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In February 2008, New Century Players was in its fourth season and we piloted a production of A Midsummer Night's Dream with 12 students and 12 adults. The idea came out of wanting to create a community outreach production that worked alongside our local schools with an emphasis on giving students another opportunity to learn and perform. Little did we know that 10 years and 8 shows later, we would be going into our 9th collaboration with Rex Putnam High School in a production of a crazy little musical called Legally Blonde. I admit my naivete in saying "little" musical. This one is actually colossal. From the music, to the settings, to the number of characters, costumes changes; I don't think we quite knew what we were getting into. All that to say, here we are and we did it. The countless weekend work parties, dirty paint brushes, exhausting dance rehearsals, video shoots, dinners together and late nights all in the last 6 weeks hopefully have paid off. I know a lot has been learned by all and when you bring so many people together from so many different backgrounds including students, artists, musicians, technicians, professional actors and designers to accomplish a goal like a huge Broadway musical, you truly have created community and that's what New Century Players is all about. Thanks you for taking us over that final finish line. We wouldn't be here doing what we love to do without you, our audience! We appreciate your support. Enjoy the show! - Kelley Marchant, director



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| Elle                  | Kate Potter                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Margot                | Arielle Scena-Shiffrin                |
| Serena                |                                       |
| Pilar                 |                                       |
| Kate                  | • •                                   |
| Bruiser               | Kibitz                                |
| Saleswoman (Courtney) |                                       |
| Store Manager         |                                       |
| Grandmaster Chad      |                                       |
| Elle's Dad            |                                       |
| Elle's Mom            | Ç                                     |
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| Lowell                |                                       |
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| Vivienne              | Anna Bakun                            |
| Whitney               |                                       |
| Paulette              | •                                     |
| Kiki, The Nail Gal    |                                       |
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|--------------------|----------------------|
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#### LEGALLY BLONDE SONG LIST

#### Act I

| OMG You Guys         | Delta Nus, Elle, Store Manager                |
|----------------------|---|
| Serious              | Elle, Warner                                  |
| Daughter of Delta Nu | Delta Nus, Elle                               |
| What You Want        | Elle, Delta Nus, Harvard Admissions, Ensemble |
| Harvard Variations   | Aaron, Padamadan, Enid, Ensemble              |
| Blood In The Water   | Callahan, Harvard Ensemble                    |
| Positive             | Elle, Delta Nus                               |
| Ireland              | Elle, Paulette, Kiki, Salon Ensemble          |
| Serious (Reprise)    | Elle, Warner                                  |
| Chip On My Shoulder  | Elle, Emmett, Paulette, Delta Nus, Callahan   |
| So Much Better       | Elle, Emmett, Harvard Ensemble                |

#### \*\*\*\*\* 10 Minute Intermission \*\*\*\*\*

#### Act II

| Whipped Into Shape   | Brooke, Callahan, Law Team, Ensemble      |
|----------------------|---|
| Take It Like A Man   | Elle, Emmett, Ensemble                    |
| Bend And Snap        | Paulette, Elle, Delta Nus, Salon Ensemble |
| Gay or European?     | Entire Cast                               |
| Legally Blonde       | Elle, Emmett                              |
| Legally Blonde Remix | Elle, Entire Cast                         |
| Scene of the Crime   | Entire Cast                               |
| Find My Way/Finale   | Entire Cast                               |



#### PRODUCTION CREW

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|---|--|--|
| DirectorKelley Marchant                               |  |  |
| Asst. Director  |  |  |
| Asst. Director  |  |  |
| Vocal DirectorErika Lockwood                          |  |  |
| ChoreographerJessica Hollyfield-Melz                  |  |  |
| Dance Captain   |  |  |
| Stage ManagerShan Backer                              |  |  |
| Asst. Stage ManagerMegan Lewis                        |  |  |
| Technical/Set DesignThyra Hartshorn                   |  |  |
| Technical DirectorBrent Hall                          |  |  |
| Scenic Building                                       |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| Scenic Artwork Dirk Foley, David Pritchard            |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| Sound Assistance                                      |  |  |
| Sound Engineer  |  |  |
| Sound EngineerAlan Schacht                            |  |  |
| Sound CrewIsabella Leatham, Brock Paldi               |  |  |
| Light DesignThyra Hartshorn, Isaac Valerio            |  |  |
| Light Board Engineer Brock Paldi                      |  |  |
| Spotlight   |  |  |
| Tech CrewAudrey Meucci, Noah Meucci, Rex Hanson       |  |  |
| Jessica Bezerra, Amanda Valerio, Marcus Zeller        |  |  |
| Costume Design Ellen Spitaleri                        |  |  |
| Costume Assistance                                    |  |  |
|   |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| Costume Thanks to Jesuit H.S.!                        |  |  |
| Props Crew Abbey Christensen, Kendra Cutler           |  |  |
| Sewing Assistance                                     |  |  |
| Cast Dinners Casie Bova, Louisa Haberlach, Tara Hagar |  |  |
| Sue Lewis, Shelly Reggiani, Rochelle Bracken-Meucci   |  |  |
| Jessica Lopez, Laurie Shepherd                        |  |  |
| Cara Danasa   |  |  |

