

HIGH SCHOOL EDITION

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Letter From Our Principal

Welcome to *Clue: High School Edition*, which is this year's fall production for the Grandview Heights High School Performing Arts Department. For weeks, our students have spent countless hours rehearsing and pouring their hearts and souls into creating an entertaining performance. While fun and exciting, students absolutely take this seriously to ensure patrons see the talent and spirit of everyone involved in our production. In addition to talent, it is also important to bring to life the importance of our performing arts programs in the Grandview Heights School District. This year, regardless of the challenges presented by COVID-19, students have remained positive and focused on creating the best performance possible.

In addition to our students, I would like to thank our new director, Mr. Cary Mitchell. From the moment he joined GHHS, he has been student-centered, energetic, and excited to overcome the enormous challenges facing everyone this year. I'd also like to thank our music director, production team, and an extensive list of parent volunteers and community supporters. Without them, the show would not go on! I hope you enjoy the performance and our talented kids. PTBB! (Proud To Be a Bobcat).

Respectfully,

Rob Brown

Principal

Letter From Our Superintendent

Dear Patron,

Welcome to Grandview Heights High School! It is with great pride that we present our fall production, *CLUE: High School Edition*. I am certain you will enjoy the excellence displayed by our students during the performance.

This production requires the skills of a talented company. I continue to be impressed at the capacity of our student body to provide the needed skills and aptitude for the wide number of activities that we offer. I am sure you will share this same sense of pride as you note the number of participants involved in this quality production.

This performance is a culmination of months of hard work and dedication on the part of students, production staff, and parents who have combined their talents to create this production. Cary Mitchell, in his first year with Grandview Heights Schools, is the play's Director. Along with Mr. Mitchell, thank you to the following for so generously supporting our students and this production: Robert Brown; Andrew Grega; Emily Meister; Marc Alter; April Olt; Teresa Clayton; Cheri Berlin; Beth Collier; the Vocal Music & Theatre Arts Boosters and parent volunteers; and, our community sponsors, Grandview Theater & Drafthouse and Short North Stage. Our devoted and adventurous student company as well as a host of others have contributed tremendously to this year's fall play.

As Superintendent, I am proud of our on-going ability to provide a multitude of opportunities for our students. We are grateful for the continued support shown by our community for the arts. While other districts reduce programs to focus solely on state-tested subjects, our families understand the need to provide additional learning experiences for our students. This commitment is just one example of what makes Grandview Heights Schools a small place to dream big. Enjoy the performance!

Andy Culp Superintendent

Director's Notes

The original 1949 version of Parker Brothers *Clue* board game includes a small slip of paper labeled "The Best and Easiest Way To Learn a New Game". The third of three tips listed reads:

Do not try to memorize all the directions of a new game before playing.

Being a sucker for a metaphor, I immediately noticed the parallel between this advice and the project for which I had recently been hired—directing a virtual fall play at Grandview Heights High School.

Having seen last year's productions of *She Kills Monsters* and *The Music Man*, live and in a filled auditorium, I was well aware of the tightly-knit and active school community that the Grandview Heights School District boasts. I heard through the grapevine that an opening for play and musical director might become available, but then COVID-19 upended everything.

To my delight (and surprise, honestly), a job listing for the position was later sent my way. I immediately reached out to Principal Robert Brown and a virtual interview was set up, giving me the opportunity to speak with selected staff, students, and parents. I was struck and inspired by the district's commitment to keeping the performing arts alive despite extremely limiting circumstances, as shows have been cancelled and entire arts departments dissolved at countless other educational institutions.

