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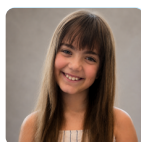
Cast of Characters



Thomas Apollo
Adult Ensemble



Alyssa Blum
Adult Ensemble



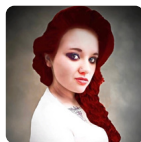
Savannah Blum
Munchkin Ensemble



Jeffrey Braun
Prof. Marvel/Wizard



Aiden Cooper
Adult Ensemble



Korinne Courtwright
Almira Gulch/Wicked Witch



Amber Ellington
Adult Ensemble



Millie Galarza
Munchkin Ensemble



Jackson Gorton
Munchkin Ensemble



Candice Graham
Aunt Em



Kyler Graham
Munchkin Ensemble



Amelia Gray
Munchkin Ensemble



Felicity Gray
Munchkin Ensemble



Jared Guyaux
Hunk/Scarecrow



Jillian Harris
Adult Ensemble



Charlotte Harrison
Munchkin Ensemble



Evelyn Jeckavitch
Munchkin Ensemble



Luke Jones
Emerald City Guard



Logan Kessler
Adult Ensemble



Connor Krohn
Zeke/Lion



Emily Lightle
Munchkin Ensemble



Natalie Lightle
Munchkin Ensemble



Madelyn Low
Glinda



Maddie Male
Munchkin Ensemble



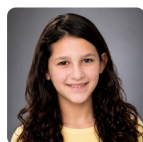
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Anna Marie Mikolic
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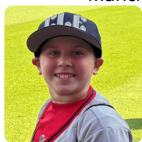
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Uncle Henry/
Winkie General



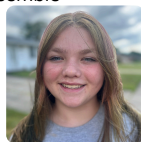
Arya Peterson
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Viviana Simon
Adult Ensemble



Nicholas Sivik
Munchkin Ensemble/
Nikko



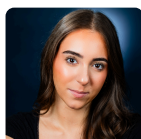
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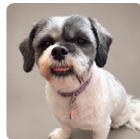
Sam Watkins
Hickory/Tinman



Madeline Yankowski
Dorothy



Chase Zadd
Adult Ensemble

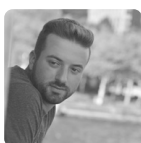


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Who's Who Behind the Scenes



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Stage Manager



Frankie Castrovillari
Tech Designer



Jason Falkofsky
Director
Music Director



Sarah Heffner
Choreographer



Amanda Magpoc
Costumer



Georgia Mutillo
Producer



Tony Otto
Wig Designer



Maurita Riddle
Props Designer



Jen Sindyla
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Stage Manager

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Lightboard Op Joellen Woodring
Soundboard Op Audrey Szwec
Spotlight Op Liz Jones, Anna Maria Yura
Photography Shiny Penny Studios

Orchestra

Conductor Jason Falkofsky
Piano Chris Ilg
Keyboard 2 Kristen Johnson
Woodwinds Genevieve Cecile, Lukas Helwig
Trumpet Mikayla Sweet, Matt Wirfel (10/25)
Trombone David Betts
Percussion Gregory Cross

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Act 1

Overture.....	Orchestra
Over the Rainbow	Dorothy
The Cyclone	Orchestra
Munchkin Musical Sequence & Ding, Dong! The Witch is Dead	Glinda, Dorothy, Munchkins
Yellow Brick Road	Munchkins
If I Only Had a Brain	Scarecrow, Dorothy, Crows
We're Off to See the Wizard	Dorothy, Scarecrow
If I Only Had a Heart	Tinman, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Trees
We're Off to See The Wizard	Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow
Lions, Tigers, and Bears	Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow
If I Only Had the Nerve	Lion, Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow
We're Off to See the Wizard	Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion
Poppies	Glinda, Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion, Ensemble

◆————— ***Intermission*** —————◆

Act 2

Entr'acte	Orchestra
Optimistic Voices	Women's Choir
The Merry Old Land of Oz	Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow Lion, Guard, Ozians
If I Were King of the Forest	Lion, Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow
March of the Winkies	Winkies
Jitterbug	Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Lion, Jitterbugs
Over the Rainbow (Reprise)	Dorothy
Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead (Reprise)	Winkies, Ozians



