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**Doug Besterman**

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**Dean Pitchford**

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**We hope you enjoy the show!**





# Message from KCP Chair



Welcome to Kempenfelt Community Players' 2023-24 Season. Now in our 46th year, KCP continues to enjoy the opportunity to bring you live musical theatre experiences that are engaging, toe-tapping, hilarious and thought-provoking. This year's 2 productions at Georgian Theatre offer storylines that allow us to discover a broader understanding of an inclusive society by asking the characters to see what they might not have noticed before. Both *The Big One-Oh! Jr.* and *The Addams Family* are comedic stories about family, friends, love and acceptance through the point of view of a strange mix of characters.

Over this last year, while KCP returned to the stage and assessed recovery, the Board of Directors continued to look at our organization's responsibility and actions toward inclusivity, community connections and developing capacity. We are excited to share some new

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# Message from KCP Chair



initiatives as we enter our 2023-24 season.

With the support of the City of Barrie's Cultural Project Grants, we are able to offer Sign Language for some of our performances (please check our website for more details). Also, as a recipient of a grant from the Government of Canada's Community Service Relief Funding (CSRF), Kempenfelt Community Players will continue to grow and train our volunteers in the many production areas that are required to mount a stage production. We look forward to growing our community of volunteers and invite you to watch our website and social media announcements for the opportunity to join our training sessions.

Finally, our KCP Board reviewed our commitment towards Truth and Reconciliation. While we regularly acknowledge the land on

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# Message from KCP Chair

which this theatre stands, and are grateful to tell our stories here, KCP wishes to take action to support our acknowledgement.

Starting this season, a portion of Kempenfelt Community Players ticket sales will be allocated to supporting Indigenous organizations in our community. We look forward to sharing more information on our activities through this season.

And now as the house lights are about to dim and the stage lights come up, I'd like to thank our generous sponsors, volunteers and fellow board members for their gifts, talents and time to support Kempenfelt Community Players.

Enjoy the show!

**Julie Underhill**  
KCP Chairperson





# Mission of KCP

Entertain and inspire our audience  
by producing memorable musicals

Create opportunities for the  
community to participate in high  
quality productions both on stage  
and behind the scenes

Enhance development of youth  
in the arts by providing a variety  
of educational experiences in all  
aspects of theatre, supporting the  
Ontario Curriculum

Celebrate the talent, commitment  
and achievement of our volunteers

Build and foster a diverse and  
inclusive community both on stage  
and behind the scenes



Kempenfelt Community Players' 2023-24 programming has been supported by the Government of Canada's Community Service Relief Funding (CSRF). The Community Services Recovery Fund is a \$400 million investment from the Government of Canada to support community service organizations, including charities, non-profits and Indigenous governing bodies, as they adapt and modernize their organizations.

KCP is using CSRF funds toward recruitment and training strategies to develop our volunteers and membership. Recruitment strategies will expand our membership and audiences with additional outreach, while training investment in our volunteers will support continued artistic growth and organizational development to produce high quality performances that meet the needs and interests of our community. If you are interested in becoming involved with Kempenfelt Community Players, please contact [info@kempenfeltplayers.com](mailto:info@kempenfeltplayers.com).

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# A Message from Director

Welcome to the theatre and to “The Big One-Oh! Jr.” This is a show that stole my heart the moment I discovered it. It’s a tale brimming with humour, wackiness, and sheer delight.

I, for one, have a soft spot for coming-of-age stories. They’re, in my opinion, the best kind to tell. The universal experience of growing up, navigating the awkwardness, attempting to forge friendships, and nurturing intense obsessions, like a comic book series about monsters and maniacs, is something we can all relate to. Each coming-of-age story is a rollercoaster ride filled with laughter, heartache, and profound personal growth.

We meet Charley on the brink of a pivotal moment in his young life -

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# A Message from Director

his tenth birthday! While this should be an exciting time, Charley finds himself grappling with significant stressors.

He's just moved to a new town, his parents recently divorced, he's friendless, and he's surrounded by some interesting people...

Nonetheless, none of this deters Charley from his mission to throw the ultimate birthday bash! With the help of his three imaginary monster friends, he embarks on a journey to make new friends, conceive a party theme, and host the most epic 10th birthday celebration ever.

Naturally, as you'll soon discover, things don't go as smoothly as planned.

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# A Message from Director

Bringing this show to life has been an incredible experience. It's a brand-new musical that has never been performed at this scale anywhere in Canada, and only been performed a few times elsewhere in the world. This presented us with both distinct challenges and exciting opportunities to present something truly unique!

I am immensely grateful to the outstanding team that has worked tirelessly to create the fantastic show you're about to enjoy. This team comprises some of the most talented and creative individuals I know, who also happen to be some of the kindest and most wonderful to work with. I hope that, as an audience member, you can recognize and appreciate the countless hours this team of

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# A Message from Director

volunteers has invested to deliver a remarkable experience for both you, the audience, and all the young performers gracing the stage.

