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# Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 2023 CAPA Marquee Awards presented by American Electric Power Foundation!

I can't believe that this is already our fifth year as a regional program of the National High School Musical Theatre Awards®/Jimmy Awards®! This amazing program celebrates outstanding student achievement in vocal, dance, and acting performance, and we are so excited that our two winners (who will be named live tonight!) will join top musical theatre students from across the country

in New York City for a week-long theatre intensive where they will experience private coaching, master classes and rehearsals in preparation for a special showcase performance on Broadway on June 26.

Tonight is the event that I spend all year talking about because my mission each year is to convince people who have never attended to join us and experience the electric energy in the audience, the talent of the performers onstage, and the dedication of those working backstage. If you are like me and you grew up performing theatre in high school, tonight will inspire nostalgia and will help you remember why you fell in love with the experience of high school musical theatre. If you did not grow up with that experience but grew up participating in sports, I think you'll find tonight might remind you of regional or state championship games with schools cheering on their teams and creating a spirit of camaraderie among all participating schools. The strength of this program is in the larger theatre community it creates for our schools and the sense of belonging it provides to our young people.

Featured in tonight's showcase are students from all 18 of our participating schools. These performers and members of our student technical crew had a week of after-school rehearsals to create what you will see tonight, and their hard work and dedication deserve to be applauded. Working with these incredible young artists is always the highlight of my year.

I also had the distinct pleasure of attending all the Marquee Award musicals again this season, and I absolutely loved being a part of your audiences and your communities. The importance of the performing arts in our schools cannot be understated. And, tonight, we are thrilled to celebrate the achievements of the high school musical theatre community in central Ohio.

Enjoy the show!

Amy Handra

Director of Education | Columbus Association for the Performing Arts

# Dear Friends,

Thank you for joining us at the CAPA Marquee Awards! This is an event that I look forward to each year. I'm confident that you will enjoy the enthusiasm and energy of these talented students just as much as I do.

We will see many talented performances on the stage, but the hard work that takes place behind the curtain is just as important. Now more than ever we need talented young people that are passionate about the arts to fill the technical roles that make what



you see on stage possible. We're excited to give students the opportunity to work alongside theatre professionals tonight, and I hope we'll see familiar faces working on tours or on our stages in future years.

We are very proud of the Marquee Awards, but this is just one of many programs that CAPA operates to educate audiences of all ages. None of these programs would be possible without the generous support of our many sponsors and individuals in the community. Thank you to everyone that supports this important work, and especially to those of you that have helped to make this magical event a reality. If you enjoy tonight's performance and aren't currently a supporter, I hope you will consider doing so in the future.

Great artists and creatives don't develop in a vacuum. My thanks to the teachers, advisors, mentors, and family members that are here tonight uplifting these students. Caring and support are so important to artistic success. Let's enjoy this evening together and be proud of the exceptional students that we have right here in our community.

Sincerely,

Chad Whittington

President & CEO | Columbus Association for the Performing Arts

## ACT I

<b>Opening NumberStudent Ensemble</b> * "One Short Day" from Wicked	
Footloose" from Footloose" from Footloose" from Footloose "Shut Up and Raise Your Glass" from Moulin Rouge!	
Welcome Chad Whittington & Congressman Mike Carey	
Host RemarksMike McCarthy & Lisa Minken	
AWARD: National Student Reporter Angela Pace Sponsored by WBNS-10TV	
AWARD: Outstanding Student OrchestraSandra Zimmerman Sponsored by The DiMarco Family Fund of The Columbus Foundation	
Selection from Best Musical Nominee No. 1 Westerville South High School "When You're An Addams" from The Addams Family	
AWARD: Backstage Excellence	
AWARD: Outstanding Student DesignerPam & Jack Beeler Sponsored by The Pam and Jack Beeler Family Fund of The Columbus Foundation	
AWARD: Outstanding Technical ExecutionLuke McCormick Sponsored by Mary Beth and Luke McCormick	
Selection from Best Musical Nominee No. 2 Olentangy Berlin High School "Just Around the Corner" from The Addams Family	
Sponsor RecognitionElfi Di Bella	
American Electric Power FoundationMatthew Satterwhite	
AWARD: Best Actor in a Supporting RoleDan Gusty Sponsored by Johnson Investment Counsel	
AWARD: Best Actress in a Supporting Role	
Selection from Best Musical Nominee No. 3 Licking Heights High School	