#### **BAND**

| Pit Conductor/Music Direct | Martin Kwon                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Keyboard #1                | Marcia Fischer                  |
| Keyboard #2                | Brian Haslanger                 |
| Electric Guitar            | Zach Holden                     |
| Electric Bass              | J.J. Erickson                   |
| Acoustic Bass              | Georgia Muggli                  |
| Drums                      | Justin Radford                  |
| Flute                      | Mindy Lachner                   |
| Clarinet                   | Marilisa Justiniani             |
| Violin                     | Grace Hancock, Cameron Hlavacka |
| Trumpet #1                 | Tim Wells                       |
|                            | Bill Baucum                     |
| Trombone                   | Sean Haskell, Beth Szczepanski  |

## Special Thanks to the Kingsmen Thunder Drumline:

| Director  | Rene Ormae Jarmer |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Snare     | Oscar Quick       |
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| Snare     | Ian Franzen       |
| Tenor     | Aaron Wilson      |
| Bass Drum | Samantha Michael  |
| Bass Drum | Maria Preston     |
| Cymbals   | Fionna Butay      |

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**Kate Potter** (Elle) is a senior at Rex Putnam and is delighted to be a part of this production and upbeat cast. This is Kate's fifth musical with New Century Players and seventeenth production with the Rex Putnam Theatre Department. Several of her other past credits include *Romeo and Juliet*, *Grease*, *Midsummer/Jersey*, *A Company of Wayward Saints*, *Footloose*, and *Hairspray*. This past year Kate also had the opportunity to perform her MT piece at the International Thespian Conference in Nebraska. Outside the theatre department,

Kate is an IB Diploma candidate, captain of the women's varsity soccer team, has been a part of A Cappella Choir, and loves going to tap class. After graduation, she plans on working towards her BFA in Musical Theatre and studying International Relations. Kate feels very blessed to have a support system of family and friends that want her to pursue her dreams and would especially like to thank her mom for coming along on this adventure with her.



Anthony Avalos (Warner) is a senior at Rex Putnam and is thrilled to be apart of his first production with the department. Anthony is a member of the A Capella Choir and the Choralaires at Rex Putnam. His biggest passion is music. In his free time, Anthony likes to hang out with friends, play guitar and make music. He also spends his time taking donations at Goodwill. Anthony would like to thank Mrs. Lockwood for encouraging him to audition and all the directors for this opportunity. He would like to thank his friends and family, especially Alex and Ben for boosting his confidence and pushing him to his full potential.



**Dirk Foley** (Prof. Callahan) This is Dirk's fourth show with New Century Players and he has had lots fun working with this very talented cast! Originally from Seattle, he moved to Portland in 1994 and is happy to call Oregon his home. His favorite theatrical roles include Captain Wentworth in *Persuasion*, George Spelvin in *The Actor's Nightmare*, and Robert Browning in *Barretts of Wimpole Street*. Dirk is a baritone with the Portland Gay Men's Chorus and will travel with them on a tour of mainland China this fall.

Alex Mehigan (Emmett) is a sophomore at Rex Putnam High School and is so honored to have this role. This will be Alex's first musical of the five shows with the department. You might recognize him from his portrayal as Homer in *Charlotte's Web* earlier this year. Outside of theatre, Alex makes music with the Rex Putnam A Choir and is a member of the Student Council, where he serves as a Blood Drive Coordinator and Sophomore Class Officer. Alex is a basketball referee and works at McDonald's. In his free time, Alex loves to spend time with



his family and friends (Babs T.) He would like to thank Mrs. Lockwood for teaching him amazing vocal techniques and life lessons, Mrs. Marchant and the rest of the production team for casting him, and guiding him through this process. Also, Anthony and Ben for the endless support and friendship. Last, but definitely not least, he would like to thank his amazing family for the support and guidance.