Now, let me turn your attention to the cast! I say this every year, but it remains true - this has been the most enjoyable, supportive, and hilarious ensemble I've ever had the privilege of working with. "The Big One-Oh! Jr." demands our young actors to step out of their comfort zones and embody larger-than-life, zany characters. In addition to that, there's a whirlwind of music, choreography, and chaos both on and offstage. As you'll witness, this group of 10-18-year-olds is more than up to the challenge. I hope you can shower them with as much love

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# A Message from Director

and energy as they are pouring into their performance, with resounding applause, laughs and cheers! After all, THIS IS BIG!

Thank you for Supporting Live Theatre! Sit back, relax, and join Charley on his journey to throw the most unforgettable 10th birthday party!

**Noah Hollinshead**  
Director

# Production team





# Noah Hollinshead

Director

Noah is excited to be directing the KCP Jr show again this year! He has

been an active member of the local theatre scene for close to 10 years working as a director, actor, technician, and is a theatre instructor at Moving Art Centre. He loves having the opportunity to share his love for live performance and creativity with the next generation. Alongside his love for theatre, he also works professionally as a photographer, videographer and event planner.

Select credits include: Director Of "Elf Jr" (KCP) Co-Director of "Aladdin Jr" (KCP, THEA Award Winning) Lighting

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# Noah Hollinshead

Director

Design for "Sophie"  
(SCTF, Toronto  
Fringe) Sebastian  
in "Twelfth Night"

(MAT) Captain Hook  
in "Peter Pan Jr" (KCP) Co-Director  
of "25th Annual Putnam County  
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"Rent" (Moving Art) Director of Select  
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# Karen Parnell

Music Director

Karen is delighted to be back with KCP this season, joining

"The Big One-Oh Jr" as music director. She is a secondary school music educator and has been involved in music, theatre, and performance since childhood. Karen spent time working with an independent record label called Marquis, was a cast member of a 6-part television series about gospel music and has been the director of a leadership course at the Ontario Educational Leadership Centre focused on developing youth leaders within arts disciplines including

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# Karen Parnell

Music Director

dance, drama, music, and visual arts. She is also director of a 6 voice women's vocal ensemble called Double Treble. Karen would like to thank the wonderful creative and production teams, cast, and crew for bringing "The Big One-Oh" to life and hopes you enjoy the show. "This is Big!"





# Adam Ashby

Choreographer

Welcome to "The Big One-Oh!"

Adam is thrilled to be returning

to choreograph the junior show this year! After previously choreographing "Aladdin Jr", "The Wedding Singer" and "Madagascar Jr" for KCP, he is stoked to be back with such an exciting show! Elsewhere as a choreographer: "Into The Woods" (TIFT); "Sweeney Todd" (asst.) (TIFT), "Annie Jr" (HPES). As a Performer: Finch in "Newsies" (The LOT); "You Want It What Way?" (Frosted Tips Productions); Angel in "Rent" (MA); King in "Land Of Make Believe" (TBTB). Thank you to the incredible and hardworking cast, all the wonderful crew who have dedicated so much time, Noah, Karen, Chloe and of course Maddie.





# Production

crew





# Lorie Hanley

Producer

Co-Producing the Big 10 has been a joy for Lorie.

After directing our Youth in "The Tales of Andergrimm" just out of the Covid Gate she was excited to work with them again, and support such a talented team. Lorie sits on the KCP Board of Directors and holds the position of Treasurer. As a retired Commercial Banker, it's a natural skill set to lend to this fantastic organization. You will catch Lorie on stage again playing Morticia in KCP's upcoming production of "The Addams Family" in February 2024. For today however, be prepared to laugh and be wowed! Enjoy the show!



# Andrée Day

Producer

Andrée's passion for theatre and her oldest granddaughter brought her to KCP in 2007. This is her 17th season with KCP; she has had the pleasure to serve on the board of directors for many years. She has produced a plethora of productions, and her favourites are the Young Company productions. You may see her one day in one of KCP's productions, it is one of her bucket list items to fulfil. She thanks the creative team, production team and all the volunteers who have made this production fabulous. Sit back and enjoy the show!





# Alice Duke & Jackie Jesso

Producer  
Assistants

Jackie and Alice are very excited to be back with KCP for "The Big 1-0!" Jackie and Alice met a few years back working on "The Wedding Singer" and have been a dynamic duo ever since. They have had such a great time working together in shows such as "Mamma Mia!" "From a Distance" and "We Will Rock You!" Their main focus has been props so they decided to try something new this time around and began job-shadowing Andrée in the producer's role in hopes one day they can take on their own production! They have had so much fun working alongside this cast and crew and they hope you enjoy it as much as they have!