Selection from Best Musical Nominee No. 3...... Licking Heights High School "Don't Break the Rules" from Catch Me If You Can

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## **TONIGHT'S PROGRAM**

## ACT II

Selection from Best Musical Nominee No. 4Pickerington High School North "Everybody Say Yeah" from Kinky Boots
AWARD: Outstanding Dance ExecutionRamona Reyes Sponsored by Cardinal Health
AWARD: Outstanding EnsembleStephanie Green Sponsored by Fifth Third Bank
AWARD: Best Direction
Selection from Best Musical Nominee No. 5Bishop Watterson High School "Shoeless Joe from Hannibal, MO" from Damn Yankees
The National High School Musical Theatre Awards® ProgramAmy Handra
Best Actor in a Leading Role PerformanceMekhi Adika, Tylen Gordon, Ayden Kerg, Peter Stoycos & Christian Strong
Best Actress in a Leading Role Performance Mekhiah Ellis, Helena Engberg, Lizzie Gill, Gabrielle Morrison, & KK Murphy
AWARD: Best Actor in a Leading Role Tom Krouse Sponsored by Danbert, Inc.
AWARD: Best Actress in a Leading Role Kimberly Minor Sponsored by White Castle
AWARD: Best Musical Performance Matthew Satterwhite
<b>Closing NumberStudent Ensemble</b> * "Found/Tonight" from Dear Evan Hansen and Hamilton "Louder Than Words" from Tick, TickBoom! "You Learn" from Jagged Little Pill

\* Student Ensemble includes representatives from each participating school and the semi-finalists and finalists for Best Performer in a Leading Role.











### Bishop Hartley High School

Shrek The Musical

Marquee Coordinator: Keeley Kurtis-Chapman

### Bishop Watterson High School

Damn Yankees

Marquee Coordinator: Liz O'Dorisio

### Dublin Coffman High School

Newsies

Marquee Coordinator: Dan Stowell

### Eastmoor Academy High School

Once On This Island

Marquee Coordinator: **Seth Harms** 

### Grove City High School

Once Upon a Mattress Marquee Coordinator: Stefanie McConnell

## **2023 PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS**











### Groveport Madison High School

Monty Python's Spamalot (School Edition)

Marquee Coordinator: Kirkland Long

### Licking Heights High School

Catch Me If You Can Marquee Coordinator: Joshua Schirtzinger

### New Albany High School

Mamma Mia! Marquee Coordinator: Elliott Lemberg

### Olentangy Berlin High School

The Addams Family

Marquee Coordinator: Erin Gibbons

### Olentangy High School

Disney's Beauty and the Beast

Marquee Coordinator: Anna McReynolds

## **2023 PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS**









### Olentangy Liberty High School

Anastasia: The Musical

Marquee Coordinator: Daniel Skrovan

### Olentangy Orange High School

The SpongeBob Musical

Marquee Coordinator: Cathy Swain-Abrams

### Pickerington High School Central

The Addams Family Marquee Coordinator: Aileen Targett

### Pickerington High School North

Kinky Boots

Marquee Coordinator: Allen DeCarlo-Boyd

## **2023 PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS**



### Thomas Worthington High School

Seussical

Marquee Coordinator: Justin Nawman



### Upper Arlington High School

Disney's Beauty and the Beast

Marquee Coordinator: Brandon Moss

### Westerville South High School

The Addams Family Marquee Coordinator: Matt Wolfe



### Worthington Christian School

A Year with Frog and Toad

Marquee Coordinator: David O'Roark

## 2023 NOMINEES

## National Student Reporter

Sponsored by WBNS-10TV

Kathryn Mowery, Westerville South High School Gigi O'Dorisio, Bishop Watterson High School

