

RICHARD III



JUNE 19–28

Fred Fuller Park & David Grohl Alley
Free Admission



**TWILIGHT
THEATRE**

Detailed show dates &
times at our website



Creative Team

Director- Joe Soriano

Stage Manager- Sam Ost

Assistant Stage Manager- Heidi Soriano

Technical Director- Joe Soriano

Costume Designer- Michele McNeal

Costume Assistant/Milliner- Alasha Dunn

Cast

Richard III- Chris Bizub

Queen Elizabeth - Kathleen Bachtel

Lady Anne - Jane Plishka

Buckingham - Joe Soriano

Duchess of York - Alasha Dunn

Richmond/Brackenbury/Ely - Abby Shoenfelt

Edward IV / Ratcliffe - Alex Young

Stanley - Chloe Misorski

Hastings - Michele McNeal

Clarence / Mayor - Arunie Lopez

Catesby - Shannon Thanasiu

Rivers - Alyssa Miller

Tyrell - Sam Ost

Prince Edward - Aisling Dunn

Queen Margaret/Princess Elizabeth - Cait McNeal

SHOW INFORMATION

Set during the Wars of the Roses. Richard III follows the title character deceiving, scheming, and murdering his way to the throne. But once there his own paranoia, the people who he had wronged banning together, and some supernatural elements might prove to be his downfall. Our Richard III is an action pack feminist revenge piece. This story of loss, grief, betrayal, and bitterness that ultimately finds its way to sisterhood, hope, and revolution is as potent today as it would have been when Shakespeare wrote it.



Chris Bizub - Richard III

Chris is thrilled to be making his Twilight Theatre debut! A Wickliffe resident, he spends much of his free time acting and directing across the Northeast Ohio area. Some recent acting credits include productions of, Romeo and Juliet (Prince Escalus), The Life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby (Brooker/Johnny Jackson) and Love's Labours Lost (Longaville) at Ohio Shakespeare Festival, The Fantasticks (Henry) at Stocker Center for the Arts, Cyrano De Bergerac (Cyrano De Bergerac), in ASSASSINS (Leon Czolgosz) and The Underpants (Benjamin Cohen) at Western Reserve Playhouse, Hamlet (King Claudius) and Julius Caesar (Cassius) at Cleveland Shakespeare Festival. As always, Chris would also like to thank his wife Brittany for her constant love and support.

Kathleen Bachtel- Queen Elizabeth

Kathleen Bachtel (Queen Elizabeth) is thrilled to take the stage with her friends at Twilight Theatre! Some of her favorite productions include: Beauty and the Beast (Mrs. Potts) with The Players Guild Theatre; A Comedy of Errors (Antipholus of Syracuse) and Romeo & Juliet (Benvolio) with Twilight Theatre; Pride & Prejudice (Mrs. Bennet) with The Millennial Theatre Project; Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street (Mrs. Lovett u/s) with Weathervane Playhouse; A Midsummer Night's Dream (Titania) and The Mousetrap (Mollie Ralston) with Roving Rogue Productions.



Jane Plishka - Lady Anne

Jane is delighted to be part of this lovely cast for her fourth production with Twilight Theatre! Favorite past credits include Miranda in The Tempest and Helena in A Midsummer Night's Dream with Twilight Theatre, as well as Lydia in Pride and Prejudice and Evil Tina in She Kills Monsters with Millennial Theatre Project. Offstage, Jane works in the kitchen and bakery of a small café and enjoys baking, crafting, and playing board games with friends.





Alasha Dunn - Duchess of York / Costume asst. (milliner)

Alasha Dunn (she/they) is a multidisciplinary artist, performer, and longtime lover of Shakespeare. This is her first season with Twilight - thanks to the production team for the opportunity!