I knew that a virtual fall play would be difficult and I will not worry you, reader, by listing the multiple unforeseen obstacles that the fall play company faced throughout this process. From day one, we all agreed to view this experience as an adventure. No official rule book has yet been written on absolute best practices for virtual plays in the midst of a pandemic. We made up the rules as we went along, beginning remotely on Zoom for several weeks before ultimately moving into the auditorium. The show you will see was filmed in front of a green screen on the GHHS stage. In socially distanced and masked groups of no more than ten, we gathered, designed, built, rehearsed, and captured the show, filming one character at a time. The footage was then sent off to our team of student editors who assembled the video with music, sound effects, and virtual backgrounds. Our Participation and Outreach crew, meanwhile, explored ways that we might attempt to replicate or replace certain aspects of live theatre-going through interactions and partnerships within the school and the greater community. The students who put this project together have been extremely patient, resourceful, resilient, and generous with their time and spirit.

We feel that *Clue: High School Edition* is an appropriate choice for our inaugural virtual play at GHHS, as it provides some much-needed levity in these trying times. We have certainly shared some hearty laughs as we've explored and leaned in to the scrappy and madcap nature of our show. We hope you can sense and share the fun and adventure we have had.

Cary Mitchell Director



Assistant Directors' Notes

From the ages of nine to eleven, I watched *Clue*, the 1985 movie directed by Jonathan Lynn, about once a month. Despite Rotten Tomatoes only giving it a 65%, my friends and I adored the campy nature of this film. You can only imagine my pure excitement when I was told what this year's fall play was going to be. *Clue*, a story that was featured prominently in my childhood has circled back to me in my teen years.

It was a joy to work on this production with our new director, Cary Mitchell. From the moment we first spoke he was bursting with many inventive and incredible ideas. That was especially important this year, because we've had to make some changes. To speak candidly, I was not excited for the play this year. I didn't think doing it virtually would be fun, or that it would produce an outcome worth watching. Boy was I wrong. Doing the play virtually was something Cary was ready to tackle head on. He opened my eyes to the available possibilities, and entered this project with such enthusiasm that I was surprised to find myself excited about fall play again.

The pandemic has caused my fellow classmates and I to stretch our minds creatively in ways we've never had to before. From a safe distance of six feet apart, we've spent the last two months working through the challenges and celebrating the triumphs of this show. This being said, this show has done the one thing theater never fails to do; it's brought us together. Especially this year, my fellow students and I needed the fall play more than we realized. Showing up after school and putting our minds to work creatively brought a sense of normalcy many of us have been craving. Being back in the auditorium built a space where we could forget about the stress and chaos in the world around us. I'm delighted for you to watch what we've worked so hard to produce, and I hope you enjoy the show as much as I do!

Thank you, Josie Cantelmo

P.S. Please go watch the 1985 movie if you haven't seen it, you won't regret it!

I have not always been a super outgoing person. If you have met me in the past few years, that may be hard for you to believe. When I joined the theater program my freshman year, I only did it because all my friends were doing it. I was a follower more than a leader. I was uncomfortable with, and honestly scared of the people around me. As I became more comfortable I came out of my shell more and more each day. I started to have more and more responsibility, which led to me being more and more comfortable, along with having more confidence. I have learned to be a leader. I have become more organized and responsible than I ever thought was possible. I have learned to use my voice to get things done.

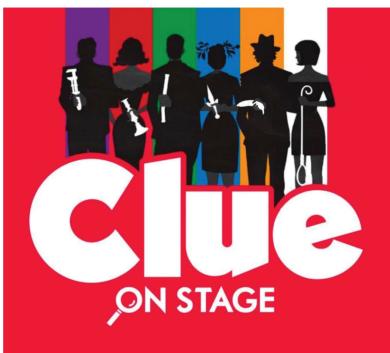
Along with giving me confidence and teaching me to use my voice, theater has given me a constant source of stability throughout high school. No matter what may have been going on in my mind, at home, or in the world, when I got to rehearsal, I got to forget all of it. It was a distraction from whatever may have been going on. I have learned to find joy in the small moments, even when life would not slow down. Everything from singing songs and dancing together to just being with each other was enough to find joy when I needed it most. I began to understand that there is always joy to find in life. We just have to find the right places to look and the right people to surround ourselves with. Theater has given me a sense of joy throughout the past few years, even in the smallest moments.

