



Front Row Center


KASSEBAUM THEATRE

Disney

THE LITTLE MERMAID



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Our mission:

Front Row Center is San Diego's newest 501(c)3 non-profit performing arts company focused on providing equitable and accessible youth theatrical opportunities, through exceptional educational programming, theatrical productions, and workshops. Front Row Center strives to make these Theatre Arts experiences attainable to all young performers regardless of socio-economic, cultural, ethnic background, skill level, disability, gender identity or sexual orientation. Along with cultivating a lifelong admiration and passion for the performing arts, Front Row Center is committed to bringing high-quality youth theatre productions to San Diego. Our programming will supplement regional educational resources and school curriculums with accessible tuition fees.

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Proudly presents

Disney
**THE LITTLE
MERMAID**
JR

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story and the Disney film
Music Adapted and Arranged by David Weinstein

Music by **Alan Menken**
Lyrics by **Howard Ashman & Glenn Slater**
Book by **Doug Wright**

Director & Choreographer
Michael Kirsch

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Sets Alex DeCosta	Hair & Makeup Shannon Guths	Usher & Box Office Kristina Perez	Concessions Ariel Alander
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Aquatic plant-life designed by Suda House

A huge thank you to all our dedicated parent volunteers for their unwavering support in nurturing young talent and fostering creativity on and off the stage.

Ursala's shell provided by Stage Monkey Design and Consulting

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In acknowledgment of San Diego's First Nations and as a mark of respect, we recognize that Front Row Center currently rents venues that occupy the land historically belonging to the Ipai-Tipai, also known as the Kumeyaay Nation, within the present-day San Diego region. We honor the tribe and its members - those of the past, those in the present, and those who will come in the future. We are mindful of the cycles of colonization that have inflicted historical and ongoing hardships upon these nations. Rooted in our core principles, we hold that comprehending the journey that led us to inhabit this land is paramount, and we pledge to consistently seek understanding of our role within this intricate narrative.

Mermaid Cast

6/21 6:30pm & 6/22 2pm

Sailor Cast

6/22 6:30pm & 6/23 2pm

Ariel.	Ella Aldridge.	Brielle Carter
Triton.	Josh Garcia	Julieta Guzman
Prince Eric.	Kleber Toala.	Kleber Toala
Ursula.	Adeleine Moniz-Guths.	Paisley Madaffari
Sebastian.	Ellis Quesada.	Alex Alonzo
Flounder.	Mariah Hale.	Mia Pena
Scuttle.	Kaelyn Lawrence.	Kate Fjeldsted
Flotsam.	Victor Salas.	Uma Amezcua
Jetsam.	Zach Garcia.	Ximena Alvarez
Chef Louis.	Pia Inzunza.	Siena Madaffari
Carlotta.	Ava Esguerra.	Zoe Carrasco
Grimsby.	Izzy Perez.	Alessandra Chan
Pilot.	Abel Saldivar.	Abel Saldivar
Seahorses.	Sebastian Padilla.	Sebastian Padilla
	Elias Kalczuk	Elias Kalczuk

Mersisters & Princesses

Aquata.	Chrystal Legaspi
Adella.	Gabby Ortega
Arista.	Taylor Toudle
Andrina.	Faith Berromilla
Atina.	Liv Salas
Allana.	Elissa Oxina

Ocean & Gulls**(Featured Dancers)**

Isabella Alvarez
Dahlia De los Reyes
Sasha Cohen
Kaylani Perez

**Merfolk, Tentacles
& Lagoon Creatures**

Aerilyn Alander
Aly Luongo
Annelise Guynes
Camille Rodriguez
Emma Holt
Julyana Alvarez
Kristen Harris
Sophia Perez
Lauren Hilliard
Penelope Mullins

**Sailors, Chefs,
& Sea Creatures**

Sebastian De los Reyes
Aryana Chadima
Bryn Ramos
Jordan Hicks
Kaia Carrera
Sierra Samson
Xavier Esguerra
Hannah Holt

Flounder's Friends

Lexi Wright
Amelia Kincaid
Audrey Oxina
Celine Oxina
Clementine McCarthy
Harper Alander
Josie Howeth
Layla Carrera
Reyna Reed
Sebastian A Mullins
Sebastian Armstrong
Suqaina Naqvi

Song List

Act I

Fathoms Below. Pilot, Sailors, Prince Eric, Grimsby
Daughters of Triton. Mersisters
Human Stuff. Scuttle, Gulls, Ariel, Flounder & Friends
Part of Your World. Ariel
Under the Sea. Sebastian, Sea Creatures
Part of Your World (Reprise). Ariel
She's in Love. Mersisters, Flounder & Friends, Ocean
Poor Unfortunate Souls. . . Ursula, Flotsam, Jetsam, Tentacles
Beluga Sevruga. Ursula, Ariel, Tentacles



Intermission



Act II

Beluga Sevruga (Reprise). Ursula, Ariel, Tentacles
Les Poissons. Chef Louis, Chefs
One Step Closer. Prince Eric
Kiss the Girl Sebastian, Lagoon Animals
The Contest. Grimsby, Princesses
Poor Unfortunate Souls (Reprise). Ursula, Tentacles
Part of Your World (Finale). Ariel, Company
Under the Sea (Bows). Company

Director's Note

Welcome to our production of Little Mermaid Jr! From the very beginning, our goal has been to honor the beloved Disney classic while infusing it with our own unique FRC flair. We understand how much this musical means to so many, and we've worked hard to balance the cherished nostalgia with fresh, exciting elements. Our talented actors have poured their hearts into bringing this enchanting underwater world to life.