Joe Soriano - Director / Buckingham

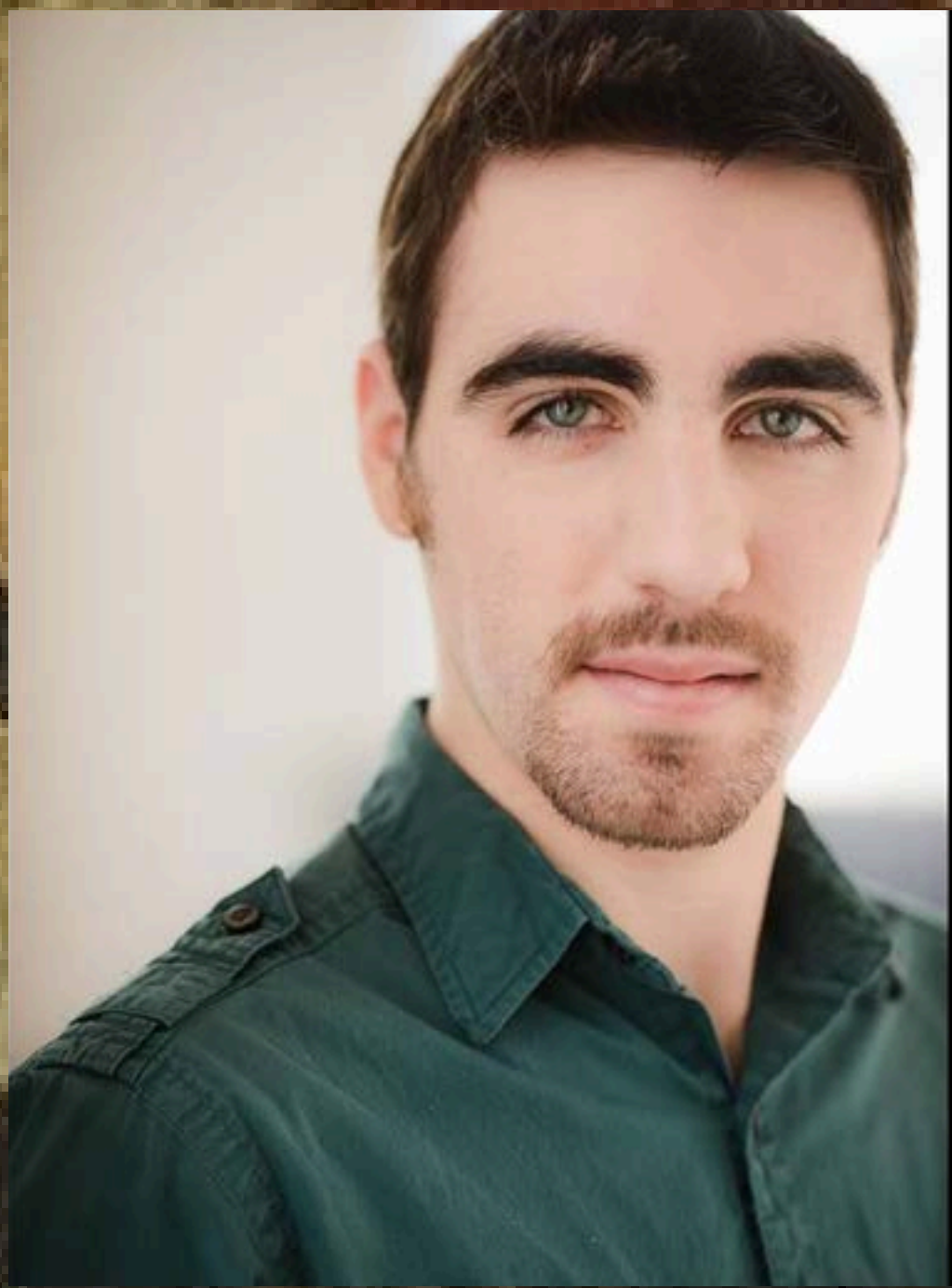
Joe Soriano has had the honor of working as a director, actor, combat choreographer, and stage manager throughout Northeast Ohio. He's been involved with countless productions across the Cleveland, Akron, Youngstown, and Canton areas. He graduated from Kent State University where he studied theatre and hospitality management. Some of Joe's previous directorial credits include a LGBTQ+ version of Romeo & Juliet and A Midsummer Night's Dream at Twilight Theatre, Baron of Brown Street and Christmas Carol at Rubber City Theatre, And Then There Were None, and The Crucible at Avenue Arts.



**Abby Shoenfelt - Richmond /
Brackenbury / Ely.**

Abby is thrilled to be making her Twilight Theatre debut. You may have last seen her in Murder On The Orient Express (Monsieur Bouc, Akron Millennial Theater Project) or Miracle On 34th Street (Doris Walker, Stow Players). You can catch her next in Twilight Theatre's production of "Much Ado About Nothing" and Starcatcher Theatricals production, "My Dear Aunt Flow." Abby would like to thank everyone for coming, especially her friends and family. And as always a huge shoutout to Abby's beloved fiancé J Luna, that she wouldn't be able to do any of this without. Enjoy the show!