# Carley Beattie

Stage  
Management  
Lead

Carley Beattie is so happy to be once again sitting in the Stage Manager seat. This year so far has been filled with twists and turns but Beattie is so happy to be back where she belongs, back with KCP and back with the young actor of the youth production who she lovingly refers to "her kiddos".

Beattie has stage managed for previous KCP productions such as "Aladdin Jr", "Madagascar Jr", "Tales of Andergrimm" and "From A Distance".

Beattie would like to thank her friends and family of KCP for all their love and support, and hopes you enjoy the show!



# Brent Campbell

Assistant  
Director/Stage  
Manager

Brent is a nineteen-year old singer and artist local to Barrie, Ontario who had the sincerest pleasure of being this wonderful troupe's assistant director, helping the cast to apply and develop their innate talent for the second year in a row! He is an alumni of Moving Art Centre's Triple Threat Program, and is ecstatic to additionally be in the ensemble of KCP's production of "The Addams Family" later this winter. He would like to thank Noah, Karen and Adam, Andrée and Lorie, his reliable team of ASMs, and Carley Beattie for preparing him for this joy of an experience.



# Darrah Hogan

## Assistant Stage Manager

Darrah is an 18 year old student who has been

involved with theatre for most of her life. She has been in many shows with her favorite being "The Lion King". She also directed two plays within her high school, one of which won many awards from Drama Fest. This is her first year at KCP and her first year stage managing. Darrah has had a blast getting to know this new role and has loved working with all the cast and crew. Darrah plans to continue with theatre in her post secondary education.



# Chloe Cameron

- Assistant Stage Manager
- Assistant Choreographer

Chloe is a dedicated young performer from Barrie. She is a trained actor, dancer and singer and is motivated to help youth learn the confidence, creativity and fun of the performing arts.

She was named an all star performer at JTF in Atlanta and has won several Nova Star awards for her involvement in short films.







# Brenda Thompson

## Costume Design

Brenda has been a part of KCP for over 20 years both on and off the stage. She has designed sets,

made dragons, put together props and created costumes. Brenda feels the most rewarding of all these adventures is costuming the childrens shows. They are a bundle of positive energy, which you will see for yourself during the Big One O. She is so proud of these young actors.

You can also find Brenda on the production teams of Theatre by the Bay and Moving Art Studios.

Last but not least, KCPs "The Addams Family" is coming in February, there certainly will be some fun costuming in that one. All of this can only be done with the support of her favourite guy, who never complains when their home is a creative mess and, best of all, makes sure she is well fed. Thank you Barry.





# Stephen Bainborough

Set Lead/  
construction

Stephen is happy to be part of the construction and design team for "The Big One-Oh, Jr." As they say, it takes a village. Many thanks to Noah, Janet, Alex, Brenda and all who wielded a paintbrush or used a hammer or transported a set piece. Enjoy this fun, energetic show.





# Margaret-Anne Gillis

## Props Mistress

After retiring from teaching in 2022, Margaret-Anne took her first steps behind the curtain for Kempenfelt Community Players by making props for their production of "Elf Jr.". She is honoured and thrilled to be asked to put the skills she learned from a decade of summer courses offered by the Stratford Artists' Alliance to create props to support the magic of Charley's story in "The Big One-Oh".



# Janet Ness

Set Designer/  
Artistic Painter

Janet is an artist who is very happy to once again, be working on the “ultimate canvas”, the set of a KCP show. Her world continues to be filled with theatre, art, and music. She loves being an integral part of a KCP creative team and is currently set designing for The Addams Family. She is the vocalist of the Baytowne Big band and a classic rock and roll dance band , Cadillac Crew. Many thanks to all who volunteered to help paint The Big One-Oh!





## **Sound Design**

Matthew Dawson



## **Graphic Comic Book Design/Painter**

Alexandra Bonnetta

## **Lighting Design**

Noah Hollinshead & James Briden

## **Assistant Stage Managers**

Darrah Hogan, Chloe Cameron,  
Lillyanna Padoin, Anna Hollinshead

## **Front of House Manager**

Anna Zoldi, Karoll Croteau,  
Shannon Barks

## **Marketing**

Renée Cingolani

## **City of Barrie Venue Technical Coordinator**

James Briden

## **City of Barrie Venue Sound Technicians**

Matthew Dawson  
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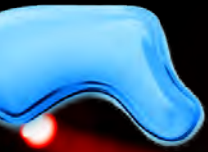
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# Musical Numbers

