories, and growth she has experienced through Grease, and will always cherish being part of such a talented and welcoming community.

Giada Babarczy (Ensemble) is a senior in the Vocal Department. Although this is her first time on stage in an HSPVA all-school musical, Giada has been part of the productions of *9 to 5* (Hair & Makeup), *After Midnight* (Set Crew), *Sister Act* (Publicity, Hair & Makeup), and *Cinderella* (Hair & Makeup), and she has performed in a variety of Vocal Department performances. Giada is so grateful for her time with all-school musicals, whether behind the scenes or on stage, and would like to thank everyone who makes a show like this possible, and especially her family, who always makes sure to show up for her.

Natalie Baldonado (Ensemble) is a sophomore in the Visual Arts Department. She was previously featured in the production of *Rock of Ages* as Justice Charlier while attending the Stageworks Summer Program. She is incredibly thankful for the opportunity to be a part of Grease and is excited for future projects!

Carmela Batuigas (Sandy Dumbrowski) is a current senior in the Vocal Department. She has previously appeared in HSPVA All-School Productions such as *9 to 5* (Ensemble), *Sister Act* (Ensemble), and *Cinderella* (Joy Understudy/Ensemble). Carmela is beyond excited to be a part of *Grease* as her final All-School Musical at HSPVA and can't wait for everyone to see the hard work and dedication the company put in to make this story come to life! She would like to thank her friends for their support and love throughout this process, the directors and production team for their creativity and trust, and especially her family for their guidance, blessings, and support for her passion in the arts. Carmela feels very fortunate to have been surrounded by such a talented, funny, and encouraging company during this production!

Layla Beauchamp-Gonzalez (Betty Rizzo) is a sophomore musical Theatre major in the Theatre department. After working in wardrobe last year for *Cinderella*, she's excited to perform in her first HSPVA all school musical. She previously appeared in HSPVA Theatre's production of *The Women of Troy* (Cassandra). She also appeared in *Beetlejuice* (Delia Deetz), *High School Musical* (Sharpay), *The Addams Family* (Morticia) and more at other local theatres. She would like to thank her HSPVA family for being so inclusive and encouraging during her first show on the Denney, and Kevin Cahoon for always being an inspiring ray of sunshine even on dreary days. Wop-baba-lu-bop!



MEET THE **CAST**

Frances Beserra (Ensemble) is a junior musical theatre major in the Theatre Department. She previously appeared in HSPVA Theatre's productions of *The Three Musketeers* (Milady) and *James and the Giant Peach* (Centipede), and has worked as deck supervisor and stage management crew for previous all-school musicals *Cinderella*, *Sister Act*, and *9 to 5*. She was also recently seen in *Next to Normal* (Natalie), *Big Fish* (Witch), and *Cabaret* (Fritzie) at Wildfish Theatre, and was recognized with the Sacramento Junior Theatre Festival's Outstanding Individual Performance Award in 2024 for her performance as Janet in *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Frances is very excited to perform in her first all-school musical at HSPVA and wants to thank the staff and crew for all their hard work, her fellow castmates for making this such a great experience, and her parents and brother, Colby, for always supporting her!

Maya Bhavsar (Sandy Understudy, Ensemble) is a junior in the Musical Theatre department. She has recently appeared in HSPVA Theatre's production of *Women of Troy* (Andromache) and various other performances. She has played various other roles outside HSPVA such as *Matilda* (Matilda), *Mean Girls* (Cady Heron), *13* (Patrice), and more. She is so excited to see this production come to life and become something truly special. She wants to thank her friends, family, and teachers for their endless support throughout this journey.

Scott Brunton (Johnny Casino) is a sophmore in the theatre department. He has previously appeared in HSPVA theatre's production of *Something Rotten! Jr.* (William Shakespeare). He has also appeared in multiple MTI pilot productions such as: *Trolls Jr.* (Chef), *The Prince of Egypt Jr.* (Ensemble), *Hercules Jr.* (Hades), and others. He is incredibly excited to be in HSPVA's All school musical, and looks foward to the rest of his years at HSPVA!

JK Cheshire (Ensemble, Freddy) is a junior in the Vocal Department. He has previously shadowed sound production for the 2025 All School Musical, *Cinderella*. He can't wait for everyone to see all the work that has been done in the past few months, and is hoping for a great show!

Manny Colorado (Doody) is a senior Acting major in the Theatre Department. Manny has been a part of every All- School musical in his time here, performing in *Sister Act* (Ensemble) and *Cinderella* (Dance Ensemble) as well as working technical elements for *The Prom*, *After Midnight* and *9 to 5*. He has appeared in HSPVA Theatre Department's productions of *Matilda* (Bruce), *James and the Giant Peach* (James) and *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Peter). Also performing in *Baker's Wife* (Dominique), *Into the Woods* (Jack), *Bat Boy* (Ron Taylor) all at Stagedoor Manor. Being part of this final All- School is truly a very bittersweet moment for him. He wants to thank this beautiful company and creative team for such an amazing and supportive experience. He has had a great time both on and off stage with such an amazing group of people. He would also like to thank his family, mentors and theatre faculty for the immense amount of support that they provide.

Alyx Cooper (Jan) is a junior design major in the Theatre Department. In past All-School Musicals, (*9-5, Cinderella*) Alyx worked in costumes, is now a costume designer and President of the HSPVA's Fashion Club. Alyx would like to thank all the cast, band, and crew for being so talented and supportive of one another. Thank you to the directors for having patience and trust in her to pull of this role, family and best friends Floryn and Brittany for helping her see that she belongs in this cast. A special shout out to the Pink Ladies, Burger Palace Boys, and her best castmate Neriyah Sterling for keeping her level headed. She couldn't have done it without you, love you all so much!

William DeLeon (Ensemble) is a junior in the Jazz Department. He has had experience with a musical before through *Sister Act* (Keyboard 2). Will wants to thank everybody involved in the production of this musical along with his amazing friends who inspired him to audition. Will is also very excited for his first time being onstage for an All School Musical. "That's one small step for Will, one huge leap for the Jazz Department."