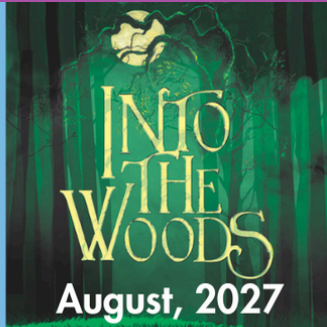
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Who's Who in the Cast



Thomas Apollo (Adult Ensemble) is a recent Baldwin Wallace graduate ecstatic for his first show at the Cassidy. Some of his favorite performances include being on stage as Will Roper (*A Man For All Seasons*), Herb (*Godspell*), and Leaf Conebear (*The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*) and on the radio as Horatio and Rosencrantz (*Hamlet*) and the Soldier (*The Terrible Meek*), with his most recent stage performance as Paris, the Prince, and Friar John (*Romeo and Juliet*) topping the list. Thomas would like to thank his friends and family for their continuing support, as well as his amazing professors for helping shape him into the actor he's become today.



Alyssa Blum (Adult Ensemble) is thrilled to make her stage debut in *The Wizard of Oz*! She is excited to be part of the ensemble, appearing as a Tree, an Ozian, a jitterbug, and a member of the Women's Chorus. When she's not following the Yellow Brick Road, Alyssa works as a Senior Project Manager and enjoys reading, crafting, gardening, and spending time with her husband, Nick, and daughter, Savannah. She is grateful for the opportunity to step outside her comfort zone, meet a wonderful group of people, and help bring the magic of Oz to life. Alyssa hopes you enjoy the journey to the Emerald City!



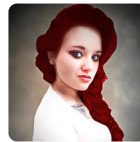
Savannah Blum (Munchkin Ensemble) Savannah Blum is excited to be back on stage—and even more excited to have her mom joining her this time! In *The Wizard of Oz*, Savannah appears as a Munchkin, Poppy, and Flying Monkey. After spending the past two summers participating in theater camp, she is thrilled to take on another adventure on stage. Offstage, Savannah loves crafting, listening to Taylor Swift, and spending time with her family and friends. She has had so much fun being part of this production and is excited to share the magic of Oz with the audience—and with her mom!



Jeffrey Braun (Prof. Marvel/Wizard) This award-winning actor was seen throughout NE, returning to the Cassidy stage after a 10 year hiatus and retirement. An instructor and voice teacher that has been on staff at several theatres as well as a scriptwriter for North Pointe Ballet Co. Noted roles: Mr. Banks (*Mary Poppins*), Captain Hook (*Peter Pan*), Father (*Ragtime*), Pilate (*Jesus Christ Superstar*), Fagin (*Oliver*), Cogsworth (*Beauty and the Beast*), Mayor Shinn (*The Music Man*), and Danvers Carew (*Jekyll and Hyde*). Thrilled to work with Jason Falkofsky in OZ once again.



Aiden Cooper (Adult Ensemble) is excited to be a part of their SECOND production at Cassidy Theatre, being previously seen in *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Ensemble). They would like to thank all friends and family who have come out to see the show!

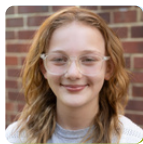


Korinne Courtwright (Almira Gulch/Witch) is thrilled to be back on the Cassidy Stage with this fantastic cast, marking her fourth time returning to the land of Oz. In her daily life, she is a mother to a six year old named Revan, as well as a delivery driver, artist, and costumer. She has performed on stages all across northeastern Ohio for the last 22 years. Some of her favorite roles include *Beauty and the Beast* (Belle), *Wizard of Oz* (Dorothy), *The Little Mermaid* (Ariel), *It Shoulda Been You* (Jenny Steinberg), and many more. She would like to thank her fiancé, son, and the wonderful production team for the opportunity to share in the magic of this beautiful show.



Amber Ellington (Adult Ensemble) Amber Ellington is so excited to return to Cassidy Theatre to be in the ensemble for *The Wizard of Oz*! Her previous musicals at the theatre include *The Full Monty* as Estelle and *My Guilty Pleasure Broadway Playlist* as Lena. Outside of theater, she is a software engineer who also loves to play alto saxophone and trumpet!

