

At Rise Productions
PRESENTS



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Dear Cast, Pit and Crew,
Break a leg! Wish I could be there. Thanks
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Love, Jared

BAND GEEKS

CAST

Spitz	Matt Baum
Mr. Hornsby	Jordan Berger
Stewart	Justin Dunn
Alvin	Ryan Dunn
Principal Dixon	Kathy Egloff
Ensemble	Carlin Feck
Molly	Ireland Fernandez-Cosgrove
Laura	Sadie Fridley
Elliot	Marco Giacona
Jake	Massimo Giacona
Ensemble	Maggie Greene
Nicole	Erin Houghtaling
Ensemble	Bianca Lucas
Natalia	Alexis Martin
Kyle	Lucas Taber
Ensemble	Ally Wilde

PIT

Trumpet 1	Olivia Budelmann
Flute/Piccolo	Tania Hrosar
Trumpet 2	Kelvin Huynh
Tuba	Owen Jarosz
Keyboard	Nancy O'Connor
Trombone 2	Max Oppedisano
Percussion	Caleb Porter
Clarinet	Colby Porter
Saxophone	Matt Scibilia
Electric Bass	Greg Tillman
Drums	Allison Virgo
Trombone 1	Wyatt Weldum

BAND GEEKS

ACT I

Captain of the Beavers	Elliot
Band Geeks!	Company
Keep the Beat	Elliot, Jake, Company
Twirler Girl.....	Elliot, Spitz, Alvin, Kyle, Stewart
Good Enough.....	Company
Lost in the Brass	Laura
Flight of the Tuba (Transition)	Orchestra
If I Had a Stage	Mr. Hornsby, Elliot, Company
One Look at You.....	Jake, Laura
Friday Night!.....	Company
Team Player	Jake, Company
Festival of Champions	Company

ACT II

Entr'acte	Orchestra
Get It Together	Company
Back of the Bus.....	Company
Big Shot.....	Spitz, Natalia
Lost in the Brass (Reprise)	Laura
Loser.....	Jake, Elliot
Good Enough (Reprise).....	Company
Stewart's Exit	Stewart
Captain of the Beavers (Reprise).....	Elliot, Laura, Company
Finale Sequence	Company
Embrace Your Inner Geek	Company

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Sometimes we find ourselves in circumstances we never expected to be in, and how we respond to those circumstances makes all the difference between suffering and illumination. As you will soon find out, the same plight is felt by each and every character in *Band Geeks*. This multi-school, multi-generational production is a story of high school kids itching to break out of their drab, predictably hierarchical educational experience in a grey-skied snow-belt town. Hello, fellow Syracusans, does this story sound familiar? From a highly caffeinated principal to a flute-playing wallflower (and all the characters in between), the cast of *Band Geeks* should provide you with a little of that wacky wisdom that can only come from a bunch of bumbling teenage kids.

At this performance of *Band Geeks*, you will witness the fruits of a collaboration that began between talented kids from two visionary families—the Dunns and the O'Connors. This year, At Rise Productions has expanded to include creative, gifted kids and adults hailing from seven CNY schools districts. In keeping with the traditional helter-skelter process that is at the center of all community theater, we've been working out of five different rehearsal spaces to bring you this production from our hearts, in this fine old theater in Cazenovia—a feat that has itself expanded our collaboration to include yet more creative and giving people from yet another institution.

As director of this year's At Rise production, I have tried to take the corny jokes and comedic interactions occasionally punctuated by a deep nugget of wisdom that make up this show, and use it all to channel the best performances out of these exceptional players. The privilege I've felt working with everyone here—who have given their considerable brilliance and commitment to this process—is only matched by my wish that you enjoy this production of *Band Geeks*. Thank you for joining us.

CREATIVE TEAM

OLIVIA DE ANGELIS (Director) is thrilled to be making her debut with At Rise Productions directing *Band Geeks*. A senior at Jamesville-DeWitt High School and, like many in At Rise, a Montessori alum, Olivia has been involved in many aspects of musical theater for most of her life. Events at JDHS have challenged her to look outside school to find the joy in community theater—after a successful run in the ensemble of CNY Playhouse's recent production of *Mamma Mia!*, she's now happy to be working with these ultra-talented students and adults in *Band Geeks*. She would especially like to thank her mother and the entire *Band Geeks* production staff for their guidance and support, and hopes you will enjoy watching this show at least half as much as she enjoyed directing it.



