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Trevor Burden
(Jack)

Trevor is thrilled to be making his Kitsap Forest Theater debut with such a wonderful production! He is a graduate of Seattle Pacific University where he majored in Theatre Performance. He was last seen in *Legally Blonde* (Seattle Musical Theatre), Taproot Theatre's Christmas Touring Company and *Patience* (Seattle Gilbert and Sullivan). Many thanks to all of the wonderful people who have supported this amazing journey. *There's change coming once and for all.* Enjoy the show!



Oliver Girouard
(Crutchie)

Oliver is thrilled to be performing in his 7th Kitsap Forest Theater show. Past favorite shows include *Tuck Everlasting* at KFT, *Peter and the Starcatcher* at Driftwood, *To Kill a Mockingbird* at Renton Civic Theatre, and *Sweeney Todd* at Seattle Musical Theatre. Next up: *West Side Story* at 5th Avenue's Rising Star Project. Oliver wants to seize this opportunity to thank Craig, Gala, and Mom.



Zach Edson
(Davey)

This is Zach's 1st show at Kitsap Forest theater and he's absolutely thrilled about performing in the middle of the forest. This is his 2nd time doing *Newsies*, with the first time being in Pullman Washington. He's done multiple shows with Renton Civic Theater (*Cabaret*, *It's A Wonderful Life*) and is now looking into progressing theater as more than a hobby. It's time to Seize the Day and the opportunity to experience this wonderful show in such a beautiful venue.



Andrew Kruse
(Les)

Andrew, 6th Grader at Kirkland Middle School, is excited to be back at KFT after playing Stumbles in last years *Peter Pan*. Since last season Andrew has played Jeremy in his schools production of *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*. In addition to theater, Andrew enjoys karate, skiing, snowboarding, soccer and video games. Thanks to everyone for their support. Playing Les and working with this great cast and crew has been a dream come true!



Walt Foster
(Nunzio/Roosevelt/Goon)

Walt first appeared on the KFT stage in 1988 and has acted in more than thirty Players productions since then, but has never before portrayed an actual historical person. He has had to learn how to speak softly while carrying a big stick (it's harder than it looks, especially the speak softly part). Many thanks to the Players and to wife Gail and daughter Valerie for their support.



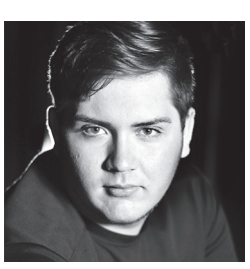
Brian Lindvall
(Bunsen/Policeman)

Brian is happy to be in his 24th production at the Kitsap Forest Theater. Favorite shows are *Kismet*, *Into the Woods,* and *Robin Hood - The Legend Continues*. He enjoys playing comic roles, although he has been the 'bad guy' in *Sound of Music* - twice! He is the webmaster for KFT, and helps take care of the property. The combination of the beauty of the out-of-doors coupled with the theater and music makes him come back spring after spring.



Ari Somers
(Morris Delancy)

Ari is thrilled to be in his 4th Kitsap Forest Theater production. When he's not playing Papa Bear (*Shrek*) or a resident of River City (*Music Man*), you'll find him bullying the newsies on the streets of New York with his brother Oscar. When he is not performing, he enjoys volunteering with Outdoors for All and Creative Mornings, Seattle. He also loves living in the Pacific Northwest with his family and exploring all that this gorgeous area has to offer.



Richard Nava
(Snyder)

Newsies is Richard's first show at Kitsap Forest Theater. He is excited to add Snyder to his resume which also includes Mr. Mushnik in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Uncle Fester in *The Addams Family* and Moonface Martin in *Anything Goes*, amongst others. He worked as a parade performer, character actor, and choreographer for Six Flags Fiesta Texas. Richard is very excited to join KFT for both *Newsies* and *Mamma Mia!* He looks forward to experiencing the challenges outdoor theater has to offer.