She's very excited for everyone to see the show and would like to thank my friends and family for their support and Cassidy Theatre for this opportunity!



Millie Galarza (Munchkin Ensemble) is 11 years old and is excited to be back on the Cassidy stage for her third production! Earlier this summer, she was in the Ensemble in *Joseph* and she also played the eccentric and chatty Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn in *The Music Man Kids* through the Cassidy's Summer Camp. She'd have to admit that she and Eulalie have a lot in common - especially when it comes to talking! When she's not on stage, you can usually find her singing, making people laugh, or carrying on a conversation with friends. She'd like to thank her mom, dad, and her brother, Gannon, for cheering her on. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Jackson Gorton (Munchkin Ensemble) has been attending summer theater camp at Cassidy for five years, beginning with his very first role as Abu in *Alladin Jr.* He is in 5th grade and loves Fortnite, LEGOs, playing football, and movies. He is excited to be a part of *The Wizard of Oz* with his cousins Natalie and Emily!



Candice Graham (Aunt Em) has been a part of the Cassidy family since she was just the Littlest Rabbit in *Winnie the Pooh*. This is her second time performing in *The Wizard of Oz* at Cassidy, where she previously played the Ozian Tour Guide in the children's version. She was last seen on stage as Betty Blast/Eleanor Dunbar in *Footloose*, but recently has been shining light down on the performers in *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *The Prom*. She is happy to share this show on stage with her son and her mom will be on lights. She also wants to dedicate this performance to her dad; Cassidy veteran, the late Bill Bett. Thank you to all the amazing cast and crew for making this a magical experience and she hopes everyone enjoys the show!



Kyler Graham (Munchkin Ensemble) *The Wizard of Oz* is Kyler's first show, other than school choir concerts and Christmas pageants. He is very excited that for his first time on the big stage he gets to share the experience with his mom, as well as his grandma on the lights. Enjoy the Show!



Amelia Gray (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to be in this production of *The Wizard of Oz*! She was previously in the *Music Man Kids* summer camp (Mrs. Squires) at Cassidy, was featured in solos for school and church concerts, and has been dancing for nearly eight years.



Felicity Gray (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to be in the Cassidy Theatre production of *The Wizard of Oz*! She previously appeared in the Cassidy Theatre summer camp production of *The Music Man Kids* (Mrs. Paroo) and in the ensemble of the Beck Center production of *James and the Giant Peach*. When she is not performing on stage, Felicity loves reading, playing volleyball, dancing, and making art.



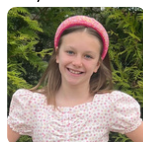
Jared Guyaux (Hunk/Scarecrow) is excited to be playing the role of his favorite Batman villain! (Although he admittedly didn't remember this being part of Scarecrow's backstory;) You may have seen him as Billy Joel in Cassidy's *Playlist* earlier this year. Shout out to acting coach Shley Snider, Houde School of Acting, and all the family and friends who have supported him along the way! Jared is beyond grateful to his incredible wife, Emily, for her constant encouragement of all his random hobbies. Above all, he gives thanks to God, the true giver of brains, hearts, and courage. Jeremiah 9:23-24



Jillian Harris (Adult Ensemble) is very excited to be in her first Cassidy Theatre production! She is a music therapy major at Cleveland State, and has been seen in previous productions at Mayfield High School and Cleveland State! She would like to thank her mom and fiancé for always supporting her theater dreams!



Charlotte Harrison (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to be making her Cassidy debut. Recent roles have included Molly in *Annie*, The Small Brave Girl in *Peter Pan*, and Janet in *Miracle on 34th Street*, as well as various feature films and commercials. Outside of acting, Charlotte enjoys gymnastics, arts and crafts, reading, and playing with her enormous orange cat, Oliver. She'd like to thank her little sister Audrey for being so supportive.



Evelyn Jeckavitch (Munchkin Ensemble) Evelyn is thrilled to be making her musical theatre debut this fall! She has been dancing since she was 3 years old and has fallen in love with performing on stage. Special thanks to her family and friends who are always excited to support her!