## Happy Birthday From Scotland

Dad

Part 1

## Monsters & Maniacs

Charley, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy,  
Monster Chorus

Part 2

## Monsters & Maniacs

Charley, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy,  
Monster Chorus





# Musical Numbers

## The Birthday Card

Dad, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy,  
Monster Chorus

## Some Sort Of Celebration

Charley, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy,  
Monster Chorus

Part 1

## So Lame

Lorena, Lillian, Lilith, Leilani



# Musical Numbers

Part 2

## So Lame

Lorena, Lillian, Lilith, Leilani

Part 3

## So Lame

Lorena, Lillian, Lilith, Leilani

## Delicious

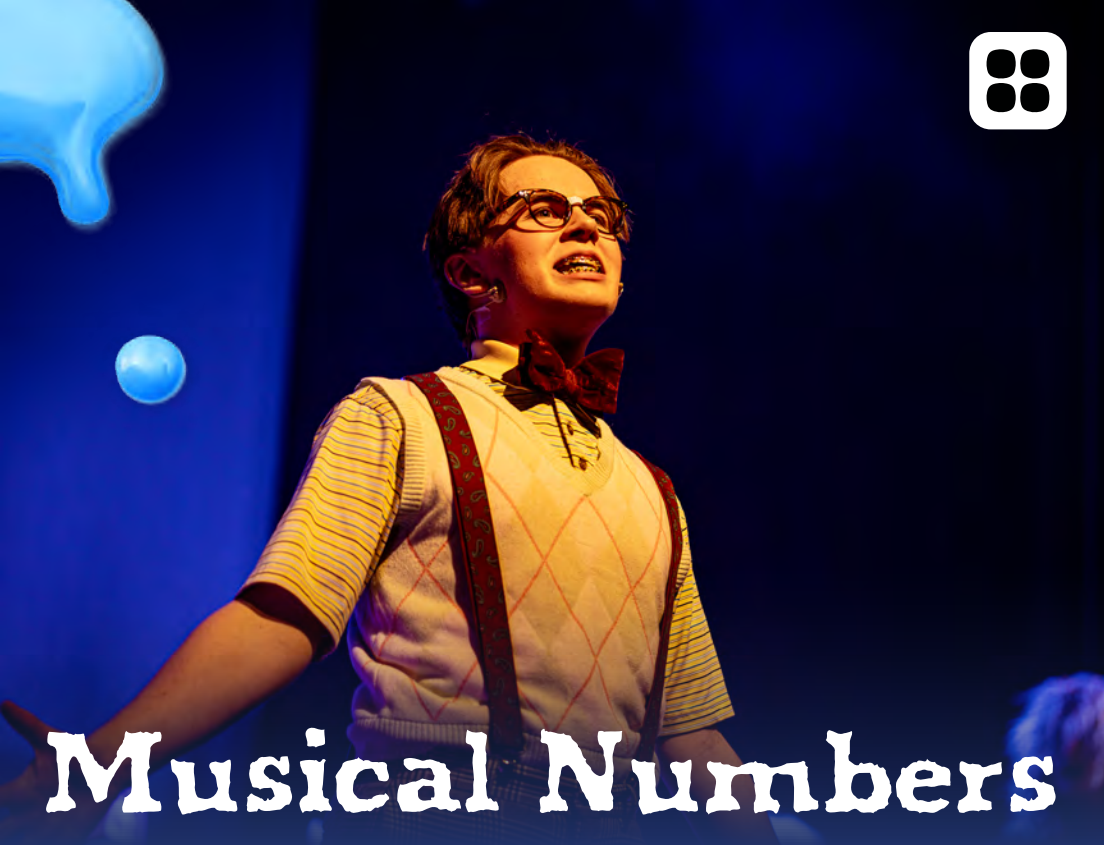
Dad, Charley

Part 1

## Can You Call This Person A Friend?

Donna, Dina, Dana, Charley, Zombie K., Alien, Swampy, Darryl, Scottie, Cougar





# Musical Numbers

## Can You Call This Person A Friend?

Part 2

Jennifer, Charley, Donna, Dina, Dana, Darryl,  
Cougar, Scottie, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy,  
Popular Girls, Nerd Herd, Bullies

## A Perfect Party

Vince, Charley, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy,  
Mom, Andy, Annie, Assistants

## Jennifer Is Gonna Have A Birthday

Lion King Soloist, Lion King Performers



# Musical Numbers

Reprise 1

## So Lame

Charley, Lorena, Lillian, Lilith, Leilani

## Better Than A “Boo!”

Garry, Charley, Monster Chorus

## Making Invitations

Zombie King, Alien, Swampy

## Lullaby

Mom





# Musical Numbers

## The Invitation

Cougar, Scottie, Charley, Donna, Dina, Dana, Darryl, Jennifer

## Making Special Effects

Zombie King, Alien, Swampy

Reprise 2

## So Lame

Lorena

## This Is Big

Cougar, Scottie, Donna, Darryl, Dina, Dana, Students



# Musical Numbers

Encore

## The Big One-Oh!

All

## That Could Be Me

Jennifer

Reprise 1

## Better Than A "Boo!"

Charley

## We've Got Each Other

Lorena, Charley



# Musical Numbers

## House Of Horrors

All

Reprise 2

## Better Than A 'Boo!'

All

## This Is Big Finale

All



# the Cast





# Madeline Barks

## Zombie King

Madeline is very excited to be returning to the

stage for her fourth production with KCP! Her previous musicals include "Madagascar Jr" (2019), "From a Distance" (2021), and "Elf Jr." (2022). Madeline enjoys playing the piano and has been doing it for over a decade. Aside from musical theatre, Madeline also enjoys anything outdoors, and immersing herself in the fine arts. She would like to extend her biggest thanks to the creative team as well as the company for making this show one of a kind! Madeline hopes you enjoy this **FANTASTICALLY FUN MUSICAL!**





# Sarah Barks

## Ensemble

Sarah is extremely excited to be in her first ever KCP production!