Their commitment, energy, and passion have been truly inspiring, and they've worked tirelessly to ensure that every moment is as enchanting as the original. We hope you find yourself swept away by the familiar magic, while also enjoying the new surprises we've woven into this timeless tale. Thank you for joining us on this journey under the sea.

Enjoy the show,

Michael Kirsch

Executive Director, Front Row Center



Aerilyn Alander (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) Aerilyn is excited to be back on stage. This is her 3rd musical and her second production with Front Row Center! Most recently, she played in the Lost Boy ensemble in Peter Pan Jr. and Young Fiona in Shrek Jr. When she's not performing, you'll find Aerilyn on a roller coaster, living her best thrill-seeking life! She would like to thank her parents, the cast, and the creative team for making this experience exceptionally great. Thank you for supporting the arts!



Harper Alander (Flounder's Friend) Harper would like to welcome you to Front Row Center's production of The Little Mermaid Jr. This is her 2nd production with Front Row Center! Most recently, she played a Pixie Pal in Peter Pan Jr. When she's not performing, you can find Harper looking through her telescope, exploring space! She would like to thank her parents, the cast, and the creative team for making this experience extremely special. Thank you for supporting the arts!



Ella Aldridge (Ariel) Ella is so excited and grateful to be making her Front Row Center production premiere as Ariel! Ella attends San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts as a musical theater major. She was recently seen in the Broadway San Diego Awards winning Best Musical "Guys and Dolls" at SCPA. A huge thank you to Dr. Max Branscomb for being such an incredible mentor and always furthering her passions. Ella would also like to thank all her teachers and professionals for their guidance throughout the years. And finally, a big thank you to her parents for their endless support and love!



Alex Alonzo (Sebastian) Alex is thrilled to be in his third musical at Front Row Center. Alex is a student at SDSCPA and he has been in 10 musicals! His most favorites are being Pinocchio in Shrek Jr., Nigel in Matilda Jr. and Linus in You're a Good Man Charlie Brown. When he is not performing Alex likes to hang out with his friends, watch musicals, play games in his computer and hopes to become a Director in the future. Alex would like to thank his family, friends and the creative team for supporting him in his musical theatre endeavor. Hope you enjoy the journey Under the Sea!!



Isabella "Izzy" Alvarez (Featured Dancer/Gull) This is Izzy's 5th production and her second musical with Front Row Center! Isabella has been in productions such as Peter Pan Jr., Shrek the Musical Jr., and Annie. She is so thrilled to be working with such amazing and kind people. When she's not busy with theater you can find her reading or adventuring in the outdoors! Finally, Izzy would like to thank her friends and family who have supported her and put up with all her singing! Enjoy your adventure under the sea!



Julyana Alvarez (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) Julyana loves to perform in theater! She has done small scale rec center plays including Moana, Trolls and Encanto. She was Pua in Moana and Antonio in Encanto. This is her first production with Front Row Center and she is excited and nervous to be on the big stage! Outside of theater she enjoys doing gymnastics and Girl Scouts. She wants to thank her family for supporting her theater schedule and giving her the opportunity to grow in the arts!



Ximena Alvarez (Jetsam) This is Ximena's 7th production, and 2nd production with Front Row Center. She is honored to take on the role of Jetsam. She would like to give special thanks to her best friend Rosie for putting up with her craziness and to her parents and sister for being there for her. In her spare time she loves to listen to music and play with her cats. She hopes you have a wonderful time under the sea!



Uma Amerzua (Flotsam) Uma Amerzua's under the sea adventure as Flotsam the eel, comes with previous community theater experience. This is Uma's third production with Front Row Center; previously playing the ever so loving Nana and tick tocking crocodile in Peter Pan Jr. When she's not on-stage Uma enjoys sketching, playing basketball and flag football. Uma thanks her family, friends and FRC for their support throughout this production. Uma reminds you to go make a splash!



Sebastian Armstrong (Flounder's Friend) It's showtime for Sebastian! He's making his stage debut as a friend of Flounder. When not acting, you might find him creating whimsical fashion designs, conducting science experiments, or exploring nature like a true adventurer. Sebastian gives a big thanks to his parents, the cast, and the crew for making this a blast!



Faith Berromilla (Adrina) is thrilled to be a part of The Little Mermaid Jr. cast. With four prior productions under her belt, she's grateful for the chance to dive into this amazing show. As she enters her 8th-grade year at SDSCPA, Faith is excited to be a part of this production. In her free time, Faith enjoys reading, writing, playing her ukulele and piano, and Girl Scouts. She would like to express her heartfelt thanks to her family, friends, the creative team, the cast, and everyone who helped her make her dreams a reality. And now, without further ado, get swept away by the tides of The Little Mermaid Jr.



