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Cast

Deloris Van Cartier	Danielle Grays
Eddie Souther	Isaiah Blue
Curtis	Christopher Monczewski
Mother Superior	Kim Mihalik
Sister Mary Robert	Kayla Lehman
Sister Mary Patrick	Joanna Timura
Sister Mary Lazarus	Jackie Phelps
Monsignor O'Hara	Mike Caraffi
Ernie	Wes Carney
Joey	Brenton Cochran
TJ	Grant Guyton
Pablo	Jackson Heuer
Sister Mary Martin of Tours	Cheryl McConnell
Sister Mary Bart/Cop	Tee Jarzembak
Sister Mary Joy/Tina	Joy King
Sister Mary Hope/Michelle	Dallas Stark
Sister Mary Theresa	Madeline Saraniti

Production Team

Director	Kim Mihalik
Music Director	Brenton Cochran
Music Director	Dave Coxe
Choreographer	Melanie Leibold
Stage Manager	Jen Sindyla
Tech Director/Set Designer	Wes Carney
Lighting Designer	Marcus Dana
Sound Designer	Vic DiAngelo
Properties Designer	Gretchen Woods
Costume Designer	Wendi Owens
Lightboard Op	Joellen Woodring
Spotlight Op	Anna Marie Babinec
Crew	Wes Carney, Gretchen Woods, Liza Woods

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Pit Musicians

Conductor- Brenton Cochran

Guitar- Jonathan Giblin

Keyboard 1- David Coxe

Bass- Willy Benler

Keyboard 1- Ed Wiles

Percussion- Maddie Polk

Keyboard 2- Trevor Lanford

Drums- Darrell Long



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Our Community Grows Here logo applies to community theatre as well. The Cassidy Theatre and its family of actors, directors, technical artists, musicians, and supporters are truly a gift to the city of Parma Heights and something of which we are very proud. We thank you in joining with us in support of our local community theatre.

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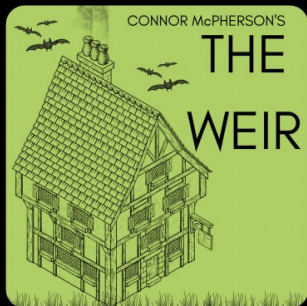
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Who's Who in the Cast



Isaiah Blue (Eddie Souther) is proud to be part of Cassidy's *Sister Act*, as it is his first show here. Isaiah is currently 24 yrs old and has been doing theatre in the Cleveland area for 5 years now. Before this, you might've seen him in *The Color Purple* at Weathervane Playhouse, *The Preacher* in *Bonnie & Clyde* (ACT), Donkey in *Shrek* (OPA), Mitch Mahoney/Olive's Dad in *Spelling Bee* (GLTG) and in *Memphis* (Cain Park). Isaiah would like to thank his friends and family for loving and supporting him.



Mike Caraffi (Monsignor O'Hara) wears many hats here at the Cassidy Theatre. Some of you may have seen him in our box office, or know him as our board president. Others may know him as a Director or Musical Director. For our production of *Sister Act*, Mike once again finds himself in the role of Actor as the Monsignor of Queen of Angels church. Kim & Production Team – Thank you for sharing your leadership and talent with our theatre – we couldn't do it without you. A heartfelt word of THANKS to all the hard working, dedicated actors and actresses who have brought this production to life – you are an absolute inspiration and joy to work with. Congratulations to all!



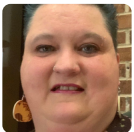
Danielle Grays (Deloris VanCartier) is thrilled to be making her Cleveland theater debut in *Sister Act*! She is a Columbus native and earned her BFA in Music Theater from Shenandoah Conservatory in 2015. Her regional credits from Short North Stage (Columbus) include, Vicky in *The Full Monty*, Marta in *Kiss of the Spiderwoman*, and Lady of the Lake in *Spamalot*! She gives thanks to God, her mother, and her husband, Nathaniel!