**Kerie Darner** (Paulette) is excited to perform for the first time with RPHS. Most recently Kerie played Rachel in *Two by Two* with Lakewood Theatre and Agnes in *I Do! I Do!* with New Century Players. A recent transplant to the Portland area, some of Kerie's favorite roles include Anna in *The King and I* with Palo Alto Players, Sharon in *Finian's Rainbow* with South Bay Musical Theatre, and Marian in *The Music Man* with Broadway By the Bay. She'd like to thank her wonderful supportive husband who has been taking care of their adorable two year old son while she's been in rehearsals. When not on stage, chas-



ing her son, or yelling at her cats, Kerie can be found working hard to recruit top technical talent for Apple.

**Sonnet Mungyeh** (Enid) is a freshman at Rex Putnam and very excited to perform in her first show! She's also involved in the school's choir and orchestra department. Sonnet has done 8 years of ballet and tap, and 3 years of jazz. She's also a purple belt in Shotokan karate and has done the art for almost 3 years. In her free time, she likes to read, write, go to the movies with friends, and learn her favorite songs on the guitar. Coincidentally, Sonnet wants to be a lawyer when she grows up. She would like to thank their family and friends for supporting her throughout the years.





Arielle Scena-Shifrin (Margot/ Prison Dance Ensemble) Arielle is a professional vocalist and actress from Denver, CO. She has been performing for 8 years, and has performed in 8 different countries. Arielle is in her third year of college studying vocal performance and theatre at Portland State University. She has performed with the Oregon Symphony in The Planets Suite, Mahler No.2, and Mahler No. 3. In the Portland theatre community, she has appeared in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and *Godspell*. Favorite shows Arielle has

been in are *Singin' In The Rain*, *All Out* as Elaine Ritter, *Fiddler on the Roof* as a Russian and Bottle Dancer, and *Godspell*, in which, she got to perform one of her dream roles and sing "Turn Back O' Man." Arielle is thrilled to be joining New Century Players for *Legally Blonde the Musical*, and would like to thank the cast and crew for their talent, hard work, and kindness!



Sadie Schulte (Delta Nu/ Serena) Is a sophomore at Rex Putnam High School, and is ecstatic to be in her first ever show. Sadie has done dance for eight years and was in choir for two. In her free time she enjoys spending quality time with friends and family. Her main passion is music, she enjoys listening to music and creating music of her own. She would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her and encouraging her to step out of her comfort zone and audition. Lastly, she would also like to thank the wonderful cast and tech and directors and everyone who has helped make all of this possible.



Brynn Shepherd (Pilar) is a Senior at Rex Putnam and is so very grateful and excited to be a part of this fantastic show. This will be her second show, her first being Grease. Brynn is involved in many things: a section leader in the A Choir, member of the Choralaires, the head Blood Drive Coordinator, President of the Rotary Interact Club, an AVID student, a Leadership student, a Thespian, as well as a Sunday school teacher. Brynn honestly wouldn't have gotten where she is today if it wasn't for her amazing parents, Tom and Laurie, and her beautiful sister, Aubrey. She would also like to thank the cast

and crew and all the incredible directors for helping her out and sticking with her. Finally, she would like to thank each and every one of her awesome friends (you know who you are, especially Judith M.) for bearing with her stress and scatter-brainess and for loving her no matter what. Love you all!

Alyssa Marchant (Kate) is a Junior, and feels fabulous to be apart of this show. This is her eleventh role at Putnam. You may have seen her in this years *Charlotte's Web* as Charlotte and *And Then They Came For Me* as Eva and most of the shows from last year and the previous year. She also participates in Leadership, Track and Field, NHS, Ballet, AWMC, and helps lead a wonderful group of middle school girls at her church. She would like to thank this this fun cast, her wonderful friends (especially her best friends Kenny, Annie, Liam, Ang, and Siena) for every-



thing they do for her, and her Mom, Dad, brother Jared, and cat Lina for continuously supporting her and showing her how to be a better person every day.

Rachelle George (Delta Nu) is a junior at Rex Putnam high school. This is her ninth show here, and she's so excited to be a part of such a lively cast and production. You may have seen her previously seen her in *And Then They Came for Me: Remembering the World of Anne Frank*, *Charlotte's Web*, and *Midsummer/Jersey*. She is currently an IB Diploma candidate, and owes a lot to her dog Bella for helping her through it. She would also like to give a big thanks to her friends and family for their support.