Zoe Carrasco (Carlotta) Zoe is a vibrant and energetic 10 year old girl. She has loved music and singing since toddler years! She has participated in various theatre plays with productions at World Beat Center, Balboa Junior Theatre, Islander Youth Theatre, and Christ Church Day School. Her favorite role so far has been playing "Charlie" in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The New Musical." Other plays she has participated in are The Wiz, Alice in Wonderland, and Descendents Jr. Musical. She is very excited with her first play at Front Row Center! Thank you for supporting the Arts!



Kaia Carrera (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) would like to welcome you under the sea to watch The Little Mermaid Jr.! This is her fourth time on stage in a full production; she has previously been in Peter Pan Jr. with Front Row Center, as well as the Jr versions of Shrek and Elf. She is also in the FRC Triple Threat Training and Tap classes, and she is the teaching assistant for Acting & Improv 101. When not on stage, Kaia enjoys doing anything with her friends. She swims with SBA swim team, and she's a Girl Scout. Kaia would like to thank her family, castmates, backstage hands, and creative team for making this show possible!



Layla Carrera (Flounder's Friend) is thrilled to take the stage as a Flounder's Friend! This is her third full production. You may have also seen her in Shrek Jr. and Peter Pan Jr.! Layla also loves performing with her friends in Rising Stars and Acting & Improv 101. Layla loves her besties, ice cream, and Squishmallows, and she's excited to start second grade!



Brielle Carter (Ariel) is delighted to be a part of Front Row Center's The Little Mermaid Jr.! She is 12 and will be entering Middle School. She is no stranger to the stage as this will be her 6th musical. Most recently, she played Dorothy in The Wizard of Oz, Peter in Peter Pan Jr. and Dragon in Shrek Jr. Outside of theater she enjoys reading and writing. She loves attending Broadway shows and trips to Disneyland. Brielle thanks her family for the support in pursuing her dreams. She's thankful for the cast as they have become a second family. Many thanks to the creative team for ensuring the success of this show. She's also profoundly grateful to Mr.

Michael for his faith in her. Now dive in and enjoy the show!



Aryana Chadima (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) This is Aryana's 4th musical production. Her previous roles include Nibs in Peter Pan Jr., a Duloc dancer and skeleton in Shrek Jr., and her favorite role was Shawanda in Elf Jr. She has loved music and dance since she was a toddler. When she is not performing Aryana loves baking treats, dancing, planning parties and being with friends. She would like to thank her parents, her aunt, and her friends for helping her be the best actor possible.



Alessandra Chan (Grimsby) is excited to make her musical theater debut as Grimsby in Front Row Center's Little Mermaid, Jr.! When she is not on stage, she is busy playing video games for her school's eSports team, watching Padres baseball games, or learning about STEM through her EcoLogik internship at Cabrillo National Monument. She'd like to thank her family and friends for supporting her to pursue her passions. She appreciates each and every one of you for coming and hopes you enjoy the show!



Sasha Cohen (Featured Dancer/Gull) is very excited to be a part of Front Row Center's production of The Little Mermaid Jr.! Sasha first appeared on stage as one of Buddy's Buddies in Elf Jr. and most recently, she graced the stage as a Brave Girl in Peter Pan Jr. When not on stage, Sasha is a dancer at heart and enjoys jazz, hip hop and acrobatics. She would like to thank her parents, little brother, Alexis, for rehearsing with her at home, her grandparents for their love and her family and friends for their support. Now, enjoy the show, under the sea!



Dahlia De los Reyes (Featured Dancer/Gull) Dahlia is a seventh grader this year and is excited to be part of The Little Mermaid Jr! This is her fourth performance, her previous productions being Elf Jr., Shrek Jr., and most recently Peter Pan Jr., where she played the role of Tiger Lily. Dahlia loves writing and acting in school video projects. She has written and acted in four videos that have won awards at the iVIE Film Festival, three of which won Grand Recognition for elementary school videos. Dahlia is a Cadet in Girl Scouts, a green belt in karate, and loves musical theater and the arts. She is thankful for the support of her family and friends.



Sebastian De los Reyes (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) Sebastian is a fifth grader, who is excited to be a part of his fourth production. He has previously performed in Elf Jr., Shrek Jr., and most recently as a Lost Boy in Peter Pan Jr. He loves writing and acting in school video projects. He has starred in three videos that have won awards at the iVIE Film Festival. His latest project, Let's Go the EV Dealership, won best elementary video in the We Love Electric Vehicles category. Sebastian is a baseball player, a karate blue belt, and loves art, gaming, and performing. He is thankful for the support of his family and friends.



Ava Esguerra (Carlotta) is so happy to see you 'under the sea' in her second show with Front Row Center! The Little Mermaid Jr. Is Ava's fourth musical, having performed in Elf Jr., Shrek Jr., and Peter Pan Jr. She caught the musical theater bug in 2022 when she attended Lin Manuel Mania camp, and she hasn't stopped since! When she's not performing, she trains jiu jitsu, crochets stuffies, and makes gourmet pancakes. She would like to thank her parents, her brother Xavier, and all her family and friends who have supported her in her musical theater journey. Enjoy the show!