MEET THE **CAST**

Angelo Eriksen (Roger Understudy, Ensemble) is a senior musical theatre major in the Theatre Department. He previously appeared in HSPVA's Theatre production of *Mathilda Jr.* (Escapologist/Ensemble), *James and The Giant Peach Jr.* (Ladahlord), and *Jane Eyre* (Mr. Brocklehurst/Richard Mason/Ensemble. He has also worked crew on *After Midnight, The Prom, 9 to 5*, as well as performing in Wildfish's production of *Next to Norm*al (Dr. Fine, Dr Madden). He is so excited to be in *Grease* and is thankful to the cast, crew, directors, as well as family and friends for supporting him through the production and his time at HSPVA.

Conner Ferrell (Ensemble & Sonny Understudy) is a sophomore in the Theatre Department. He has previously appeared in HSPVA Theatre's *The Three Musketeers* (Ensemble), and has also appeared in *Beetlejuice Jr.* (Adam) and *Legally Blonde Jr.* (Warner) at HITS Theatre. Conner is thrilled to be a part of his first All-School Musical, and is so thankful for the hardworking cast and crew that helped bring *Grease* to life!

Abigail Freedman (Frenchy) is a senior Acting Major in the Theatre Department. Her past performances include *Jane Eyre* (Jane Eyre), *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* (Ensemble/Mouse Puppeteer), *James and the Giant Peach Jr.* (Aunt Sponge), and *Picnic at Hanging Rock* (Albert/Mr. Hussey). Her one-act play, *The Hebrew Times*, was a finalist for the Texas Thespians Playwriting competition in 2025, where it was performed as a stage reading both in Corpus Christi and at HSPVA. Abigail is elated to participate in her last All-School musical, and would like to thank the creative team, the cast, and crew for their dedication and enthusiasm in bringing this show to life. She would also like to thank her friends and family for their endless support and encouragement as she continues her artistic journey. Enjoy the show!

Will Giesen (Roger) is a junior in the vocal department. Last year Will was in *Cinderella* (King) and he is very excited and grateful to be performing again on stage. He is currently a part of HGO's High School Voice Studio. Will would like to thank his family and in particular, his mother for always pushing him so hard.

Ella Gor (Ensemble) is a senior in the Dance Department. Although this is her first role in a HSPVA all-school musical production, she has had previous experience performing in HSPVA Dance Concerts and is a Senior Company Member at Dance Du Coeur. Ella would like to thank the wonderful directors and crew for bringing the show to life, as well as her incredibly talented cast mates for their genuine friendship and encouragement throughout the process. She is honored and thrilled to be a part of such an amazing production.

Joshua Green (Ensemble) is a Junior in the Acting Major in the Theater Department! He has previously been in the ensemble for the last two All School Musical (*Sister Act, Cinderella*) and worked tech for *9 to 5*! Joshua has been in over 20+ productions during his 5 years of theater training and can't to add *Grease* to that list! He also really loves NASCAR and Criminology. Enjoy the Show!

Enzo Han (Danny Zuko) is a senior acting major in the Theatre Department and is thrilled to be a part of his fifth and final All-School Musical! At HSPVA, he was previously seen in *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* (Prince Christopher), *Yours Truly* (Blake), *James and the Giant Peach Jr.* (Grasshopper), and *9 to 5* (Doctor/Ensemble). He couldn't be more grateful to his castmates, crew, and creative team for working so hard to bring *Grease* to PVA, especially his director, Kevin Cahoon. As he moves forward to pursue musical theatre, he will never forget the people and school that helped him get where he is today.

Kate Hinojosa (Miss Lynch) is a junior musical theatre major in the Theatre Department. She previously appeared in HSPVA Theatre's production of *Something Rotten* (Brother Jeremiah). She is excited to have her first all school performance at HSPVA be alongside an incredibly talented cast and is very grateful for the crew, creative team, and teachers who helped bring the show together.

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Alissa Holmes-Connor (Ensemble/ Rizzo Understudy) is a senior in the Theater Department. She has had the amazing opportunity to perform in *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Judas), *James and The Giant Peach* (Ladybug) and *Matilda* (Hortensia). She is so grateful for this experience and opportunity for her first and last all school musical. She is so excited to see how this experience can shape others' views. Alissa would like to thank all cast members; crew; directors; her theatre department; her family and friends. Thank you so much for supporting her throughout this long and amazing journey.

Reagan Hough (Ensemble/ Frenchy Understudy) is a sophomore in the Theatre Department. She has previously appeared in HSPVA's *Women of Troy* (Helen) and participated in HSPVA's All- School *Cinderella* (Run Crew). She is so excited and grateful to be able to perform in her first all school musical. As well as, she has participated in *Hadestown Jr.* (Ensemble, Dance Captain) at TUTS Educational and *Beetlejuice Jr.* (Juno, Ensemble). Reagan is so thankful for her family, friends, and Theatre Department for all of their support and pushing her to be her best self.

Mack Hutchison (Kenickie) is a senior tech major in the Theatre Department. This is his fifth all-school musical, but his first time in the cast! He was most recently the Projections/ Sound Designer for Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*. Other productions include *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Pharisee/Ensemble), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Jack Worthing), and *You On the Moors Now* (Charles Bingley/ Old Lawrence), in addition to productions at the Catastrophic and Alley Theatres. Mack is honored to take part in this production, as it is his last all-school musical at PVA. Mack would like to thank the cast, crew, designers, and guest director Kevin Cahoon (CO'89) for making the production truly special. When Mack isn't acting or designing, you can find him on Spotify and Apple Music as "mackroth".

Cameron James (Danny Understudy Ensemble) is a senior Musical Theatre major in the Theatre Department. He has previously performed in HSPVA's All-School musical *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* (Dance Ensemble), as well as HSPVA Theatre productions including *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Ensemble), *Yours, Truly* (Ensemble), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Chausable), and *Matilda, Jr.* (Michael). He has also appeared in *Sonder Stores* (Ensemble) and *Meridian House* (Ensemble) at the Alley Theatre, as well as *Shrek, Jr.* (Guard / Ensemble) and *Beetlejuice, Jr.* (Ensemble) with iTheatrics. Cameron is forever grateful to his family, friends, and instructors for their unwavering support and encouragement throughout his artistic journey. As he takes the stage for his final HSPVA All- School musical, he is happy, pumped, and ready to give it his all alongside an incredible team of directors, cast, and crew one last time.

