

Thor's Hammer Has Been Found in SGA!

On June 2, at 6:30 pm the SGA Drama Club performed a theatrical adaptation of the Norse myth "Thor's Hammer". The story revolved around the mysterious theft of Thor's Hammer, Mjolnir, and how he got it back again, with something other than his might!



Loki, played by Andy Martinez (Grade 12) and Thor, played by Oleh Holiniatyy (Grade 11)

The play was written and directed by Social Studies teacher Liza Donovan, but the first act was written by aspiring playwright and actor, Andy Martinez (Grade 12) who played the role of Loki. The costumes were designed and created by ESL and Ukrainian Studies teacher, Iryna Chuyan. Nadia Scaglione from Yara Arts Group, served as Stage Manager, while make-up was done by Gabriela Genic and her team. Gabriela is an SGA alumnus who works professionally as a makeup artist and wanted to give back to the school. The producer of the play, Principal Andrij Stasiw, elevated the experience by securing IKO Productions for professional lighting and sound, as well as a videographer to record the performance.



Frey, played by Taras Sydor (Grade 10) and Hela, played by Ani Natchkebia (Grade 12)



Members of the Drama Club pose for a photo after the performance

Over 25 students ranging in age between 13-19 participated in the production, which included drama, song and dance. Many actors were refugee students from Russia's unjust war on Ukraine.

Although most of the students who participated did so as actors, there were many who worked behind the scenes to bring the production to life, including the backstage crew, musical assistants, and prop designers. This gave students with varying interests a unique opportunity to learn the many components involved in putting on a theatrical production.



Loki, played by Andy Martinez (Grade 12) and Freya, played by Diana Barillova (Grade 12)

Following the performance, the SGA Choir, under the direction of Anna Bachynska and Principal Andrij Stasiw, sang three beautiful songs, and had the audience singing along.

The SGA Drama Club is already working on ideas for next year's theatrical production. We hope that "Thor's Hammer" will encourage more students to take an interest in the performing arts.