

NORTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

**16041 Courthouse Road
Eastville, Virginia 23347**

MUSICAL THEATER



MAMMA DON'T MARRY THAT MAN

By Roger Kaye

April 19- 20, 2024 at 7PM

Saturday Matinee, April 20 at 2 PM

Story Outline

ACT 1

Twinkle is an early adolescent schoolgirl, who, while opening up her school report together with her classmates and best friend Charlotte, is dismayed to see what her teacher, Mr Fisher, has written about her. She is normally very extravert and talkative in class and this is reflected very strongly in Mr Fisher's rather negative report. Fearful of how her mother, Rachel, will react when she reads it; Twinkle decides not to give it to her until a suitable moment arrives. Unfortunately Charlotte's mother, Cordelier, innocently reveals to Rachel that school reports have been issued, which prompts Rachel to make an urgent appointment to see Mr Fisher. Rachel confides in Mr Fisher that she has found it very difficult to manage her daughter since her husband's death nearly two years before. In order to monitor her daughter's progress more closely regular meetings are set up with Mr Fisher, which take place in social rather than school settings, because of restrictions imposed by Rachel's job. As time passes the meetings become more regular, and unbeknownst to Twinkle, a romantic relationship starts to develop between Twinkle's mother and her teacher.

James, the new student in class, sees Mr Fisher kissing Twinkle's mother in school and reports back to Twinkle who is flabbergasted. When she challenges her mother about the incident Rachel reveals to her devastated daughter that she plans to marry her teacher.

INTERMISSION (15 minutes)

ACT 2

After overhearing Lady Isabella talking to a friend on the phone about wanting shares in his father's company and property in the French Alps, James is even more concerned about her feelings for his father. Twinkle and James agree that they need to work together to find out more about the backgrounds of Mr Fisher and Lady Isabella, in an attempt to stop the relationships they have with their respective parents.

Excited with the success of discovering the identity of Mr Fisher, James, Twinkle and Charlotte decide to investigate Lady Isabella more closely. Perplexed by the fact that there seems to be nothing more than a few society photographs on the internet and nothing about her background, the three children draw another blank when they search through past copies of 'Who's Who' at the local library. It is only when Charlotte's mother, Cordelier, allows James to use her password to the 'Relative's Reunited' website that he discovers a link to Lady Isabella through its international section.

At the engagement party at the Funky Fox all is revealed. The children celebrate their success in preventing a double marriage disaster.

SPRING MUSICAL CAST

Characters (in order of appearance)

Mr Fisher (Teacher)	KEYSAN BRITTINGHAM
Class	ILIA BANKS, KENYA BANKS, KAYLA HICKS, YAHZARA GHOLSON, ASHLEY ZODUN, MARIAM MEHDI
Twinkle (Main Character)	KAYLA HICKS/NYKIRA YOUNG
Riley (Mean Girl)	ILIA BANKS/MARIAM MEHDI
Taylor (Mean Girl)	KENYA BANKS/ASHLEY ZODUN
Charlotte (Twinkle's Best Friend)	YAHZARA GHOLSON
Rachel (Twinkle's widowed mother)	MALIYAH JONES
James (New boy in Twinkle's class)	ALEXANDER HALL
Principal	CAMEO APPEARANCE -- DR. AARON SHAW
Cordelier (Rachel's Best friend and Charlotte's mother)	KIERA BUDENOS
Lady Isabella (Fiance of James' father)	ADELE DA VIA/ DANIELA SIEGRIST

SPRING MUSICAL CAST

Characters (in order of appearance)

**Andrew (James' father)
and fiance of Lady Isabella)** **CRISTIAN PHILLIPS**

Enrica (Restaurant Manager) **RENNIAH RONO**

**David (Charlotte's father and
husband of Cordelier)** **REYMUNDO MARTINEZ**

Broadwater Boarding School Staff **JORDAN STATEN**

Librarian **REYMUNDO MARTINEZ**

Lady Roberta de Villiers **JORDAN STATEN**

Mrs Irene Fiddler (Wife of Mr. Fisher) **RENNIAH RONO**

DJ (Funky Fox Nightclub, Las Vegas) **ROGELIO GARCIA**

Funky Fox Waitresses **MARIAM MEHDI**

Behind the Scenes:

Stage Manager -- ROGELIO GARCIA

Stage Crew:

JOSE MARTINEZ, CAMDEN SCHMIDT, CRISTIAN PHILLIPS, GENEVIE KOHLER, MAYSA EDWARDS, THOMAS LYNCH, GRACE SMITH

MEET THE ARTISTS



**Kayla Hicks, Twinkle
*Choreographer &
Script Editor***



Nykira Young, Twinkle



**Keysan Brightingham,
Mr. Fisher
& *Director's Assistant***



**Maliyah Jones, Rachel
*Choreographer & Script
Editor***

MEET THE DIRECTOR



Dr. Caroline Gibson, Soprano was awarded a Graduate Fellowship and earned her terminal Degree from the University of Iowa School of Music, Iowa City, Iowa; the Master of Music and Bachelor of Arts Degrees from the Catholic University of America Benjamin T. Rome School of Music, Washington, D.C. and The University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, respectively.

As Director of Choral Activities at the former Delaware State College, now Delaware State University in Dover, Delaware, Gibson became the first exchange professor with the Cultural Institute in Merida, Mexico (Yucatan). She has taught at The University of Iowa, School of Music and served as the Director of the Opera/Musical Theatre Workshop and Vocal Ensembles at Kentucky State University.

Dr. Gibson as the new Director of Choral/Theatre Arts at Northampton High School presents the Northampton Theater in it's Musical, ***MAMMA DON'T MARRY THAT MAN.***

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