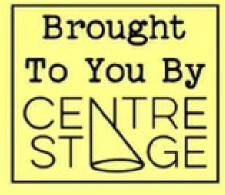


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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR,

REGINA WHITE

Distance learning was difficult. The performing arts suffered, but look where we are! In this beautiful new space sharing a night of comedy with our community. What I have witnessed on a daily basis while working with these young people is incredibly inspiring. They voluntarily come together after school and learn skills that will benefit them in many career paths while forging friendships and having fun. Puffs is funny and full of heart. The journey to produce the show has tested all of us as we've adjusted to variances in the pandemic

protocol and dealt with personal illness and scheduling conflicts. These students would not give up faced with any of these barriers, and I would like to think that they grew, learned, perservered, loved, and laughed. They also cried. I can honestly say I'm more of a guide on the side for this production than a director because of the collaborative effort that went into every detail you will see this evening. If you are associated with any of the names mentioned in the following pages, you need to give them tremendous accolades. We hope you laugh...and cry...along with us as you take an alternative glance at the wizard story who shall not be named. Whether you are familiar with the wizarding world or you know nothing about it, know you will find the story to be heartwarming, daring, and inspiring. Thank You.

A NOTE FROM THE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR,

JOHN SIERRA

Welcome to the first production in Freedom's brand new state-of-the-art theater! I am thrilled to be a part of this new adventure as the technical director for Puffs. While there is so much to learn about the amazing technology here, we are provided a fresh space where anything is possible in the realm of imagination. With two years of seniors who graduated during COVID, we are essentially rebuilding the culture of knowledge-sharing, as we are all learning these new systems from scratch.

On the tech/crew, I would like to acknowledge Kaleb Castrence and Sarah Price for their unwavering commitment to creating our technical and visual stage experience. We are grateful to Mark with Clarity Audio, Dennis from Holzmueller, and Mr. Haywood (FHS Construction teacher) for all the time they dedicated to training this new set of teachers, cast and crew. We are particularly blessed by the contribution of an unexpected



expert from another high school in our district. Gabe Valliere is a senior at Heritage who is already showing great promise with a career in technical theater. He has volunteered many hours to training our tech crew on lights and sound, demonstrating mastery of color theory and creating cues for this show.

Last and certainly not least, Regina White has been an amazing director with tireless commitment to the success and well-being of every individual who is a part of this production. Her compassion is an inspiration, not unlike the expression of loyalty and dedication portrayed by the Puffs. I hope you also feel inspired and enjoy the show!



CAST LIST

Narrator	. Brynn Angelo
Narrator, Zach Smith (Alt)	Josh Gray
Wayne Hopkins	Jacob Morales
Oliver Rivers	. Aaron Yi
Megan Jones	. Kylie Bryan
Mr. Bagman, Sal, Mr. Voldy (Alt)	. Chris Edelson
Hannah Abbott	. Lauren Knight
Ernie Mac	. Brandon Collins
Leanne	. Kylie Hartsock
J. Finch Fletchy, Clumsy Longbottom,	
Goyle	. Carter Reed
Susie Bones, Colin, Harry	. Adreana Gallegos
First Headmaster, Bippy, Helga,	
Understudy ALL (aka Wonder Study)	Taylor Derocher
Hermeoone #1, Scorpio, Viktor	Salem Vargas
Hermeoone #2, Ginny,	
Rita Scooter, & Professor Sprouty	Ava Baron
Hermeoone #3, Professor Turban, Seamus	Aubrey "Sig" Ávalos-Maciel
Sally Perks, Frenchy, Rowena	Juliette Chaudron
Professor Mc. G., Xavia Jones, Professor Lanny,	
Myrtle, Ms. Babble	Kaylynn Gray
Second Headmaster, Blondo Malfoy, Runes Teach,	
Ghost History Teach	Katelyn Mass
Professor Locky, Mr. Voldy,	
Zach Smith (Alt), Ric Gryff	Jordan Veal
A Certain Potions Teach, Uncle Dave, Fat Friar,	
Zach Smith (Alt), Mr. Nick, Real Mr. Moody	Justice Gonzaga
A Very Tall Man	Faculty Guest Appearances:



Mr. Sierra, Mr. Souza, Dr. Amaro, et al.