Katie Dreessen
(Katherine Plumber)

Katie can hardly find the words to express how happy she is to be back at the magical KFT playing this dream role in one of her favorite shows. This is her 7th show at Kitsap. A senior at Meadowdale HS, Katie enjoys singing in chamber and jazz choir, cheese platters, and snuggling her 5 kitties. She sends love to her family, friends, cast, and crew and hopes that this story of strength and resilience inspires you to Seize the Day!



Meagan Castillo
(Medda Larkin/Nun)

After a four-year hiatus, Meagan is pleased to be back to play in the forest as a part of one of her favorite musicals. Previous roles with Kitsap Forest Theater include Mary Poppins (*Mary Poppins*), Princess Fiona (*Shrek*), Ado Annie (*Oklahoma!*) and Rapunzel (*Into the Woods*). After many years of study (some of which occurred backstage at KFT), Meagan is excited to graduate from nursing school June 13th.



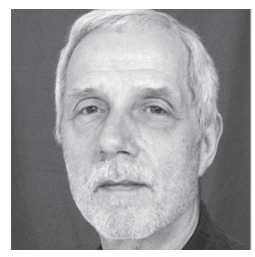
Jeff Pettiross
(Joseph Pulitzer)

This is Jeff's third show at the Kitsap Forest Theater and he is delighted to play the villain to Jack's troubled hero. In real life he likes to think he is somewhat more forgiving of his children than Pulitzer is. Previous villainous turns include Charlie in *The Music Man* (Kirkland Performance Center) and Starkey in *Peter Pan* here at Kitsap Forest Theater. He has also performed in *Tuck Everlasting* (KFT) and *A Christmas Carol* (KUOW-FM).



Talena Laine
(Hannah/Newsie)

Talena Laine is thrilled to make her KFT debut – while getting to perform with her best friend! Since graduating from Gonzaga University's theatre program, she's worked with several local theatres including SecondStory Repertory, Seattle Gilbert & Sullivan Society, and Annex Theatre. Coming up, you can catch her in KFT's summer show, Mamma Mia! and Weasel Production's inaugural show of Night of the Living Dead: Live! Love and thanks to her family for their endless support. www.talenalaine.com



Christian Saether
(Seitz/Goon)

Christian is happy to be in his fourth Kitsap Forest Theater show, and the second one with his son. It is the only musical theater he has done after a 40 year lapse since high school – he is grateful for it and happy to have a few lines again this time. Pay attention, family, and thanks for your support.



John Lange
(Wiesel/Stage Mgr.)

After decades away from the lights John was the Wizard two years ago at KFT and Constable Joe in last years *Tuck Everlasting*. Favorite roles include Harold Hill in *The Music Man* and Ali Hakem in *Oklahoma!* An avid biker, John also enjoys time with his guitar, chewing on new monologues and pub fare. He thanks his expanding family (a recently added daughter-in-law and a granddaughter) but mostly his wife, Kathy, for letting him do his "acting thing."



Christopher Bryson
(Oscar Delancy)

Christopher is excited to be playing Oscar Delancey in his fourth production with Kitsap Forest Theater. Past roles include Salesman/Townperson in *The Music Man*, Father in *Tarzan*, and Pirate in *Peter Pan*. He wishes to thank his family and friends for all of their love and support.



Vicki Pettiross
(Bowery Beauty/Mayor/Goon)

Vicki is excited for her first time on the KFT stage after attending with her family for many years. She is having an amazing experience sharing the magic of theatre with her children Clara and Kuran, and her husband Jeff. When she is not in politics, or dancing in a burlesque house, she is teaching math to elementary students. She'd like to thank the creative team for a fantastic experience.

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Anna Vizzare
(Race)

Anna is happy to be returning to the forest for her 5th show with KFT. Previously at KFT she was Ariel in *The Little Mermaid* and Peter Pan in *Peter Pan* last season. Some of her favorite past roles include Molly Aster in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Driftwood Players) and Man 1 in *Kiss Me Kate* (Seattle Musical Theatre). Anna dedicates all she does, artistic and not, to her Gram, who gives her the strength and guidance to do it all.