Grant Guyton (TJ) This is Grants first production at Cassidy theatre. Some of Grants more notable roles include Sebastian the crab (*The Little Mermaid* Mercury Theatre Company) Tom Collins (*Rent* HBTI) and Cain/Japheth (*Children of Eden* MGP) Grant would like to thank his Mother and Father for always believing in him. And the production staff for putting on a great show. Break a leg everyone!



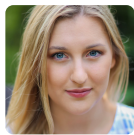
Jackson Heuer (Pablo) Music is the best thing. Period. Just what I believe. This is my first musical but I am no stranger to the stage. I am a self taught musician, who mainly plays bass guitar and sings in a band known as "Pt II" (Unofficially known as The Beatles: Pt II). We play some rock funk fusion stuff that'll make you want to get up and dance. My goal is to do nothing more than jam with my buddies and have good times. I'm also just a really big nerd and those worlds really combine to make something quite unique. I'm excited to be a part of this great show and just keep on having good times. You should too!



Tee Jarzembak (Sr. Mary Bart/Cop) Tee is ecstatic to be back to live theatre again and she couldn't have asked for a better role to bring to life. After spending her whole life in a private school, she knows nuns! If you know Tee, she is far from being a nun...that is why it's called ACTING! I have to thank Kim and Mike for believing I could do it even when I doubted. Kudos to the cast and crew for the hard work. Lastly, a big shout out to the one person who reminded me every day that she knows I can do it; my biggest cheerleader Jenna! Carol, hush, I hear you!



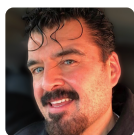
Joy King (Sr. Mary Joy/Tina) is a musically trained singer with over 16 years of experience. This is her first acting debut. She has also tried out for both The Voice and America's Got Talent, always striving to better her craft. This is an extraordinary opportunity for Joy and she is truly excited and feels blessed to be able to share such an amazing opportunity with such a great cast and all of you.



Kayla Lehman (Sr. Mary Robert) is very excited to be back at Cassidy Theatre after last being seen as Wednesday in *Addams Family*. Kayla graduated from the University of Mount Union with degrees in Public Relations and Theatre and is the Development Manager at the Canton Symphony Orchestra. Past favorite credits include: *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* (Honey), *Little Shop of Horrors* (Audrey), *Little Women* (Meg), and *Footloose* (Rusty). More info at www.kaylaehman.com.



Cheryl McConnell (Sr. Mary Martin of Tours) has enjoyed playing a variety of roles at several area theaters and is excited to be in her first show at Cassidy! She last appeared at Cleveland Public Theater as Grandma (*Standard Starting Pay*). Her favorite roles include Juror #8, Strongsville Community Theater's production of *12 Angry Jurors*, Queen Constantina, *Cinderella*, at French Creek Theater, and Lucille, *Dividing the Estate*, at Broadview Heights Spotlights. She thanks her husband Willie for his endless support.



Christopher Monczewski (Curtis) After a bit of a hiatus from the stage, Christopher feels lucky to have the opportunity to return to Cassidy Theatre, which is where he performed in his first show many years ago. He has appeared in a number of local productions, but a few of his past favorites include playing the title role of *Dracula* for Medina County Showbiz and Frank

Gilbreth in *Cheaper by the Dozen*. His most recent project included participating in the Cleveland 48 Hour Film Project, where he had the opportunity to appear in one of their short films. Christopher would like to extend a big "thank you" to the director, cast, and crew of *Sister Act* for making him feel welcome upon his return to the stage after so many years and to his family and friends for their love, support, and encouragement. (Mon-ches-key)



Jackie Phelps (Sr. Mary Lazarus) has been involved with Community Theater for over the last 30 years. Over that time she has done everything from musical theater, to drama, and to comedy. Jackie is grateful that she found her niche in theater, playing character roles. Some of her favorite roles include Gretchen in *Boeing Boeing* and Stella in *Dividing the Estate*, both of these were at the Broadway Heights Spotlights. When Jackie isn't on stage, playing a crazy old lady, she is a property manager for a multi-family residential management company. Jackie wants to thank her family and friends for all of their support.