Lila Johnson (Ensemble/Miss Lynch Understudy) is a senior musical theatre major in the Theater Department. Over the years, she has been honored to take part in numerous HSPVA productions, including *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Annas), *Cinderella* (Ensemble/Mouse), *Matilda* (Mrs. Wormwood), and *James and the Giant Peach* (Ensemble/Peach). She is so thankful to her family, friends, and teachers for their continued support throughout her PVA journey and beyond.

Elle King-Roberts (Cha Cha Degregorio/Ensemble) is a senior in the Dance Department. She is thrilled to make her theatre debut in *Grease*. She has previously performed in Houston Urban Nutcracker (Mouse Queen) for three consecutive years, Houston Arts Alliance's Debbie Allen Tribute (Youth Cast), and *Dear Prairie View* (Youth Cast). Elle is extremely grateful to be given the opportunity to take part in this amazing musical! She thanks all the directors and crew for all their hard work!

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Austin Jagger Krueger (Doody Understudy (Ensemble)) is a sophomore in the Theater Department. Last school year, he had the opportunity to play Nigel Bottom in *Something Rotten!* here at HSPVA. His other credits include Tommy Ross in *Carrie*, Archie in *13*, Jack in *Into the Woods*, and Crutchie in *Newsies*, among many others. He also runs his own independent film company AJK Films. Austin is incredibly excited to make his HSPVA All-School debut! He would like to thank his family and friends for their constant love and support, and most importantly, Jesus.

Zyed Lakdawala (Ensemble) is a junior in the Theater Department. They have previously worked backstage as run crew for *Cinderella* and costume crew for *Sister Act*. They also played (Talthybius) in *The Women of Troy*. Zyed is excited to perform in their first all-school musical and is grateful for the opportunity to be part of the production!

Nia Lewis (Ensemble/Patty Simcox understudy) is a senior in the Theatre Department. Over the years, she has had the pleasure of being a part of several productions at including *After Midnight* (Tech), *Sister Act* (Ensemble), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Gwendolen Fairfax), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Ensemble), *Matilda* (Ensemble) and *Cinderella* (Ensemble). Having the opportunity to perform in *Grease* as her last all school musical is something she holds close to her heart and she would like to thank her family and friends for their support along the way. Nia is extremely grateful to the cast, creative team, and crew for all their hard work to bring this amazing production to life.

Sophie Lowe (Marty) is a sophomore in the theatre department and very excited about her first All school at HSPVA. Sophie has previously appeared in HSPVA's theatres production of *Something Rotten! Jr* (Bea). Additionally Sophie has appeared of many world premieres including Disneys *Dare to Dream* (Player 3), *Apollo 8* (Rocket/Susan Lovell) and other professional productions including *Matilda* (Lavender). Sophie is incredibly thankful for this opportunity and all who have supported her, and cannot wait for her years to come at HSPVA

Liam McDonough (Ensemble/Vince Fontaine Understudy) is a sophomore in the Theater Department. This is his first time on stage in the HSPVA all- school production, but he worked backstage on the rail crew during the 2025 HSPVA all-school production of *Cinderella*. He has been doing live theater for eight years and would like to thank everyone who helped him get to where he is today as well as the cast, crew and directors for making *Grease* a smash hit.

Kaleb Millan (Sonny LaTierri) is a sophomore in HSPVA's Theatre Department and is excited to make his all-school musical debut as Sonny LaTierri in *Grease*. A professional actor, Kaleb has appeared in four short films, including *Home, Diamond Brand, From a Blind Eye I See*, and *The Game: Challengers*, working alongside actors Carl Anthony Payne II, Pooch Hall, and Charnelle Brown. He has also appeared in both seasons of *Landman* and has experience with Disney's *The Lion King* on Broadway. Kaleb is grateful for the opportunity to bring Sonny to life and would like to thank his family, friends, God, cast-mates, and everyone who has supported his artistic and creative journey.

Maya Ordonez (Ensemble) is a senior in the Dance Department. She has trained in dance since the age of 2 and has performed in HSPVA dance concerts since 2024. Maya has also trained during summers with Complexions Contemporary Ballet, Hubbard Street Dance Chicago, and The Juilliard School. She would like to thank her family, teachers, and mentors at Dance Du Coeur and HSPVA as well as her mentors from TDA Prep, Preston and Jaqueline Green Miller for supporting her throughout her pre-professional career.



MEET THE **CAST**

Shaler Raborn (Eugene) is a senior in the Creative Writing Department. He has previously appeared in the HSPVA all-schools *Sister Act* (Ensemble) and *Cinderella* (Ensemble). He has also played roles in *Matilda* (Bruce), *Lion King* (Young Simba), and *Beauty and the Beast* (Le Fou). Shaler has also been featured in Take 10 Playwriting Festival and Creative Writing's Off the Page in both writing and film form, and is a founder and chair of Offset film festival. He is thankful to the directors for giving him this opportunity, and to his teachers, friends, and family for supporting him creatively and otherwise throughout his time at HSPVA.

Anabel Rodriguez (Ensemble) is a Senior in the Dance Department. She has previously performed and trained with Bates Dance Festivals and Ballet Hispanico (summer intensives) and local dance performance like Localish at the Institute of Contemporary Dance. She is excited to be a part of her first and last All- School Musical at HSPVA. She is thankful to her fellow cast and crew members, instructors, family, and friends for the support and love through her artistic journey

Layla Sahni (Ensemble, Marty Understudy) is a sophomore in the Theater Department and is thrilled to be making her All-School Musical debut this year. She has previously appeared in several productions, with credits including *Finding Nemo The Musical* (Dory), *High School Musical Jr.* (Gabriella), and *John Lennon and Me* (Courtney). Layla would like to thank her family, friends, and especially her coaches for their unwavering support and encouragement throughout her theater journey.