Alexandra Kunin
(Finch)

Alexandra is overjoyed to be a part of the KFT community. Newsies is her 1st show under the trees, and she has fallen in love with the entire KFT family. She graduated from UW (December 2018) with a degree in psychology and is currently working as an exercise technician for RET Physical Therapy. Her favorite recent role was Crystal in StageNotes's *Little Shop of Horrors*, and nothing makes her happier than when the music is a-playing and she's a-dancin'.



Laura McFarlane
(Henry)

Laura is excited to be in her first Spring show at the Kitsap Forest Theater after spending the past four summers in this magical theater! She started with *Shrek* in 2015 and has been involved ever since. Favorite roles include: Olive (*25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*), Helene (*Sweet Charity*) and Maggie (*A Chorus Line*). A huge thank you to everyone who made this "Extra! Extra!" show possible!



Olivia Ingram
(Ike)

Olivia, a junior OC running start student from Kitsap County, is excited to be performing in her first KFT show! She is going to be finishing off the summer in the ensemble for *Mamma Mia!* and cannot thank this cast and crew enough for all of their hard work. "Thank you to my family for being so supportive while I do what I love."



Libby McDonald
(Jo Jo)

Libby played Winnie Foster in KFT's *Tuck Everlasting* last summer – a role she will always cherish. Over the winter she changed gears as Junie B. Jones in *Junie B. Jones*, the musical at WWCA in Port Orchard and then Kathy Seldon in *Singing in the Rain Jr*. Previous roles include Jane Banks in *Mary Poppins*, Wendy in *Peter Pan Jr*. and numerous ensemble roles (this is her 5th show with KFT!!). Libby adores her pug, Winnie and watching Grays Anatomy.



Jazzlyn Bleil-Geiselman *(Mike)*

Jazzlyn is excited to be in *Newsies*! She is from a family of seven in Gig Harbor and has been dancing since she was one at her Mom's studio "Just For Kicks" in Port Orchard. She has danced onstage with Big Bad Voo Doo Daddy, Macklemore, and Seattle Storm Dance Troupe. Favorite roles: Belinda & Young Fan in *A Christmas Carol* (ACT) and Adele in *Jane Eyre* (Book It). She thanks her whole family for believing in her and Mom for helping her make her dreams come true.



Olivia Juarez
(Chase)

Olivia, 11 years old, is a local resident of Kitsap County. This is her third show at this magical place we call Kitsap Forest Theater! She enjoys acting, dancing, singing and is learning to play the piano. You may have seen her at Central Stage (CSTOCK) and Admiral Theatre Musical Camps, and as Molly at The 5th Avenue Theatre's production of *Annie*.



Laura Sposato
(Seesaw)

Laura grew up getting kicked out of ballet class until she found the circus in 2012. Since then she has never looked back! She is very excited to be performing in her first Kitsap Forest Theater production.



Stefanie Van Rafelghem
(Tops/Spot Conlon)

Stefanie is thrilled to return to KFT and fulfill her longtime dream of being a newsie! She was an Amazon warrior in *Peter Pan* at KFT. Previous shows: Christmas Eve in *Avenue Q* (RCF); *The Last Starfighter* (SecondStory Repertory); *The Producers* (Seattle Musical Theatre). She studies voice with Carla Hilderbrand, dance at VAM Studios School of Dance and tumbling with Nathan Drackett at SANCA. She thanks her family and friends for their support and you, our audience, for being here today. Enjoy the show!



Reed Viydo
(Albert/Goon)

This is Reed's first show with Kitsap Forest Theater, and he couldn't be happier to be a part of the family! Favorite past shows include *Peter and the Starcatcher*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, and *Noises Off*. You can see Reed next as Pepper in KFT's *Mamma Mia!* Reed would like to thank his family and Talena for being his collective number one fan, and of course Mother Nature for allowing him to perform in such a beautiful outdoor location.