NANCY O'CONNOR (Production Manager/Music Director/Keyboard) 17, is a music director, pianist, composer, arranger, and singer. She is the Resident Music Director of At Rise Productions, and is very excited to music direct *Band Geeks*. Nancy has music directed *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* (At Rise), *tick, tick...BOOM!* (Redhouse), a cabaret of original music co-composed with Jared Dunn (At Rise), and several school drama productions. Nancy is an All-State pianist, and will be studying piano and music directing at Berklee College of Music this fall. She would like to thank everyone in the cast, crew, pit, and production team for working so hard to make this show a reality, and Jared Dunn for creating At Rise and for being a wonderful collaborator and friend!



HANNAH KOMAR (Choreographer) is honored to be the Choreographer for At Rise Productions! A dancer for 15 years, Hannah has spent many hours in the studio learning with phenomenal teachers who have inspired her to take on this opportunity. Although this is her first time choreographing a musical, she has spent much time on the stage. The past two years she had the opportunity to be Dance Captain of her High School Musicals, which helped her prepare to be a choreographer. Hannah would like to thank the entire cast for being so supportive and accepting of her choreography and crazy dance rehearsals. She would like to thank Jared for offering her this position, and inviting her to be a part of the At Rise family. She would like to thank the production team for all of their hard work to make this production possible and for being some of the best people she's ever had the chance to meet. Finally, Hannah would like to thank Nancy for being her longest and dearest friend and for all the amazing things she does for the entire cast, crew and pit. At Rise is a family, and just like the Beavers, "Nobody Marches Alone."



*Congratulations to everyone
involved in the show!*



Gracie is very proud of you!

CAST

MATT BAUM (Spitz) is thrilled you came to see *Band Geeks*! This is his first time working alongside At Rise Productions, and he cannot be more grateful for the experience. Former roles include Joseph Pulitzer in *Newsies*, Sebastian from *Cinderella*, Antonio Salieri in *Amadeus*, and Tonton Julian from *Once on this Island*. Matthew is currently working on a vocal project with Broadway composer Steve Margoshes, after recording *The Emerald* with him last year, an original composition to be added to the album *New Songs in Oz*. Matthew currently goes to Fayetteville-



Manlius High School, and he will be attending SUNY Fredonia in the fall as a part of their BFA Acting program. He would like to thank the incredible cast, pit, and crew of this production for making this experience so fun, as well as his family, for all their support and for all they do to accommodate his schedule. Enjoy the show!

JORDAN BERGER (Mr. Hornsby) feels extremely blessed to be in the cast of *Band Geeks*! He first appeared on the stage at ESM High School in productions of *The Crucible* and *Annie Get Your Gun*. Jordan lives in Syracuse with his wife and currently teaches Economics, Psychology, and U.S. History at Jamesville DeWitt High School. He really enjoys traveling, learning from others, and playing music in his band, Sundrop Rise. Jordan would like to thank his family, friends, and the cast of *Band Geeks* for all of their love and support!



JUSTIN DUNN (Stewart) is euphoric to be a part of his second At Rise production. Justin was last seen on stage as Theo in *Pippin* at Syracuse Summer Theatre at the Oncenter. Other favorite credits include King Julian in *Madagascar* (Montessori), Billy Ray Jr. in *On Golden Pond*, Little Boy in *Ragtime*, Oliver in *Oliver!*, Young Tarzan in *Tarzan* (RedHouse), Fritz/Hanz in *The Nutcracker* (Syracuse City Ballet), and Young Evers/Elmer in *The Steadfast* (Appleseed Productions). Justin would like to thank Jared Dunn for starting At Rise and making this production possible and the rest of his family for being supportive!