## **Outstanding Student Orchestra**

Sponsored by The DiMarco Family Fund of The Columbus Foundation

Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees Grove City High School, Once Upon a Mattress New Albany High School, Mamma Mia! Olentangy Berlin High School, The Addams Family Upper Arlington High School, Disney's Beauty and the Beast

## **Backstage Excellence**

Sponsored by ImprovEdge

Directing & Stage Management Crew, Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees

Stage Crew, Olentangy Berlin High School, The Addams Family Set & Props Crew, Olentangy Orange High School, The SpongeBob Musical Technical Crew, Thomas Worthington High School, Seussical Stage Managers & Crew Leads, Upper Arlington High School,

Disney's Beauty and the Beast

## **Outstanding Student Designer**

Sponsored by The Pam and Jack Beeler Family Fund of The Columbus Foundation

Benjamin Coughlin, Olentangy Berlin High School, Lighting Design, The Addams Family

Maddy DeMuzio, Olentangy Liberty High School, Costume Design, Anastasia: The Musical

Toby Foley, Bishop Watterson High School, Lighting Design, Damn Yankees Frances Pavell, Bishop Watterson High School, Costume Design, Damn Yankees Hayley Spry, Groveport Madison High School, Lighting Design,

Monty Python's Spamalot (School Edition)

## 2023 NOMINEES

## **Outstanding Technical Execution**

Sponsored by Mary Beth and Luke McCormick

Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees, Stage Managers: Delilah Britain, Amelia Dehl & Jason Thomas Olentangy Liberty High School, Anastasia: The Musical Stage Manager: Vanessa Adams Olentangy Orange High School, The SpongeBob Musical Stage Manager: Bryn Mosure Upper Arlington High School, Disney's Beauty and the Beast Stage Manager: Taylor Speas Worthington Christian School, A Year with Frog and Toad Stage Manager: Katelyn Szczygiel-Hicks

## Best Actor in a Supporting Role

Sponsored by Johnson Investment Counsel

**Ryan Buckley, Thomas Worthington High School** ('Mr. Mayor' in Seussical) **Elliot Hattemer, Upper Arlington High School** ('Cogsworth' in Disney's Beauty and the Beast)

Grey Kuhl, Pickerington High School Central ('Lurch' in The Addams Family) Bennett Ladowitz, Pickerington High School North ('George' in Kinky Boots) Gody Law, Bishop Watterson High School ('Benny Van Buren' in Damn Yankees)

## **Best Actress in a Supporting Role**

Sponsored by Huntington

- Marciya Beasley, Eastmoor Academy High School ('Andrea Devereaux' in Once on This Island)
- Kim'Mya Byrd-Green, Eastmoor Academy High School ('Mama Euralie' in Once on This Island)
- **Gracie Clark, Upper Arlington High School** ('Babette' in Disney's Beauty and the Beast)
- **Charlotte Larsen, Thomas Worthington High School** ('Sour Kangaroo' in *Seussical*)
- Ryann Schindler, Licking Heights High School ('Cindy/Nurse 1' Catch Me If You Can)

## **Outstanding Dance Execution**

Sponsored by Cardinal Health

Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees Eastmoor Academy High School, Once on This Island Olentangy Berlin High School, The Addams Family Pickerington High School Central, The Addams Family Pickerington High School North, Kinky Boots

## **Outstanding Ensemble**

Sponsored by Fifth Third Bank

Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees Eastmoor Academy High School, Once on This Island Olentangy Berlin High School, The Addams Family Pickerington High School North, Kinky Boots Westerville South High School, The Addams Family

## **Best Direction**

Sponsored by Denison University

Allen DeCarlo-Boyd, Pickerington High School North, Kinky Boots Seth Harms, Eastmoor Academy High School, Once on This Island Liz O'Dorisio, Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees Daniel Skrovan, Olentangy Liberty High School, Anastasia: The Musical Gathy Swain-Abrams, Olentangy Orange High School, The SpongeBob Musical

## Best Actor in a Leading Role

Sponsored by Danbert, Inc.