Nick Saether
(Buttons/Goon)

Nick is ready to return for his second show at the Kitsap Forest Theater! After last Summer's production of *Tuck Everlasting*, there was no way he wouldn't come back for both shows this year. Since graduating from WWU last year with a B.S. in Physics, Nick has decided to put all his spare energy into acting in the Seattle theater community. Look for the tallest newsie on stage!



Jordan Roche
(Elmer)

Jordan Roche is a Sophomore at UW majoring in Drama Performance and she is thrilled to be performing with Kitsap Forest Theater for the first time. A few of her favorite roles include Beth (*Little Women*), Yvette (*CLUE*), and Heather McNamara (*Heathers*). She is so grateful to this amazing cast and would like to thank her family for all their support.



Dorothea Koetje
(Mush)

Dorothea is excited for her first show with Kitsap Forest Theater. She is a sophomore at Edmonds-Woodway High School and has done other shows with Village Theater and Driftwood Players. Her favourite roles include Fiona in *Shrek the Musical*, and Muzzy in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. She also enjoys dancing with her dance team, as well as, playing violin and bass in her school orchestra.



Julian Mudge-Burns
(Splasher/Goon)

Julian is elated to be returning to KFT for one of his favorite dance musicals. Professional credits include 2016, '17, '18 productions of *A Christmas Carol* at ACT; *Shakespeare in Love*, Seattle Shakespeare Co; *The Big Meal*, NCTC; *The Brothers K*, Book-It Rep Theatre; *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*, SCT. Additional roles include *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Peter), BPA; *Oliver!* (Charley), Village Theatre KIDSTAGE; and *The Lion King, Jr.* (Young Simba), SCT Summer Season.



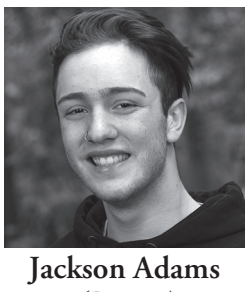
Liam Loughridge
(Specs)

Liam is a sophomore at Bellarmine Prep and this is his 1st show at KFT. Previous credits: *Curious George and the Golden Meatball* (George), *Tom Sawyer the Musical* (Tom Sawyer): TMP Family Theatre; *Newsies* (ensemble), *Oliver!* (Oliver): TMP; *Scrooge!*, *Suessical* (Wickersham) and *Gypsy* (Ensemble): TLT; *A Christmas Story* (Schwartz): 5th Avenue Theatre. He's excited to be working at this beautiful theater and thankful for his parents and welcoming cast mates for this experience.



Jaden Jones
(Tommy Boy)

Jaden is thrilled to be back in this beautiful forest, and has missed performing in such a magical space. This is her fifth show with KFT, and she has done various works with KCMT, Seattle Public Theater, and 14/48. In addition to theater, Jaden dances with her high school's dance team, and blogs about her family's travels and adventures.



Jackson Adams
(Romeo)

This is Jackson's first show with Kitsap Forest Theater and he is beyond excited to "play" in the woods. *Newsies* is his first show outside of school and he's beyond pleased with how rehearsals have been going, and he's fortunate to have such a great cast around him. Outside of theater he enjoys sports and looks to study Sportscasting for a career. He'd like to thank his family and friends for supporting him and always pushing him to do what he loves to do.



Newsie Messenger Bag

Seize the Day and get your very own Newsie tote bag. Sold at intermission and after the show for **$5** each.