Xavier Esguerra (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) While the Little Mermaid Jr. is Xavier's debut musical theater production, you may remember him flexing his math skills at the concessions stand at Peter Pan Jr. as he sold you candy, pastries, and taco nachos! Xavier loves training jiu jitsu and boxing, Pokémon cards, One Piece, and giving hugs to those who need a little extra kindness in their day. He would like to thank his parents, his sister Ava, family and friends for their support. Special shout out to the cast and creative team for helping him find his place on the stage. Enjoy the show!



Kate Fjeldsted (Scuttle) is excited to perform in her 4th musical theater production. She has played Michael Hobbs in Elf Jr, Teen Fiona in Shrek Jr, Peter Pan in Peter Pan Jr. and now Scuttle! Kate also participates in a weekly improv class. When she's not practicing for her current role, she loves to read. She also enjoys hanging out with friends. Kate would like to thank her mom and dad for helping her run lines at home (and in the car!) and for taking her to rehearsals. She would also like to thank the creative team for making this show come to life. Now let's dive in!



Joshua Garcia (King Triton) Joshua is thrilled to be playing the character of King Triton in FRC's production of The Little Mermaid Jr. This is his 8th musical and his 2nd production with Front Row Center! Most recently, he was able to play his favorite role to date - Mr. Darling in Peter Pan Jr. When he's not performing, Joshua loves drumming! He has written and performed his own drumline cadence this past year as a beginning band student, and going into 8th grade, he will be playing percussion in his middle school's advanced band. He swims with South Bay Aquatics and also takes other FRC classes like Improv and Tap Dancing. He would like to thank his family, the cast, and the creative team for this opportunity to showcase the arts. Enjoy the show!



Zachary Garcia (Jetsam) Zachary worked hard for this role and is thrilled to be playing the character of one of Ursula's precious eels, Jetsam, in FRC's production of The Little Mermaid Jr. This is his 5th musical and his 2nd production with Front Row Center! Most recently, he played Noodler the Pirate in Front Row Center's production of Peter Pan, Jr. Zach is an all-around creative kid. When he's not performing, he loves to write and illustrate his own stories, make stop-motion movies with his legos, play Minecraft, and listen to music. He also takes other FRC classes like Improv and Group Vocals. He would like to thank his family, the cast, and the creative team for this opportunity to showcase the arts. Enjoy the show!



Annelise Guynes (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) is excited to be back for another Front Row Center production. This is her 5th musical under the direction of Mr. Michael. Her most recent and favorite role was as Tinkerbell in Peter Pan Jr. She loved that she had an opportunity to soar through the air. When she is not performing, she loves to play outside with friends and go to Disneyland. Annelise would like to thank her parents for supporting her love of the stage. A special thank you goes to Mr. Michael, Ms. Teagan, Ms. Willow for helping her grow as an actor and performer.



Julieta Guzman (Queen Triton) would like to welcome you to The Little Mermaid which happens to be her first production with Front Row Center!! She's been doing theatre since she was 7 years old in Mexico. Invited by a friend she discovered the amazing people of Front Row Center. She would love to thank the creative team and parents but most of all the cast for helping her find her ground and grow as an actress. Enjoy the show!



Mariah Hale (Flounder) Mariah is thrilled to be in her third year of theater. She's had many memorable roles in Lion King Jr. (Simba), Peter Pan Jr. (Tootles), Shrek Jr. (Gingy), Elf Jr. (featured dancer), and Annie (July). Outside of theater, she enjoys beach volleyball, drawing, and crocheting. Thank you to Mr. Michael, Ms. Teagan, and Ms. Willow for helping her grow. Mariah also wants to thank her parents, for making this possible, and everyone that is here supporting her. A special thank you to family coming from out of town to see Little Mermaid. Now, don't be a guppy, and enjoy the show!



Kristen Harris (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) is excited to be performing with FRC for the first time! This performance is her 7th musical. Some of her favorite roles have been the Genie (Aladdin Jr), Rafiki & Young Simba (Lion King Jr), and Mrs. Potts (Beauty and the Beast Jr.). Kristen is a Cadette Girl Scout, who enjoys reading in her spare time, and holds a Junior Black Belt at Daring Martial Arts. Kristen is thankful to all of the FRC family for welcoming her and is looking forward to more shows! She would also like to thank her parents and sister for always supporting her.



Jordan Hicks (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) Jordan is excited to be making his acting debut with Front Row Center in Little Mermaid Jr.. Currently, he is also enrolled in his first improv class with FRC, where he is discovering a new passion for spontaneous performance and creative expression. Outside of the theater, Jordan enjoys spending his free time immersed in the virtual worlds of Fortnite and Roblox. When he's not gaming, Jordan can often be found on YouTube, indulging in his favorite anime series, One Piece. Jordan extends his heartfelt gratitude to Front Row Center for their warm welcome and support. He is immensely grateful to his mom for signing him up with FRC and encouraging him to try something new. He would also like to thank his Lela, his baby brother, Kai, and his dad for their unwavering love. He is excited to share this special moment with all of them and his family friends who came out to support him this weekend.



Lauren Hilliard (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) is so excited to be back at Front Row Center for her 6th show and her 2nd with FRC! Most recently Lauren played a twin in Peter Pan Jr and Little Red in Shrek Jr. When not performing, Lauren loves being in Girl Scouts and playing with her friends! She would like to thank the artistic team for giving her this opportunity, as well as her family for always supporting her. Enjoy the show everyone!



