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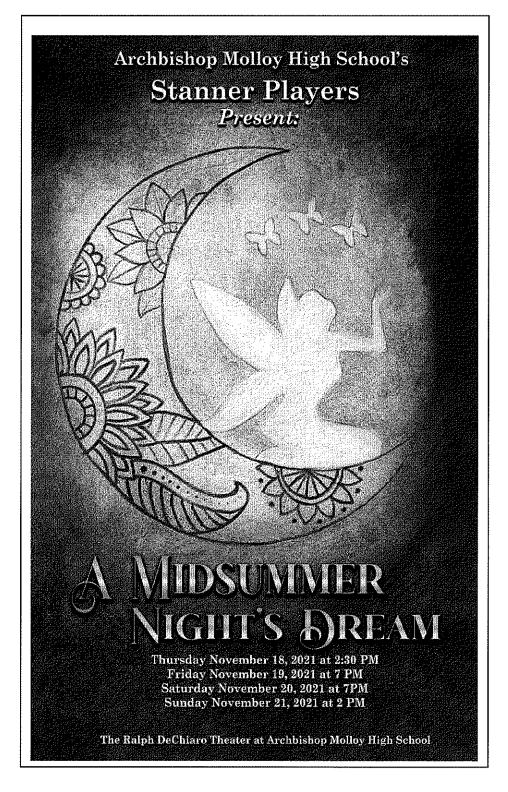


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# **Cast List**

Theseus Loki Docil
Hippolyta Marissa Roca
Egeus Alain Dorestant

Philostrate Max Ortof

Hermia Francesca Picarello

Lysander Joseph Ciaccio
Helena Molly McGuinness

Demetrius Joseph Bruno
Bottom Charlize Collado

Quince Hailey Ramzan
Flute Maggie Saffian

Snout Cas Villapaz

Snug Daphne Camacho

Starveling Tiffany Esquen
Oberon Logan Reyes
Titania Julia Warren

Puck Seren Elmore

Peaseblossom Madeline Accardo Cobweb Vanessa Berletti

Moth Michelle Ramirez

Mustardseed Anna Lampman Rosebud Sofia Maroulis



# **Special Thanks**

- The Costumer, Inc.
- Mr. Brian Klimas
- Ms. Christine Tudor
- Mr. Chris Autera
- Mr. Dan O'Reilly
- Mr. Joe Sommo
- Molloy's Admissions Department: Heather, Jonathan, and Edwidge
- Molloy's Maintenance Staff:

Brian, Derek, Peter, and Glenn

- Molloy's Security Officers: Kevin, Alex, and Ray
- The entire Administration, Faculty, and Staff of Archbishop Molloy

A very special thanks to the P.O.Ps (Parents of the Players) for their support of Molloy's Theater Program and for keeping us feed throughout dress rehearsals and performances!

## **Director's Note**

Eleven years ago, I had the privilege to serve as language coach on the Stanner Players' production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (directed by Jessica Petschauer '04) and had the most amazing time. I've been waiting for the right group to come along and put their own spin on it, and the young people on stage tonight are that group. Shakespeare is daunting for any actor, let alone teenager actors; the text is long, wordy, and poetic. These students have handled the text like professionals, digging into the meaning behind the words and bringing these characters to life.

Because *Midsummer* is one of the most produced plays for high school students, I wanted to put a different spin on it so that it wouldn't be the usual Renaissance style retelling. Given that we are at the start of the 2020's, the nostalgia of the 1920's seemed appropriate, as well as the fact that we are finally welcoming back a (limited) in-person audience for the first time in 2 years – something worth celebrating indeed! Because Shakespeare's language can be difficult, we have included a summary and "cheat sheet" of character relationships for you to refer to if need be!

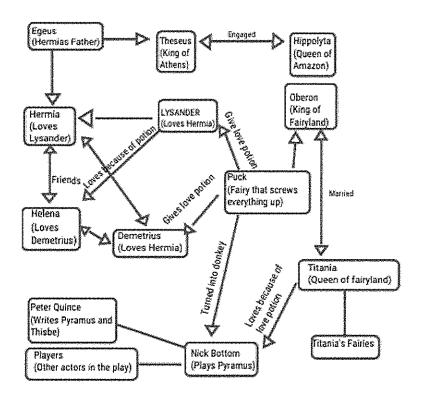
A huge thank you as always to Gary and Glenn for their dedication to making us look and sound our best! A personal thank you to my friends, family, and students for their understanding throughout this very busy season! And I would be remiss if I did not briefly shout out Tatiana, Pablo, and Ang who have worked tirelessly on this production and been here day in and day out having to deal with me- you made the magic happen.

