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## Cast

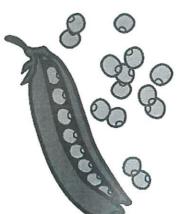
Royal Academy of Royalty
Madame Bombazine - Anna Cozart
Lizzie - Kaitlyn Allbritton
Princess #1 - Ella Barrett
Princess #2 - Lauren Greer
Princess #3 - Keely Hansen
Princess #4 - Mackenzie Braswell
Princess Eglantine - Alexis Walker
Princesses - Amelia Covington
Abigail Musgrove
Sarah Grace Puckett

Addison Walker Delaney Yochum Annabelle Hall From the Costle
Prince Robert - Dalton Bell
Queen Rowena - Gabbie
Bradford
Large Herald - Charlee
McGuire
Small Page - Lilly Davis

#### In The Village

Oldma - Faith James Small Herald #1 - Mia Betlow Small Herald #2 - Ava Grace Bradford Baker - Jeff Yochum Gabriola - Mia-Rae Barajas Bon Mot Guy - Jacks Dean Boxes of Birds Seller - Carter McGhin Glove Seller - Lydia Barnes Boot Seller - Aiden Brownell Consultant - Layla Westbrook Poet - Meagan Ritter Cobbler - Rylee Hill Bibelot Seller - Samantha D'Amico Apothecary Paul - Lyam Girdwood-Schlachter Throne Seller - Tanner Hager Villagers - Madison Booth Stella Cofield Addison Grace French Olivia McGhin

Peas
Mackenzi Cole
Sadie Covington
Zayn Covington
David Dennis
Miriam Dennis
Souad Dennis
Neela Megow
Audrey Thompson





Producer: Andrea Thom Director: Lois Allbritton

Assistant Directors: Kaitlyn Allbritton and Dian Candelario

Stage Manager: Abby Cozart

Light/Sound Booth Supervisor: Parker Allbritton

Sound Booth: Ariana Francis

Light Booth: Bryce Girdwood-Schlachter and Joseph Betlow

Costuming Supervisor: Harley Hogan Set Supervisor: Lynette Kenworthy Props Supervisor: Beth Candelario



Setting: A timeless time period in a bright, vaguely medieval, fairy-tale village street, Castle Way

Act I: A sunny spring morning

15 minute intermission

Act II: A short time later





If it takes a village to raise a child, then what does it take to raise a village? It takes a bunch of excited actors and some very, very special volunteers to build the town, clothe the inhabitants, "prop" them out, and keep law and order so riots in the "streets" are averted. I strongly encourage you to take a look at our list of volunteers, who gave up many a day that add up to more hours than you could possibly imagine to bring you these next two hours or so of entertainment.

Here at Theatre Guild Valdosta, The Gingerbread Players is the children's theatre group; for this show, the group of cast members is quite large. Although not a circus act, quite a lot of juggling took place; scheduling rehearsals around so many individual calendars at the end of a school year has been challenging, to say the least. Thank you, parents, for getting us here to the stage tonight; without your support, your children would not be able to take part in what I believe to be a character building experience (no pun intended, yet there it is). There are so many skills that can be learned and sharpened while participating in community theatre: teamwork, flexibility, personal responsibility and accountability, patience, compromise, improvisation, sewing skills, painting skills, wood working skills, creativity, and articulation are just a few

As always, some people just go a hundred extra miles. Harley, I asked the impossible, but you made it possible...and with such style! Beth, you always go above and beyond to take as much responsibility off the directors as one person can; you are amazing! P.T.. thank you so much for being ready and willing to make any idea, no matter how crazy it may sound, into a reality. Parker, Dian, Kaitlyn, and Abby, I am so proud of you and how you have grown over the years to take on positions of leadership and responsibility here in our theatre family. Lynnette, you have taught us all so much over the years; for that and your "can do" approach to the world and all things theatre, I am forever grateful, Amy. thank you for heading up our safety patrol so we can all be here tonight to read this program, which you were also responsible for. June and Dalton, thank you for hanging around for the late night costume and set sessions; many hands make for a lighter load. Andrea, you have been an awesome producer; never did I have to ask about anything twice, if I even had to ask once, before you were already at the ready with the answer. Jason, you stuck by me through yet another one; now that you have added props to your set, tech, and stage experience, perhaps you would consider co-directing...You can get back to me on that one.