CREW LIST

Director	Regina White	
Student Assistant Director (AD)	Alexis Pells	
Technical Director	John Sierra	
Student Assistant Tech Director	Sarah Price	
Scenic Lead	Kaleb Constrance	
Stage Manager	Gabriella Riggan	
Assistant Stage Manager & Costumes	Maddy Councell	
Assistant Stage Manager & Props	Jasmine Williams ${\mathscr E}$	
	Jeremiah Gallegos	
Assistant Stage Manager General	Juliana Melena	
House Manager	Mia Gocuan & Michelle Lee	
Lighting Designer	Gabe Valliere	
Publicity Designer	Aaron Yi & Kylie Hartsock	
Light Board Operator		
Follow Spot Operators	Julia Casselberry,	
Louis	Maldonado, Ximena Ramos & Arturo Espinoza	
Audio Technicians	Jorge Pinzon &	
	Leylani Fernandez	
Audio Crew (Microphone Management)	Ximena Ramos, Jorge Pinzon,	
	& Leylani Fernandez	
Costume Design Crew	Adreana Gallegos, Maleaha Leal,	
	Sarah Price, Ellen Coatney, & Maddy Councell	
Props Crew	Jeremiah Gallegos,	
	Rory Hodges, Brooklyn Berschens	
Set/Paint Crew		
Derocher, Juliette Chaudron, Salem Vargas, Julianna	Melina, Leylani Fernandez, Lauren Knight,	
Ximena Ramos, Bex Syler, Brian Gonzalez, Matthew 2	Zimmer, Raelynn Hernandez, Shaye Peterson,	
Ilwadh Mohamed, Molly Dorma, & Gracie Dial		
Publicity Crew		
Fundraising Crew	The Knight Family	
House Crew	Akai Jacobson, Elaine Hartsock,	

Brooklyn Berschens Angela Gallegos, & Pam Ayala







Joshua gray

Joshua Gray is Zach Smith and an alternative narrator in puffs. He was in the last show "This is a Test" and played the character Allan. He is a sophomore at Freedom and has enjoyed his first year in the performing arts department and can't wait to see what we do the last two years he is here. He hopes you enjoy puffs this evening, or afternoon if your reading this in the afternoon; or if your reading this again the next morning, um, good morning?



Chris Edelson

Chris is a freshman in high school this year; he has always been interested in theatre since he was in elementary school. The reason he enjoys theatre is because he gets to play a character which he enjoys doing very much. He is very excited to be part of puffs and will keep participating in the theatre activities for the rest of his time at Freedom High School.



Lauren Knight

Lauren Knight is a sophomore here at Freedom High School. She recently was in Freedom's last production of "This is a Test" as Lois and "Tracks" as the nun. She enjoys theatre with all her heart and loves being able to give everyone a performance to remember. She is playing Hannah in this production of Puffs and can't wait for you all to see Puffs and all of the future productions!



Taylon Denochen

Taylor is a sophomore at Freedom and Puffs is her first time in a production. In her free time she likes to draw and spend time with friends. She is excited to continue to be in shows for the rest of her time here at Freedom. She hopes you enjoy the show.



JJ Gallegos

Social? Talk to JJ! He likes sports and is always ready for a show. Enjoys hobbies in sports and scripting. Enjoys backstage and is ready for action. - Prop manager and crew



Brandon Collins

Brandon is a senior this year in high school; he has been involved in theatre since his freshman year, and is the Co-President, Co-Improv captain, and Co-Historian this year. This is his 7th production that he has done at Freedom. He really enjoys theatre because he can play characters that he is not like in real life. Some of his favorite roles were Ed in You Can't Take It With You, High School Boy in Tracks, and Pat in This is a Test also even though its new but Ernie Mac in Puffs, and his improv roles like Deborah and Ariana Grande. All of his roles mean so much to him, he thinks it is mainly because of the people who he had around him during the shows, and the lifelong bonds that he made along the way. Out of high school, he wants to pursue an acting career or to go into the music industry. He hopes you have a puffing wonderful time in these upcoming 7 years!