Luke Jones (Emerald City Guard/Mayor of Munchkinland) is over the rainbow to be back on The Cassidy Theatre stage, after last appearing as Asher in this summer's production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. *The Wizard of Oz* marks Luke's 41st theatrical production, with memorable roles including Ben/Lisa (*Disaster!*) at Blank Canvas Theatre, Beetlejuice (*Beetlejuice Jr.*) at Strongsville Community Theatre, and Chip (*Disney's Beauty and the Beast*) here at Cassidy. He has also been in several feature and short films. Luke is an 8th grader at Strongsville Middle School, where he enjoys Drama Club, Show Choir, Band, Student Council, and Mustang Mentors. Luke would like to thank Jason and Sarah for this wonderful opportunity, and his family and friends for always encouraging him to defy gravity.



Logan Kessler (Adult Ensemble) is thrilled to be performing for the first time at The Cassidy Theatre! You may have seen this seventeen year old high school junior in The Fine Arts Association's productions of *Willy Wonka* (Candy Kid), *Cinderella* (Footman, Ensemble), or *The Jungle Book* (Messau). Some other shows she's enjoyed include Rabbit Run Theatre's *Junie B. Jones* (Shirley) and *Finding Nemo, Jr.* (Nigel), as well as Garfield Heights Youth Theatre's *Guys and Dolls Jr.* (Big Jules) and *Winnie the Pooh* (Roo). When she's not on stage, she's working to make the world a little bit better through programs like the Cleveland Metroparks Youth Outdoor Fellowship, the Zoo Crew, and working summers as a Naturalist Assistant, guiding young nature campers to protect the animals and their habitats throughout the parks systems. She'd like to thank her family and friends for all their support and the creative team for giving her a chance to be a part of this iconic show!



Connor Krohn (Zeke/Lion) is blown away to call this his debut show with Cassidy Theatre. Previous credits include: Igor (*Young Frankenstein*), Solyony (*Three Sisters*), Company (*The Secret in the Wings*), and more, with gratitude. He has his BFA from Baldwin Wallace University. Connor would like to thank his friends and family for their endless encouragement behind the scenes and the cast and crew for the courage they gave him in this new space. He hopes you enjoy this story that ventures over the rainbow! @connor.l.krohn



Emily Lightle (Munchkin Ensemble) started performing 5 years ago in her debut role as the Magic Carpet in the Cassidy Theatre's Youth Summer Camp of production of *Aladdin*. When she is not singing and dancing she is a student at Shiloh Middle School.



Natalie Lightle (Munchkin Ensemble) is excited to be on the Cassidy Theatre stage! She has spent her last four summers participating in the Cassidy Theatre Youth Summer Camp. Natalie is an eighth grader at Shiloh Middle School.



Maddie Low (Glinda) is so excited to be making her Cassidy Theatre debut this fall after graduating from Xavier University with degrees in Vocal Performance and Marketing. Her favorite musical performances include competing as a two-time vocal finalist in Cincinnati's Musicales Matinee, singing as a featured soloist for the Seven Hills Symphony and Xavier Jazz Combo, playing Katherine Plumber (*Newsies*), and collaborating with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra's May Festival Chorus as an intern. Maddie would like to thank her friends and family for their support as she continues to pursue her love of music, and hopes to inspire others as a future voice educator. Facebook: @Madelyn.Low



Maddie Male (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to make her Cassidy Theater debut in *The Wizard of Oz*! Her recent community theater credits include *The Addams Family* (Ancestor), *Xanadu Jr.* (Euterpe, Muse of Music), and *The Lightning Thief* (Athena Cast Ensemble). When she's not performing, Maddie is busy enjoying sixth grade and pursuing her many passions. She loves playing golf and piano, singing in her school choir, and making music as a percussionist in her school band. Maddie sends a special thank-you to her family, friends, and the entire creative team for their love and support. She hopes you enjoy the show and have a wonderful trip down the Yellow Brick Road!



