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CURTAINS

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CAST

FRANK CIOFFI	L Hobbs
NIKI HARRIS	Izzy Caprioli
GEORGIA HENDRICKS	Maggie Mercandante
CARMEN BERNSTEIN	Maggie Lyerly
AARON FOX.....	Anya Kipp-McGowan
SIDNEY BERNSTEIN	Dakota Dickinson
CHRIS BELLING	AJ Rebelo
BAMBI BERNET	El Carriveau
DARYL GRADY.....	Joe Casillo
JOANIE HARMON	Lily Ruggiere
OSCAR SHAPIRO	Evi Galbraith
BOBBY PEPPER	Graham Liporto
JESSICA CRANSHAW	Kylie Corrigan
SASHA ILJINSKY	Katie Higgins
RANDY DEXTER	Niklas Figueiredo
MONA PAGE	Lilah Martinez
HARV FREEMONT	Tobin Briesacher
ROBERTA WOOSTER.....	Natalie Underwood
DETECTIVE O'FARRELL.....	Leah Spencer
MARJORIE COOK.....	Sophia Jordan
ARLENE BARRUCA	Gianna Bedard
JANE SETLER	Juliet Howard
PEG PRENTICE	Lilibet Mongeau

PRODUCTION STAFF

DIRECTOR / PRODUCER.....	Steve Murray
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MUSICAL NUMBERS

Act One

<i>Overture</i>	ORCHESTRA
<i>Wide Open Spaces</i>	JESSICA, ENSEMBLE
<i>What Kind of Man</i>	CARMEN, OLIVE, AARON, GEORGIA
<i>Thinking of Him</i>	GEORGIA, AARON, BOBBY
<i>The Woman's Dead</i>	AARON, NIKI, BOBBY, CHRISTOPHER, JOANIE, BAMBI, BOBBY, OLIVE, CARMEN, ENSEMBLE
<i>Show People</i>	CARMEN, CIOFFI, OLIVE, BELLING, GEORGIA, ENSEMBLE
<i>Coffee Shop Nights</i>	CIOFFI
<i>In the Same Boat #1</i>	GEORGIA, NIKI, BAMBI
<i>I Miss the Music</i>	AARON
<i>Thataway</i>	GEORGIA, ENSEMBLE

Act Two

<i>Entr'acte</i>	ORCHESTRA
<i>The Man Is Dead</i>	SASHA
<i>He Did It</i>	ENSEMBLE
<i>In the Same Boat #2</i>	BOBBY, RANDY, HARV
<i>It's a Business</i>	CARMEN
<i>Kansasland</i>	RANDY, NIKI, HARV, BAMBI, ENSEMBLE
<i>She Did It (Reprise)</i>	ENSEMBLE
<i>Thinking of Missing The Music</i>	AARON, GEORGIA
<i>A Tough Act To Follow</i>	ENSEMBLE
<i>In The Same Boat</i>	GEORGIA, CIOFFI, BOBBY, RANDY, HARV, NIKI, BAMBI, ENSEMBLE
<i>Wide Open Spaces</i>	GEORGIA, ENSEMBLE
<i>Show People (Reprise)</i>	CARMEN, CIOFFI
<i>Wide Open Spaces Finale</i>	ENSEMBLE

BIOGRAPHIES

Cast

(in alphabetical order)

Gianna Bedard is a 13 year old actress who lives in Spencer MA. This will be the 4th musical she has been in! Her favorite part about being in musicals is learning the dances and making new friends. Enjoy the show!!

Tobin Briesacher is a 14 year old boy who plays Harv in this production. He also participated in Auburn Highschool's production of Newsies! and Beauty and the Beast. He is very excited for this production of the musical Curtains.

Izzy Caprioli is an upcoming junior at Saint Paul's Jr/Sr High. She is playing Nikki Harris. Izzy is a part of her school's drama club, improv club, chorus club, and art club. She is currently the lead in her school's summer play "Dark Eyes," playing Ann. She has been doing theater for four years and has been in thirteen previous plays, musicals, and improv shows. She would like to thank her parents, her best friends Ari and Stella, and all her other friends and family who have supported her in the audience and in her life. Izzy is so thrilled to have gotten the chance to meet so many kind and talented new people, and is so excited to perform with them.

EI Carriveau lives in Shrewsbury. Her theater experience includes local and school productions since 2018. She has participated in Calliope pre-teen and teen programs for the past 4 years

Joseph Casillo has been doing shows at Calliope for almost 2 years. This is his 3rd show and he is playing the part of Daryl Grady. Joe resides in Sutton but went to a school in Worcester and had his first starring role as Kevin from Home Alone Jr which was written by the students that attended the school and were in the show. Thank you to everyone that is producing Curtains.

Kylie Corrigan is very excited to return to Calliope for her third year as Jessica Cranshaw in the musical Curtains. In previous years at Calliope, she played Belle in Beauty and the Beast, and Kim in Bye Bye Birdie. As a rising junior at Pomfret School in Pomfret, CT, she is an active member of her school's choir and theater program.

Dakota Dickinson is 13 years old and attends the Applewild School in Fitchburg. He has appeared in Ten Ways to Survive a Zombie Apocalypse, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Seussical Jr., and The Emperor's New Clothes. His favorite foods are pizza and anything spicy related. He enjoys lacrosse and other sports, building crazy things, riding ATVs, 4-wheelers, and skimobiles, and video games.