Neriyah Sterling (Ensemble) is a Junior in the Vocal Department. She is very excited to perform in her first All - School Musical at HSPVA! Neriyah would like to thank her family and friends for making such a loving environment while she grows throughout her artistic journey.

Peter Theurer (Vince Fontaine) is a senior acting major in the Theatre Department. Peter first appeared on the Kinder HSPVA stage at the ripe age of ten in the 2019 fall All-School Musical, *Mary Poppins*, where he played Michael Banks. Recently, Peter has been seen as Lionel in *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition*, for which he was a Tommy Tune finalist; Pilate in *Jesus Christ Superstar*; Herb in *Yours, Truly*; Algernon in *The Importance of Being Earnest*; and Rochester in *You on the Moors Now*. His stage experience includes a variety of roles and performances across Houston theatres, including Houston Grand Opera, the Houston Symphony, Theatre Under the Stars, the Alley Theatre, and Rice University's Shepherd School of Music. *Grease* is Peter's seventh and final All-School Musical and he is thrilled to be closing out his run with such a fun show; he would like to thank his cast-mates for making this show an absolute blast to work, on his teachers for always supporting him, and his friends for all the fun moments both on and off stage.

Miles Thomas (Ensemble) is a senior in the Instrumental Department. He previously performed in *Cinderella* as Dance Ensemble and is thrilled to perform as Ensemble in *Grease*. He is extremely grateful for the opportunity, the cast, crew, and directors!

Valvert Thompson (Ensemble) is a junior acting major in the HSPVA Theater Department with a diverse background in theatrical productions. His experience includes performing in the ensemble for last year's *Cinderella* all-school musical and assisting with the set construction for *Sister Act* during afterschool crews. Valvert has also been a part of numerous other HSPVA productions, including *The Importance of Being Earnest* and portraying D'Artagnan in *The Three Musketeers*. Valvert is deeply thankful for the opportunity to participate in *Grease* and to collaborate with such talented individuals to bring this musical to life.

MEET THE **CAST**

Gavin Waddy (Teen Angel) is a Level 3 Vocalist in the Vocal Department. He has appeared in *Sister Act* (ensemble) and *Cinderella* (ensemble), and he is extremely exited for this show. In addition he has also been in the 2025-2026 All-State Mixed Choir and currently in the Houston Grand Opera Bauer Studio. Gavin would like to thank his Mom and friends for supporting him through everything and the Vocal Department for helping him have the voice he has now.

Dinah Washington (Ensemble/Jan Understudy) is a senior at Kinder HSPVA, where she studies vocal music. Her HSPVA credits include *Cinderella* (Cinderella), *Sister Act* (ensemble/Mother Superior u/s). She has also performed with Ensemble Theatre in *A Motown Christmas*. Dinah is a two-time TMEA All-State Choir member and has participated in programs including Interlochen Arts Camp and Juilliard Summer Music. She is excited to be part of *Grease* as a member of the ensemble and Jan understudy. She hopes you enjoy the show!

Jazelle Wilson (Ensemble) is a sophomore in the Dance Department at Kinder HSPVA. She has been dancing since the age of six and has trained extensively in a wide variety of dance styles and performance techniques. Her previous performance experiences include two Mr. and Mrs. TSU Pageants (Performer, Dreams in Motion), TSU Motion Intensives (Participant), competitive dance performances featuring original choreography (Dreams in Motion Dance Company), and the Coco Music Show (Performer). This is her first All-School Musical, and she is incredibly thankful for the opportunity to be part of this production. She looks forward to growing as a performer, collaborating with fellow artists, and creating lasting memories with the cast and crew!



MEET THE **BAND**

Gabriela Beltran (Trumpet 1) is a senior in the instrumental department. She has previously participated in the all school musicals *9 to 5* (trumpet), *Sister Act* (trumpet), and *Cinderella* (trumpet). She is also is in HSPVA Jazz I ensemble, HSPVA wind ensemble I, HSPVA Symphony, and participates in AFA/HSPVA chamber music. She would like to thank all of the directors, cast, crew and fellow musicians for the incredible work they have put into this incredible production, as well as her family and friends for their support during her time at HSPVA.

Samuel Elder (Bass) is a sophmore in the instrumetal department. Throughout high school, he has been a bassist in groups such as Guitar Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble 2, and Rhythm Section. In addition to these groups, he has performed across the country, such as at The Rave in Milwaukee, Summerfest, and shows based in Chicago, as well as countless locally based performances. He feels so lucky to be apart of his first all school musical and wants to thank the music director and the general director for this opportunity.

Ilan Garrett (Guitar 1) is a senior guitarist in the Jazz Department. This is his first involvement in an HSPVA all school production. He is thrilled to have the opportunity to experience being a part of an all school musical before he graduates.

Benjamin Gonzalez (Guitar 2) is a sophmore in Jazz. He is so thankful for everyone who makes Grease an awesome show.

Andrew Lesniewicz (Student Music Director/ Keyboard 1) is a senior in the Instrumental Jazz Department. In the past, Andrew has played Keyboard 1 in the productions of *9 to 5, Sister Act,* and *Cinderella*, as well as Student Music Director for Theatre production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Andrew would like to thank Ms. Blue, Ms. Ukazu, and Mr. Mertz for their admirable leadership in the bands of these productions.

William Lyster (Drums) is a junior drummer in the jazz department. He is delighted to be a part of the wonderful cast and story of *Grease*. He would like to thank his teachers, parents and everyone else that has supported him throughout his schooling.

Carter McDaniel (Trombone) is a sophomore in the jazz department. Carter previously played in the all- school musical *Cinderella* as well as multiple happenings and diversity series at HSPVA. He played in the All-Region jazz band as second band lead in his freshman year and made second overall and advanced to area sophomore year. Carter would like to thank Ms. Blue and Andrew for their incredible commitment to the Grease band.