Mekhi Adika, Grove City High School ('Minstrel' in Once Upon a Mattress) Tylen Gordon, Eastmoor Academy High School ('Papa Ge' in Once on This Island) Ayden Kerg, Licking Heights High School

('Carl Hanratty' in Catch Me If You Can) **Peter Stoycos, Westerville South High School** ('Gomez Addams' in The Addams Family) **Christian Strong, Pickerington High School North** ('Lola' in Kinky Boots)

# Best Actress in a Leading Role

Sponsored by White Castle

Mekhiah Ellis, Pickerington High School Central ('Wednesday Addams' in The Addams Family)
Helena Engberg, Olentangy High School ('Belle' in Disney's Beauty and the Beast)
Lizzie Gill, Dublin Coffman High School ('Katherine' in Newsies)
Gabrielle Morrison, Olentangy Berlin High School ('Morticia Addams' in The Addams Family)
KK Murphy, Upper Arlington High School

('Mrs. Potts' in Disney's Beauty and the Beast)

## **Best Musical Production**

Bishop Watterson High School, Damn Yankees Licking Heights High School, Catch Me If You Can Olentangy Berlin High School, The Addams Family Pickerington High School North, Kinky Boots Westerville South High School, The Addams Family

## **TONIGHT'S PERFORMERS**

Srada Acharya Licking Heights High School

Hannah Adam Pickerington High School North

> Mekhi Adika Grove City High School

Nahom Agide Licking Heights High School

David Alexander Licking Heights High School

Natalie Ampadu Licking Heights High School

Gracie Barbera Groveport Madison High School

Jierdynn Bateson Olentangy Berlin High School

Marciya Beasley, Eastmoor Academy High School

Jamie Lee Bishop Bishop Watterson High School

Parker Brunner Bishop Watterson High School

Ev Bull Olentangy Berlin High School

Parker Burghy Westerville South High School

Ally Carroll Pickerington High School North

Jaydn Cash Olentangy Berlin High School

Carly Christy Bishop Hartley High School

Jonah Christy Thomas Worthington High School

Jayden Cochran Licking Heights High School Drake Collins Pickerington High School North

Joey Conroy Upper Arlington High School

Kennedy Cowans Grove City High School

Ilsa Daniels Licking Heights High School

Kamryn Dansby Pickerington High School North

Emily Darnieder Bishop Watterson High School

Isabella Delgado Westerville South High School

Natalie Denton Licking Heights High School

Roja Dhimal Licking Heights High School

Raul Diaz Westerville South High School

Maddie Dublikar Bishop Watterson High School

Desmond Ducy Westerville South High School

Lillian Ducy Westerville South High School

Gabriella Duodu Pickerington High School North

Mekhiah Ellis Pickerington High School Central

Claire Emanuel Olentangy Berlin High School

Helena Engberg Olentangy High School

Alaina Ervin Pickerington High School North Brooklyn Fink Licking Heights High School