Sarah enjoys mountain biking, snowboarding, and being upside down. She would like to say thank you to her big sister Maddy for inspiring her to partake in a KCP musical. Being a part of this musical has been such a fun experience for Sarah and she can't wait for future shows! She hopes you all enjoy this wacky adventure!





# Blake Clarke

Charley

Blake has danced and sung since he was two years old performing for friends and family and even strangers. He has appeared in productions of Hercules, The Grinch, Below and Sing (IPAS). Playing the role of Charlie in "The Big One Oh Jr" is a thrill especially because this is his first time performing with KCP. Blake has a very exciting upcoming 2024 as he is in the Moving Art Triple Threat Program and will represent Canada at the Junior Theatre Festival in Atlanta.

His aspirations are for a career in the acting and entertainment industry.



# Avery Corlett

## Ensemble

Avery is a grade 6 student from Pine River Elementary School. She is

incredibly excited to perform in "The Big One-Oh! Jr" This is her first year with KCP and her first live musical production. In her free time, Avery can be found hanging out with her friends, figure skating at the arena and singing at home with her younger sister. Avery is very grateful to everyone at KCP for this amazing experience and is looking forward to the next show!





# Sophie Renton Dass

- Lillian
- Ensemble

Sophie has loved Musical Theatre for as long as she can remember. She has always been a creative person who loves expressing herself on stage. She would like to thank the cast and crew for making this a fun and welcoming experience. She would also like to thank her grandma, Madge Renton, for introducing her to her love of Musicals.







# Samuel Dyson

Motorcycle  
Cop/Ensemble

Samuel is  
originally from  
Vancouver Island

and later lived in England before moving to Canada. His debut dance performance took place right here at this very theatre, with Moving Art over 5 years ago. "The Big One Oh!" production marks his sixth musical endeavour. With his last musical being the Lion King with Music In Motion. Samuel is very excited to be involved with the Big One Oh! He eagerly anticipates the many future productions that await him. "Remember: there are no small parts, only small actors." –Constantin Stanislavski.





# Ewan Pearce

Vince/ensemble

Ewan is 16 years old and this is his third show ever. He has been performing for 3 years now since grade 9. His first show was a musical written by the seniors at Bear Creek called "The Show won't go on". He is quite new to theatre compared to many of the other cast members but he is very excited to be participating in the show!





# Kaia Forder

Dina/Ensemble

Kaia is 13 years old and currently in grade 8 at Algonquin Ridge Elementary School. This is her second KCP show- she was in last year's production of "Elf Jr". She hopes you enjoy the show!





# Zyelle Grant- Cousins

## Ensemble

Zyelle is 10  
years old and  
lives in Barrie,

ON. She has a guinea pig named Sprinkles and 6 fish named Todd, Tom, Shooting Star, Star, Sunrise and Sunset. When Zyelle grows up she wants to be an Orthodontist. Her favourite subject is Math. Currently Zyelle is a model and actress. She enjoys going to auditions. She likes playing basketball. In her spare time Zyelle likes to binge watch tv shows. Her favourite genre is Horror. Zyelle has a passion for making bracelets and keychains and wants to get better at crochet. One thing she wants to achieve is to be more organized and to be more active.



# Mia Greatrix

Alien



Mia is overjoyed to return to KCP for her fifth show, where she's ready to astonish audiences with her otherworldly vocal range. She's cherished every moment spent with her talented cast mates and the incredible crew who've poured their hearts into making this show a reality. Mia is deeply appreciative of their hard work, which has transformed this production into something truly extraordinary. So please, sit back, relax, and enjoy this certainly unforgettable performance.





# Anna Goldsmith

She/Her  
Lorena



Anna is a singer-songwriter, actor, and dancer. This is her fifth youth production with KCP, and she is so excited to hit the stage again for you today! Some of Anna's favourite roles have been Pinocchio in "Shrek", Lil' Red in "Into the Woods", and Young Anna in "Frozen". Thank you so much for supporting the performing arts! Enjoy the show! (Please check out Anna's original music on all platforms).