Madeline Saraniti (Sr. Mary Theresa) is excited to be a part of her first show at Cassidy Theater! Having done shows such as *Urinetown*, *Beauty and the Beast* and *The Santa Diaries* in the Maryland and New York community theater scenes, Madeline moved back to Ohio in 2019. After several canceled and postponed shows due to COVID, Madeline is thrilled to be back on the stage with such an inspiring and hard-working group of performers. By day she works as an Office Manager for a large company out of Solon but theater is a true passion-hobby and creative outlet. When she's not performing, she enjoys other activities such as baking, reading, hiking and spending time with friends and family.



Dallas Stark (Sr. Mary Hope/Michelle) is grateful to be performing in this production of *Sister Act*! Some of her previous roles include Luciana in *The Comedy of Errors*, Lydia Languish in *The Rivals* and Maxine in *Pluto*. You can see her next in the upcoming production of *The Sparks Fly Upward* at the Maltz Performing Arts Center showing June 9-12.



Joanna Timura (Sr. Mary Patrick) is so excited to be performing in her first show at The Cassidy Theatre. This is her second opportunity to be in this fabulous show! Working with such an amazing cast and crew has been a blessing! She would like to thank her family for their support.

Who's Who Behind the Scenes



Wes Carney (Technical Director/Scenic Designer/Ernie/cab driver) is excited to work on his second show at Cassidy Theatre! Wes served as technical director and scenic designer for *Harvey* earlier this season at Cassidy Theatre and for *Nightfall with Edgar Allan Poe* and *Ordinary Days* at French Creek Theatre. Wes is a Lakewood High School alumnus where he was heavily

involved in the Barnstormers Drama Club and was inducted into the International Thespian Society. While he has filled several acting roles in the past, Wes's true passion lies in technical direction, scenic design, set construction, run crews, spotlight operation, and plenty of other backstage roles. However, Wes is looking forward to getting back onstage for the first time in almost a decade! Wes is honored to have the opportunity to design and build for Cassidy Theatre for the 2022 season. Stay tuned for some exciting sets throughout the year!



Victor DiAngelo (Sound Design/Technician) is excited to be involved with the Cassidy Theatre once again. Recent onstage appearances include: *Mamma Mia* (Harry Bright – Olde Towne Hall Theatre), *Nuncrackers* (Fr. Virgil – Cassidy Theatre), and *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown* (Charlie Brown – Olde Towne Hall Theatre). Technical credits include: *Sound of Music* (Tech Design – Olde

Towne Hall Theatre), *Little Women* (Sound Design – Cassidy Theatre), *Ring of Fire* (Sound Design – Olde Towne Hall Theatre). He enjoyed working as the Video Director and Editor for Cassidy's 2021 Digital Season but is extremely happy to be back in the auditorium watching and especially hearing live performances with the audience.



Brenton Cochran (Music Director) is thrilled to be returning to Cassidy Theatre after directing *The Addams Family* this past fall. Brenton has been directing and musically directing theatre productions for the last 20 years and 70 productions. To this day every production is just as rewarding as the last one. Some of his favorite previous directorial credits include *The Addams*

Family, *South Pacific*, *Funny Girl*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, *Barbecuing Hamlet*, *Bus Stop*, *Steel Magnolias* and *Boeing Boeing*. Brenton also musically directed the Northeast Ohio's community theatre premiere of *RENT* at the Canton Palace Theatre. Other previous musical direction credits include *Sweeney Todd*, *Spring Awakening*, *Footloose*, *The Rocky Horror Show*, and *The Wedding Singer* to name a few. Brenton will also be directing *RENT* this summer at Cassidy. He would like to send a special thank you to his family and friends and the cast and crew for their endless hard work and dedication. Enjoy the show!