RYAN DUNN (Alvin) is honored to be in his brother's second At Rise production. Previous credits include: *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Charlie Brown) with At Rise; *I'm Not Rappaport* (Gilley), *A Charlie Brown Christmas* (Shermy), *The Snow Queen*, *Bring It On*, *Ragtime*, and *13 the Musical* (Malcolm) at RedHouse; *Peter Pan* (John u/s) and *A Christmas Carol* (Orson/Ignorance) at Syracuse Stage, *Hoy No Me Puedo Levantar* in Spain; *Cinderella* at FM High School, and *Oliver!* at Catherine Cummings Theatre. Special thanks to Nancy, Olivia and Hannah for creating another amazing At Rise production!



CAST

KATHY BURKE EGLOFF (Principal Dixon) is very excited to join this cast.



She has appeared with various community theater groups in the CNY area. Favorite shows and roles include: *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Beatrice Stockwell), *Young Frankenstein* (Frau Blucher - SALT Award), *The Diviners* (Norma Henshaw), *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* (Muriel), and *Into the Woods* (Jack's Mom). In real life, Kathy teaches elementary school band, works at Core Eatery, and is principal flute in the Onondaga Civic Symphony. Many thanks to Olivia and Nancy and this

enthusiastic cast and crew for this opportunity. None of this is possible without the support of family, friends and community.

CARLIN FECK (Ensemble) is beyond thrilled to be joining her peers in this



production of *Band Geeks!* Previous credits include: (FMHS) *Newsies* (Elmer), *Cinderella* (Dance Troupe), *The Phantom of the Opera* (Dance Troupe), *All in the Timing* (Ellen Terry, Rabbi). She is also an avid improviser in FMHS Improv Club and spends too much time in the FM Music Wing. She extends her love to all of her pals in the show, especially the seniors (can't wait to see you all shine). Lastly, she'd like to thank Hannah Komar for her hard work and for being an amazing

choreographer, dance captain, and friend, and wishes her all the best in the coming years at Naz. Let's go Beavers!

IRELAND FERNANDEZ-COSGROVE (Molly), a senior at FM High School, is



thrilled to be part of *Band Geeks!* She was last seen in the FMHS production of *Newsies* as Crutchie. Other past productions include *Cinderella* (Charlotte), *The Phantom of the Opera* (Opera Chorus), *Hamlet* (Francisco), *The Little Mermaid* (Ensemble) at Redhouse and many others. At school, Ireland is a member of Chorale, Swing 16, and is Vice President of Improv Club. Outside of school, she has participated in All-County, Area All-State and Conference All-State choirs. In

the fall, Ireland will pursue a BFA in Musical Theatre at Nazareth College. She would like to thank her family and all of the people who have supported her.

SADIE FRIDLEY (Laura), a sophomore at Fayetteville-Manlius High School, is



so excited to be a part of this phenomenal show! Sadie was a part of last year's At Rise production as Snoopy in *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*, as well as recently playing Katherine in FM High School's Production of *Newsies*. Other favorite roles include Gerda in *The Snow Queen* and Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz* (Redhouse Arts Center). Sadie would like to thank her family and friends, including Nancy, Olivia, Hannah, and the entire production team for giving her the opportunity

to play this part. Sadie hopes that this show is as fun to watch as it was to make!

CAST

MARCO GIACONA (Elliot) is very excited to be making his At Rise debut as Elliot in *Band Geeks*! Some of his recent credits include Jack Kelly (*Newsies*), Prince Topher (*Cinderella*), Raoul (*Phantom of the Opera*), 1st Class Passenger (*Titanic*) and Player/Ensemble (*Pippin*). In school, he is a part of Chorale and involved with the school's jazz group, Swing. He was also a member of both the NAFME All-National & All-Eastern Mixed Choirs. Marco will be attending Emerson College in the fall for a B.F.A. in Musical Theatre. He wants to thank the production staff for their all their hard work, along with the cast, crew and pit! #NobodyMarchesAlone.



MASSIMO GIACONA (Jake) is very excited to be taking part in his first At Rise Productions show as Jake in *Band Geeks*! Massimo has performed on stage before, and his previous shows include: *Newsies* (Jack Kelly), *Cinderella* (Lord Pinkleton), *Legally Blonde: The Musical* (Grandmaster Chad), and *The Phantom of the Opera* (Passarino/Opera Chorus). Massimo is graduating from Fayetteville-Manlius High School in June and will be attending Ithaca College this fall as a Television-Radio major. Massimo would like to thank his friends and family for supporting him throughout his theatrical endeavors, and hopes to continue them far into the future.