Caira Fisher-Rogers Olentangy Orange High School

Rayne Flowers Olentangy Liberty High School

Brody French Westerville South High School

Tyler Frownfelter Pickerington High School North

> Aaron Fryson Grove City High School

Jason Fulks Licking Heights High School

Jenna Fulks Licking Heights High School

Alexander Gilden Groveport Madison High School

Lizzie Gill Dublin Coffman High School

Mary Gilsenan Bishop Watterson High School

Avery Golowin Upper Arlington High School

Gio Gooden Westerville South High School

Baylee Gordon Olentangy Berlin High School

Tylen Gordon Eastmoor Academy High School

Jen Griffaton Pickerington High School North

Laynie Groves Olentangy Orange High School

Pepper Hagan New Albany High School

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## **TONIGHT'S PERFORMERS**

Dylan Hagerman Olentangy Berlin High School

Ella Hansan Westerville South High School

Gracie Harding Olentangy Berlin High School

Samuel Hardjono Olentangy Orange High School

Ella Haringa Pickerington High School North

Mike Haringa Pickerington High School North

Tomas Hastings Westerville South High School

Maddie Haugk Olentangy Berlin High School

Colleen Healy Pickerington High School North

Gavric Herring Olentangy Berlin High School

Camren Holliday Pickerington High School North

Rachel Hooley Worthington Christian School

Kate Hoyt Bishop Watterson High School

Brandon Hudepohl Pickerington High School North

Preston Hudson Pickerington High School Central

JOEY Hull Olentangy Berlin High School

Kyle James Pickerington High School North

Laura Jauregui-Mora Bishop Watterson High School Rylee Jennings Westerville South High School

Allyson Jones Bishop Watterson High School

Hannah Kent Olentangy Berlin High School

Ayden Kerg Licking Heights High School

Mollie Kinkead Westerville South High School

Faith Kline Worthington Christian School

Logan Knapp Bishop Watterson High School

Reagan Knapp Pickerington High School North

Addy Knoll Pickerington High School North

Bennett Ladowitz Pickerington High School North

Rose Lansana Westerville South High School

Charlotte Larsen Thomas Worthington High School

Brookleyn Light Westerville South High School

Sofie Lisby Hansen Licking Heights High School

Adi MacClements Westerville South High School

Shea Manley Olentangy Berlin High School

Sammie Martin Pickerington High School North

> Alex Martin Olentangy High School

Ethan McFarland Westerville South High School

Ronan McGrath Bishop Watterson High School

Delaney McKay Bishop Hartley High School

Lincoln McMullen Olentangy Liberty High School

Brady McNally Bishop Watterson High School

Clementine Metz Westerville South High School

Jillian Miller Olentangy Berlin High School

Maddox Miller Westerville South High School

Terris Miller Pickerington High School North

Gabrielle Morrison Olentangy Berlin High School

Katy Mowery Westerville South High School

Mace Muetzel Pickerington High School North

KK Murphy Upper Arlington High School

Andrew Myhal Worthington Christian School

Audrey Mylin Westerville South High School

Bella Mytinger Dublin Coffman High School

Logan O'Donnell Olentangy Berlin High School

Gigi O'Dorisio Bishop Watterson High School

## **TONIGHT'S PERFORMERS**

Olive O'Dorisio Bishop Watterson High School

Grace O'Grady Pickerington High School Central

Ryan O'Malley Pickerington High School North

Alise Orodi Westerville South High School

Olivia Painter Pickerington High School North

Addy Pennington Pickerington High School North

Taylor Petry Licking Heights High School

Lauren Pickering Pickerington High School North

Karsyn Poulsen Westerville South High School

Angelina Powell Bishop Watterson High School

Daisha Price Pickerington High School North

Krithin Rajesh Olentangy Berlin High School

Molly Raynor Olentangy Berlin High School

Kamaryn Reedus Pickerington High School North

Ella Riedlinger Bishop Watterson High School

Luke Riedlinger Bishop Watterson High School

Henry Riesbeck Bishop Hartley High School

Ty Ritzler Olentangy Berlin High School Spencer Rogers Pickerington High School North

Nolan Rough Westerville South High School

Carter Russ Licking Heights High School

Isaac Russell Licking Heights High School

Christian Scheiderer Licking Heights High School

Ryann Schindler Licking Heights High School

Kayla Servilla Olentangy Berlin High School

Mari Sferra Olentangy High School

Sahil Shah New Albany High School

Reid Smith Westerville South High School

Niya Sneed Pickerington High School North

Alison Snyder Pickerington High School North

Lucy Spelman Olentangy Berlin High School

Abbey Stanley Pickerington High School North

Peter Stoycos Westerville South High School

Christian Strong Pickerington High School North

Anna Tedford Pickerington High School North

Vinny Tippett Bishop Watterson High School Ava Tobin Olentangy Berlin High School