# André Hering

## Ensemble

This is André's first year being part of a KCP production, although he has

been singing in the shower for many years. He enjoys performing in front of a crowd and started in the school choir while in JK. Andre loves to listen to music, sing while baking fresh cookies for his family and playing with his pet cat, Joey. André is very athletic and enjoys swimming, volleyball, skiing and wakeboarding. He likes to travel with his family and try new and different foods. André is also a Hungarian scout and enjoys singing Hungarian folk songs during campfires.



# Abby Jensen

## Ensemble

Abby is thrilled to be taking the stage again with KCP in their production

of "The Big One-Oh! Jr"!

This is her second musical with KCP, she was also in last year's production of "Elf Jr". Abby is a grade 7 student at Emma King Elementary School. Aside from her love of singing & dancing she also plays on most of her school's sports teams. She is very grateful for this opportunity and would like to thank the entire KCP team for making this experience such a memorable one. She hopes you enjoy the show!



# Madelyn Kenyon

## Swampy

Madelyn is overjoyed to be a part of "The Big One-Oh Jr"

this year! She has been a constant source of song since she was very tiny. She's a grade 10 student who is classically trained in piano & voice and loves being on stage. This past year, she was a provincial finalist in the Kiwanis Music Festival and is currently working towards completing level 7 piano. Madelyn has been in 10 musicals throughout her life, including "Elf jr", "Madagascar Jr", and many more. Finally, she would like to thank her family for driving her to practices and supporting her all along her journey!





# Eric Knight

## Ensemble

Eric is making his KCP debut this season in "The Big One-Oh

Jr". Earlier this year, he celebrated his "Big One-Oh" and is currently in grade 5 at Maple Grove Public School where he first got involved in musical theatre. One of his favourite shows is "Shrek". Eric studies piano and plays hockey, soccer, runs cross country and enjoys lightsaber battles. Eric would like to thank his family and friends for their support, and he hopes you all enjoy the show.





# Owen Knight

- Daryl Egbert
- Ensemble

Owen is excited to be performing the role of Daryl

Egbert, leader of the Nerd Herd in "The Big One-Oh Jr". He is currently in grade 8 at Maple Grove Public School and is thrilled to be back with KCP this season after being part of the "Elf Jr" cast. Owen first caught the musical theatre bug thanks to Ms. Viera and Mrs. Potts. His favourite show is "Spamalot". Owen studies piano and enjoys playing hockey, soccer, and basketball. Owen would like to thank his family for supporting all his activities. He hopes you enjoy KCP's production of "The Big One-Oh Jr"!



# Joshua Masuda

- Jeffrey Stoval
- Ensemble

Joshua is 11 years old. At school he has performed

in the school talent show, played on the volleyball team and looks forward to his school musical in the Spring. The "Big One Oh Jr." is Joshua's first KCP show! He has enjoyed singing, dancing and making new friends at KCP. Joshua is excited to perform at Georgian Theatre for his family and friends.





# Brynn Partridge

- Jennifer's Mom
- Ensemble

Brynn is a young high school

student, she's always had a passion for acting. Ever since she was little her dream was to become an actress. At 12, she started to take her passion seriously and enrolled in a theatre class in Barrie. At 14, she started taking acting classes once a week in Toronto and twice a week in Barrie. These classes helped make a life long dream come closer to reality. This is Brynn's first performance on the big stage and she's so excited that she's getting her foot in the door of the acting world.



# Sam Pergau

- Cougar
- Ensemble

Sam is very happy to be in "The Big One-

Oh!" She's very proud to say this is her 3rd show with KCP. She spends her free time reading, singing and beating her family in board games. Sam has been in "Shrek" and "Madagascar" with KCP and participates in the King Edward choir and at Burton Avenue United Church.







# Brynnley Peterson

- Donna
- Ensemble

Brynnley is absolutely delighted to be a part of "The Big One-Oh!" This marks her third performance with KCP, and she's truly enjoying portraying the character of Donna. As a ninth-grade student in Collingwood, Brynnley likes to be involved in all things musical. She sings, plays the piano and is learning to play the flute. She has had a passion for performing throughout her entire life. She aspires to continue pursuing this passion for many years to come. Brynnley is so grateful for the invaluable friendships she has made at KCP and extends her heartfelt thanks to all her family and friends for their unwavering support in attending the show.



# Lily Picco

Jennifer Mobley

Eleven-year-old  
Lily is thrilled  
to be taking the  
stage once again

with KCP! She played Shawanda/  
Ensemble in last year's production  
of "Elf Jr." and also appeared as Alice  
in her school's production of "Alice  
in Wonderland". After reading the  
script for "The Big One-Oh!", Lily  
instantly connected with the show's  
comic book theme as well as with the  
character of Jennifer Mobley whom  
she shares several personality traits  
with. In addition to singing, dancing,  
and acting, Lily plays back catcher for  
Barrie Storm's U13 Sr. fastpitch rep  
team. She hopes that you enjoy "The  
Big One-Oh!" as much as she enjoyed  
playing the part of Jennifer!