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MAGGIE GREENE (Ensemble), a student at Fayetteville-Manlius High School, has been performing for her entire life. She has been dancing for 13 years at Guzman's Dance Studio. She also plays the bassoon and is in the FM Wind Ensemble. She studies voice with Laura Enslin and sings in the Chorale and Swing 16 at FM, as well as the musicals. Maggie loves to work hard every day and enjoys being able to perform for the world.



ERIN HOUGHTALING (Nicole) is thrilled to be joining At Rise Productions for this show! She is currently a senior at East Syracuse Minoa High School and will be attending SUNY Fredonia for a BFA in Musical Theater this fall. Some favorite credits include: *Les Misérables* (Madame Thénardières), *Legally Blonde* (Ensemble) and *Chess* (Florence). Erin has also been a member of the 2017/18 NYSSMA All State Mixed and Treble choirs and most recently, the 2019 NAFME All-Eastern Honors Mixed Choir. Erin would like to thank everyone involved with At Rise Productions for this amazing opportunity! Go beavers!



CAST

BIANCA LUCAS (Ensemble) is thrilled to be a part of an amazingly talented cast in her first show with At Rise Productions. A freshman at Jamesville-Dewitt High School, Bianca has been performing in musicals and various cabarets since 5th grade. Some of her previous credits include Mrs. Teevee in *Willy Wonka*, Storyteller in *Shrek*, and Mary Poppins in *Mary Poppins*. Bianca also participates in her high school show choir and enjoys playing flute as a part of the Symphoria Youth Orchestra. She would like to thank Nancy, Olivia, and Hannah, as well as the entire cast and everyone who has made this show possible. Lastly, Bianca would like to acknowledge Blake as her constant source of inspiration.



ALEXIS MARTIN (Natalia) is a recent graduate of Cicero-North Syracuse High School, and is studying to become a professional musical theatre performer! Alexis has always had a passion for the stage and some of her previous shows include *Broadway Backwards* (Ensemble) with Baldwinsville Theatre Guild, *Oklahoma!* (Aunt Eller), *Dracula* (Lucy), *Curtains* (Johnnie), and *Play On* (Phyllis Montague) at CNS. Alexis would like to thank her dad for always supporting her passion and her dreams! And she would like to thank the amazing cast and crew for making rehearsals a joy to be at and for being the best marching band family she could ask for! BREAK A LEG EVERYONE!



LUCAS TABER (Kyle) is extremely proud of all the hard work everyone has put into the show. He has participated in multiple shows starting in fifth grade. Currently he is a sophomore at Fayetteville-Manlius High School where he sings in chorale and participates in multiple theater related activities. Outside of school he loves to mountain bike and loves the outdoors. This is one of Lucas' first featured roles in a non-middle school production and he could not be more excited. He is so happy that he got to work with such an outstanding production team and would like to thank everyone involved.



ALLY WILDE (Ensemble) is extremely excited to be doing a show with and directed by her best friends. She has been in theatre for 9 years. Previous credits include: *Beauty and the Beast* (Belle), *Peter Pan* (Wendy), *Pirates of Penzance* (Mabel). She is excited to continue her involvement in community theatre for the foreseeable future and hopes to work with At Rise Productions again!





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PIT

OLIVIA BUDELMANN (Trumpet 1) is so happy to be playing for *Band Geeks*.



She has played trumpet for nine years and also played in the pit in Jamesville DeWitt High School's last four musicals. She hopes to study mathematics at Syracuse University next year. She would like to thank Nate Kaercher for being an excellent trumpet teacher and Nancy O'Connor for introducing her to this show. She hopes everyone enjoys *Band Geeks*!

TANIA HROSAR (Flute/Piccolo) is the person who supposedly played flute and piccolo in the pit band for this production of *Band Geeks*.