**Jayden Deffley** (Dance Captain/Delta Nu) is a sophomore at Rex Putnam High School and is ecstatic to be in this year's musical. When she's not on the *Legally Blonde* stage, you can see her dancing competitively for Studio One Dance Academy. She specializes in both jazz and tap and travels to compete and perform. In her free time, she enjoys catching up on sleep and watching Friends. Jayden also loves spending time with friends and family. She would like to give a special thanks to Jessica who has been able to introduce her to this musical and continue to challenge and help her grow. She also thanks her



family for being so supportive of her crazy schedule and all her friends who come to support and encourage.



Adilee Holmes (Gailen/Delta Nu) Is a freshman at Rex Putnam and is very excited to be in her first musical! You may have seen her in Rex Putnams recent show, *Charlotte's Web* as the Photographer. In what little spare time she has, she spends time napping, doing homework, or hanging out with friends. She would like to thank her family for being so helpful and driving me to and from all of my rehearsals. She would also like to thank her friends for being supportive of her!



**Frannie Paldi** (Delta Nu) is a sophomore at Rex Putnam and is now in her fifth show! You might have seen her in *Charlotte's Web* as Fern, or *Midsummer/Jersey* as Peaseblossom. Outside of theater, Frannie is a year round soccer player. Frannie would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her, and Lilia Haberlach for getting her Whipped Into Shape.



Anna Bakun (Vivienne) is a sophomore at the International School of Beaverton and is thrilled to be in her first show ever. She is an avid singer, and performs in her school's IB choir and acapella group, as well as being involved in Japanese National Honor Society. She would like to thank her family for driving her so far to be able to be in this show, as well as her friends for putting up with the constant "No, I have rehearsal". She would also like to thank New Century Players for this amazing opportunity, as well as putting up with her crazy schedule. Finally, she

would like to thank the entire cast and crew for being so amazingly inclusive and making her feel at home in this wonderful department.



Benjamin Stock (Grandmaster Chad/Carlos) is a sophomore at Rex Putnam and is thrilled to be in his first show with the department. Ben sings Baritone in the A Capella Choir and the Choralaires at Putnam. He loves to hang out with friends and listen to music. He would like to thank his amazing friends and family for the support, especially Alex and Anthony. Also, the directors for this amazing opportunity.

**Kristin Alarcon** (Brooke Wyndham) is excited to perform in her first show with the New Century Players! After being heavily involved in choir, theater, and dance team at Clackamas High School, she went on to dance at University of Oregon and then for the South Sound Nighthawks semi-pro football team in Seattle. She coached cheer and dance teams in Oregon and Washington as well as taught dance at various local studios for many years, and currently dances for the One More Time Around Again alumni team. By day, Kristin is a 12th grade



teacher at Oregon Connections Academy, and serves as the Director of Media and Tabulation for the Judges' Affiliation of the Dance/Drill Coaches' Association of Oregon. She sings in both the Tilikum Community Choir and the West Linn Community Chorus, and is hoping to audition at Disneyland this year. Kristin wants to thank her family and friends for being AMAZINGLY supportive, and especially Mike, Muffin, and Moon for putting up with the constant singing and dancing around the house!

Richard Topping (Pforzheimer/Dewey) teaches chemistry at Rex Putnam, and is totally stoked to learn seemingly impossible dance moves from the talented - and unfeasibly bendy - students in this show. Prior to life as an educator, Topping worked as an actor, television host and voice-over artist with credits including *Leverage*, *Grimm*, *Amnesia*, and some arthouse thing where he waved a sword and shouted a lot. Special thanks go to wife Katie, who never thought she'd have to start a conversation by saying "I'm a musical-theater widow."



Mary Weigel (Store Manager/Ensemble) has been a member of New Century Players since 2007 after a long absence from the stage. She is excited to be participating in *Legally Blonde*, *The Musical* with such a wonderful mixed cast of adults and students. Past productions include roles in *Steel Magnolias*, *A Murder is Announced*, *Moon Over Buffalo*, *Bad Seed*, *Hairspray*, *Suite Surrender*, *Footloose*, *The Odd Couple*, *Play On*, *Glorious!* and most recently *Persuasion* as Lady Russell. Mary would like to thank her family and friends for their continued support



and especially Kelley Marchant and New Century Players for helping to keep the dream alive!