Madelyn Mayer (Munchkin Ensemble) is excited to make her Cassidy Theatre debut as a Munchkin in *The Wizard of Oz*! Previous roles include an Ancestor in Fairview Park Fine Arts & Theater Association's *The Addams Family*, a fairy tale character in *Shrek the Musical*, and roles in AFDA's *Percy Jackson* and Beck Center's *The Wizard of Oz*. Madelyn thanks the cast and crew for making theater so much fun!



Anna Marie Mikolic (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to be returning to the Cassidy stage after performing in *Frozen Kids* (Sven) in 2024. She attends Independence Middle School where she is involved in band and choir. Recent credits include *Shrek the Musical Kids* (Donkey), *Matilda Jr.* (Agatha Trunchbull) and *Addam's Family Young Edition* (Morticia Adams). Some of her favorite performances include *SpongeBob Musical Youth* (Squidward) and *Matilda* (Lavender). When not performing she enjoys dance, softball, playing trumpet, and other artistic activities. She would like to thank the director, her family, and her friends for their support.



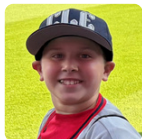
Matt Mirroto (Uncle Henry/Winkie General) is proud to return to the stage after a year long hiatus. Still new to theater, *Oz* will be his third show. He made his debut at the Cassidy in 2024 in the ensemble in *Annie*, then played Tackaberry/Jenkins in *How to Succeed in Business* at the Independence Community Theater. He would like to dedicate this performance to his close friend Hal, who passed away earlier this year.



Arya Peterson (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to be participating in her first theatrical production, *The Wizard of Oz*. A sixth grader with love for creativity and adventure, Arya enjoys playing soccer and the violin. She also loves reading, drawing and spending time with her friends and family. She has had a wonderful experience being part of the cast as a Munchkin, Poppy, and Ozian and is excited to share this magical journey with the audience.



Viviana Simon (Adult Ensemble) is thrilled to be making her Cassidy Theatre debut in *The Wizard of Oz*! She began performing on stage at a very young age! Her favorite past roles include Portia (*Something Rotten*), Lucinda (*Into the Woods*), and Jojo (*Suessical*). She is so excited to be back on stage playing a number of ensemble characters in this production. She would like to thank her friends and family for their endless support! Enjoy the show!



Nicholas Sivik (Munchkin Ensemble/Nikko) is a 6th grader and is thrilled to make his stage debut at Cassidy Theatre in *The Wizard of Oz*! Nick also enjoys reading, playing his guitar and trumpet, and playing baseball and basketball. Special thanks to his family and the amazing cast and crew for this fun adventure in Oz!



Hallie Tabar (Munchkin Ensemble) is a student at Greenbrier Middle School in sixth grade. She's been in four Cassidy Theatre productions. She previously was in Cassidy Theatre's productions of *Willy Wonka*, *Frozen Jr.*, *Finding Nemo Jr.*, and *Music Man Kids*! Outside of acting, Hallie spends her time with her friends and family and playing volleyball!



Chloe Vaughn (Munchkin Ensemble) is thrilled to be back on the Cassidy stage! After discovering her love of theater here as Alma in *The Music Man Kids* Summer Camp, she went on to land her first auditioned role — and she couldn't be more excited. When she's not performing, Chloe can be found on the ice, the soccer field, the softball diamond, or the bowling lanes. She is a proud sixth grader at Hillside Middle School. Chloe would like to thank her family and friends for their love and support, and a special shoutout to Holly and Amanda for teaching her everything she needed to know to go after the roles she wants.



Sam Watkins (Hickory/Tinman) is so excited to make his Cassidy Theatre debut, in such a beloved show. Sam was born and raised in New York, and *The Wizard of Oz* has been a part of his life for as long as he can remember. After more than a decade off stage, but missing it constantly, Sam decided to start performing again this year. He recently got back on stage at Theatre Agápe's *Godspell*. Some favorite roles from his East Coast days include Cioffi in *Curtains*, Nicely Nicely in *Guys & Dolls*, and Malvolio in *Twelfth Night*. This Tin Man knows he has a heart, because it's full of love for his wife Celine, and two cats, Meeko and Pipsqueak. If anyone in the audience is reading this, and missing a hobby that used to bring them joy, consider this a sign to take another swing at it!