Alex Young - Edward IV / Ratcliffe

Alex Young is an actor and teacher in Northeast Ohio. He holds an MFA in Acting from KSU and a BA in Theatre from UA. Alex is the current theatre teacher and director at Archbishop Hoban High School. He has worked at Miller South School VPA, Kent State University, Chicago State University, Weathervane Playhouse, Ohio Shakespeare Festival, Cleveland Shakespeare Festival, The Hudson Players, and Rubber City Theatre. Memorable acting credits include The Great God Brown (Billy Brown), The Bacchae 2012 (Dionysus), As You Like It (Rosalind, Celia), A Midsummer Night's Dream (Demetrius), Much Ado About Nothing (Benedick), Macbeth (Hecate/Malcolm), Hamlet (Hamlet), Romeo and Juliet (Mercutio), Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure (Sherlock Holmes), Love's Labour's Lost (Berowne), Passage (H), Everybody (Usher/God/Understanding), The Cottage (Clarke), and Into the Breeches! (Stuart).

Chloe Misorski - Stanley

Chloe Misorski (she/her) is a grown up theatre kid who is just happy to be here. Last seen on stage in Poe is Dead, she is excited to be making her debut with Twilight Theatre and thrilled to be portraying Lord Stanley (he/him/dad). Chloe would like to thank Sabra and Alesha Misorski for their love, support, and willingness to do the dishes while she is at rehearsal.



Michele McNeal - Costumer / Hastings

Michele is so excited to participate in Twilight Theatre's production of Richard III!. She has appeared at various theaters around Northeast Ohio, where some of her favorite previous roles include the Nurse (Romeo and Juliet), Lear (Lear), Sonia (Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike), Judge Wargrave (And Then There Were None), Miss Prism (The Importance of Being Earnest), Eulalie Shinn (Music Man) and, at different times, both Mrs. Bennet and Lady Catherine in Pride & Prejudice. Michele is a retired librarian who now narrates audiobooks, designs and constructs costumes, and works as a standard patient.
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Arunie Lopez - Clarence / Mayor

This is Arunie Lopez's first show with Twilight Theatre. She is a British Actress and has graduated from the Oxford School of Drama. Her previous performances include, Bianca in Ohio Shakespeare Festivals' Othello, Miss Scarlet in Weathervanes' Clue, Lavinia in Western Reserves' Titus Andronicus, Annie in the American premier of Girl on the Train. She has also directed murder mystery dinner theatre, with Get Away with Murder and has directed The God Of Carnage for Stow Players. She loves Stage Combat and writing poetry. She is so excited to be in Richard the third with such a wonderful cast. She also wants to give a shout out to her Husband and kids who have constantly supported her.

Shannon Thanasiu - Catesby

Shannon (she/her) is appearing in her first play since graduating from The Akron School For the Arts in 2010. She is also an alumna of Miller South School For the Visual and Performing Arts, where she studied drama. She works in Canton, OH as a Children's Library Specialist and lives in Akron, OH. She is grateful to be on stage again with such a lovely cast of kind and talented theatre artists!



Alyssa Miller - Rivers

Alyssa Miller (she/her) is excited to make her Twilight Theatre debut! Past performances include Seussical, Bye Bye Birdie, A Thurber Carnival, Anything Goes, and Cinderella. She also enjoys volunteering backstage at the Weathervane Playhouse.



Sam Ost - Stage Manager / Tyrell

Sam Ost {she/her} (Stage Manager/Tyrell) is so pleased to be joining several old friends in performing Shakespeare's "Richard III" again, ten years after a previous production in 2016. Favorite past productions include last summer's "A Comedy of Errors" (Dromio of Ephesus), "The Tempest" (Trinculo) [Twilight Theatre]; "Same Time, Next Year" (Stage Manager) [Western Reserve Playhouse]; "Love's Labours Lost" (Costard), "Women Beware Women" (Isabella), "Julius Caesar" (Calpurnia/Lucius), "Macbeth" (Asst Director/Donalbain/Murderer) [Rubber City Theatre]; "The Bacchae 2.0" (Asst SM), "The Merchant of Venice" (Asst Director/Messenger); "Scapin" (Hyacinth) [University of Akron].

Aisling Dunn - Prince Edward

Aisling Dunn is a 12 year old performer who has been in four previous musicals at Miller South and Rubber City Theatre. This is her first play, and first production at Twilight. Rat drinking trash barrel juice.