Puck's final speech begins, "If we shadows have offended..." I can state that these Stanner Player shadows (actors) have not offended, but rather have made me immensely proud as I beam from the back of the theater. We have rehearsed "most obscenely and courageously" and we hope you will "give us your hands" (clap) at the end of the show. (Exeunt.)

-Ms. Shannon Winters

## **Show Summary**

This classic Shakespearean play has several overlapping stories that center around the upcoming wedding of Duke Theseus to Hippolyta which will be held in several days. Hermia is in love with Lysander, but her father (Egeus) wants her to marry Demetrius. Helena, Hermia's best friend, is in love with Demetrius, but he doesn't love her. Nick Bottom and his amateur actor friends are rehearsing a play to be performed at the Duke's wedding ceremony. The king and queen of the fairies are arguing over a little boy, and as a result the king decides to use a magical flower to get revenge on his queen. All the characters end up crossing paths in the forest and through mistaken identities and misused magic, some people end up loving the wrong person and others end up being transformed completely.



## Setting: Athens, NY, 1920'S

#### **ACT 1, SCENE 1**

The Palace of Duke Theseus of Athens

#### **ACT 2, SCENE 2**

Quince's House, that same day

#### **ACT 2, SCENE 1**

Forest outside of Athens, the next night

#### **ACT 2, SCENE 2**

Another part of the forest, a short time later

#### **ACT 3, SCENE 1**

Another part of the forest, immediately following

#### -15 Minute Intermission-

#### **ACT 3, SCENE 2**

Another part of the forest, a few hours later

#### **ACT 4, SCENE 1**

Another part of the forest/at the edge of the forest, sometime thereafter

#### **ACT 4, SCENE 2**

Quince's House, the next morning

#### **ACT 5, SCENE 1**

The Palace of Duke Theseus, following the wedding ceremonies

\*The actors/crew utilize the aisles, stairs, and ramps throughout the performance. Please do not block the aisles and remain seated until intermission or the end of the performance.\*

Be aware that flashing lights are used during the performance.

# **Production/Stage Crew**

#### **Producers**

Mr. Darius Penikas, Principal Mr. Richard Karsten, President

#### **Director**

Ms. Shannon Winters, '06

#### Stage Manager

Tatiana Egas '22

#### **Assistant Stage Managers**

Pablo Ortega '22 Angelina Warren '22

#### Stage Manager in Training

Mia Bruno '25

#### **Lighting**

Daniel Flynn '23 Joseph Hoermann '25 Marilyn Trahan '22

#### <u>Sound</u>

Julia Goncalves '23 Justin Horvath '23 Natalie Siragusa '22

#### **Camera Operators**

Ava Genna '25 Matteo Ramirez-Mendez '23

#### **Livestream Video**

Ethan Yu '24

#### <u>Livestream Moderator</u>

Lily Connolly '24

#### **Lighting Design**

Glenn Rivano

#### Sound Design

**Gary Colter** 

#### Hair/Make-Up

Alex Berberi '22 Allyson Rambharos '22

#### **Costume Masters**

Emily Carter '23 Daniel Juarez '23

#### **Costumes Rented from:**

The Costumer, Inc.

#### **Props Master**

Isabella Arias '23

#### House Manager

Marcos Condo '23

#### **Playbill Artwork**

Lok-Kee Lam '23

# **Pre-Production Crew**

Cristina Aliperti Mia Bruno Jada Chico Marcos Condo Lily Connolly Giovanna Doria Ava Genna Joseph Hoermann Andrei Hwang Gabriella Jalaiel Katarina Jewell Shiloh Lin Amber Medina Nicholas Mercado Sofia Morales Mirella Monteza Mateo Ramirez-Mendez Valerie Savage Sarah Torres Ethan Yu

### **Past Stanner Players Productions**

Spring 2021 Spring 2020 Fall 2019 Spring 2019 Fall 2018 Spring 2018	The Addams Family Curtains the Musical Little Women Once Upon A Mattress The Christmas Carol You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown
Fall 2017 Spring 2017 Fall 2016 Spring 2016 Fall 2015	Charlie Brown The Diary of Anne Frank The Pajama Game Pygmalion The 25 <sup>th</sup> Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee Alice in Wonderland
Spring 2015 Fall 2014 Spring 2014	Seussical the Musical The Matchmaker You Can't Take It With You