Madeline Yankowski (Dorothy) is thrilled to be making her Cassidy Theatre debut. She is a sophomore Musical Theater major and Journalism minor at Kent State. She is deeply honored to be a part of such a timeless and beloved classic masterpiece. Some credits: *Side Show: In Concert* (Ensemble/ U/S Auntie), *The Addams Family* (Morticia), *Six* (Jane Seymour), *Shrek* (Fiona), *Legally Blonde* (Vivienne Kensington). Endless love to her family, friends, and professors for their support. @madeline.yankowski



Chase Zadd (Adult Ensemble) is extremely excited for his return to the Cassidy Theatre of *The Wizard of Oz*! Previous credits include: *A Christmas Carol*, *The Secret Garden*, and *The Music Man* with Great Lakes Theatre. Film credits: Netflix original *The Last Summer*, Green Bay Packers commercial, and *How to Train Your Dragon* commercial. Dance credits: BWCAS, DJAPO, 10k movement, North Point Ballet, and Elevated. He has also been seen in a number of community shows such as *Children of Eden*, *Into the Woods*, *Titanic*, *Xanadu*, and *Newsies*.

Who's Who Behind the Scenes



Sara Bates (Rehearsal Stage Manager) is thrilled to return to Cassidy Theatre as Rehearsal Stage Manager for *The Wizard of Oz!* Recent credits include Stage Manager for *Godspell* and *The Little Mermaid* (Theatre Agápe), Stage Manager for *Lend Me a Tenor* (Independence Community Theater), Assistant Stage Manager for *White Christmas* (The Brecksville Theatre), Grandma Georgina in *Willy Wonka* (Cassidy Theatre), and serving on the crew for numerous productions at Cassidy Theatre. Sara also runs a photography company with her husband, Tim, specializing in headshots, portraits, and production photography. Up next, she'll stage manage *Finding Neverland*, *Come From Away*, and *Almost, Maine* at Independence Community Theater. She sends love to Tim, Scout, and the guinea pigs for their constant support and inspiration.



Frankie Castrovillari (Technical Director) is back at Cassidy Theatre, having previously served as the Technical Director for the 2021 season and as Lighting Designer and Scenic Artist on a few shows in recent seasons. Coming back to Cassidy always feels like coming home and he hopes that audiences feel the same. Recent set design credits at Cassidy Theatre include: *Ordinary Days*, *Addams Family*, *Little Women*, *Freaky Friday* and *Legally Blonde*.



Jason Falkofsky (Director/Music Director) is over the rainbow to make his directorial debut with this production of *The Wizard of Oz*, based on one of his all time favorite movies. Known as an engaging choral and musical theater educator, Jason has experience conducting and coaching students of all ages and levels from elementary through senior adults. Active as a music director, pit musician, and an actor, Jason has had the privilege of working with several Cleveland-area theater companies including The Access Theatre Project, Beck Center, Blank Canvas, Brecksville Theatre, Cain Park, Cassidy Theatre, and Mercury Theatre Company. Currently, Jason holds music ministry positions at St. Peter Church (Cleveland) and St. Angela Merici Church (Fairview Park), works as a freelance musician, clinician, and theatre music director, and serves as an adjudicator for the Dazzle Awards, the high school musical theater awards program sponsored by Cleveland's Playhouse Square. Additionally, he is an adjunct faculty member at Case Western Reserve University where he directs the Case Glee Club. Jason holds degrees in music education from Baldwin Wallace (BME), Kent State (MM), and Case Western Reserve (PhD) universities.



Sarah Heffner (Choreographer) is on her third trip to Oz! Sarah has studied dance since age 6 and now loves teaching all ages and abilities. As a graduate of both Baldwin Wallace University and Lesley University, she has found ways to make art accessible for all. During the day, Sarah is the Associate Director of Music and Creative Arts Therapies at Beck Center for the Arts where she gets to bring arts enrichment and therapies to many populations. Favorite choreography credits include *Newsies*, *Big Fish*, *Guys and Dolls*, and *Urinetown*. Sarah also has been seen in productions such as *42nd Street* (Peggy Sawyer), *Legally Blonde* (Serena), *A Chorus Line* (Val), and *Cabaret* (Helga). When not dancing, Sarah is enjoying her newest and most favorite role- mom. For TH.