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14" wide x 12" high with long cotton straps

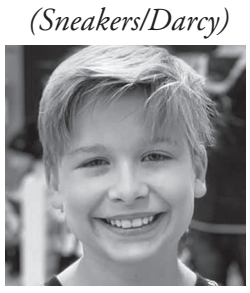
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Emi Faltinson
(Sneakers/Darcy)

Emi is ecstatic to be back at KFT for her 2nd show after last spring's *Peter Pan*, and will also be in the ensemble of *Mamma Mia!* Emi is graduating from SPU this June with degrees in Theatre (Performance & Production). Recent credits: stage management at ACT Theatre and acting at SPU. She wants to thank her friends and family for supporting her — she feels incredibly loved and blessed to have such an amazing community behind her. Enjoy the show!



Cooper Makowski
(Art)

Cooper, 11 years old, is in 5th grade at Vaughn Elementary. This is his first show at KFT – he saw *Tuck Everlasting* last year and loved it and decided to try theater. He loves bringing fun, excitement and happiness to the stage as a dancing newsie. He is a Seattle Storm dancer and likes to sing, dance, play outside, build forts and make funny videos. His favorite quote he tries to live by is "Forget the past and live in the moment".



Shaina Cochrane
(Nellie)

Shaina is thrilled to return to KFT after appearing in *Oklahoma!*, *Footloose*, *Mary Poppins*, and *The Little Mermaid*. After falling in love with the movie *Newsies* in elementary school, she knew she had to be a part of this amazing show! She has performed with Driftwood Players, Northwest Savoyards, King's Players, and appeared in Snowflake Lane for 7 years, as a Jingle Belle dancer and character performer! She thanks her friends and family, and an amazing cast and crew!



Carol Stanley
(Carroll)

Carol is elated to be in her 13th production at the Kitsap Forest Theater. This theater has been her home away from home for the last 8 summers and she is so happy to be a part of another amazing production under the trees. Favorite roles include, Grace (*Honk!*), Mad Hatter (*Shrek*), Mother (*Tarzan*), and Liza (*Peter Pan*). She hopes you enjoy the show.



Sydney Somers
(Kick)

Sydney,14, is a newsie at heart. If only it were acceptable to go around the city singing your heart out and leaping through the air! Most recently, she enjoyed playing Ida in *Honk!* (Madrona Children's Theater). Other past favorites shows include *Tuck Everlasting*, *Peter Pan* and *Shrek* (KFT). You may also see her at Institute (Village Theater), walking along the beach in Edmonds or playing with her puppy. Strike! Strike! Strike! STRIKE!!



Luciana Barrera
(Elias)

Luciana still can't believe she gets to be a newsie in her favorite musical! She is returning to Kitsap Forest Theater after previously appearing in *The Music Man*, *Mary Poppins*, *Honk!*, and others. Favorite credits include *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Schwartzy) and *Titanic* (Kate Mullins) with Ghostlight Productions and *Dracula: the Musical?* (Mina Seward) with Port Angeles Community Players. Up next: *Mamma Mia!* with Ghostlight Productions.



Clara Pettiross
(Blue)

Clara, 12 years old, is thrilled to be a part of this fantastic production of *Newsies*. Past shows include: *Willy Wonka Jr.* (KIDSTAGE Everett) *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (SMT) and many more! When Clara is not onstage she enjoys dancing, singing and reading! She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her throughout this process.



Elissa Cortright
(Nun/Bowery/Policeman)

Elissa is excited for her 5th KFT show, taking on dual roles as wholesome nun and seductive Bowery Beauty. She received her B.A. in Vocal Performance at CWU and teaches private voice. She performed in Suor Angelica in the Puget Sound Concert Opera's New Years Eve Gala. Favorite roles: Mrs. Darling (*Peter Pan*, KTF), Aristocratic Lady (*Beauty and the Beast*, Driftwood Player), and Kate's understudy (*Yeomen of the Guard*, Gilbert and Sullivan Society.



Stefanie Somers
(Nun/Jacobi/Bowery)

Stefanie is overjoyed to be performing with her family (biological and theater) again! Previous KFT roles: Mama Bear (*Shrek*) and a Pick a Little Lady (*Music Man*). Her Newsies story begins as a pious Nun, then she tries her hand waiting some tables and ends in a night club dancing as a Bowery Beauty. Being a busy, working mother, you guess which role is most true to life :) Many thanks to the passionate and devoted production team, and to YOU for seizing this day and coming to enjoy the show!