Patrons, without you, for whom would these talented young actors perform? They have worked long and hard to make your time with us an enjoyable experience, and I sincerely hope you find it so.

Enjoy the show,

Lois Allbritton

# Company Bios



#### Kaitlyn Allbritton

Kaitlyn is 17 and a senior in high school. After 11 years of performing with the Gingerbread Players of TGV, this is her final show. She would like to thank everyone who has helped her at the theater and the audiences over the last 11 years. Enjoy the show!

#### Mia-Roe Barajas

Mia is in the 6th grade at Hahira Middle and is excited to be in her first Gingerbread play. She is in the chorus and plays the flute in the band at HMS. She loves singing, acting, and drawing.



## Lydia Jane Bannes

Lydia is a 5th grader at Pinetta Elementary School. She loves to sing, play the piano, and spend time with her cats. Lydia most recently played Tiny Door in Alice @ Wonderland. She hopes you enjoy the show!

#### Ella Barrett

Ella is in the 7th grade at Hahira Middle. This is her 2nd production with the Gingerbread Players of TGV. Her most recent roles include Alice in Alice @ Wonderland and Lily St. Regis in Annie Jr. She has had many amazing opportunities in her last 2 years in theater, and she looks forward to all that come in the future.



#### Dalton Bell

Dalton is excited to be returning to TGV for his second Gingerbread production. He has appeared in Alice @ Wonderland as the King of Hearts and A Christmas Spectacular. Dalton is genuinely th-th-thankful to Mrs. Lois for allowing him to enjoy this valuable opportunity.



#### Joseph Betlow

Joseph is excited to volunteer in his third Gingerbread production. He most recently worked the lights for Alice @ Wonderland. Joseph enjoys bike riding and chemistry. He wants to be an engineer or a pilot when he grows up. He "lights up" his family's world each and every day with his creative mind.

#### Mia Betlow

Mia is in the 3rd grade and is thrilled to be in her third Gingerbread production. She most recently played the Doormouse in *Alice @ Wonderland*. Mia loves reading, drawing, dancing, and singing. She loves her family dearly and thanks them all for their support.



#### Madison Booth

Madison is in the 6th grade at Lowndes Middle School. Madison is excited to be in her first Gingerbread production. She loves reading and singing in the church and school choirs.

#### Ava Grace Bradford

Ava Grace is going into the 5th grade and attends Scintilla Charter Academy. She loves acting. She most recently played a kitty cat in *Alice @ Wonderland*. She looks forward to more plays with the Gingerbread players.





#### Gabbie Bradford

Gabrielle Bradford is now a senior at LHS. She has been with LHS Off Broadway for 3 years and has been involved in many shows including Big Fish, Anything Goes and The Scarlet Pimpernel. She loves Musical Theatre and plans to minor in it at VSU.

#### Mackenzie Braswell

Mackenzie is going to be in the 5th grade in the fall. She most recently played Star to Be and an orphan in *Annie Jr.* and Violet in *Charlie Brown's Christmas*. She is excited to be in her first Gingerbread production.



#### Aiden Brownell

Aiden is in 3rd grade at Lanier County Elementary School. This is his first Gingerbread production. He likes to sing, play video games, and watch WWE wrestling.



Stella is a 6th grade home schooler. This is her first Gingerbread production and she is so excited to be a part of this play. Stella loves all animals.





Mackenzi is 7 years old. She loves being on stage. This is her first Gingerbread production, but her second play. She is very excited to be playing one of the peas. He favorite thing to do is art and play with her new puppy, Scout.

#### Amelia Covington

Amelia is finishing up her first year in middle school and is excited for her second play with TGV. When she is not drawing, you can find her nose in a book or dreaming about mermaids.