Sidney Miller (Guitar 2) is a sophomore in the instrumental Jazz department. Miller has previously appeared in HSPVA's *Jesus Christ Superstar* as the lead guitarist. Miller would like to thank the student director, Andrew Lesniewicz and Mrs. Blue for the wonderful experience for the musicals done at this amazing school.

Hayden Monroe (Drums/Percussion) is a sophomore in the instrumental department. He performed in HSPVA's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* as a percussionist. He was also a member of the 2025-2026 TMEA All-Region 9th grade band. He would like to thank Ms. Blue for directing the band during rehearsal and being supportive and he hopes everyone enjoys the show.

Micah Nelson (Bass) is a Junior in the Jazz Department. *Grease* is his first all school Musical. Outside of school, Micah plays bass for the Jazz Houston Youth Orchestra as well as many other bands that he gigs with. He would like to thank the directors for providing an amazing opportunity as well as his friends and family for always being supportive throughout his artistic journey.

MEET THE **BAND**

Jackson Poullard (Trumpet) is a Junior in the instrumental department. He has been in past all schools such as *Cinderella* and *9-5* and is extremely happy to be a part of this all school. He has gotten Jazz region x2 and is a part of multiple Jazz ensembles. Jackson would like to thank his family and all the various teachers that helped him become the musician he is today.

Jeremiah Price (Guitar) is a Sophomore in the Jazz Department. He previously performed in the All-School Musical productions of *Sister Act* and *9 to 5*, and he is extremely excited to be a part of *Grease*. Jeremiah is incredibly grateful to Ms. Blue for this opportunity and would like to thank all of his amazing fellow band members.

Giovanni Quizon (Tenor Sax player) is a senior in the Instrumental Department. He has previously performed in HSPVA all-school productions of *9-5* (Tenor Saxophone), *Sister Act* (Alto Saxophone/Clarinet), and *Cinderella* (Clarinet). Giovanni would like to thank his family and friends for their musical support at HSPVA and beyond.

Gauri Shah (Student Music Director and Pianist) is a senior in the Piano Department. While classical piano is her focus, she also has enjoyed playing percussion throughout her high school career. Over the past four years, she has participated in HSPVA's Productions of *The Prom* (Percussion), *9 to* 5 (Keyboard), and *Sister Act* (Percussion). As her fourth and final All-School Musical, Gauri is so grateful to have had these experiences, and feels so lucky to be closing this chapter with incredibly talented people alongside her!

Jameson Sweeney (Tenor Saxophone) I'm Jameson Sweeney and I am an instrumental 12th grader that plays the saxophone. This is my 5th all-school Musical alongside *The Prom, After Midnight, 9 to 5*, and *Sister Act* in which I played tenor sax for all! I'm very thankful for all of these opportunities and am looking forward for you to watch my last All-School musical!

Nadia Weaver (Keyboard 2) is a junior jazz piano major in the Instrumental department. Nadia previously appeared in HSPVA's all-school production of *Cinderella* (Keyboard 2) and is extremely excited to perform in *Grease*. Nadia would like to thank her co-performers in the band, cast, and crew and her family and friends who have supported her in her musical journey through HSPVA.

Kristian Williams (Bari Sax) is a Junior in the Instrumental Department. He has previously appeared in HSPVA all-school musicals *Sister Act* (Tenor Saxophone) *Cinderella* (Music Ensemble Coordinator) and Theater Upper Level Production *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Keyboard Understudy). He greatly enjoys participating in the all-schools and collaborating with his peers. Kristian is also an arranger and composer and this summer composed a ballet for the Houston Ballet Academy. On the Bari Sax Kristian has been apart of the Region Jazz Ensemble 2 for the past two years and is a member of HSPVA's Jazz Ensemble I. Kristian would like to thank the directors, cast, and crew for bringing this show to life as well as his family and friends for their continued support.



MEET THE **CREW**

Everett Baumgarten (Run crew) is a freshman in the Theatre Department. This is his first HSPVA all-school musical and he is so thrilled to be apart of it! He would like to thank all of his teachers, and his family for all their constant support for his dreams.

Meg Bell (Student Technical Director/Rail Crew) is a junior in the theatre department. In her time at HSPVA, Meg has previously worked on shows such as *Sister Act* (Costumer), *The Alibis* (Stage Manager), R&H *Cinderella* (Scenic Construction), and The *Women of Troy* (Set Designer). Meg gives a special thanks to her family, friends, and mentors who have always pushed her to do her best.

Annie Blitz (Assistant Stage Manager) is a sophomore in the Theatre Department. She enjoys being on stage just as much as being behind the scenes. Previous productions at HSPVA include *Something Rotten! Jr.* (Portia) and Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella (Enchanted Edition)* (Wardrobe Crew). She also appeared in Santa Fe Opera's *The Turn of the Screw* (Flora) and Houston Grand Opera's *The Sound of Music* (Louisa cover) and *La Bohème* (Children's Chorus), along with many other Houston based productions. Annie is thankful for her family and friends who always cheer her on. She loves her time at HSPVA and is grateful for the constant support of her teachers and staff.

Penelope Blythe (Lighting Shadow) is a freshman in the Theater Department. She has participated in numerous musicals, including *Moana* (Grandma Tala), *Matilda* (Miss Trunchbull), *Beauty and the Beast* (Belle), *Frozen* (Elsa), *SpongeBob* (SpongeBob), *High School Musical* (Ms. Darbus), *Annie* (Ensemble), *Shrek* (Donkey), *The Wizard of Oz* (Tin Man), and *Cats* (Bombalurina). She is thrilled to be participating in her first HSPVA all- school musical as a lighting shadow and is especially excited for the opportunity to operate spotlights during the performances. Penelope is incredibly grateful to her tech director, Khloe Colvin, for teaching her the ins and outs of lighting and for giving her the opportunity to be part of this amazing production.

Shelby Brown (Rail Crew) is a senior Technical Theatre major and is excited to be joining the rail crew for *Grease*. Her past All-School productions include *Cinderella* (Production Stage Manager), *Sister Act* (Performer), *The Prom* (Sound Crew), *After Midnight* (Stage Management Shadow), and *9 to 5* (Assistant Stage Manager), as well as *Matilda* (Production Stage Manager, Lower Level). She is especially thankful for the friends she has made throughout her years in theatre, who have made the long days, late nights, and countless productions worth it, and she is grateful to end her All-School Musical journey surrounded by them.