Theater is so important all the time, but especially right now. When it feels like the world may be closing in around us, we need a distraction and a source of joy; even if it's just singing a song with friends or enjoying their presence. We need to appreciate even the smallest moments, and theater is able to give us that.

Ashley Rosinski



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Company

Production Team:

	Kieren Bode, Lydia Robertson
Choreographers	Juliana Bongiorno, Ally Smith
	Giavanna Cantelmo, Viessa Cantelmo
Art Director	Isabella Donoghue
Technical Directors	Freddie Keil, Perry Mohr
Sound Designer	Dominic Moretti
	Caroline Kahle
Props Design	Maura Branum
	Emily Meister

Crews:

Scenic/Art Department

Giavanna Cantelmo Lily Miller Marit Swanson

Costumes/Makeup

Dylan Dobbs-Euans Abbie Kahl Ellie Kahle Ella Richards Cate Stanley

Props

Viessa Cantelmo Maggie Lyon Ella Richards Kit Stephens

Video/Sound/Editing

Julia Heren Dominic Moretti Griffin Rosinski Maria Sipes

Participation/Outreach

Ali Hamm Caroline Kahle Maggie Lyon Lily Miller Ella Richards Cassidy Ritchey Lydia Robertson Sela Simmons Ally Smith Cate Stanley Marit Swanson

Crews, Continued:

Social Media/Marketing

Kieren Bode Juliana Bongiorno Ali Hamm Abbie Kahl Ellie Kahle

Dramaturgy

Josie Cantelmo Dylan Dobbs-Euans Lydia Robertson

Cast:

Wadsworth Ms. Scarlet Mrs. White	Sela Simmons
Mrs. Peacock	Cassidy Ritchey
Mr. Green	Kit Stephens
Col. Mustard	
Professor Plum	Dominic Moretti
Mr. Boddy	Maria Sipes
Yvette	
Cook	Ally Smith
Motorist	
Сор	Dylan Dobbs-Euans
FBI Agent	
Young Woman	Juliana Bongiorno
Senator Josephy McCarthy	
Radio Newscaster	

Director Biography

Cary Mitchell moved to Columbus in 2019, after a dozen years in New York City. Hailing originally from Newport News, VA, Cary earned a BFA in Music Theatre from Elon University.

While based in NYC, Cary participated in an extensive list of stage productions nationwide as a performer, director, and designer. Favorite



productions include *Light in The Piazza* and *City of Angels* (Heritage Repertory Theatre, VA); 1776 and *Disney's Beauty and the Beast* (Flat Rock Playhouse, NC); *Cabaret*, *Hairspray*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Fiddler on the Roof* (Interlakes Theatre, NH); *Sugar*, *Pirates of Penzance*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Big River* (Bigfork Summer Playhouse, MT); *Les Miserables*, 9 to 5, *Chicago*, *Grease* (Little Theatre On The Square, IL); among many others.

Cary served as Director and Lead Teaching Artist for Children's Theatre Company NY as well as Co-Founder and Artistic Director of The Paint Place NY. He also served as Volunteer Manager and Event Coordinator with Heritage of Pride NYC for several years. A certified NYC sightseeing guide with Broadway Up Close and guest artist for Camp Broadway, he is leading a weekly online Broadway history course through Broadway At Home this November.

Thrilled to now be Columbus-based, Cary is teaching and earning his MA at The Ohio State University in the Art Administration Education and Policy department and is actively involved with Short North Stage. This is his first show at GHHS.