Justice Gonzaga

Justice is a sophomore, new to theater, but he is also new to the voice acting space and seeks to gain acting experience from being on stage. He's happy to meet the people he as met, and learn the new, helpful, things that he's learnt. He's glad to be given the chance to partake in such events as Plays or Improv shows and looks forward to the rest of his time in theater through his years at Freedom High.



Canter Reed

Carter Reed is a 9th grader; he draws, plays guitar, does theater, and that is it. He plays Goyle, Clumsy Longbottom, and J. Finch. He has really liked working on this play and hopes you enjoy.



Kaylynn Gray

Kaylynn is a senior and this is her first high school production. She has really enjoyed this new experience and meeting new people. She is a two varsity athlete playing softball and volleyball and is heavily involved in Freedom activities. Kaylynn likes theatre because of the friends she has made and the characters she has gotten to play. Her plans after high school are to attend Cal Poly, to study mechanical engineering with a minor in architecture, and to play softball there as well.

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Brynn Angelo

Brynn Angelo is a senior here at Freedom, meaning this is their first, and most likely last, performance in the new PAC. While they are bummed they only get to act here once, they are thrilled it's in a show like Puffs, and have great hope for the younger actors who get to continue to use this facility. Brynn has been acting at Freedom since freshman year, and is very happy to see the growth that has taken place, not just in the program, but in their fellow actors as well. While not acting, or being the Co-President of the theatre club (go Centre Stage!), or the Co-Captain of the improv team, Brynn enjoys spending their time on the other arts, including drawing, dancing, and occasionally writing. While acting, though, they have a blast, and some of their favourite past roles have been: the Professor (Tracks), Essie (You Can't Take It With You), and Ensemble (Les Mis). Brynn would like to thank everyone for coming, as well as thank their fellow actors for adding to their ever-growing theatre family, and hopes you enjoy the show!



Arturo Espinoza

Arturo is currently a freshman in high school and this is his second production at Freedom. He is the assistant lighting designer and master electrician. He hopes to continue doing tech for Centre Stage for the rest of his high school career.



Leylani Fernandez

Leylani is a sophomore in high school that recently started attending theatre productions this year. She is currently interested and proud to be part of the technical crew, specifically in sounds. Since The Puffs is her first ever production to be involved in, she is willing to put in the effort to make an outstanding show for the audience with audio.



Ava Barion

Acting has always been a passion of hers, and she is so excited to be apart of this production. The more time she spends rehearsing and spending time with her cast mates, her love for theater grows. Even though this is her first real acting role, she's so grateful for where it has taken her so far. She has made so many great connections with people she would have never met if she hadn't joined theater. She can't wait for more shows and roles that she will get to play in the future. She hopes you love the story of Puffs as much as we do!



Faleb Castrence

Kaleb is a Junior this year at Freedom High School and has been involved with the theatre program since his freshman year. This is Kaleb's third production he has worked on and is the first production where he is taking on the role of the Scenic Lead. He has been a part of the scenic crew and stage crew for the two past productions. He likes building the sets because it allows him to use his creativity and enthusiasm to build something that others will ultimately appreciate. Although he doesn't act, he still maintains a good relationship with the actors, often looking for their opinions and suggestions for the set and teaching them about how the set will be used. Kaleb believes that theatre is an amazing way to find new opportunities and experiences and wishes the best to all of his fellow crew, cast, and directors. Kaleb also hopes that those who watch will enjoy the show, and not forget that there is a small bit of Puff in all of us.