Maya Farsje
(Andie)

Maya is excited to be part of her fourth Kitsap Forest Theater production. She is a 7th grader and is an avid swimmer, basketball and ultimate frisbee player who loves to surf, wakeboard and snowboard whenever she gets the chance! Maya is so happy to be a part of the *Newsies* production and experience the Kitsap Forest Theater for yet another year!



Emma Gunter
(Russell)

Emma has been performing with Kitsap Forest Theater for "half of her life," since scoring a role as an orphan in *Annie* when she was seven years old. An incessant tap dancer, Emma loves playing basketball and volleyball, and performs with her middle school's vocal jazz group. She loves spending time with friends on stage and in the forest that Kitsap Forest Theater calls home.



Sage Jennings
(Al)

Sage is thrilled to be joining the Kitsap community as a Newsie. Past roles include Mrs. Bucket in *Willy Wonka*, Ladybug in *James and the Giant Peach*, and Ida in *Honk!* at MCT, as well as Dot in *Honk!* and Carlotta in *The Little Mermaid* with Driftwood Players. When not onstage, Sage enjoys nature photography and horseback riding. She would like to thank the entire cast for giving her a safe space to be herself and have fun.



Kira Kruse
(Louie)

Kira Kruse, 3rd Grader at Lakeview Elementary, is thrilled to be back at KFT after playing 1st Twin in last years *Peter Pan*. Since last season Kira has played Lady GoGo in Studio Easts Camp Pop! In addition to theater Kira enjoys gymnastics, skiing, sewing, cooking, crafting and having fun with friends. Thanks to the cast and crew for the fun, Mom, Dad and Andrew for the support and Daisy for being the best dog ever. Enjoy the show!



Jason Jones
(Mykul/Scab/Bill)

Jason Jones is excited to be performing in his first show at the Kitsap Forest Theater. Jason is a sophomore at Meadowdale High School, and has previously performed in *Little Woman* (Troll). He started musical theatre this year after playing football and various other sports all of his freshman year. He appreciates the love and support from all of his family and friends.



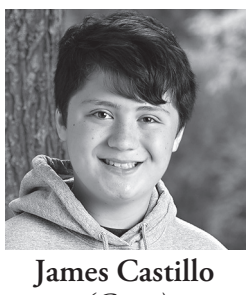
Kuran Pettiross
(Slites/Scab)

Kuran is excited to be in his first theatrical production since elementary school, and even more ecstatic about being in it with his whole family. More often you will see him in the tech theater booth running lights or sound (yes we see those of you who clap over your shoulder.) He is looking forward to helping run sound for *Mamma Mia!* this summer. He would like to thank his family for supporting him in exploring something new!



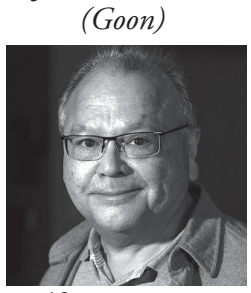
Jordan Somers
(Eddie/Scab)

Jordan, 14, is excited to be in this energizing and fun show! Favorite roles: Ugly in *Honk!* & Worm in *James & the Giant Peach* (MCT); Lost Boy in *Peter Pan* & Young Shrek/Grumpy in *Shrek* (KFT). He loves participating in Edmonds Mountain Biking Club, running track and skiing. *Newsies* reminds us the importance of standing up and lending a voice to those who can't speak for themselves. *You're still our brothers and we will fight for you!*



James Castillo
(Goon)

James is excited to be a part of his fifth Kitsap Forest Theater production. Previous shows include: *The Music Man*, *Mary Poppins*, *Honk!* and *Narnia* (KFT), *A Christmas Carol* (SecondStory Repertory) and *The Wizard of Oz* (Driftwood Players). A ninth grader, James enjoys skiing, roller blading and playing video games.