Meet the Company



Kieren Bode Wadsworth

Juliana Bongiorno

Choreographer: Social

The Laramie Project,

Mamma Mia!, She Kills

Monsters, The Music Man

and the Starcatcher,

Shrek The Musical, Peter

Media/Marketing

Young Woman

Senior

Producer; Social Media/ Marketing Senior • Peter and the Starcatcher. Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man





• Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Dvlan Dobbs-Euans

The Laramie Project,

and the Starcatcher,

Shrek The Musical, Peter

Mamma Mia!, She Kills

Monsters, The Music Man

Costumes/Makeup:

Dramaturgy

Cóp

Senior





Julia Heren Yvette Video/Sound/Editing Sophomore The Music Man



Maggie Lyon Props; Participation/Outreach Senior

• The Laramie Project, Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man



Abbie Kahl Costumes/Makeup; Social Media/Marketing Sophomore • She Kills Monsters, The Music Man

Caroline Kahle

Senior

Costume Designer;

Shrek The Musical,

Ellie Kahle

Peter and the Starcatcher,

Monsters, The Music Man

Mamma Mia!, She Kills

Participation/Outreach



Lilv Miller Scenic/Art Department; Participation/Outreach lunior

 Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man

Dominic Moretti

Video/Sound/Editing

Mamma Mia!, She Kills

Monsters, The Music Man

Professor Plum

Junior



Maura Branum Col. Mustard Props Design

Junior • Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man



Giavanna Cantelmo Stage Manager; Scenic/Art Department; Freshman • Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. The Music Man



George Green Stunt Double Senior First GHHS Show!



Josie Cantelmo Assistant Director: Dramaturgy Senior

 The Laramie Project, Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man



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Ali Hamm Participation/Outreach; Social Media/Marketing Freshman

First GHHS Show!



Shrek The Musical, Peter

and the Starcatcher. Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man





Freddie Keil Freshman

• The Laramie Project, Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher. Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man; non-GHHS: Mary Poppins Jr., Bring It On: The Musical

Technical Director The Music Man



Piper Peacock Stunt Double Senior First GHHS Show!



Ella Richards Costumes/Makeup; Props; Participation/Outreach Freshman

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Meet the Company



Cassidy Ritchey Mrs. Peacock Participation/Outreach Senior

 The Laramie Project. Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher. Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man





Ally Smith

Choreographer

She Kills Monsters

Cate Stanley

Costumes/Makeup;

Participation/Outreach

The Laramie Project, Shrek

She Kills Monsters, The Music

The Musical, Peter and the

Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!,

Motorist

Senior

Cook

Senior

Video/Sound/Editing

Peter and the Starcatcher. Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man

Peter and the Starcatcher,



Lvdia Robertson FBI Aaent Producer; Participation/ Outreach: Dramaturgy Senior

 The Laramie Project, Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man



Ashley Rosinski Assistant Director Senior

 The Laramie Project, Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher. Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters The Music Man



Griffin Rosinski Video/Sound/Editing Sophomore Music Man



She Kills Monsters, The



Man Kit Stephens

Mr. Green Props Senior

 Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man



 Shrek The Musical, Peter and the Starcatcher, Mamma Mia!, She Kills Monsters, The Music Man

Applause! Applause!

Kieren Bode Kieren, congratulations! To a wonderful butler (who is more than welcome to try some of that at home). We have a Clue that you and the company will knock 'em all dead! Love mom and dad

Juliana Bongiorno Juliana - we are so proud of you! You bring passion and energy to the stage that is so much fun to watch. Enjoy every minute of your senior year! Love, Mom, Dad & Sarah, Ali and Elenora

Maura Branum Yohan Molo, not only are you running point without back up on this mission, you will be a double agent. This is an unprecedented undertaking. We are all in awe of your prowess and skill. There is no other we could imagine pulling off this Job. Godspeed. -The Family

Giavanna Cantelmo Giavanna, we are excited for your participation in the spring play, and can't wait to see it. We are proud of you and your contribution. Love, Mom, Dad and the herd

Josie Cantelmo Josie, Theatre has been the one consistent pursuit in your life since you were five at Imaginating Dramatics. We are so proud of your drive and self motivation. Keep up the good work. Love Dad, Mom and the animals