My name is **Niklas Figueiredo** and my role in the show Curtains is Randy! I am a 13 year old male and I started Theater around two years ago when I first did Mary Poppins at West Boylston Middle High School. I started out as just an ensemble but I have grown as an actor since then being in multiple theater productions such as Seussical, Totally Awesome, The Jungle Book Jr, Frozen Jr, and an understudy for School of Rock. My theater Journey has been amazing and I have my family and friends to thank for supporting me and believing in me.

Evi Galbraith (Olive Shapiro): Evi lives in Worcester and is excited to be back at the theater she calls home. Curtains is her 5th production with Calliope. She most recently played Jovie in Elf Jr. with Apple Tree Arts and, at Calliope, has played Gertrude McFuzz in Seussical Jr., Mr. Bucket in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Jr., and enjoyed ensemble roles in How to Hug a Cactus, and Journey of the Noble Gnarble. Evi has performed in many recitals, festivals, and competitions with the Burncoat Middle School choir. She is also a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society and the Worcester Children's chorus. In her free time, Evi likes to play guitar, spend time with family and friends, and play volleyball.

Katie Higgins is from the town of Holden and will be playing Sasha, the show's pit conductor. She has been dancing for ten years and this will be her third show at Calliope.

L Hobbs is very excited to be a part of Curtains at Calliope Production Theater. They recently played Augustus Gloop with the Assabet Valley Players. L attends Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School.

Juliet Howard is 14 years old and lives in Shrewsbury MA. She did the Calliope show last year, *Bye-Bye Birdie*, making this her second show here! She has also done other school productions! Enjoy the show!!

Anya Kipp-McGowan of Worcester, MA is very excited to be performing in *Curtains* as Aaron Fox and also sad that this is her final Calliope teen workshop production. Other shows Anya has performed in include *West Side Story* (Diesel), *Bye Bye Birdie* (Hugo), *Cinderella* (Ensemble), *Merrily We Roll Along* (Ensemble), and many more. She would like to thank ALL of the AMAZING cast and crew, especially Steve, Tracy, Cait, and Olivia, for putting together such an amazing show. She would also like to thank her parents for being so supportive (even when it means hours of dog-sitting). This performance of *Curtains* has been an amazing experience to end Anya's senior year, and she is honored to be part of this show.

Graham Liporto is a 13 year old actor and lives in Shrewsbury. He is over the moon to be able to be a part of *Curtains* this summer. Graham has been doing theatre since 2018 and *Curtains* is his 12th show. Some of his favorite roles were Charlie Bucket in *Willy Wonka Jr*, as well as Horton the Elephant in *Seussical Jr*. He would like to thank his loving family and friends for always supporting him throughout his theatre adventures, as well as everyone at Calliope who has helped make this production possible. Enjoy the show!

Maggie Lyerly is very excited to be a part of the *Curtains* production at Calliope Theatre! She is excited to play the role of Carmen and hopes everyone enjoys the show.

Lilah Martinez is excited to be participating in her first show at Calliope. Lilah lives in Boylston where she attends Tahanto Regional High School. She is a part of her school's drama club where she happily dances backstage as stage crew and has participated in a few supporting roles before. When not acting, she loves drawing and playing guitar.

Maggie Mercadante (She/they) is thrilled to be back on Calliope stage for *Curtains*! In her free time you can find her still walking at music festivals, playing music, or spending time with her pets. Past theater credits include: *SpongeBob the Musical* (Perch Perkins), *Little Women* (ensemble), *Beauty and the Beast jr.* (Mrs. Potts), and *Peter Pan jr.* (Mrs. Darling). As well as performing, Maggie teaches theater to elementary age children with SkyRise. Maggie would like to thank the cast and crew for making this show one to remember

Lilibet Mongeau, has been acting on the Calliope Theater stage since playing Argyle in *Space Pirates!* in 2019. Her previous roles include: *Bye Bye Birdie* (ensemble); *Marcus Is Walking* (Ruthie); *Beauty and the Beast, Jr.* (Narrator 4/ensemble); *Dr. Evil and the Pigeons with Lasers* (Archduchess Arsenica); and *Goose-Napped* (Bo Peep/Mother Goose). Lilibet is a Sterling resident and will be a junior at WRHS this fall. When she isn't on the stage, Lilibet enjoys hanging out with friends, K-Pop music, and competing in karate tournaments as a brown belt. Lilibet intends to enroll in a BFA or BA Acting program after high school and thanks Calliope Theater for being a part of her path to that goal.

AJ Rebelo (he/him) moved to Boylston in 2021 and is thrilled to be making his Calliope debut as Christopher Belling in *Curtains*. AJ enjoyed playing Bruce Bogtrotter in Sterling Community Theatre's production of *Matilda* last year. Previous roles also include Prince Eric in *The Little Mermaid Jr*, Davey in *Newsies Jr*, and Mr. Wormwood in *Matilda Jr*. When not dancing and singing, AJ enjoys spending time with his puppy, drawing, and listening to music.

Lily Ruggiere is delighted to be playing the role of Joanie. She has been in shows at Calliope for about 7 years. Some of her favorites include Our Town, Willy Wonka, and Bye Bye Birdie. She attends Burncoat High school and has put on a number of shows with the theater department there. She loves all kinds of theater, but especially enjoys comedies. Enjoy the show!

I'm **Leah Spencer**, and I play the role of Detective O'Farrell. I am originally from Worcester but I now live in Boylston. This marks my third summer program at Calliope, and I am always active in my school's drama club. I am an eccentric and outgoing person, which makes theater a perfect fit for me. No matter what I end up doing in the future, theater will always hold a special place in my heart.



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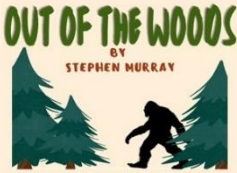
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