Gabriella Riggan

Gabriella is a sophomore at Freedom High School. She has been involved with theatre since she was younger, but this is her second time being apart of a production here and stage managing. She really loves theatre and how you get to be yourself with no judgment.



Juliette Chaudron

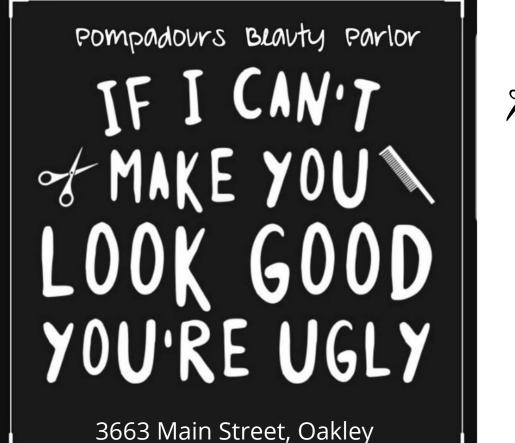
Juliette is a junior. She is also a French exchange student! She arrived a few months ago and is here until the end of the year. She came here hoping to discover things about herself and the world! She loves learning and being challenged. It is her first ever play, but she is really proud of it. She plays Sally Perks, a happy Puff. But also Frenchy and Rowena. She hopes you'll love the play and thanks you for coming ! Enjoy



Rony Lants Hodges

Rory Lantz Hodges is 16, and he got introduced by his girlfriend. He is a part of tech and crew.

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Kylie Bryan

Kylie Bryan is a Senior at Freedom High School; this is her first year in theatre and the second play she has been involved in. In Kylie's first play, Tracks, she played the Lawyer; after Kylie's first experience on stage, she was hooked. Once she heard about the upcoming play, Puffs, she couldn't wait to audition again. Puffs will be Kylie's last play in high school, but she will continue her journey to become an actress. You will see Kylie Bryan in the role of Megan Jones today, you better puffing enjoy the show, or else Megan Jones will put a SPELL ON YOU!



Kylie Hantsock

Breaking through her social fears, you can now see Kylie putting her heart into her interests, like theater. She's wanted to join since she was a kid. Kylie is a 16 year old junior in high school who hopes to become a teacher for elementary kiddos one day. If you were to talk to her about her interest, she could go on forever about it (on a good day). She's into manga and drawing.



Jacob Monales

OK so I imagine you're really good at improv like really good at improv and then you come to find out that your name is Jacob so you're like doing great you have a cool first name and you're really good at improv and since you're like really good at improv you like maybe I should do theater and you do theater and you're like really good at theater and your name is Jacob so yeah he's kind of a cool guy that......Jacob person



Sarah Price

Sarah is a high school student that enjoys reading during lunch break and when she finishes her work in class. She has been known to also sometimes sneak a book under the table during class... She's a geeky child who grew up in a geeky household. She loves Star Wars, Sanders Sides and the worlds created by the Tamora Pierce and Rick Riordan books. When not reading, she is also head of tech for the after-school theater program at her school, which she has been doing for many years across numerous productions. Theater has been a great creative outlet of hers, and she is hoping to continue to do tech as a career.



Adreana Gallegos

Adreana Gallegos is 15 years old and has always loved theatre. She has stage managed two productions and is very excited to try something a little out of her comfort zone with acting. Adreana plays Susie Bones and Harry Potter in this production of Puffs. She is so proud to be part of such an amazing group of people she now calls family. She hopes you will silence your phones and enjoy the magic of this show.



Aaron Yi

Aaron is currently a sophomore at Freedom High School. You can usually find him skating down the street to school or picking up a new hobby. When he isn't learning any new tricks, you can usually find him practicing an old one. He considers himself a jack of all trades (although if we're being honest, he's bad at most things). He also likes to speak about himself in the third person, what an idiot! All jokes aside, theatre is one of his favorite hobbies as of late, and he loves all the work his co-stars and fellow cast and crew members have put into previous and current productions.