Emma Holt (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) Emma's love for being on stage has grown over the years. She has always sung and danced in the comfort of her home, and has enjoyed stepping it up to the big stage. She participated in her first performance ELF Jr. the musical in 2022, as Buddie's Buddy, and as part of an ensemble in Shrek Jr. in Spring of 2023 and won an award for being a role model backstage. She performs with her school choir, Cheetah Chanters and enjoys being part of Front Row Center's Rising Stars class, where recently she took on the role of Cat in the Hat. She loved being a Pixie Pal in Peter Pan Jr., and is thrilled to participate in Little Mermaid Jr with Front Row Center. Watch her shine as her confidence grows on stage!



Hannah Holt (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) From a young age, Hannah Holt has always loved singing and dancing. In 2021, she wrote and recorded her first song for an arts contest in music composition and won (as well as 2022 and 2023!). She practices and performs with her Triple Threat class, and her school choir, Cheetah Chanters. She has performed in the production of Annie and Elf Jr. The Musical, took stage in her first lead role as Michael in Peter Pan Jr., and is excited to be part of Little Mermaid Jr. with Front Row Center. Her dedication and self-motivation shows as she continues to strive to be the best she can be! Hannah thanks her family and Mister Michael and Ms. Teagan for always believing in her.



Josie Howeth (Flounder's Friend) is excited to be in her second production with Front Row Center. Josie has been participating in Rising Stars and Acting and Improv and loves it all. Josie is going into the second-grade next school year and wants to continue learning more about acting and theatre. Josie wants to thank her mom and dad for always driving her to class!



Pia Inzunza (Chef Louis): This is Pia's fifth musical production, her third at Front Row Center. She is ecstatic to perform in *The Little Mermaid Jr!* Pia has taken theatre classes since toddler years, but began performing in junior musical productions in 2022. Pia debuted as Santa's Helper & New York City Ensemble in *Elf the Musical Jr.*, and played Pig #1 as a Fairytale Creature in *Shrek the Musical Jr.* At Front Row Center, she performed in their debut production of *Peter Pan Jr.* as her first lead role, Smeee, and recently as *Charlie Brown* in, *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*. Pia is looking forward to auditioning for future musicals here at Front Row Center. When she

isn't rehearsing for theatre, she's reading or drawing. She'd like to thank her family and friends for all their support! Enjoy the show!



Elias Kalczuk (Seahorse) Elias would like to welcome you to his second ever stage production with Front Row Center! His very first part was a "Lost Little" in FRC's debut production of *Peter Pan Jr.*, and now gets to dazzle you as a "Seahorse" in *Little Mermaid Jr!* Elias loves people and is fearless in his giftings! He would love to thank you for being such a support to him and cannot wait to see you cheering him on!



Amelia Kincaid (Flounder's Friend) Amelia lives to perform and share her love of musical theater with any and everyone. When she's not at Rising Stars, theater practice, or gymnastics you can find her fawning over every animal she sees but especially cats and even more especially tigers. This will be Amelia's second performance with FRC and she couldn't be more excited to be a part of this amazing production, community, and family. Amelia's passion and dedication is so healthy supported by her family and FRC creative team and director. She would like to thank them all for their continued support and time as she continues to explore her love for the arts.



Kaelyn Lawrence (Scuttle): Kaelyn loves being on stage! This is her 9th musical and her third production with Front Row Center! Kaelyn has been seen as Pinocchio in *Shrek*, a Twin in *Peter Pan*, and most recently, Sally, in *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*-her favorite role yet. When she's not performing, Kaelyn loves to swim, hang out with her friends and go to Disneyland. She would like to thank her parents for their love and support, and the cast, and creative team for making this an awesome show. Enjoy your trip under the sea and don't forget your dinglehopper!!



Chrystal Legaspi (Aquata) Chrystal is 11 years old and will be in middle school next school year. She is excited to perform in her very first FRC show. She recently performed in her school shows as Ms. Phelps in "Matilda" and the lead role in "Moana". She gained the love for musical theater from seeing live musicals such as "Hamilton", "Les Misérables", "Miss Saigon", and "Phantom of the Opera" and from watching her older sister perform in numerous CYT shows. In her free time, she loves to draw freehand, play online games with her friends, sing, and play with her dog Chocolate. Chrystal wants to thank her parents, older sister Tiffany, and

grandparents for their love and support through the years. She wants to dedicate this performance to her late vocal teacher, Miss Rebecca Drake.



Aly Loungo (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) Aly is so excited to dive under the sea in the *Little Mermaid Jr*, her 5th musical and second production with Front Row Center! She has been involved in musical theatre since 2022 and loves being on stage with her friends. When she is not at rehearsal, she enjoys reading, playing with her baby brother, and hanging with her Girl Scout friends. She wants to thank mom and dad for their tireless support, Mrs. Ruthie for her guidance, and the creative team for the opportunity to enjoy this incredible experience!



Paisley Madaffari (Ursula) is 15 years old and has been in 4 shows. This is her second with Front Row Center. Her past productions include *Elf Jr.*, *Shrek Jr.*, and *Peter Pan Jr.* She enjoys hanging out with friends, cooking or baking, and anything musical. Theater is her favorite hobby. She loves being a part of a production and her time on the stage.