Alfonso Barrera
(Goon)

Alfonso made his debut at Kitsap Forest Theater as a Bottle Dancer in *Fiddler on the Roof* in 2012. Since then, he has portrayed a Rooster, a Picture Frame, a Bookshelf, a Tree, a Tornado, and the magic inside Mary Poppins' carpet bag. This season, he proudly returns as one of the mean ol' goons. When he's not busy petting birds, he plays with his camera and has also been known to work at a job.

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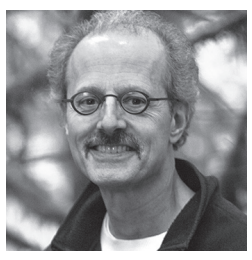
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Craig Schieber
(Director)

Craig has come of age with this his 21st show as director at the Kitsap Forest Theater. Though many things have changed at KFT over the years, the one constant is the magic that happens with theater that is multi-generational. Craig was a newsie of sorts when he grew up slinging newspapers at 4:30 am every morning. It was on those early morning deliveries that Craig learned that we must all choose to seize the day, each and every day!



Choreographer
(Guy Caridi)

This is Guy's 24th show (!!!) he has choreographed at KFT. He feels fortunate and honored to be working & dancing with such a talented cast. Guy's been choreographing & performing since 1991, and has competed, coached & judged at national dance competitions. For the past 26 years, in addition to teaching dance, he has been Artistic Director of Savoy Swing Club (Lindy Hop & vintage jazz). He believes KFT's community-based al fresco theater is one of the best age-defying experiences.



Danette Lam
(Stage Manager)

Danette has been part of the Kitsap Forest Theater family for eight years. Every year she is constantly blown away by the mouth dropping, tear jerking, hard working, incredibly talented group of people that bring the productions to life. It is a complete joy to be part of such a magical experience.



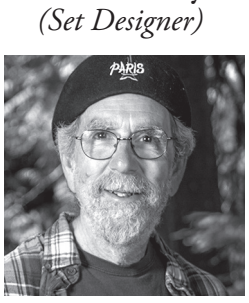
Kristina Maier
(Costumer)

A Seattle-based costume designer, Kristina Maier is thrilled to return to Kitsap Forest Theater for the 4th time! Previously, she designed last season's *Peter Pan* and *Tuck Everlasting*, along with 2017's *Tarzan*. Other credits include *The Addams Family Musical*, *Baskerville*, and *Legally Blonde*. Many thanks to the cast and crew. Enjoy the show!



Chris Stanley
(Set Designer)

Once again Chris picks up his drafting tools and hammer to design and build another set for the Kitsap Forest Theater. Chris has been lending his skills to KFT since 1998. This year he is going BIG to bring a little Manhattan to the woods. Chris is a model maker, artist, inventor, educator, and sometimes an actor. Outside the KFT Chris is a maker-in-residence at the Pacific Science Center and an instructor at area makerspaces.



Stewart Shusterman
(Props)

Stewart is pleased to be starting his 8th season with KFT, continuing his 25-year working relationship with Director Craig. He has appeared on and off stage at Moore Theater, Renton Civic Theater, Carco Theater (Valley Community Players), and SJCC's Center Stage. His most memorable theatrical moments are his portrayal of Colonel Protheroe in Agatha Christie"s Murder at the Vicarage, and as Assistant Director and Stage Manager for the world premiere of Dale Wasserman's *How I Saved the Whole Damn World*.



Jules Shusterman
(Sound Design)



Emma Shusterman
(Sound Design)

Jules and Emma spent their youth on stage. After being in *Fiddler on the Roof* at KFT in 2012, they took a break from theatre. They joined a robotics team (FRC3574), and in 2016 Emma got back into acting. This is their second time running sound, the first being *Tuck Everlasting* (KFT) last summer.