She has also been in the pit for Fayetteville-Manlius High School's productions of *Cinderella* (on flute) and *Newsies* (on percussion). She is also a member of the Fayetteville-Manlius Wind Ensemble, and she plays piano, vibes, and auxiliary percussion in the Fayetteville-Manlius jazz band. In her spare time, she likes to game and read non-fiction books. She would like to thank her flute teacher and Nancy for giving her the

opportunity to perform in the pit.

KELVIN HUYNH (Trumpet 2) is an Aries from Jamesville-DeWitt High School. As a senior, Kelvin was the captain of his high school football team, until he was kicked off and was forced to join the pit band for *Band Geeks*. He loves rom coms and hot baths. Next year he will be attending the University of Buffalo, where the dorms only have stand up showers. Pray for him.



OWEN JAROSZ (Tuba) is a sophomore from Liverpool High School. He is very excited to be a part of the pit band for *Band Geeks*. He has been playing the tuba for 5 years. He played in the Liverpool Tuba Euphonium Ensemble this year. He is also on the Liverpool Varsity Track team. In his free time enjoys playing basketball and the piano. He is a huge fan of the Boston Celtics.



PIT

MAX OPPERDISANO (Trombone 2) is excited to be playing trombone with At



Rise Productions for the first time! He has been playing trombone for nearly six years now. Max is a freshman at Jamesville-DeWitt High School, where he enjoys playing in the jazz ensemble. He also plays trombone for the Syracuse Young Artists Orchestra. Max also enjoys experimenting with new instruments and has loved being a part of the *Band Geeks* pit community!

CALEB PORTER (Percussion) a junior, is excited to be involved in this year's production of *Band Geeks*. He has been a member of pit bands at Jamesville-DeWitt since 7th grade. This is his first show with At Rise Productions. He would like to thank Nancy O'Connor for being a great music director, friend, and helping make all of this possible. Enjoy the show!



COLBY PORTER (Clarinet) is a junior at Jamesville-Dewitt High School. He is very excited to be playing clarinet in *Band Geeks*! He played clarinet in last year's production of *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown* and is thrilled to be back with At Rise Productions this year. In addition to being in At Rise Productions pit bands, Colby has recently played clarinet in Bishop Ludden's *Hello Dolly*, as well as All-County and Area All-State bands. Outside of music, Colby is an active member of JD's Science Olympiad team, Literary Magazine, and Swim Team. Colby would like to thank everyone who helped make the show possible, especially Nancy. He is very grateful for the opportunity to play in *Band Geeks*. Enjoy the show!



MATT SCIBILIA (Saxophone) is a senior at Jamesville-DeWitt High School and is excited to be playing both Alto and Soprano Saxophones in the pit. He has been playing sax for the last nine years and has experience with Tenor and Baritone Saxophones in addition to those he is playing for *Band Geeks*. He most enjoys participating in pit and jazz bands, both of which he has been involved in for the last six years. Matt also enjoys activities in the outdoors like camping, hiking, and knife throwing, and his favorite bands are Attila and Within Temptation.



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PIT

GREG TILLMAN (Bass Guitar), is very excited to participate as At Rise's bassist for the second time. Previous pit band experience includes At Rise's previous musical, *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, and the JDHS musicals *All Shook Up* and *Freaky Friday*. Although he is kind of blue about this being his last musical before taking the giant steps into college at Skidmore, he is sure great experiences are ready for him in the future. In addition to playing bass, he also enjoys playing drums and cello in and outside of school. *Genesis* is his favorite band and *Jaco Pastorius* is his favorite bass player.



ALLISON VIRGO (Drums), a senior at Jamesville-DeWitt High School, has been playing percussion for eight years, and playing drum set for about six. She enjoys playing set for jazz the most, but playing in pit bands has always been fun. Additionally, she has been in a band, *Saving Goliath*, for about a year now. Although she is playing set for the show, she enjoys playing marimba the most. She is excited to be able to participate in an At Rise Productions show, and would like to thank Ben Virgo for very little.



WYATT WELDUM (Trombone 1) will be playing trombone in the pit for the musical and he is very excited to be a part of the production! In addition to playing trombone, he also plays trumpet and piano, and plans to attend Ithaca College next year to study Music Performance and Music Education. He would like to thank Nancy for inviting him to be a part of this awesome musical, and enjoy the show!.