# Connor Pitkanen

He/Him

- Garry Quarky
- Dad

Connor has been very passionate about theatre since grade 9. This is his first show with KCP and "The Big One-Oh Jr". is the second musical he has appeared in. Connor is super excited to be appearing as Garry Quarky and Dad as he loves playing the goofy characters. He would like to thank his drama teacher, Betony Main, his family, the friends he made along the way, and the whole KCP team for their incredible work. Enjoy the show!!!





# Evangeline Poirier

- Mrs Cleveland
- Ensemble

Evangeline's family will tell

you she has been a performer since birth, performing everything from living room concerts, to practicing her crying in the bathroom mirror. By 9 she discovered theatre outside of her house, and fell in love. After a few years of supporting roles, Evangeline landed her first lead as Mal in a local production of "The Descendants Musical" in 2022. She decided to take the next step into community theatre this past summer, and was overjoyed when she landed her role in "The Big One-Oh Jr". Thanks to the cast and crew for making her first KCP experience wonderful and she hopes the audience enjoys the show as much as she has enjoyed performing it.





# Leah Potje

## Stacy/Ensemble

Leah is delighted to be performing in her sixth

KCP show! Her favourite roles include Emily Hobbs in "Elf JR", Hansel and Gretel's horrific mother in "The Tales of Andergrimm". She also was thrilled to participate behind the scenes as an ASM for KCP's "We Will Rock You!" Leah nearly always has a song stuck in her head, and can often be found singing and/or playing the ukulele. She would like to thank all the fabulous people who helped bring this show to life for all that they brought to this incredible experience. She hopes you enjoy the show!



# Angelina Ramotowski

Dana/Ensemble

Angelina is excited to be performing in her third show with

KCP! Some of her previous musicals include "Charlie Brown", "Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat", "Elf Jr", "Madagascar Jr", as well as "Wonder in AliceLand". Along with performing in musicals, Angelina enjoys performing in aerial silks shows, playing soccer, skiing, practicing the piano and saxophone, along with running cross country. Angelina would like to thank her family and friends for all their love and support. She hopes you enjoy the show!



# Brianna Stephen

- Lillith
- Assistant Annie
- Lion King Soloist



This is Brianna's 5th production with KCP having appeared as the Ugly Duckling in "Tales of Andergrimm" and more recently as Deb in "Elf: The Musical". Brianna attends the French immersion program at Barrie North Collegiate, studies voice & guitar with Renée Cingolani, mixed martial arts, improv at Moving Art, and enjoys dance, skiing, and camping. She is happy she gets to share this show with her brother and would like to thank her family for always letting her pursue her dreams.



# Dylan Stephen

- Charley Understudy
- Ensemble

Dylan is 12 years old and is so happy to be sharing the stage with his sister! He has participated in 3 KCP shows including "The Tales of Andergrimm" and more recently as Michael in "Elf: The Musical", as well as a couple of television commercials for Thomas the Train and Sage Software. Dylan studies improv at Moving Art, piano and voice with Renée Cingolani, mixed martial arts, loves skiing and canoeing, and attends the French immersion program at Oakley Park P.S. He would like to thank his family for supporting his inherited love to perform.





# Braelyn Sutton

- Scottie
- Ensemble

A Grade 7 student at Guthrie Public School, Braelyn

is energetic, friendly and loves to make friends, act and sing. She is happiest making her friends and family laugh and she has found her joy in being on stage! She has recently written a play based on Peter Pan and her wish is to produce it for her elementary school this year. Her favourite Broadway musicals on repeat are currently "Hamilton" and "Six!"





# Nick Strampel

Boing Boing

Nick is a grade 8 student from Minesing and is excited to perform

in "The Big One Oh! Jr."

This is his second production with KCP, having performed in "Elf Jr." last year. Nick also participated in "Willy Wonka The Musical" in Wasaga Beach, and enjoys taking classes at Moving Art. In his free time, Nick can be found hanging out with friends, skiing, and travelling with his family. Nick is very grateful to everyone at KCP for this amazing experience, and is looking forward to the next show!