Clara Torlone Olentangy Berlin High School

Mikey Tripodi Olentangy Liberty High School

Shawn Underwood Eastmoor Academy High School

Emmett Van Buskirk Dublin Coffman High School

Bryn Vermillion Licking Heights High School

Cinn Villeda Westerville South High School

Victoria Waddell Licking Heights High School

Isabella Wagner Licking Heights High School

Amanda Watchman Pickerington High School North

David Weaver Westerville South High School

James Weaver Westerville South High School

Dylan Weeks Licking Heights High School

Kyla Welling Pickerington High School North

Mary Wells Licking Heights High School

Madison Winesette Westerville South High School

Feavan Yohannes Licking Heights High School

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#### Amy Handra Producer/Director

Amy Handra is the Director of Education for Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA) where she works to create innovative, diverse, and impactful programming that educates and engages the community. At CAPA, she has created the CAPA Marquee Awards, the Passport to Learning student matinee series, Broadway in the Classroom, Dig Deeper, Careers in the Arts, and ARISE. As a

performer and director, Amy has countless international, regional, and local credits, including the Off-Broadway premiere of Olympics Über Alles (Kate), three seasons with the Colorado Shakespeare Festival, and commercial work for Verizon Wireless, Healthgrades, Hyundai Motor Corporation, and Morris Furniture Company. Amy holds a BFA in acting from Wright State University, an MS in teaching from the University of Dayton, and an MFA in acting from The University of Alabama. This is Amy's fourth year producing and directing the CAPA Marquee Awards Showcase and working on this event with such talented young artists and her amazing creative team (including her husband, Stephen) is always one of the highlights of her year!



#### Lydia Miller Video Producer

Lydia Miller is CAPA's Video Production Manager and Motion Graphics Editor. During her time at CAPA, she has produced, filmed, and edited more than 1,000 videos for social media, television, and live events, including the 2021 CAPA Marquee Virtual Showcase. Lydia has been a theatre fan since childhood and enjoys working behind the scenes creating videos to help grow audiences for the many arts

organizations she serves. A proud graduate of The Ohio State University, Lydia also received her Professional Certificate in Electronic Media Technology from the University of Cincinnati. When she's not behind the camera, Lydia enjoys making ceramics, watching terrible reality television, going to the dog park with her dog Leo, and spending time with her family.



#### Dee Saunders Music Arranger/Music Director

Dee Saunders holds a dual bachelor's degree in music education and music therapy from Michigan State University in piano and woodwinds, where she marched in the Spartan Marching Band in both Color Guard and Drumline. She has taught vocal music in the Columbus City, Pickerington, and Granville Schools, worked as an adjunct accompanist at Otterbein and Denison University,

and is now retired. She has worked as a musical theater director and accompanist for almost 100 shows since 2005 and is an arranger for many show choirs throughout Ohio, creating both vocal and instrumental arrangements for competition. Dee participates in several contemporary worship bands and is a published choral works composer. She is the Music Arranger and Director for both the CAPA Marquee Awards here in Columbus, and the Miami Valley High School Musical Theater Awards in Dayton, presented yearly in conjunction with the national Jimmy Awards.



#### Jackie Comisar Choreographer

Originally from Pittsburgh, Jackie has called Columbus home for the last 15 years. As a professional actor, she has performed Off-Broadway, in National Tours, and regionally across the country. Here in Columbus, she has been seen in numerous leading roles at Short North Stage including Ordinary Days (Claire), The Marvelous Wonderettes (Missy), The Full Monty (Pam), Christmas in Columbus (Jackie Holiday)