#### Sadie Covington

Sadie is finishing up the third grade and is very "peas" ed to be in her second TGV production. When she isn't enjoying her "peas" and quiet, Sadie enjoys unicorns and dancing around.

#### Zayn Covington

Zayn is finishing up her last year in elementary school and is hap "pea" to be in her second TGV performance. She loves anything and everything cat related. When she is not obsessing over her cats, Zayn can be found reading a good book.





### Abby Cozant

Abby is excited to be helping backstage for this production as the stage manager. She just finished her freshman year at Faulkner University, where she is majoring in accounting. She enjoys cheering on the Florida Gators and loving Tim Tebow. Enjoy the show!



Anna just completed the 5th grade. This is her 11th play, and she will play the role of Madame Bombazine. When Anna is not bossing around princesses, she plays the piano, free draws, and watches Netflix. She hopes you have a magnificent time and that you will all enjoy the show!





#### Samantha D'Amico

Sam is a middle school student who has a passion for music, reading, and life in general. She enjoys horror movies and writing.



Lilly is a 1st grader and proud Valdosta Wildcat. She loves soccer, softball, art, and reading. Lilly enjoys seeing plays and shows and is excited to be on the stage for the first time.



#### Jacks Dean

Jacks is 8 years old and this is his 5th play with TGV. He loves acting and recently played the role of Humpty Dumpty in Alice @ Wonderland. He has also filmed 4 national commercials and made his movie debut in A Bad Mom's Christmas as Kristen Bell's son Bernard.

#### David Dennis

Davis is a rising 5th grader and first served as a stage hand in Alice @ Wonderland. He is excited to make his acting debut. David sings in the St. John's Youth Choir, plays basketball, soccer, and piano! David is loved most of all by his family.





#### Miriam Dennis

Miriam is a rising 2nd grader and made her acting debut in *Alice @ Wonderland* as Fish Newsy. Miriam loves to dance, read, cook, and sing. She is loved most of all by her family.

#### Souad Dennis

Souad, a rising 4th grader, first performed in Alice @ Wonderland as Frog Newsy. She loves the stage, plays piano, dances, and reads everything she can. Souad is loved most of all by her family.



## Aniana Francis

Ariana is a homeschooled 3rd grader. Her most recent role was in the Kitty Kat Chorus in Alice @ Wonderland. She has also been in Twelfth Night, The Hungry Caterpillar, Dr. Doolittle, & Pinocchio in Washington. Ariana is excited to be involved in the technical side of this production.



#### Addison French

Addison is a 4th grader at Pinetta Elementary School and is so excited to be in her first Gingerbread production. She loves singing, drawing, and reading. Addison plays basketball and is an avid hunter and fisherman.



### Bryce Girdwood-Schlachter

Bryce is 8 years old, homeschooled, and enjoys reading, playing outside, and telling very animated stories! He has experience in both acting and as an apprentice to the church sound guy, but he opted for the behind-the-scenes role this go round.



#### Lyam Girwood-Schlachter

Lyam is a homeschooled kid who has enjoyed drama for several years. He has played the roles of Peter in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* and Linus in *Charlie Brown's Christmas*. He was also in *Alice @ Wonderland*. Lyam enjoys chess, board games, woodworking, and fantasy.





#### Lauren Green

Lauren is a 7th grade honor student at PGM. She enjoys acting, singing, dancing, and many more activities. Lauren has enjoyed playing the role of Princess 2 and many others with the Gingerbread Players. She hopes you enjoy this producti———LIZ-ZIE!

#### Tanner Hager

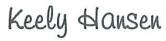
Tanner is a 3rd grader at Lake Park and is extremely excited to portray the Throne Seller in this, his third Gingerbread production. Tanner's other roles include Donald in *The Somewhat True Tale of Robinhood* and George in *The Reluctant Dragon*. He hopes you enjoy the show.