**Dee Ann Dolfay** (Kiki the Colorist/Ensemble) is the Principal's Secretary at Rex Putnam and the proud parent of two Kingsmen graduates. This will be her first show, other than the antics in the office and at home. She is very excited to be apart of this outstanding group of future stars. She has been overwhelmed with the support from friends, coworkers and family. Her wish is that you leave with a smile. A very special thank you to her husband, Ed for never doubting her ability to contribute something interesting to the show.



**Greg Prosser** (Winthrop/Ensemble) Over the past 9 years Greg has been a prince, senator, composer, sheriff, doctor, reverend, socialite, actor, baker, architect, banker, Queen's Counsel and a mysterious man... and had a great time doing it all. Greg is thrilled to be back with New Century Players having been in six previous NCP productions. Some past favorite roles include Salieri in *Amadeus* at HART, the Narrator/Mysterious Man in *Into the Woods* at BCT, Sir Wilfred Robards in *Witness for the Prosecution* with NCP and Canon Pennefather in *Murder on* 

*the Nile* at Lakewood Theatre. Greg also loves to sing and is a member of Oregon Repertory Singers. He is very thankful to Kelley for the opportunity to join in this production and to the cast and crew who have made this a wonderful experience.



**Leo McNaughton** (Lowell/Ensemble) is a sophomore at Rex Putnam High School. He is exhilarated to be involved with his first musical and seventh production (others include *Midsummer/Jersey*, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, *And Then They Came for Me*, and *Charlotte's Web*) at Putnam and hopes that he shall be in many more. He would like to thank the Dean of Unseen University, his inspiration for this role.



Murri Lazaroff-Babin (Kyle) Murri is an actor, fight choreographer and teacher from Northern California. He's a proud member of the Portland Actors Conservatory class of 2015. Some recent acting credits include *Philip's Glass Menagerie* (CoHo Productions), *Pericles Wet* (Portland Shakespeare Project), *Nesting: Vacancy* (Shoebox/Independent), *Troilus+Cressida* (Portland Actors Ensemble), *Reborning* (Beirut Wedding), *Procedures for Saying No* (Portland Experimental Theatre Ensemble). Catch him this Spring in Corrib Theatre's *Quietly*. Enjoy!

#### Doug Zimmerman (Elle's Dad)

Doug's thrilled to be back with New Century Players after his performances in *Hairspray* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. Previous credits: *Les Miserables*, *Secret Garden*, *Grease*, *The Producers*, *The Fantasticks*, & many others. Doug's performed with companies including: Oregon Symphony Leyden Singers, Live on Stage, Broadway Rose, Mocks Crest, Staged!, & Lakewood Theatre. A 3-time PAMTA nominee, Doug is also honored to represent the city of Portland as a Royal Rosarian. Thank you Kelley and Jessica for this incredibly fun adventure.



**Heidi Potter** (Elle's Mom) is excited to be part of *Legally Blonde*, after having watched both of her daughters perform on the RPHS stage in numerous productions over the years. She would especially like to thank her daughter, Kate, for encouraging her to audition and take a chance, and for wanting to share this experience together. Heidi would also like to thank her husband, family, and co-workers for their support. Thank you to Kelley Marchant and Erika Lockwood for the opportunity to play Elle's Mom and for their dedication to the music and theatre departments!!!



**Sarah Ominski** (DA Joyce Riley/Ensemble) is a Grandma in real life! I guess that makes her a "Senior" in life! She's also mom, friend, co-worker, a director and an actress. She is very excited to be "home" with NCP & Rex Putnam and have the opportunity to work with an amazing cast and crew! Some favorite roles include Mrs. Daigle in *The Bad Seed* (NCP), Curious George in *Curious George & The Golden Meatball* (BCT), a Crazy Woman in *Jane Eyre* (DDHS), Sheila in *Sorry Wrong Chimney* and many other roles! Thank you to Ed for your en-



couragement, support and love; Thank you to Mom & Mama Bird & Pops for 'delivering the message'; and Thank you to Rae Mona Reynolds for being a profound influence in teaching Respect for the Art of Acting! When Sarah is not in a theatre somewhere in the Greater Portland area, she can usually be found at home - reading, or on one of the glorious hiking trails of the Pacific NW, or at work!