which she also co-wrote, and as the title role in CCT'S production of *Peter Pan* at The Southern Theatre. Jackie has been on faculty at BalletMet and has directed and choreographed productions at Upper Arlington High School, Bishop Watterson High School, Columbus Children's Theatre, Northland Performing Arts Center, and Original Productions Theatre. She holds a BFA in musical theatre from The University of Michigan. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in couple and family therapy at The Ohio State University. Jackie has enjoyed involvement with the CAPA Marquee Program for the last four years as a teaching artist, adjudicator, and contributor to the Dig Deeper series. Having been inspired to pursue a career in musical theatre after winning a Gene Kelly Award (Pittsburgh's Marquee Award equivalent) for best leading actress, she is especially honored to be a part of this incredible showcase. Many thanks to Amy Handra for this opportunity. Thanks, and love to her husband Jason and her most favorite productions–Lily, Carter, and Mira.



#### Kate Glaser Dance Assistant

Kate is thrilled to be back working on the CAPA Marquee Awards for her second year. Kate recently graduated from Indiana University with her BFA in musical theatre and arts management. Her most recent work includes directing and producing the 24-Hour Musical Project with University Players, assistant directing alongside Broadway's Jerry Dixon on an original musical called *Modern*, teaching circus

arts on staff at French Woods Camp for the Performing Arts, and producing the 12-episode documentary series, *Behind the Curtain*, as part of her role as Associate Producer at the Southeastern Summer Theatre Institute where she will return later this summer. Performance Credits: Elf (Swing), *Something Rotten*! (Ensemble, Nostradamus U/S), *Natasha*, *Pierre*... (Marya D), *Company* (Joanne), *Hamlet* (Polonius), *The Threepenny Opera* (Betty), *Young Frankenstein* (Dance Captain).



#### Matt Cantelon Sound Designer

Matt Cantelon (he/him/his) is a PhD candidate at The Ohio State University. He has presented academic papers and workshops at ATHE (Association for Theatre in Higher Education) and SETC (The Southeastern Theatre Conference). Previously he worked as the technical director at the Halloran Centre for Performing Arts and Education in Memphis, Tennessee where he helped to stage dozens of

concerts, performances, conferences, events, and educational programs. Matt holds an MFA in theatre design from the University of Memphis, specializing in sound design, and a BA from Linfield University majoring in theatre arts and political science.



#### Brendan Michna Lighting Designer

Brendan has been active in theatre for the past 30 years. In that time, he's been an actor, playwright, director, camera man, sound designer, production manager, scenic designer, and he's even taken a few dance classes. That said, in the past decade, lighting design has been his primary focus and passion. Currently, he's the Head Electrician for the Southern Theatre, as well as a freelance designer who's

worked with nearly every theatre and production company in central Ohio. He's incredibly excited to be involved with the CAPA Marquee Awards for the fourth time and looks forward to showcasing the incredible talent of the students in this area!



#### Stephen Brunson Production Manager

Stephen hails from Canyon, TX, where he worked as a stage manager, carpenter, performer, and stagehand at West Texas A&M University, earning his BA in theatre. He then ventured to the south where he attended The University of Alabama and received his MFA in theatre. Since then, he has worked as a production manager, technician, and teacher for theatres across the country, including NYU,

The Lighting Syndicate, TINC productions, David Blaine's *Electrified*, and numerous Off-Broadway venues. He currently works as the Director of Events for Ohio Dominican University. When he is not running around behind the scenes, he enjoys reading, strumming his guitar and mandolin, and taking hikes with his dog Murphy. Stephen always looks forward to working with this talented community of artists in the CAPA Marquee Awards!



#### Hannah Hahn Stage Manager

Hannah is happy to be returning to the CAPA Marquee Awards Showcase! She has been a part of the program in various capacities since the first showcase in 2019 and holds the program near and dear to her heart. Hannah holds a BFA in theatre design & technology from Otterbein University where she studied stage management and costume construction. She has worked professionally with

CATCO, Columbus Children's Theatre, Weathervane Playhouse, BalletMet, Opera Project Columbus, Saugatuck Center for the Arts in Michigan, Orlando Rep, and the Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando. Her latest local productions include *Rigoletto* with Opera Columbus and Columbus Symphony and *I*, *Too*, *Sing America part* 2 with Opera Project Columbus. Hannah currently serves as the Production Manager and Stage Management Mentor at Otterbein University. She'd like to thank her husband, Nick, and their cats, Spooky & Pippin, for their continuous support.