Amanda Magpoc (Costumer) has been participating in theatre for many years in many ways. Favorite on stage roles include Sister Mary Patrick (*Sister Act*) and Grandma Addams (*Addams Family*). Off stage, she has been involved in acquiring and building costumes, painting sets, and aiming spotlights among other things. Outside of theatre, you can find her constantly learning new fiber skills. With knitting, crocheting, tatting, macrame, quilting, needle felting, and weaving already under her belt. The next craft in her sights is bobbin lace. Wish her luck! Special thanks to Kevin who always gets forced to volunteer.



Georgia Muttillo (Producer) has been a staple for Cassidy Theatre for decades. Serving as Vice President on the Board of Trustees, as well as producing countless productions, and even has appeared in numerous productions throughout Northeast Ohio. Georgia is a jack of all trades. Georgia's favorite productions she's produced are *The Addams Family* and *The 39 Steps*. Some of Georgia's favorite productions she's been seen in onstage are *Bonnie and Clyde*, *Plaza Suite*, and *Gypsy*. Georgia is thankful for the many patrons that come thru our doors every season, as well as all of the volunteers and staff who help bring every production to life!



Tony Otto (Wig Design) is a retired hair stylist after over 40 years in the hair business. He was most recently at Vibe Salon in North Royalton and previously at Maxelles at Parmatown. Originally from Republic, Pennsylvania, Tony has lived in Parma Heights most of his time in Ohio. His talents were recently featured with Lola and the Angels in Cassidy Theatre's productions of *Kinky Boots*, the cast of *Cinderella*, and the cast of *Shrek*, but you will usually see him in the audience as a long time Cassidy Theatre season ticket holder.



Maurita Riddle (Props Designer) is thrilled to help bring the colorful world of *The Wizard of Oz* to life. A longtime supporter of Cleveland's theater community, she has contributed to several local theaters through work and volunteer service, with experience in stage management, box office operations, and prop design. She thanks you for supporting live theater and hopes the performance brings you joy and inspiration long after the final bow.



Jen Sindyla (Production Stage Manager) is the resident stage manager, Youth Summer Camp director, and board member here at Cassidy. She is an active board member for Independence Community Theater where she is the Youth Summer Camp Director and has directed *Once Upon a Mattress*, and *Godspell*. In addition to Cassidy and ICT, Jen is also on the board of directors at The Brecksville Theatre and works as the Summer Camp Director. Favorite onstage roles include *Annie* (Miss Hannigan) and *Nunsense* (Sister Robert Anne). Jen also Co-Directed Cassidy Theatre's first teen production of *Legally Blonde Jr.* and *Freaky Friday*. She holds a BA in theater from Baldwin-Wallace - but theater is just Jen's "hobby job." During the day she works for the Cleveland Metropolitan Schools teaching 4th and 5th grades.

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- Youth participation has grown **80%**, as children find confidence, creativity, and belonging on our stage.
- Volunteer involvement increased **33%**, a testament to how deeply our community cares.
- Audience attendance jumped **88%**, proving that what we offer truly matters - now more than ever.
- At Cassidy, **56%** of every dollar raised goes directly into programming—from hiring local artists and licensing high-quality shows to maintaining our facilities and offering meaningful arts education programming.

But the reality is clear:

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As Mayor of Parma Heights, I am thrilled to support the Cassidy Theatre, which I consider to be Parma Heights' cultural gem. The arts are a tremendous part of community life in Parma Heights because of the rich history and tradition of the Cassidy Theatre that has been a part of the fabric of our lives here since 1975.

I know you will join me in continuing to support the work of the countless staff and volunteers that make our community theatre one of the finest in Northeast Ohio. Their dedication to producing high-quality productions and engaging with the community is truly inspiring. The performing arts are an essential part of a thriving community, and the Cassidy Theatre is a shining example of this belief in action.

It is with tremendous pleasure that I fully support the Cassidy Theatre throughout their 2026 Main Stage season.



Marie Gallo
Mayor of Parma Heights