Sabine Cao (Sound Design Shadow) is a sophomore in the Creative Writing Department. This is her first theatre production she has been a part of, and she's so excited to be gaining new skills while helping out with this musical.

Harley Coleman (Lighting Shadow, House Manager) is a sophomore musical theatre major in the Theatre Department. In spring of 2025, Harley was honorably apart of the HSPVA lower level show *Women of Troy* (Props, Women). Additionally, during her middle school years in Denver, Colorado, Harley participated in two musicals at Denver School of the Arts: *Seussical the Musical* (Sour Kangaroo), and *Kinky Boots* (Props, Set). Harley couldn't be more excited to be apart of this amazing production at HSPVA, and would like to thank their caring friends, loving parents, and beautiful sister.

Brenley Corbins (Run Crew) is a freshman in the Theater Department at HSPVA. *Grease* marks her first production at HSPVA, where she is excited to be working with the production team as a member of the run crew. Outside of HSPVA, she has previously performed in the pilot premiere of *Suffs Jr.* (Ida B. Wells), *Big Fish: The Musical* (The Witch) at Wildfish Theatre, but you might have seen her in *SpongeBob Squarepants The Musical* (Sandy) at MPVA. Brenley is incredibly grateful for the cast, creative team, and crew that made this show possible, as well as the many learning opportunities and experiences that working on the crew for *Grease* has brought her. She is looking forward to many amazing years of creating ahead at HSPVA!

MEET THE **CREW**

Khloé Colvin (Lighting Designer) is a Junior in the Theater Department . She has been a part of HSPVA productions of *The Three Musketeers* (Lighting Designer) , *9 to 5* (Lighting Shadow) , and *Cinderella* (Asst . Sound Engineer) . Khloe' is very grateful to have gotten the opportunity to help bring this production to life .

Kylie Durbin (Set Designer and Deck Supervisor) is a junior in the theater department majoring in design. She has previously worked in the other all school musicals of *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* (assistant stage manager) and *9 to 5* (costume shadow/wardrobe crew). In the theater department she has done *The Three Musketeers* (Stage Manager) but also loves to perform and has been in *The Alibis* (Quinn). Kylie has been so grateful for this opportunity and would like to thank her mom for always supporting her, her co-designer Harper Hatfield for being the best partner she could ask for, and everyone in this incredible company for being the most amazing team.

Lilly Eason (Sound Shadow) is a sophomore in the Theatre department at HSPVA. She has previously done publicity for *Cinderella* and is extremely excited to participate in *Grease*! She wants to thank everyone at HSPVA who has helped her grow throughout her 2 years and is extremely excited to be participating in a sound technician position.

Lucia Landois Engster (Assistant Stage Manager) is a sophomore in the Theater Department. She previously appeared in HSPVA Theater's production of *The Three Musketeers* (Porthos and Co-lead Costume Designer) and was a part of *Cinderella* (Stage Management Shadow). She has also appeared in roles such as Cady Heron in *Mean Girls Jr.*), Barabra Maitland in *Beetlejuice Jr.*, and Rapunzel in *Into the Woods Jr.* at various youth theaters. Lucia is so thankful for this amazing opportunity and incredible team of cast, crew, and directors making it all possible. She would also like to especially thank her family, friends, and teachers for their continued support through her theatrical journey.

Abby Gibbs (Stage Management Shadow) is a freshman in the theater department. She is so grateful to have had the opportunity to work on *Grease*, her first all school musical at hspva!

Melania Gigliobianco (Run crew, set shadow) : I have performed in JTF with *Mary Poppins* (ensemble), *Into The Woods* (ensemble), and *SpongeBob the Musical* (ensemble). She is very grateful for this opportunity since she is still a young freshman. Thank you to all the teachers helping build this outstanding set.

Gamani Goldsmith (House Management/Crew Member) is a junior Acting major in the Theatre Department. She previously appeared in Rodgers and Hammerstein *Cinderella* (Crew), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Wardrobe Crew), *The Three Musketeers* (Props/Queen Anne), and *Legally Blonde* (Hair and Makeup). She is very thankful to be a part of this year's production of *Grease*, and she is entirely thankful to all those who made this production possible and made it what it is now. This has been an incredibly enjoyable and memorable experience for her, and she is excited to share the show with audiences.

Flynn Governali (Costume Designer) is a senior Design major in the Theatre Department. Flynn has worked on one other all-school musical, *Cinderella* (Assistant Costume Designer), and has participated in a number of other productions during her time at HSPVA, including *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Assistant Costume Designer), *Yours, Truly* (Costume Designer), *Before the Limelight* (Costume Designer), and *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Lighting Designer). Flynn is excited for *Grease*, and is very grateful to have been given the opportunity to Costume Design an all-school musical during her time at HSPVA. Flynn could not feel more honored to participate in a production in her senior year, and is extremely thankful to all of her mentors throughout her high school career for all of their help and support in her journey. A special thank you to Elinor Nelson and Layla Rodriguez for showing Flynn her way around the costume shop, and another thank you to Ms. Lilli, for her unending support.

MEET THE **CREW**

Robert Gutierrez (Sound Engineer / Sound & Projections designer) is a Junior in the theatre department. He has worked on past productions including *Cinderella, Sister Act, 9-5*, and a multitude of other school events like Carnival and Limelight. He is planning to work in the industry as a Sound Engineer.

Ava Haley (Props Designer) is a junior in the Theatre Department. Ava has previously worked as a props shadow in HSPVA's production of *Sister Act*, and later a props designer in HSPVA's Rodger and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* and HSPVA's *The Three Musketeers*. She also has experience in performance roles such as Spiker in HSPVA's *James and the Giant Peac*h, and she played as Aramis in HSPVA's *The Three Musketeers*. Ava would like to thank her theatre teachers, all of her theatre friends, and her co- designer, Farida Machoka.