#### Skylar Kyser Assistant Stage Manager

Skylar Kyser is a recent Ohio State University graduate with degrees in theater and African-American & African studies. Skylar is pursuing a career in stage management. Recent credits include *Men on Boats* with OSU, *Cabaret* with Imagine Productions, *Gruesome Playground Injuries* with The Sound Company, & *In the Next Room* with OSU. She is very excited for this opportunity with CAPA!



#### Tyler Domer Assistant Musical Director

Tyler is so happy to be returning to the CAPA Marquee Awards after a brief hiatus. A graduate of Capital University, he has been the Staff Accompanist at Olentangy High School and Worthington Kilbourne High School for the last eight years. In addition, he serves as the Music Director for the theater program at Westerville South High School and is the Music Associate at Church of the Master in

Westerville. He would like to thank Dee Saunders and Amy Handra for the opportunity to work with these amazing high school performers.



#### Crystal Satterfield Production Assistant

Crystal Satterfield joined Amy Handra's team as CAPA Education Coordinator in September 2021. She is excited to serve as production assistant in her second CAPA Marquee Awards! Crystal's love for musical theatre began when she experienced *The Lion King* on Broadway as a child. In addition to musical theatre, Crystal has a passion for vocal singing. While attending Capital University, she was a part

of Capital University's Chapel Choir and more recently has used her passion for music and singing to teach English in Colombia and Spain. She received a Bachelor of Arts in communication studies from Kent State University. In her spare time, Crystal enjoys making her family and friends laugh, cooking, singing, learning instruments, and reading. Crystal would like the CAPA Marquee Awards participants to know that each of their unique gifts is beautiful and necessary, so don't hold back!



#### Katie Liepelt Production Assistant

Katie is happy to return to the CAPA Marquee Awards program as an Education Intern. She was previously eligible for a Best Actress Nomination in 2020 when the Marquee Awards had to be canceled. She is currently a junior at The Ohio State University studying strategic communications and fashion retail. Her passion for theatre and singing brought her back to CAPA, and she couldn't be

more grateful for her mentors, Amy Handra and Crystal Satterfield for their support and guidance.

## **OUR HOSTS**



#### Mike McCarthy Host

Mike McCarthy is excited to stay up past his bedtime to celebrate the CAPA Marquee Awards! He's a huge fan of musical theater and wishes his talents matched his passion for the arts. For more than a decade, he's been waking up in the middle of the night to report for Good Day Columbus on ABC 6 and FOX 28. He graduated summa cum laude from Ohio University's E.W. Scripps School of Journalism.

Before ABC 6/FOX 28, Mike spent three years sharing stories in Knoxville, Tennessee. He has won 25 Emmy awards, along with being named "Best TV Reporter" by the Ohio Associated Press. His reports have been featured on CNN, FOX News, and HLN. He and his wife first met on their Marysville elementary school bus. They now live in Marysville with their two sons.



#### Lisa Minken Co-Host

Lisa Minken is the marketing manager for Broadway in Columbus. She hosts the web series, "Broadway Dish," sharing Broadway news and local behind-the-scenes footage. A self-proclaimed Broadway geek, Lisa was bitten by the Broadway bug at the age of 10 when she was cast as an orphan in *Annie* in her hometown of Marysville, Ohio. She co-founded the Marysville Summer Theater Workshop,

a summer theater program for students in grades 5–8. The workshop recently celebrated its 25th anniversary. Lisa is also involved in the Columbus theater community, having appeared in, and directed several productions. When she's not obsessing about theater or singing showtunes, Lisa enjoys reading, playing board games, and spending time with her fiancé, Jon.

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