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BEHIND THE SCENCES

SAM AITKEN (Assistant Director), a senior at Jamesville-DeWitt High



School, is honored to have been able to work with the incredible cast, crew, and pit of *Band Geeks*! This past winter she had her first experience as an Assistant Director working on *The Addams Family* at Jamesville-DeWitt Middle School, and has performed in a multitude of shows over the years. Sam is grateful for the constant support of her family and friends throughout everything she does. She hopes everyone enjoys this phenomenal show!

MADDI BROWN (Photographer) is a senior at JD High School and is excited



to be taking photos for *Band Geeks*. She loves photography and has been doing it since 7th grade. She also enjoys horseback riding and painting. In the fall she plans to attend Syracuse University and major in Photography.

EMMA CLARDY (Costume Designer) is very excited to be a part of At Rise's



production of *Band Geeks*! She is a senior at Jamesville-DeWitt High School, where she has also done makeup and costumes for *Almost, Maine*, *Mutually Assured Destruction*, and *John Lennon and Me*. She will be studying Political Science and Women and Gender studies in the fall at Clark University. She would like to thank her family and the cast, pit, and crew for being so wonderful. Enjoy the show!

MARIA DE ANGELIS (Set Designer) is thrilled to be working with her



daughter, Olivia Frison De Angelis (director), to design and create the sets and scenery for *Band Geeks*, their first At Rise Production. Maria's background in architecture and PR has come in handy for this project, but her biggest joy has been working with and observing the kids—who bring talent, intensity and technique to everything they do. With special thanks to Olivia for inviting her mom on board, Matt Scibilia, Tim Taber and Amann Thakur for being the guys with tools, and Maria's parents Pat and Tony De Angelis for modeling how to mentor talented kids... she wishes you a wonderful experience watching *Band Geeks*!



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BEHIND THE SCENCES

RONAN DEFANTI (Assistant Technical Director/Lights) is currently a



senior at Cazenovia High School and is a stage technician for the Catherine Cummings Theatre. He has been a part of the Catherine Cummings Theatre for multiple years and has been not only a technician but an actor and a stage manager. He was the stage manager for *The Importance of Being Ernest* (Catherine Cummings), *Elf Jr.* (Caz Jr. High Drama), and *Misplaced* (Catherine Cummings). He has acted in *Nice Work if You Can Get It* as Officer Barry (Caz High School Drama), *A*

Midsummer Night's Dream as Wall (Catherine Cummings), and *Footloose* as Principal Harry Clark (Caz High School Drama). He is very grateful for the opportunity to help work on *Band Geeks* and hopes that you all enjoy the show.

JARED DUNN (Founding Artistic Director) is an actor, director, and



writer. He has been involved in community theater since he was 12 years old when CJ O'Brien cast him in *I Remember Mama at Appleseed*. As a senior in high school, he founded At Rise Productions in the fall of 2017 with the goal of creating a theater company dedicated to providing unique opportunities for youth to participate in all aspects of putting on a theatrical production. For last year's production, *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*, he received a SALT nomination for Best

Director. Last summer, he co-composed a cabaret of original music with Nancy O'Connor and performed it as a memorial for his friend Blake who suddenly and unexpectedly passed away last August. He continues to write and help out remotely with At Rise Productions. He is currently on a gap year in Spain and will start college at Brown University in the fall. He would like to thank everyone involved in *Band Geeks* for making his dream of passing on the company come true. He would especially like to thank Nancy O'Connor and the entire creative team and production staff for the countless hours they put into making the show come to life even outside of rehearsals. He is grateful for the support of his awesome family and wonderful friends.

KAREN DUNN (Co-Producer) is a mother, wife, and co-producer of At Rise



Productions. She has been following her three boys through the community theater world since they were little and has now jumped in herself as a producer. She would like to thank Inge O'Connor for being her partner in crime throughout this whole crazy process and thank her son, Jared, for creating this amazing community for all involved. She is grateful for the support of family, friends, and everyone who comes out to see the show!