Loralie Hamilton (Assistant Hair and Makeup Designer) is spiritually a unicorn and also a Junior Visual artist, She has assisted with the diversity series events like Carnival, Night Market, and Alphabet soup, but *Grease* is her first time officially participating in an all school musical, she is very eager to continue applying her cosmetic and artistic skills in other departments.

Harper Hatfield (Lead Set Designer, Rail Captain) is a junior design major in the theatre department. She previously worked on set/rail crew for HSPVA's all school musicals Roger and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*, *Sister Act*, and *9 to 5*. Although she majors in design, she also enjoys acting, and has appeared in HSPVA productions *The Alibis* (Rose) and *Women of Troy* (ensemble). She also is super grateful for the opportunity to be rail captain this year! Harper has had the best time co-designing with her fellow design major and close friend, Kylie Durbin, and cannot wait to see their hard work come to life on stage.

Henry (Set shadow) I'm a freshman and this is my first time doing tech. Just in this brief time I've gotten so much experience, and I'm so extremely grateful for my heads,teachers, and my fellow shadows.

Skylar Hicks (Stage Management Shadow) is a freshman in the Theatre Department. This is her first All- School musical, and her first time being a part of a tech team. She's done numerous musicals, all of which she was a part of the cast. She is very grateful to have the opportunity to work on *Grease*, and most importantly, to watch and learn how things run at HSPVA.

Cayden LaSalle (Assistant Lighting Designer) is a junior tech major in the Theater Department. Cayden has previously worked on *Women of Troy* as a lighting designer and last year was the Assistant Lighting Designer for *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* and was the lighting designer for *James and the Giant Peach Jr.* Cayden would like to thank his family, friends and teachers for pushing him to do his greatest.

Landry Lumpkin (props shadow) is a freshman in the theatre department. She is ecstatic to be involved with the props department and she would like to thank her head designers and teachers at HSPVA for trusting her with this opportunity.

Farida Machoka (Props Designer) is a senior design major in the Theatre Department. In the past, she designed for *Cinderella* (Props Designer), *Sister Act* (Assistant Props Designer), *9 to 5* (Assistant Props Designer), and *After Midnight* (Assistant Props Designer). She is very thankful for the Theatre Department and the creative team who helped her along the way.

MEET THE **CREW**

Mackenzie Manning (Props Helper) is a Freshman in the Theatre Department. Her past productions include *Hadestown: Teen Edition* (Guard & Ensemble), *The SpongeBob Musical Youth Edition* (Ms. Mayor of Bikini Bottom), *Seussical the Musical* (Sour Kangaroo), *Kisa Naki: The African Princess of the Sea* (Village Griot), *Amahl and the Night Visitors* (Ensemble), and the *Student New Work Series Particle* (Escalate). She has enjoyed working on prop crew and discovering the creativity and artistry that go into bringing props to life. She is thankful for the opportunity to be part of this production and to share this experience alongside such a talented cast and crew.

Libby Marblestone (Run crew) is a sophomore musical theatre major in the Theatre Department. She previously did run crew for the HSPVA all-school production of *Cinderella*. She has also performed in HSPVA's Theatre production of *The Women Of Troy*. She is so thankful to be helping with this show surrounded by all of her close friends.

CJ Meador (Publicity Shadow) is a freshman in the theater department and she is so glad her first show that she is working on is *Grease*. she's met a lot of people through this process and is very grateful for everything! She would like to that Mr. Richardson, Mr. Davis, And Claire Weight for giving her this amazing opportunity to help build, paint, design, photograph, film, and decorate this show!

Jake Mitchell (Run Crew) is a junior acting major in the Theater Department. He has previously been a part of HSPVA's Theatre's production of *Three Musketeers* (Athos+Set). He also has been a part of *Wizard of Oz* (Sound+Co-director), *Spongebob the Musical* (Sound), and an original play named *Fairytale Murder* (Perry the Platypus+ Co-writer). He has won the Best Supporting Actor award for a UIL competition. Coming into HSPVA as a sophomore, Jake is ecstatic to be a part of his first all-school and is thrilled to build a community with the rest of the cast and crew. Jake Mitchell would like to thank his family and friends for supporting him through his journey and most of all he would love to thank God for getting him as far as he has.

Anna Moore (Assistant Set Designer) is a sophomore in the Theater Department. She previously appeared in HSPVA Theatre's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella: Enchanted Edition* (Spotlight Operator), *Jane Eyre* (Set Shadow), and *Something Rotten Jr.* (Ensemble/Swing). She has also played various roles such as Speaker in *Girl in the Mirror*, Macbeth in *Macbeth*, Cheshire Cat in *Alice in Wonderland*, Prospero in *Tempest*, Lucy in *13: The Musical*, and many more for various school/competition productions. She feels thankful for having these wonderful opportunities and would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers for always supporting her theatrical journey.

Naomi O'neal (Costume shadows) is a freshman costume shadow in the Theatre Deparment. She's loved anything relating to costumes since a young age. Costumes aren't just outfits actors wear on the stage, they're another voice of the character. Naomi is so grateful to have had the oppurtunity to work on *Grease*!

Elijah Reynoso (Assistant Sound) is a junior in the Jazz Department. Eli worked on previous musicals like *9 To 5* (Band), and *Cinderella* (Tech). He has also had experiences of setting up mics for diversity series like Carnival and broken down for senior recital recordings. He is very happy to be apart of this musical and be in the community that is the tech team and loves his supporting family that helped him the whole time.

Vivienne Richard (Right Spot Operator/Lighting Shadow) is Level 1 Theatre Major. She is so excited to be part of this amazing cast and crew at her first all-school, and is looking forward to the opportunity to work crew on the next shows in the theatre department, no matter the technical area. Vivienne would like to thank all of the directors, cast, crew, and especially her lighting designer Khloe for all she has learned and will be experiencing throughout HSPVA.

MEET THE **CREW**

Araceli Santamarina (Charge Artist) is a Junior Technical Theatre major. This is their second all school musical, they were part *Cinderella* (Rail Crew). They also appeared in *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Lane), *The Three Musketeers* (Cardinal Richelieu), and *Alice In Wonderland* (Mic Operator). They are also the Sound technician for the Miss Houston Pageants. They are honored to be able to work on *Grease*!!