Greg Brown
(Sound Engineer)

Greg has happily been doing sound for the Mountaineers Players since 1973. His knowledge of the theater infrastructure is invaluable to the Players. If there is a glitch in the sound set-up, Greg can figure out the problem. His willingness to do whatever it takes to have consistent sound at the theater is appreciated by all.



Jenny Dreessen
(Asst. Director)

After performing in 7 shows here, Jenny is grateful to Craig and the rest of the production team for how much she has learned about what goes on behind the scenes and how a show actually gets put together at KFT. She finds the collaboration and communication inspiring. You can see her back on our stage this summer playing Donna in *Mamma Mia!*



Amy Beth Nolte
(Music Director)

Amy Beth is enjoying music directing her 7th show (*Mary Poppins*, *Into the Woods*) after acting in her first show at KFT at age 4. Fourteen shows later she's fought pirates, juggled in the dirt and swing danced in the mud. When not singing in the woods/rain she can be found gardening or at the farmers market with the beekeeping company she co-founded, Rainy Day Bees. During the day she helps connect consumers with craft meat from small family farms with start-up Crowd Cow.



Elizabeth Rainey
(Accompanist)

This is Beth's 3rd season with Kitsap Forest Theater (*Tarzan* & *Tuck Everlasting*). She played for *Hello Dolly* (a high school production in 2005) and has never looked back, playing all over Spokane and Seattle. She loves everything about the theater process and hopes to act, sing and dance in a show one day. Beth enjoys the outdoors, studying everything Spanish and dancing Zumba. She would like to thank all who have motivated her to grow and connect through creativity and perseverance.



Mark Jackson
(Percussionist)

Mark is a native of San Diego where he was actively involved in the music community. He has performed in many local theatre productions, most recently BCT's *A View From the Bridge* and *Peter and the Starcatcher*. He plays drums, guitar and performs frequently in musicals and plays drums in local bands. A realtor by day for Keller Williams - West Sound, Mark enjoys songwriting, teaching private guitar, bass and drum lessons, and performing in his spare time.



Jim Graham
(Bass)

Jim Graham is a professional bassist and has performed for over 30 years in numerous bands, ensembles, film scores, CDs and cruise ship tours. Jim especially enjoys musical theater and has played over 100 runs throughout the Pacific NW and is delighted to be part of *Newsies* in his 4th season with the Kitsap Forest Theater.



Van Lang Pham
(Reeds)

Van is thrilled to be joining *Newsies*! As a musician, he has played for Seattle Musical Theatre, Bainbridge Performing Arts, SIS Productions, and Renton Civic Theatre. As an actor, he has taken on roles in REBATEnsemble's *Night Parade*, Max in *The Two Kids That Blow S**t Up*, and James/ Li-Han in Seattle Public Theatre's *The World of Extreme Happiness*. A graduate of Univ. of Puget Sound, Van has sung with various cappella groups, and plays saxophone for the Seattle Wind Symphony and Tacoma Concert Band.



Kelli McAuley
(Trumpet)

Kelli is a strings teacher with the Central Kitsap School District, plays horn with the Bremerton Symphony and plays at churches and theatre productions across Kitsap county. She is also a classical vocalist and was a founding member of the Kitsap Fringe Opera and Kitsap Community Children's Choir. Kelli has a master's degree in French horn performance and plays horn, trumpet, violin, viola, cello, hand percussion, and occasionally guitar. Her newest project is to learn the accordion this summer!



Gala Lindvall
(Producer)

Gala is producing her 30th show for the Mountaineers Players. She also has directed the Kitsap Forest Adventure Camp since 2012, and helps manage the property. Her love of this amazing theater and people keep her coming back every year. She is thankful to be working with her daughter, Amy Beth (Music Director) who was first onstage here when she was 4. Hat's off to her husband, Brian (Bunsen), as we celebrate 50 years of marriage during the *Newsies'* run. Thanks to a dream team production staff and cast!