David W. Coxe (Music Director/Keyboard) David is happy to be back at Cassidy Theater to assist Kim, Brenton, and Melanie with this production of *Sister Act*. David has been very busy as theaters have been opening up post-COVID. He was last seen here at Cassidy as the music director for *Addams Family*. He will also be music directing their upcoming productions of *Rent* and

Drowsy Chaperone. Dave has also worked at several other theaters in Northeast Ohio and has well over 200 productions under his belt. Some titles include *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Little Women*, *Into the Woods*, *Little Mermaid*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Guys and Dolls*, and *Evita*. David would like to thank the entire production crew and this very talented cast for all of their very hard work and hope that you enjoy this show as much as he does.

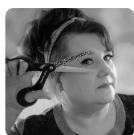


Melanie Leibold (Choreographer) has performed and choreographed many productions all over Northeast Ohio for over 20 years. Her work was last seen on the Cassidy stage in their fall production of *Addams Family: The Musical*. Favorite choreography credits include: *Anything Goes*, *Chicago*, and *Oklahoma!*. Many thanks to Kim, Brenton, Mike, and always to Len.



Kim Mihalik (Director/Choreographer/Mother Superior) is proud to have served as director and Reverend Mother for *Sister Act!* She has been performing and directing in area community theatres like Cassidy, Clague, Strongsville Community and Elyria Summer Theatre for the last 30 years. Having grown up on the Cassidy (Greenbrier) stage, she is especially happy to

be home as a member of the board! She spent the better part of a decade working as a co-host on WTAM and WNCX radio stations, and now serves as a Clinical Trainer and Communications Coach to help improve patient experiences. She is the proud mom of Mackenzie and Jacob! Thank you to the entire production team for helping this production look and sound so beautiful, all on a short timeline! Thanks to this cast for their incredibly hard work and resilience. It's a privilege to call you all part of my theatre family. Finally a Heavenly shout out to Bruce Michalski without whose kindness, guidance, and inspiration I would not be here. You are missed every day.



Wendi Owens (Costumer) is a professional sewing instructor specializing in heirloom sewing, quilting, and garment construction. She has taught nationally and has made instructional videos. She has had her work published in *Romantic Homes*, *Women's Day Special issue*, and most recently *Classic Sewing Magazine*. Wendi studied fashion and costume design at Kent State University

and worked in the theater behind the curtain as a Costume Designer, Wardrobe Tech and Dresser. In her downtime, she enjoys watching historical dramas, reading historic documentation on clothing and construction, and working with historic costume groups. Hugs and Kisses to my loving and supporting family (My Awesome Nerds) without you, I am nothing.



Jen Sindyla (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. Jen has been onstage performing in *Nunsense* (Sr. Robert Anne) at both ICT and Strongsville Community Theater. 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 grade.



Gretchen Woods (Properties Designer) is excited to officially cut her props chops on her second production at Cassidy. In more than a dozen productions at French Creek Theatre and Clague Playhouse, she's done a little bit of everything: building sets, making papier-mâché cows, running a spotlight, turning expensive curtains into tablecloths, assisting with quick

costume changes, helping actors with lines, and shooting confetti onstage are just a few highlights. Many thanks to her family for being "voluntold" that they are helping build sets, and for putting up with the late nights and improvised meals that go along with (community) showbiz!



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Costume Team

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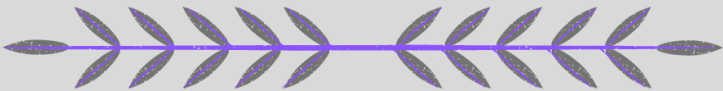
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As your Mayor, I am thrilled to support the Cassidy Theatre, which I consider to be Parma Heights' cultural gem. The arts are a tremendous part of community life in Parma Heights because of the rich history and tradition of the Cassidy Theatre, which, as you know 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 volunteers that make our community theatre one of the finest in Northeast Ohio.

It is with tremendous pleasure that I fully support their work and look forward with great anticipation to the exciting 2022 Main Stage season.



Let's continue to move Parma Heights forward!

Marie Gallo
Mayor