Siena Madaffari (Chef Louis) is 11 years old and has been in 5 productions. This is her second with Front Row Center. Her past productions include Elf Jr., Annie, The Lion King Jr., and Peter Pan. Some things she enjoys besides musical theater are spending time with family, crafting, basketball, and listening to Taylor Swift. She always brings an engaging and contagious energy to the stage.



Clementine McCarthy (Flounder's Friends) Clementine is one amazing artist on and off the stage. She has been singing and writing songs since she was 2 years old! This is her second musical. She previously played the Fairy Godmother in Shrek. She is extremely creative and enjoys art of all types. She also loves reading, playing soccer, riding horses, and adores animals of all kinds, especially kittens. When she is home, she likes hanging out with her 2 pigs, 6 chickens, 3 cats and dog. She would like to thank her Mom, Dad, her brother Cal and Front Row Center.



Adeleine Moniz-Guths (Ursula) Adeleine is thrilled to be cast as Ursula in The Little Mermaid Jr. alongside her friends and fellow cast mates at Front Row Center. Adeleine is a 7th grader and has lovingly graced the stage since she was 2! Some other favorite roles include; Ms. Hannigan, Lord Farquoad, Smeed and Schroeder! Ade also enjoys playing guitar, drawing and singing. Ade would like to thank her family and friends for their constant love and support. Enjoy the show!



Penelope Mullins (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) Penelope is excited to be performing in her fourth musical production, The Little Mermaid! She has been a part of Elf Jr, Shrek Jr, and Peter Pan, Jr. Penelope started dancing in ballet productions at the age of 5, and fell in love with the stage. She discovered theatre in the summer of 2022, and it became her passion. She enjoys singing and various forms of art. She would like to thank her friends and family for all of their support and coming to see her shows!



Sebastian Mullins (Flounder's Friend) Sebastian became intrigued with theatre watching his sister perform. He debuted in Peter Pan, Jr with FRC in 2023. He loved his instructors, the friends he made, and being on stage! He returns to FRC for his second performance in the Little Mermaids, and is proud to be learning and expanding his skills. He is grateful for his family, friends and FRC family, for how supportive they have been in this adventure!



Suqaina Naqvi (Flounder's Friend) Suqaina is a spirited and talented young performer who thrives in the world of theater and drama. Over the past year, she has honed her skills as an active member of the Rising Stars class, where her sassy and outgoing personality shines brightly. Suqaina's passion for the stage was evident in her captivating performance in Peter Pan Jr., where she brought her character to life with enthusiasm and flair. Her dedication to her craft and natural talent make her a standout among her peers. Whether she is acting, singing, or dancing, Suqaina's vibrant energy and commitment to excellence ensure that she always delivers a memorable performance. She is a true rising star with a bright future ahead in the performing arts.



Gabby Ortega (Adella) Gabby is excited to be performing in her 11th show! Some of her most recent roles include Ensemble in Matilda Jr, Slightly In Peter Pan jr., and Eurymaches/Siren in The Odyssey. When she's not at the theater Gabby Enjoys Reading, Camping and drawing. Gabby is currently enrolled at SDSCPA where she is learning to pursue her passion for theater leading her to become an actor in the future. She would like to give a big shout out to the creatives, her wonderful cast and most importantly her family! She can't wait to see you Under the sea!



Audrey-Jane Oxina (Flounder's Friend): Audrey is happy to be participating in Front Row Center's production of The Little Mermaid Jr. This is Audrey's stage debut, and she is excited to be performing as one of Flounder's Friends. When not on stage, Audrey enjoys playing video games, singing, drawing, hanging out with family and friends, spending time with her dog, Alina, and playing soccer. She would like to thank God for all her wonderful talents she is able to share with others. She would also like to thank her parents and big sister, Celine, for being

the best friend she could ask for. Special thanks to Front Row Center for giving Audrey the opportunity to be on stage.



Celine-May Oxina (Flounder's Friend): Celine is excited to be a part of Front Row Center's production of The Little Mermaid Jr. This will be her first time participating in a musical with FRC. Most recently, she was part of the ensemble in her school's musical, Mary Poppins Jr. When not on stage, Celine enjoys playing her Ukulele, spending time with her family and friends, singing for her school's Glee club, playing soccer and painting. She would like to thank God for all her wonderful experiences in life, as well as her parents and sister, Audrey, who is always cheering her on from the sidelines. Thank you to the Front Row Center family for making

this experience a magical one.



Elissa Oxina (Allana) Elissa is extremely excited to be in the Front Row Center's production of The Little Mermaid Jr. playing the part of Mersister Allana/ Princess. She previously played Curley (a lead lost boy) in Front Row Centers' debut production of Peter Pan Jr. She was previously involved in Mt@ ISB's productions such as Matilda (where she played Amanda Thripp), Annie as an orphan ensemble, and in Shrek where she played the White Rabbit. Elissa is currently a 7th grader and the Treasurer in the Drama Club at Rancho Del Rey Middle School. She dedicates this performance to her mom, dad, and brothers especially for their continuing

support for her passion for musical theater. Thank you for letting Elissa and the rest of the FRC Little Mermaid cast/ crew be a part of your world!! Enjoy the show!!