**Sunny Urben** (Chutney) is a Freshman at Rex Putnam High school and is thrilled to perform in her 2nd show with the department. In Her free time (what little she has) Sunny enjoys reading, writing, choir, soccer, and making people laugh. She would like to thank her parents and her grandparents for getting her into theatre and attending every performance since she can remember, Sunny is honored that she can be a part of such a wonderful experience and thanks everyone who has ever supported her.



**Kelsey Kerr** (Whitney) is a junior at Rex Putnam and is very happy to be in her first musical. You may have seen her in *And Then They Came For Me*, or seen the show she assist. directed: *Charlotte's Web*. Besides theatre and school consuming her life, she loves to paint, draw, and spend time with her dog. She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her. And Natalie for always telling her to "break a leg!" She would also like to thank the production team for all their hard work.



**Isaac Leiferman** (Ensemble) is a senior and is very excited to be a part of this production. He has had roles in many shows including Treasure Island, Good Doctor, and Alice In Wonderland. This is his second musical after Grease. He is not a singer or a dancer, but he definitely won't let a dislocated knee stop him from trying. He would like to thank his family and friends for being supportive even when injury rears its ugly head.



Max Mallett (Ensemble) is a freshman at Rex Putnam and is really excited for his 3rd show in the department, his first being *Midsummer/Jersey*, his second in *Charlotte's Web*. He enjoys playing soccer, video games, watching superhero movies (preferring Marvel), telling awful (incredible in his opinion) puns, (seriously, they're bad, he should be PUN-ished) and listening to musicals over and over again. He would like to thank his mom and dad for supporting him and helping him get home from rehearsal.

Lilia Haberlach (Ensemble) is a junior at Rex Putnam and is pumped to be apart of this really awesome show! This is her 13th show in the department. She has been seen in *Alice in Wonderland* as the cook, and *Treasure Island* as Morgan, and in *Charlotte's Web* as Templeton. She doesn't do much other than theatre, but in her free time you can find her doing her homework or procrastinating homework. She would like to thank Frannie Paldi (Fernie) for making her run and laugh even when she didn't want to.



**Elizabeth Torres** (Ensemble) is a freshman at Rex Putnam. This is her second show and she is very excited to be a part of the theatre department this year. You may have seen her as the Reporter in *Charlotte's Web*. When she is not on stage you can find her on the volleyball court or hanging with her friends. She would like to thank her Mom as well as her friends (Kelsey, Lilia, Kyle, Victoria, and Frannie) for supporting her.



Aliya Herbel (Salon Ensemble) Is a Junior at Rex Putnam High School and is so happy to be apart of her third show in the department! She would like to thank her amazing cast, tech, and directing team. She would also like to thank all of her friends and family for always supporting her in everything she does. She also wants to give a special thanks to the Rex Putnam Theater Department and all the work Kelley Marchant (Director) has put into this show and every theater student that puts their time into the program. She wouldn't know what she would do without this amazing department.



**Luke Lozier** (Ensemble) is a freshman at Rex Putnam and this will be his second show in the department. He is very excited to be a part of it!





**Ian Freeman** (Prison Guard/ Ensemble) is a senior at Rex Putnam High School, and this is his fifth show and second year of participating in the Rex Putnam Theater Department. You might also see him around as an IB Diploma Candidate, Student Council member, and National Honor Society participant. If he had free time, he would enjoy spending it by going out into the world and doing things with people. At last, he would like to thank this cast and the Director, Kelley Marchant, for being the greatest.



Haiden Leeth (Frat Boy/Ensemble) is a senior at Rex Putnam High School. This is the second show he's had the pleasure to participate in. Haiden had participated in the Rex Putnam Theatre Department, and is now taking his first choir class. In his free time, he enjoys spending time with family members and socializing with friends and peers. He'd like to thank all the cast for being so kind and helpful during rehearsals, his family for supporting him in the play, and the director for choosing him for such an inspirational musical.



**Maddy Szidon** (Ensemble) Is a sophomore at Rex Putnam and is so excited to be in her first musical! You may have seen her as Mrs.Arable in *Charlotte's Web* previously this year! In her free time (if she has any) she spends it coaching 1st-4th grade cheer, or with friends and family! She would like to thank her friends for making this a wonderful experience. And her mom and dad for always driving and supporting her!

Also Appearing in the show (bios unavailable)

Kyle Jackson (Aaron)
Isabella Leatham (Saleswoman/Courtney/Salon Cashier)
Blake Oren (Padaman)
Javier Cabrera (Nikos/Ensemble)
Shan Backer (Judge)
Sophie Beecher (Salesgirl/Ensemble)

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