#### Annabelle Hall

Annabelle has been in 3 plays, including Annie, Monster in the Closet, and The Lion King. She enjoys eating tacos, playing with her siblings, hanging out with her friends, singing, and dancing.



Keely is in the 10th grade and is excited to be in her first Gingerbread production. She loves reading and performing in piano recitals.





### Rylee Hill

Rylee, a soon to be 5th grader, has been acting and modeling since age 3. She most recently played Tweedle Dum in Alice @ Wonderland last fall with the Gingerbread Players. She is excited to step into the shoes of the cobbler and hopes you enjoy the show!



#### Faith James

Faith is a junior at ACHS and has been involved in acting since the 9th grade. This is her first performance with the Gingerbread Players, but was recently in *The Big Bad Musical*. She is also involved in cheer at her school.

#### Carter McGhin

J. Carter is a 4th grader at Sallas Mahone. He is making his acting debut in *The Real Princess and the Pea*. Carter enjoys playing basketball, baseball, and video games. He is an avid reader and was a member of the Sallas Mahone Reading Bowl Team that won state in both online and face to face competition.



#### Olivia McGhin

Olivia is 6 years old and in 1st grade at Sallas Mahone. She is making her acting debut in *The Real Princess and the Pea*. She enjoys basketball, soccer, and playing with friends. She also enjoys eating pizza, singing, and dancing.



#### Charlee McGuine

Charlee attends Georgia Christian School and will be going into the 4th grade. She is so excited to be making her acting debut with the Gingerbread Players. She enjoys swimming and spending time with her friends, family, and cousins.



## Neela Megow

After hatching from a dragon egg, Neela spent the first few years of her life exploring space and establishing the first human colony on Mars. Recently, she returned to Earth to pursue her new-found interest in acting. Neela also enjoys eating cheese guesadillas and catching frogs.



#### Abigail Musgrove

Abigail is 9 years old and a 4th grade home schooler. She enjoys acting, basketball, and dancing. She most recently enjoyed the role of Young Nala in the NFCC production of the *The Lion King Jr.* She is excited about her role as a princess in this Gingerbread production.





#### Sanah Grace Puckett

Sarah Grace is 8 years old. This is her 2nd production at TGV. She played Door #4 in Alice @ Wonderland. Apart from acting, Sarah Grace enjoys talking, running, swimming, and reading. She is very excited to be playing a Princess in Training!



Meagan is a 5th grader at WES and has been acting since 2nd grade. She most recently played Tweedle Dee in *Alice @ Wonderland*. She has been in several Gingerbread and Theater Guild productions. She loves acting, singing, volleyball, and roller coasters! Meagan hopes you enjoy the show!



#### Audrey Thompson

Audrey is going into the 3rd grade at Sallas Mahone. She is excited to be in her first Gingerbread production as a pea. She loves ballet, gymnastics, and reading. She hopes you enjoy the show!

#### Addison Walker

Addison is a rising 6th grader at Westside Elementary and loves gymnastics. She enjoyed her first play performance as part of the Kitty Kat Chorus in Alice @ Wonderland.

#### Alexis Walker

Alexis is a rising 8th grader at Hahira Middle School. She loves art, singing, and all things marine life. She was hilarious in her first major role as the Mad Hatter in Alice @ Wonderland. Alexis also enjoyed being part of the Christmas Spectacular last Christmas.



#### Layla Westbrook

Layla is in the 3rd grade and is very excited to be in her first play! She loves all kinds of animals, including bugs! Layla has taken dance lessons since she was 3 and likes flowers, eating, and people watching.

#### Delaney Yochum

Delaney is a rising 5th grader at Lake Park Elementary. She loves dogs, cheerleading, and socializing with her friends. She is an avid reader and was chosen to participate in the Battle of the Books Club at school. This is her first time participating in a Gingerbread production.





### Jeff Yochum

Jeff is a rising 8th grader at LMS. He is involved with Chess Club, chorus, and plays saxophone in the band. Jeff sang and danced in the production of *A Christmas Spectacular* at Theater Guild Valdosta. Jeff is also an active Boy Scout in Troop 416.