Sebastian Padilla (Seahorse) Sebastian, 8, was introduced to musical theater when he joined the Encanto Summer Camp in 2022. Sebastian then joined Elf Jr, Shrek Jr, and the Peter Pan Jr. productions. Sebastian enjoys the arts and has finished his second year of Ballet. Sebastian enjoys swimming, soccer, baseball, drawing, Legos, and video games. Sebastian attended his favorite singer, Luis Miguel's concert this last fall. Sebastian continues to improve his musical theater skills and looks forward to growing as a performer. Sebastian is very thankful for all the support and encouragement that he has received from Michael, Front Row Center, Family and Friends.



Mia Peña (Flounder) Mia is a dedicated and talented musical theater performer. She has shone in roles such as an orphan ensemble member in "Annie," Michael in "Elf," Young Fiona in "Shrek," and Michael in "Peter Pan." Known for her vibrant singing and artistic flair, Mia brings passion and energy to every performance. She loves immersing herself in the arts, whether through creating visual art, dancing, or singing. Excited to play Flounder in this production, Mia expresses her deepest gratitude to her supportive family, her inspiring fellow actors, and the

exceptional creative team: Mr. Michael, Ms. Willow, and Ms. Teagan. Mia is excited to share the under the sea world with everyone. Enjoy the show!



Isabella Perez (Grimsby) Isabella, AKA, Izzy has been in Front Row Center since the beginning doing workshops like Broadway Bound and Triple Threat. The Little Mermaid Jr. is Izzy's First show, playing as Grimsby. Seeing her friend play Fiona in a Shrek production, and by many other actors she was inspired to join theatre. When Izzy is not on stage, she pursues her art career! Izzy would like to thank her parents, little sister Sophia, and friends for the support!



Kaylani Perez (Featured Dancer/Gull) Kaylani enjoys being a part of Front Row Center and is excited to be a Featured Dancer in this spring production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.* Soon-to-be 7th grader at St. Rose of Lima School, she was selected to be a Glee Leader, to guide and help Jr. Glee through the school year. Kaylani also loves to play Volleyball and Basketball in the other spare time she has. Kaylani would like to thank Mr. Michael, Miss Teagan and FRC for this new opportunity to be able to grow in dance. She would like to thank her parents, sister, aunt and Grammy for their love and support.



Sophia Perez (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) *Little Mermaid Jr.* is Sophia's first production. She'll be one of Ursula's tentacles, and dancing as a merfolk and a lagoon creature. Sophia has taken musical theatre classes with Mr. Michael for a few years, and has been in Triple Threat with Front Row Center. Sophia is all about singing and dancing, it is her passion! Sophia thanks her family, the creative team, and all her friends for all the support!



Ellis Quesada (Sebastian) Ellis is ecstatic to join Front Row Center's *The Little Mermaid Jr.* production! Recent credits include Snoopy in *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* (Front Row Center), Little Who Ensemble and Swing in Dr. Seuss's *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* (The Old Globe), Donkey in *Shrek Jr.*, Escapologist/Big Kid in *Matilda Jr.*, Soloist/Ensemble in *Annie*. Ellis would like to thank her family, friends, the cast, and amazing creative team for all their support and making this experience so special. "This is the finest concert I have ever conducted!"



Bryn Ramos (Chef/Sailor/Sea Creature) This is Bryn's 2nd production with Front Row Center, and she is so excited to be performing. This is her 5th musical including: *Wizard of Oz Youth* and *Disney Showcase* with TYP (Theatre for Young Professionals), *Shrek The Musical Jr.* with MT@ISB and *Peter Pan Jr.* with Front Row Center. Bryn is no stranger to the entertainment industry. When she's not performing, Bryn loves to skateboard, play volleyball, and loves the great outdoors. She would like to thank her family for their love and support.



Reyna Reed (Flounder's Friend) This is Reyna's first musical. She saw *Peter Pan Jr.* and couldn't wait to join Front Row Center! When she's off stage, Reyna is a Girl Scout (Brownie), and is in her happy place at the beach. She would like to thank her parents, friends, and cast mates for making this a great experience. Enjoy the show!



Camille Rodriguez (Merfolk/Tentacle/Lagoon Creature) Camille is happy to welcome you to Front Row Center's *Little Mermaid Jr.* production! Camille loves singing, acting, and dancing. The stage is Camille's passion, and she is very excited to play a Merfolk! When not on stage Camille likes to read, take acting classes, and hangout with friends. She would like to thank her mom for always supporting her and taking the time to download the choreography videos and, of course, the Front Row Center Team!



Liv Salas (Atina) This is Liv's 2nd show with Front Row Center, having been part of the Debut Crew! It is her 7th musical production overall. A few of her favorite roles include Mrs. Darling in *Peter Pan*, Scab#3 in *Newsies* and an orphan in *Annie*. She is thrilled to play a Mersister and share the stage with her little brother. Liv plays piano, takes vocal, tap and jazz lessons and she also participates in the Triple Threat program at FRC. When she's not rehearsing or on stage, she enjoys watching musicals with her mom, going to Starbucks, camping and watching Dance

Moms. She is thankful to her friends and family for supporting her and to the creative team for this opportunity!