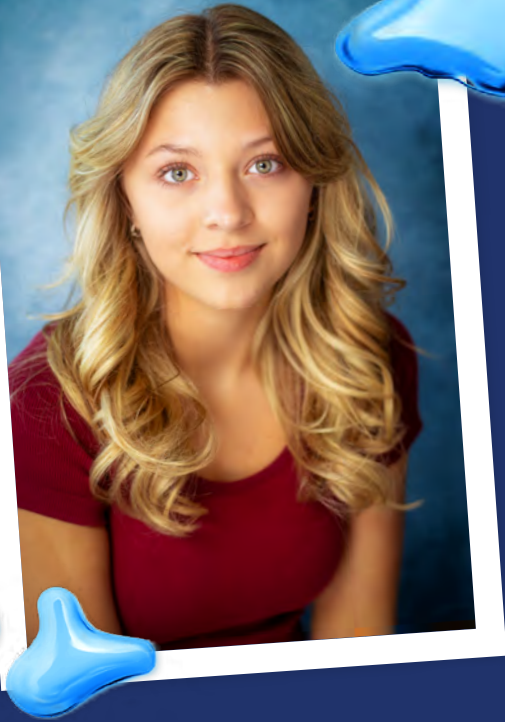
# Railyn Hodson -Walker

Mom

Railyn is a 16 year old performer who has loved

theatre her whole life. This is her fifth musical with KCP, and has been performing with them since she was 9 years old. Railyn is also currently in the ensemble of "The Addams Family", KCP's full company show. Along with performing, Railyn loves her cat, playing guitar, dancing, baking, and listening to Taylor Swift. Railyn would like to thank her family, especially her mom for their constant support, as well as her friends, castmates, and the crew involved in putting together this production. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!





# Geoeigh Wehby

Leilani/Dance Captain

Geoeigh is excited to make her theatrical debut as

Leilani in the KCP production of "The Big One-Oh Jr.". She realized her love of performing arts at a very young age and has graced the stage as a dancer, singer, guitarist and actor. As a screen actor she is best known for her role as The White Rabbit in "The Tea Party " which made its world premiere screening debut at the TLC Chinese Theatre in Hollywood during the 2023 Dances With Films: LA Festival. She continues her ongoing training in all areas of performance and is represented by Soho Management in Toronto. Geoeigh would like to thank her fellow cast and crew members and is honoured to share the stage with such talented performers.



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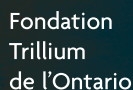
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# Awards & Accolades

The Association of Community Theatre (ACT\_CO) is a registered not for profit organization dedicated to supporting community theatre in Ontario. Along with education, their most visible activity however, is their Festival. Each year approximately 40 productions are entered into the musical categories for adjudication by working theatre professionals.

The festival culminates each year in April at the annual Awards Gala where nominations and winners in each category are announced and recognized for outstanding performances and achievements. These awards called the THEA's are presented at the Gala. KCP was pleased to join the Association in 2011 and has had at least one show adjudicated each year.



# Awards & Accolades

**2011-2012**

## ***Anne of Green Gables***

**Awarded** Best Youth Chorus and Outstanding Performance for Best Featured Artist.  
**Nominated** for Best Choreography.

**2012-2013**

## ***Honk Jr***

**Awarded** Most Impressive Ensemble/Chorus

## ***Spamalot***

**Awarded** Best Performance by a Female in a Leading Role, and Best Sound Design.

**Nominated** for Best Production, Best Performance by a Male in a Leading Role, Best Choreography, and Best Props.

**2013-2014**

## ***Once Upon A Mattress***

**Awarded** Best Performance by a Female in a Supporting Role.  
**Nominated** for Best Costume Design.

**2014-2015**

## ***Seussical (TYA)***

**Awarded** Best Costume Design, Outstanding Ensemble and Outstanding Youth Performer (2 actors nominated)

**Nominated** for Best Choreography and Best Set Design.

## ***Les Misérables***

**Nominated** for Best Performance by a Male in a Leading Role, and Best Musical Director.

**2015-2016**

## ***Beauty & the Beast Jr***

**Nominated** for Outstanding Performance by a Youth in a Leading Role.

## ***Mary Poppins***

**Nominated** for Best Ensemble.

**2016-2017**

## ***The Little Mermaid Jr***

**Awarded** Outstanding Youth Ensemble.

**2017-2018**

## ***Peter Pan Jr***

**Awarded** Best Youth Ensemble.  
**Nominated** for Best Choreography and Best Costume Design.

## ***Oliver!***

**Awarded** Best Costume Design  
**Nominated** for Best Stage Management and Best Youth Ensemble.

**2018-2019**

## ***Aladdin Jr***

**Awarded** Adjudicator's Award for Outstanding Accomplishment by a Youth (award and an additional nomination)

**Nominated** for Best Costume Design and Best Choreography.

## ***Shrek***

**Awarded** Best Direction, Best Performance by a Male in a Supporting Role, Outstanding Commitment and Performance by an Ensemble

**Nominated** for Best Production, Best Musical Direction, Best Performance by a Male in a Leading Role, Best Performance by a Female in a Leading Role, Best Performance by a Female in a Supporting Role, Best Lighting Design, Best Costume Design, plus two Adjudicator's Awards

**2019-2020**

## ***Mamma Mia!***

**Awarded** Best Choreography, Best Stage Manager  
**Nominated** Best set Design, Best performance by a male in a leading role, Best performance by a female in a leading role

## ***Madagascar Jr***

**Awarded** Outstanding Young performer  
**Nominated** Outstanding Ensemble, Best costume design



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