BEHIND THE SCENCES

TESSA HANSKNECHT (Stage Manager) is a junior at Cazenovia High



School, and has worked stage crew for three years for the drama club productions of *Pippin*, *42nd Street*, and *Nice Work if You Can Get It*. Prior to high school she performed in two shows in the junior high (*Once Upon a Mattress* and *Aladdin*). She is grateful for the opportunity to work with such a talented cast as Stage Manager.

INGE O'CONNOR (Co-Producer) has thoroughly enjoyed working with Karen



Dunn as co-producer of *Band Geeks!* She is blown away by the talent and hard work of the teens involved in every aspect of the production! Inge teaches Economics at Syracuse University, and drives thousands (and thousands and thousands) of miles each year in support of her four children and their various pursuits. She would like to thank Jared Dunn for creating At Rise Productions, as well as everyone (especially all the parents) who came together to make this

show a reality! "Nobody marches alone!"

BEN VIRGO (Technical Director/Sound) is excited to be back for his



second At Rise Productions show. He has worked tech for multiple shows at JD Highschool, like *Footloose*, *All Shook Up*, and *Freaky Friday*. He used to play bass casually, notably in middle school jazz band, but that is now a thing of the past. As for his future, he will be attending University of Buffalo next year with Allison. He would like to thank his mother for her support, and he hopes you enjoy the show.

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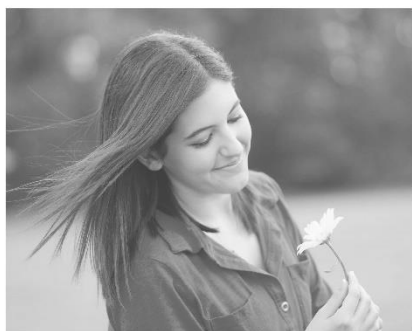


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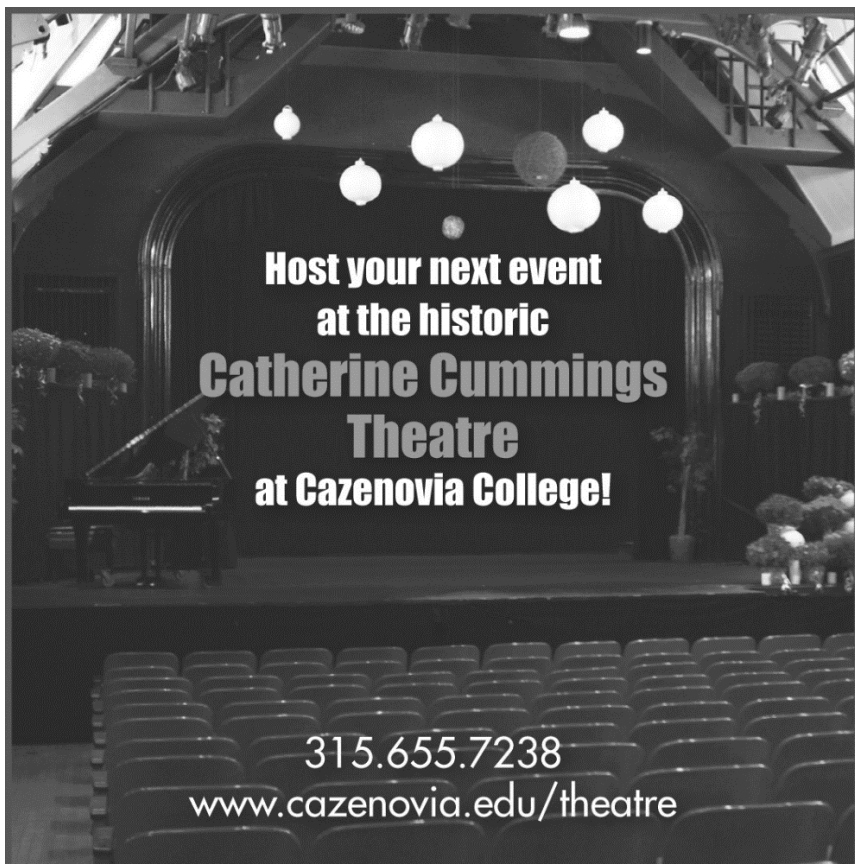
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