Victor Salas (Flotsam) Victor is excited to be cast as Flotsam in his 2nd musical theater production! He debuted as Slightly in Peter Pan, Jr. with Front Row Center and with the help of his castmates, his big sister, Liv, and the amazing creative team, you'd never even know that he had stage fright just one year ago! He now truly enjoys singing and acting on stage! He also plays the piano and ukulele. In his free time Victor enjoys reading, playing video games, and watching scary movies and the Padres. He hopes you enjoy this show and your adventure under the sea!



Abel Saldivar (Pilot/Turtle) Abel is excited to be performing in Front Row Centers production of The Little Mermaid Jr. This will be Abel's Fourth show, some of which includes Shrek The Musical Jr.(Papa Ogre) and Peter Pan Jr. (John) from different companies including Front Row Center and The Theatre Arts Company Of San Diego. Abel is excited to be performing in his second show at Front Row Center and third show with Mr.Michael. In his free time Abel likes to listen to music and hang out with his friends. He would like to thank his parents for supporting him and his friend for encouraging him to join his first theatre production. Now enjoy the show and have a fabulous adventure under the sea!!



Sierra Samson (Sailor/Chef/Sea Creature) Little Mermaid is Sierra's second performance with Front Row Center. She enjoys learning the songs and dance and especially loves spending time with her theater friends. Sierra previously performed in Peter Pan as a lost boy with Front Row Center, and has done a couple of school plays as well as a summer camp last summer where she played the King of Hearts in Alice in Wonderland. As an up and coming actor she agrees with Ariel "watch and you'll see, someday I'll be, part of your world"! Thanks family and friends for supporting her and watching her grow!



Kleber Toala (Prince Eric) Kleber is 13 and just graduated 8th grade as ASB President at Nestor Language Academy. This will be his 5th musical production. He has played the roles of Walter Hobbs, Shrek, Captain Hook, and just recently Linus in the first advanced production with FRC. He is also enrolled in the Professional Performers class at Front Row Center. Kléber is excited to perform as Prince Eric in The Little Mermaid Jr. He absolutely loves being on stage and is always looking forward to the next production. Kleber's parents support him in every way and are beyond proud. Kléber is thankful you are here to watch the show and hopes you love it just as much as he does.



Taylor Toudle (Arista) From the moment she could speak, Taylor has been fascinated with vocal performance. Her theatrical debut was with the South Bay YMCA, followed by years in the Liberty VAPA and MT@ISB musical theater programs. Taylor has received formal vocal training for six years and is a current student of Mrs. Willow Walters. She joined Front Row Center (FRC) as a member of the Debut Crew and has participated in camps, classes, and special performances. Further, Taylor is a member of the Professional Performers Program (PPP) and most recently played Wendy Darling in Peter Pan Jr. Taylor's heart belongs to the FRC creative team, and her theater dreams are continuously made possible by the support of her dedicated family and friends. Thanks for joining us under the sea!



Lexi Wright (Flounder's Friend) This is Lexi's first musical and first production on a big stage. Brimming with excitement, she eagerly anticipates this special experience, knowing it will help her break out of her shell and embrace her love for performing. When she's not on stage, she loves to be out camping with family and drawing. She would love to thank her family and friends for encouraging and supporting her to be part of this show!

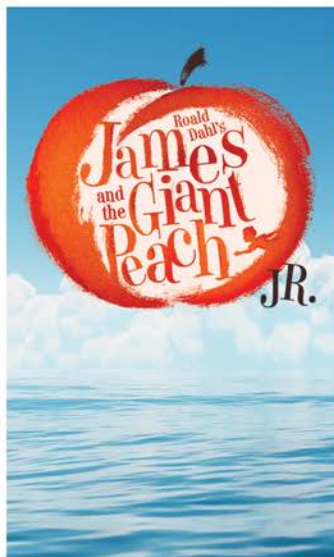


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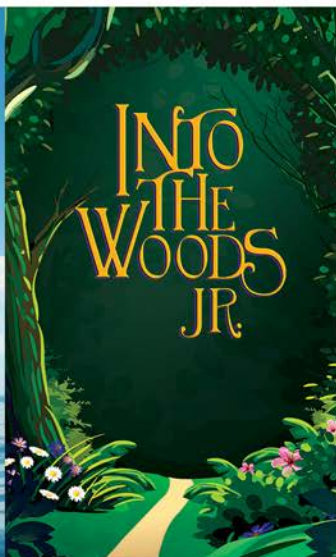
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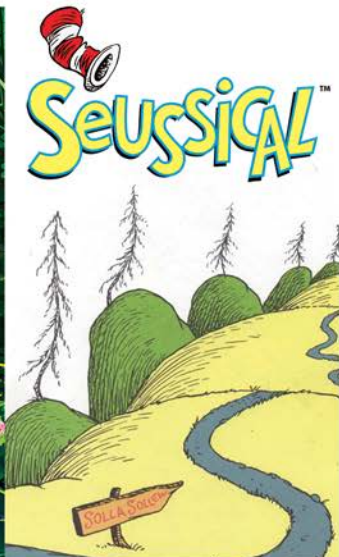
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