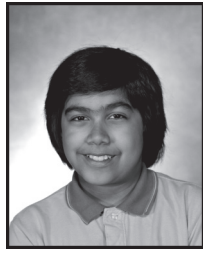


Who's Who

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After the show, take this program to your favorite actors,
and have them sign on the line next to their name!



ANIRUDH BHARDWAJ

is happy to return to Majestic Children's Theater. Previously, he played Mowgli in 2015's *The Jungle Book*, and Hendrick Van Foost in last summer's *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. Born in Ganganagar, India, he now resides with his family in West Springfield, MA (right across the street from the Majestic!). He would like to thank his Mom and Dad and the entire cast and crew of the Majestic Children's Theater. He hopes you enjoy the shows!

REBEKAH CURTIS (Stage Manager) is excited to be a part of the Majestic Theater team for the first time! She is currently an English and Drama teacher at Springfield Central High School. She graduated from the College of the Holy Cross with a B.A. in Theater and is still passionately pursuing acting while she teaches. She has had the pleasure of directing her first musical at Central High School this past spring and looks forward to directing *Shrek the Musical* next year! She is enthusiastic about seeing students who are passionate about theater and the arts and desires to see that passion grow within her school. When she is not teaching, directing, or fundraising for the theater department, Rebekah enjoys relaxing at home with her husband, Doug, and their two cats.



MADI HARTLING

is 17 years old and a rising senior at Chicopee High School. This is her fourth season with Majestic Children's Theater and she has been seen previously in 2016's *Home for The Holidays*. Madi could not be more excited to be back with her Majestic family. Favorite roles include: Belle (*Beauty and the Beast*), Olive Ostrovsky (*25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*), Ursula (*The Little Mermaid*), The Velveteen Rabbit (*The Velveteen Rabbit*), Sandra Bloom (*Big Fish*), and Ysabella (*Tight Pants*) among others. Madi has been acting for 5 years and singing for 8. When not on stage, Madi works with The Miracle League: a baseball league that gives children with disabilities the opportunity to play baseball. She will be going into her senior of high school this fall, after which she plans to go to college and get her doctorate in pharmacy. Madi would like to thank her parents, brother, grandparents, and Giuseppe for all of their support.



AUTUMN MARCHETTO

will be a junior at Gateway Regional High School in Huntington. She has participated in the school drama program since middle school, playing Salome in *Robin Hood*, Anne Shirley in *Anne of Green Gables*, Rapunzel in *Into the Woods*, and the Demon of Insincerity in *The Phantom Tollbooth*. She plays basketball, softball, and runs cross country throughout the school year. Acting is her passion, and other interests include singing, reading, writing, playing the piano and the alto saxophone, and watching BBC's *Sherlock* as well as other British television. She wishes to go to college for acting and study abroad in London. Many thanks to the Majestic for giving her the opportunity to do what she loves.

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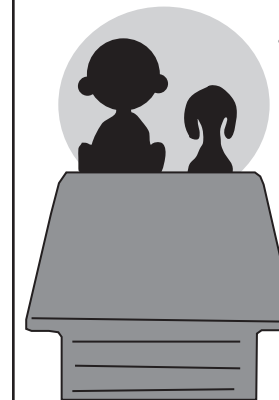
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 Old Green Grasshopper BENJAMIN UPPERTON
 Centipede JOSHUA TRUE
 Miss Spider EMILY WEBER
 Ladybird AUTUMN MARCHETTO
 Earthworm/Mysterious Man GIUSEPPE SANTANIELLO

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 Associate Production Manager AURORA FERRARO
 Stage Manager REBEKAH CURTIS
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 Costume Designer ELIZABETH PANGBURN
 Carpenters CRAIG MILNE, JOSIAH DURHAM
 Scene Artist KEEANNA VAZQUEZ
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ELIZABETH PANGBURN (Costume Designer) is a costume designer and an educator, as well as co-artistic director of the performance collaborative TheatreTruck. Recent design credits include *Skeleton Crew* (Chester Theatre Company), *The Mill Project* (TheatreTruck), *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Mount Holyoke College), *Cabaret* (Mount Holyoke College). Current projects include *Mary's Wedding* (Chester Theatre Company), *The Beggars Opera* (Gina Kauffman Co) and the theatrical event XTCArts Art Parade in Amherst, MA. Recent teaching appointments include Guest Artist in Costume Design at Mount Holyoke College, Visiting Instructor at Smith College, and Adjunct Professor at Westfield State.