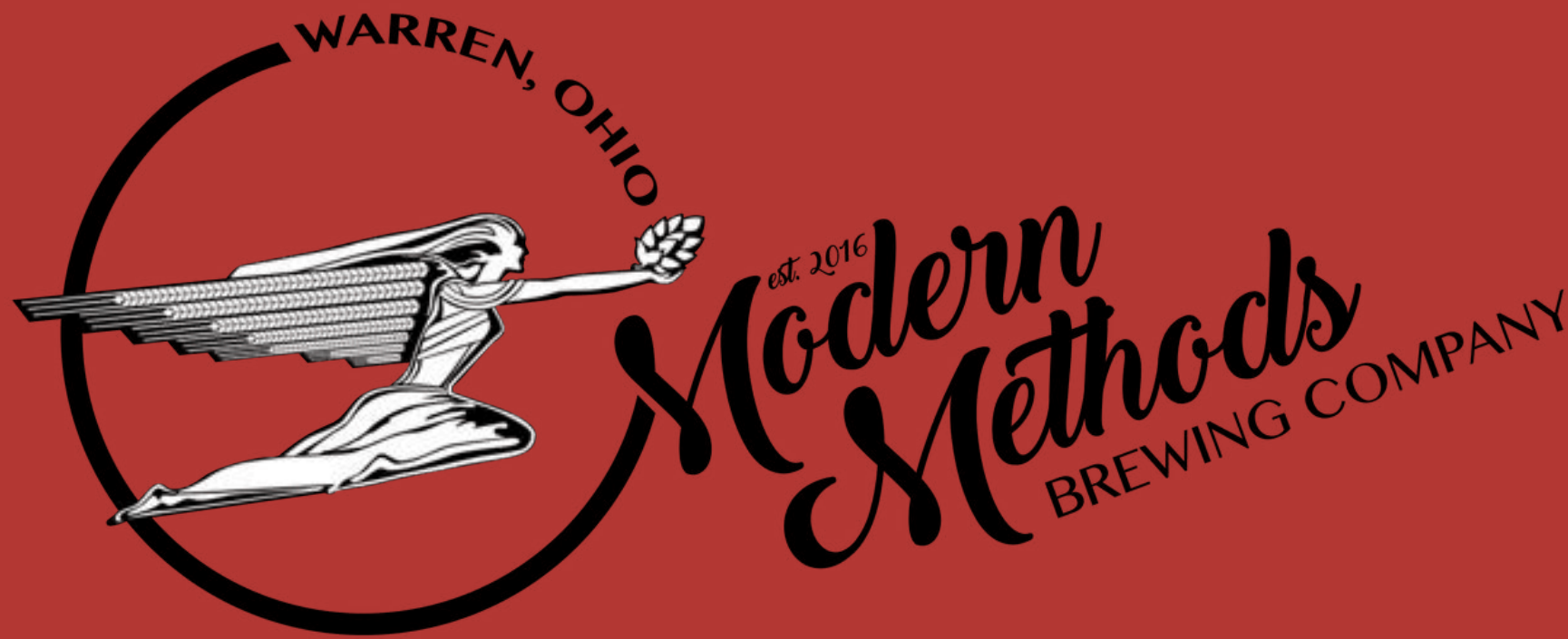
Cait McNeal - Queen Margaret / Princess Elizabeth

Cait has frequently been found in a theater since the age of three when she first started performing. Previous acting credits include: *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Titania), and *Romeo and Juliet* (Romeo) at Twilight Theatre; *The Game's Afoot* (Daria Chase) at Roving Rogue Pro; *Puffs* (Sally) at Broadview Heights Spotlights; *Equivocation* (Judith), *Hamlet* (Ophelia), *Macbeth* (Lady Macbeth), *Richard III* (Lady Anne), *Tis Pity She's A Whore* (Anabella), at Rubber City Theater; & *Sweeney Todd* (Mrs. Lovett) at The Millennial Theatre Project. She has also added the role of Director to her repertoire with her directorial debut of Roving Rogue Pro's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, The Millennial Theatre Project's *Pride and Prejudice* and Twilight Theatre's *The Tempest*. When not performing on the stage, she is an avid reader & writer, and enjoys storytelling of all kinds. She is forever grateful for the love and support of friends, family, Joe, and her cats.

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