Viessa Cantelmo Viessa, we are intriuged to see how this unique show turns out. We are also proud and excited that you are involved and adding your talents to the show. Love, Mom, Dad and the animals

Dylan Dobbs-Euans Dylan, Dill Pickle, DD, Big D, we are always endlessly proud of you...and now youre a cop [Hey bad things happen to good people, hope you arent canceled}. 2021 is around the corner and every tomorrow is endless possibilities. We love you to the moon and back. -Dad, Mom, Sierra and Chaizy Piezy

Isabella Donoghue We are so proud of you Bella! So excited about your role as Art Director and to see your creativity shine. Love Mom, Dad, and Elle

Ali Hamm Good luck, Ali! Don't break a leg, our insurance stinks. Love, your moms and dads

Julia Heren Julia, it matters not what someone is born, but what they grow to be. You are an amazing young woman!!! XO - Mama, Heather, and family.

Abbie Kahl So proud of you Abbie! Love M and D

Caroline Kahle We are so proud of you, Caroline! Amazing job on the costumes, once again. Love, Mom, Dad, Anna, & Ellie

Ellie Kahle Excited to see your "screen" debut, Mrs. White! We are so proud of you. Love, Mom, Dad, Anna, & Cároline

Freddie Keil Hey all, Mom & Dad here. From content creator to the theatre, it looks like all those hours of honing your video editing skills have paid off. Great work on the fall play. Congrats, Freddie!

Lily Miller We are so proud of you and your commitment to Theater. Never give up on vour dreams, kiddo. We love vou.

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Applause! Applause!

Dominic Moretti Dominic, you are Plum spectacular! xo

Ella Richards We are so proud of you & love you! Dad, Mom, Scarlett & Coda

Cassidy Ritchey Go Cassidy! Love Dad. I am proud as a Peacock!

Cassidy Ritchey Can't wait to see you kill it as Peacock! So proud of you. Love you! Mom

Lydia Robertson Hope you are enjoying your senior year to the fullest! Love, Mom and Dad

Ashley Rosinski Can't believe this is your final year of theater, Animal. I am proud of the person you have become and can't wait to see what thefuture holds for you. Dad

Ashley Rosinski We are all so proud of you and that this passion has helped you grow into a wonderful caring and generous young lady. We love you so much Mom, Jude, Griffin, Kristi, and Melinda

Griffin Rosinski Griff I am proud of the man you are becoming in all of your endevours. Keep up the good work. Dad

Griffin Rosinski You have grown so much since entering high school and are turning into a wonderful yooung man, we love you! Mom, Jude, Ashley, Kristi & Melinda

Sela Simmons CeCe - We can't believe you are a Senior! You continue to amaze us with your talent. As you get set to begin a new chapter in your life and career, know that we will be there every step of the way to support you. We love you so very much and are so proud of you! Mom,Dad and Cam

Maria Sipes Dearest Maria, we are so proud of your perseverance and positivity, and your "role" that goes beyond acting. We love you and can't wait to see you in Clue - we hope it's to die for! - Mom, Dad, and the two murderous felines.

Ally Smith Working hard is important but there is something that matters even more: believing in yourself." -Harry Potter. You make us proud every day, Ally. Proud of your gentle strength and your love of challenges and adventure. You have already done so much and worked so hard, but the best lays ahead. Believe in your dreams and watch them come true! With all our love, Mom, Dad, Maddy, Lizzy, Lexy, Gracey, Bailey, Calvin & Hobbs!

Cate Stanley Cate - we love you so much and are so proud of you! Luke, Mom and Dad

Kit Stephens "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." Kit, you bring light and humor to a weary world. We are proud of you, you darn Senior! Love Your Mom, Dad, Brother, and Sometimes Higgs

Marit Swanson Marit - we are inspired by your passion for being involved with theatre. We are so proud and love you so much! Mom, Dad, Syd, B, W, O

Special Thanks

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