STEPHEN PETIT (Director) feels very blessed and thankful to say this is his sixth season directing Majestic Children's Theater. Started in 2005 by his late high school drama teacher Van Farrier, Stephen is honored to be carrying on this wonderful summer program into its 13th season. In addition to directing, he also writes an adapted script for one of the three shows per season. Past scripts include *The Jungle Book*, *A Little Princess*, *Pinocchio*, *Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp*, 2013's *Alice in Wonderland*, and this summer's *Through the Looking Glass... And What Alice Found There*. Stephen is the production manager for the main season at the Majestic and has also been seen on stage, most recently as Mozart in *Amadeus*. Thanks to Danny, Todd, Aurora, Elisabeth and Emily Weber, Elizabeth Pangburn, Craig, Josiah, Justin, Keeanna, Chase, Rebekah, and to all the wonderful young actors, new and 'old,' for all they do to make these shows possible, (and thanks and love to Katie for her unwavering love and support). Thank you for coming and I hope you enjoy!



GIUSEPPE SANTANIELLO is excited to be back with Majestic Children's Theater. He has previously appeared in *The Jungle Book*, *A Little Princess*, *Treasure Island*, *The Frog Prince*, *Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp*, and as Ichabod Crane in last summer's *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. He thanks his Mother, Father, Aunt Fil, Grandma, Nana, Terry, Madi, and all of his friends and family for their love and support.



JOSHUA TRUE will be going into his senior year at Ludlow High School. He has been an active member of chorus and drama, including Western Mass Districts music festival, All State Music Festival, and Quabbin Valley Music Festival. Josh is excited to be a part of the Children's Summer Theater at the Majestic for the fifth summer in a row. He's thankful to his family and friends at the Majestic for another chance to bring joy to the stage once more.

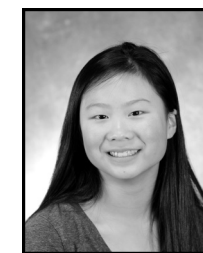
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BENJAMIN UPPERTON is a graduate of Watkinson Academy and performed in their productions of *The Crucible* as Deputy Governor Danforth. This is his second season with the Majestic Children's Theater. Last year he was a stagehand for all three shows, and played Mr. Van Hudson and the Headless Horseman in *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*.



AMELIA WEATHERBEE is an artist and frequent community theater actress. She is a sophomore at Granby Junior Senior High School, and is involved with Black Cat Theater in South Hadley, and Standing Room Only Drama Club in Granby. She's been in many shows such as *Cyrano de Bergershack*, *Highschooler's Guide to the Galaxy*, *Christmas Chaos*, *Shrek the Musical*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *Disco Inferno*, *Nunsense II*, *Highschool Musical*, and most recently, she played Chef Louis in the Black Cat Theater production of *The Little Mermaid*. She is very excited to perform at Majestic Theater for the first time, and can't wait to add *Through the Looking Glass... And What Alice Found There*, and *James and the Giant Peach* to her resume.



EMILY WEBER from the town of Monson, is happy to be part of the Majestic Children's Theater once again. Last summer, she had the honor of being a Dancer in (as well as choreographer for) *Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp*, as well as playing Queen Stefanie in *Disney's Sleeping Beauty KIDS*. She has been acting since she was 6 and has studied dance for 10 years. She has also choreographed for various community theatres including Unity House Players and the Theatre Guild of Hampden. Favorite shows she's been in include *Fame* (Monson Summer Theatre), *Emotional Creature* (Greene Room Productions), and *West Side Story* (Unity House Productions). She would like to thank Stephen Petit, the production team, her family, and her teachers for supporting her. Enjoy the show!



ELISABETH WEBER (Music Director) is happy to be returning for a third summer with Majestic Children's Theater. Elisabeth has a B.A. degree in church music, a Masters in Organ Performance with an emphasis on music education, and years of experience working in community musical theater. She is the music director for the Unitarian Universalist Society of Greater Springfield, where she helped co-found the Unity House Players theater. Elisabeth has been the music director for many local productions including several shows with Greene Room Productions, the Theatre Guild of Hampden, Monson Summer Theater, and Unity House Players. When not at the keys for a musical, teaching piano lessons, or directing choirs, Elisabeth serves as production manager for her family of six.