# THANK YOU

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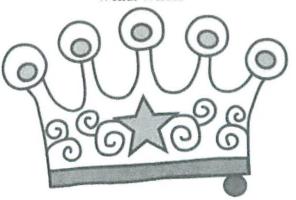
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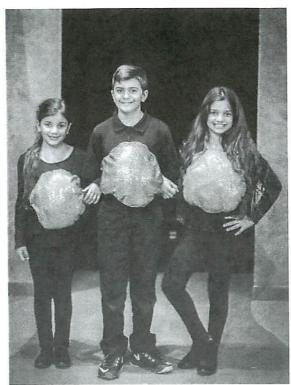
Wendi Wilder



Lizzie would love for you to enjoy special treats during intermission. She would also love for you to enjoy them in the lobby or on the sidewalk and not in the theater. She already has enough sweeping to do!

David, Souad, and Miriam~ Your family loves to watch you perform!





Carter and Olivia, Keep Reaching For the Stars! Love, Mom and Dad



Break a leg, Tanner! Love, Mama, Daddy, & Leighton





Anna. you are our favorite Madame. midear! We love you. Mom. Dad. Abby. Bev. Papa. and Little Buddy

Break a leg...but stay away from the peas! We love you! ~Momma, Daddy, Parker, & Catherine



Break a leg, Rylee! Love, Mom and Dad





We are so proud of you, Mia-Rae! Love you, Mom, Diddy, Alex, Marcus, and Wiley



We love our Princess in Training of the Royal Academy of Royalty, Sarah Grace! From: Mom, Dad, and all your brothers

Congrats, you are going out with a bang! It's been a blast working with you on this show and I wish you the best for whatever comes next!

Your Assistant, Dian





Break a leg, Amelia, Zayn, and Sadie! Love, Mom and Dad



Break a
leg, Jacks!
We love
you,
Mom, Dad,
& John
Laurent

Abigail Musgrove, we are so proud of you! Ready to watch you shine and do what you love!

Love, Mom, Daddy, and Alex



Charlee, you are our star!
Love always,
Momma &
Daddy



Dalton, we are proud of you! B-b-break a l-l-leg! Love, Mom, Michael, Dallas, and Harley





Roses are red, Violets are blue,

Meagan's our poet,

And we love you!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Michael





We are proud of our little glove seller, Lydia Jane Barnes!

Love, Momma, Daddy, Gabe, Mattie, Mine, and Grandpa



congratulations
on your acting
debut! you will
be great!
love you,
charlee!
granna and aunt
cathy

Kaitlyn:
My "First" Queen
Your "Last" P-p-p-prince
Break a leg! ~Dalton



Great job, Alexis and Addison! We love you~





We are so proud of you,
Ava Grace and Gabbie!
We love you so much!
Forever our girls.

Love, Mommy, Daddy, Logan, Grammy, & Papa





The Gingerbread Players are the children's theatre arm of Theatre Guild Valdosta. The Gingerbread Players offers an excellent opportunity for your child to experience the wonder and excitement of performing onstage, as well as learning the basics of stagecraft. The TGV Gingerbread Players mount two productions each season at the 'Dosta Playhouse.

Auditions for Gingerbread Players productions are open to children ages six and up, and there are always a variety of principal

and ensemble roles available. Prior experience is not necessary to

audition and to participate backstage.

Stella, NEVER stop dreaming! Love, Mom and Dad



# Behind the Scenes

# Royalty in Training















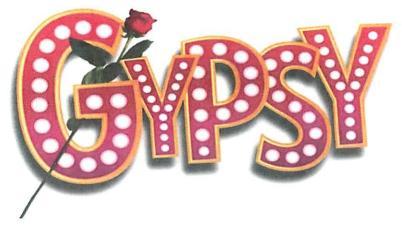












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Auditions will be June 4 & 5 at the Dosta Playhouse.

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For more information contact the show's director, Andrea Thom at andreathom0902@att.net