Dhruvi Shah (Props Shadow, Run Crew) is a freshman in the theatre department. She is delighted to be a part of *Grease* by helping with props and run crew, and she looks forward to being part of more productions at HSPVA! Dhruvi would like to thank her family and amazing friends for always being so supportive and for being her loudest cheerleaders.

Yadira Stepney-Quezada (House Manager) Sophmore in the Theater Department. Ushered for the All-School last year. I have appeared in *Footloose* (Urleen), *Once On This Island* (Asaka), *High School Musical* (Taylor), *Where Words Once Were* (Mother), *Something Rotten* (Troupe/Sound Design). I am very excited to start exploring the front of house tech portion of theater and can't wait to see where this journey takes me!

Khandee Stills (Hair and Makeup Designer) is a Junior Tech Major in the Theater Department, she has always been involved in the tech aspect of theater during *9to5* (Props Shadow), *James and the Giant Peach* (Stage Manager), and *The Women of Troy* (Stage Manager), and in addition to working productions often shadows or volunteers for events going on throughout the school like MusicFest, the 2025 Improv Show, and many more. Khandee would like to thank her sister for just being the best sister and always supporting her and loving her no matter what.

Isajar Sanchez (Assistant Director) is a senior in the Vocal Department. He has previously appeared in HSPVA all-school musicals including *9 to 5* (Bob Enright), *Sister Act* (Pablo), and *Cinderella* (Ensemble), and is thrilled to be a part of *Grease*. Isajar is incredibly thankful for the creative team, cast, and crew who have worked endlessly to bring this show to life. He would also like to thank his friends and family for their endless support, with a special thank you to his mentor, Kevin Kahoon. Isajar feels incredibly lucky to have had the opportunity to work on this show and is grateful to close out his senior year with such a special production. He hopes you enjoy the show!

Madeline Strong (Assistant Director) is a senior Technical Design major in the Theatre Department. Madeline has participated in past All-School musicals, including *9 to 5* (Assistant Director), *Sister Act* (Assistant Hair and Makeup Designer), and *Cinderella* (Lead Hair and Makeup Designer). Within her own department, she has appeared in *Matilda* (Amanda Thripp), *James and the Giant Peach* (Ensemble/Lead Puppet Designer), *Let the Right One In* (Sound and Projections Shadow), *Yours Truly* (Sound and Projections Designer), and *Jane Eyre* (Stage Manager). She is beyond grateful for the opportunities she has had both on and off the stage and hopes to continue sharing her love for theatre with others. She would like to thank her family, friends, and mentors for their constant support and encouragement throughout her journey and for helping her become the theatre artist she is today.

Lucy Wilkerson (Head dresser/wardrobe) is a sophomore in the Theatre Department. She previously appeared in HSPVA Theatre's production of *Something Rotten Jr.* (Ensemble), HSPVA Theatre's production of *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Costume Shadow, Wardrobe Crew) and HSPVA's all school production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* (Enchanted Edition) (Hair, Makeup and Costume Shadow). While at HSPVA she has discovered a love for costumes and is thankful for all of the opportunities and support she receives from her wonderful teachers and HSPVA community.

MEET THE **CREW**

Naomi Williams (Assistant Costume Designer) is a sophomore in the Theatre Department. She previously worked on the wardrobe crew for *Cinderella* at HSPVA. Naomi is excited to contribute to this production as Assistant Costume Designer and is grateful for the opportunity to be part of the show.

Madeline Williams (publicity) is a freshmen in the Visual Arts department. Because she was a freshmen she wasn't able to be on the cast of *Grease*, but as soon as she found out there were shadow roles available for her favorite musical she immediately signed up. She is excited and thankful to be on the production team of *Grease* and can't wait to join more all school musicals to come.

Ava Wise (Scenic Assistant) is a sophomore in the Visual Arts Department and is so excited to be working on Grease! In middle school, she performed in Honk! Jr. (Ida) and Wonka Jr. (Mrs. Gloop) Ava loves using her passion for visual arts to bring creative ideas to life and is excited to explore scenic design through this production. She would like to thank the cast and crew for this wonderful opportunity and for making this experience so special!

Claire Wright (Publicity) is a sophomore in the Visual Arts Department. She previously worked in April Fish (Tech/Design), and is currently the publicist for Fashion Club. Claire is so grateful for the opportunity to contribute to this year's all-school musical and loves documenting the show as it comes to life through everyone's hard work and dedication. She would like to thank her teachers and family for their continued support.

Kaomi Wright (Production Stage Manager) is a junior acting major in the theatre department. She has worked on HSPVA All-School productions of *9 to 5* (Set/Rail Shadow), *Sister Act* (PSM Shadow) and *Cinderella* (Asst. Deck Supervisor). This is her fourth All-School! Kaomi has also worked on the theatre department productions of *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Sound Shadow/Spot-Operator) and *Women of Troy* (Asst. Lighting). She will like to thank the theatre faculty, Mr. T, Mr. Davis, Mr. Richardson and Ms. Curtis for helping her through this process. She will also like to thank the creative team, Mr. J, Ms. Jones, Ms. Blue and Kevin Cahoon for trusting her to lead for this production. She has special thanks to her ASM's Annie Blitz and Lucia LandoisEngster for putting up with her. Finally, she thanks the entire cast, crew and band for making this production possible.

Caitlyn Yip (Props Shadow) is a freshman in the Theatre Department. She is super excited to be a part of *Grease* and is hoping to be able to help out with more tech positions in the future. She would like to thank her friends and family at the show today, as well as her fellow props shadowing peers and leaders.

Yueyuan Zhang (Lead Publicity) is a sophomore in the Visual Arts program. *Grease* is her first time working on an All School Musical production at HSPVA, and it has been an incredible honor and experience for her to capture the show coming together one step at a time through the camera. Yueyuan is so grateful to the Publicity team for their hard work and contributions that made the entire process fun and seamless!

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