Jonge Pinzon

Jorge is a junior and has been in theatre since freshman year (aside from covid) and he joined theatre because he likes to hang out with friends and If you ever meet Joe, he can tell you more.



Hector Espinoza

Hector is relatively new to the theatre space. His first introduction to theatre was in the Fall 2021 plays showcased at Freedom's multipurpose room, where he served as a light board operator. He loved it so much, he was glad to stick around for the next production, Puffs. During the production of Puffs, Hector learned a good deal about collaborating with teams and has expanded his love for all things theatre. He was especially excited to hear that Puffs would take place in Freedom High's brand new art building, where new opportunities would open up for him, and new technology would be used to light the sets. Hector and his team spent hours and hours working on lighting queues, positioning lights, and designing the atmosphere of the play, but none of it seemed like work to him. In fact, it was a fun experience he deeply enjoyed. He can't wait for what is next in his theatre tech career.

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Grandpops and I love you and are so proud of you for all you have done. We wish you a great time in your role in this play.

Love, Grandpops & Banka



Salem Vargas

Salem Vargas is a sophomore this year and has always had a passion for theater. This is his second production with Center Stage and he is excited for more to come. He has been involved with theater since he was 9 years old and appreciates everyone who comes to watch him and all of his amazing friends.



Julia Casselbenry

Julia is a sophomore in high school and has been involved in theatre since the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. She was working on tech for the previous productions "Tracks" and "This is a test." She's currently working on Puffs and her position is spotlight. She is looking forward to the final product of Puffs.



Katelyn Mass

Katelyn is a sophomore and this is her first high school production as an actor. She previously worked on the productions "Tracks" and "This is a Test" as a crew member. Her favorite thing about theatre is that you can become someone totally different than yourselves and that there is an amazing family that comes when you join. She is very excited for you to see this puffing good show.



Jordan Veal

So far I have been in a multitude of plays ranging from being a side character and sometimes main with my first one being "you can't take it with you" which required me to be a hillbilly and "Tracks" were I was an old man who had lived his life and is ready to move on. Then finally, puffs being my last show for the year until I graduate.



Aubrey "Sig" Ávalos-Maciel

Aubrey "Sig" Ávalos-Maciel is a sophomore this year and this is the first ever production with center stage that Sig has ever done.



Alexis Pells

Alexis Pells is a seventeen year old senior with a passion for theater and a love for telling people what to do. Though she has been doing theater since she was eleven, this is the first time she has been the assistant director for a full blown production, an opportunity she is forever grateful to receive. In her free time she also enjoys singing and performing with the choir, writing, reading, and her job working with kids. She hopes you enjoy the show, and reminds you to drink your adult butter beverages responsibly. Puff on!



Mia Gocyan

Mia is a sophomore, and 'Puffs' is the first show she's ever worked on. She wanted to participate in some extracurricular school activities during her high school years (since she had never participated in them before), and ultimately ended up becoming a house manager for 'Puffs'.



Maddie Councell

Maddie is a freshman currently in her first year of being in the actual theater experience. She's had a love for theater ever since she was a little girl. This is her second play and she's already reached the status of costume manager. The job isn't easy, but it's something she loves to do. She hopes to continue to help out and participate in any way she can.



Maleaha Leal

Maleaha is proud to be helping out in the Puffs play. Maleaha loves the theater and her friends. It can be stressful, but Maleaha can push through that and always wants to keep helping.



Juliana Melena

Juliana is the stage manager; she's an easy person to talk to; she's loud and talks a lot. She loves being the stage manager and helping the cast or helping backstage. She is comfortable with everyone and loves to do whatever she can to help.



ximena Ramos

Ximena Ramos is a student here at Freedom High School as well as an editor, audio, and spotlight crew member. She is also a videographer. Ximena has some other talents that people don't know and that she is a musician and plays sports like volleyball and soccer.

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