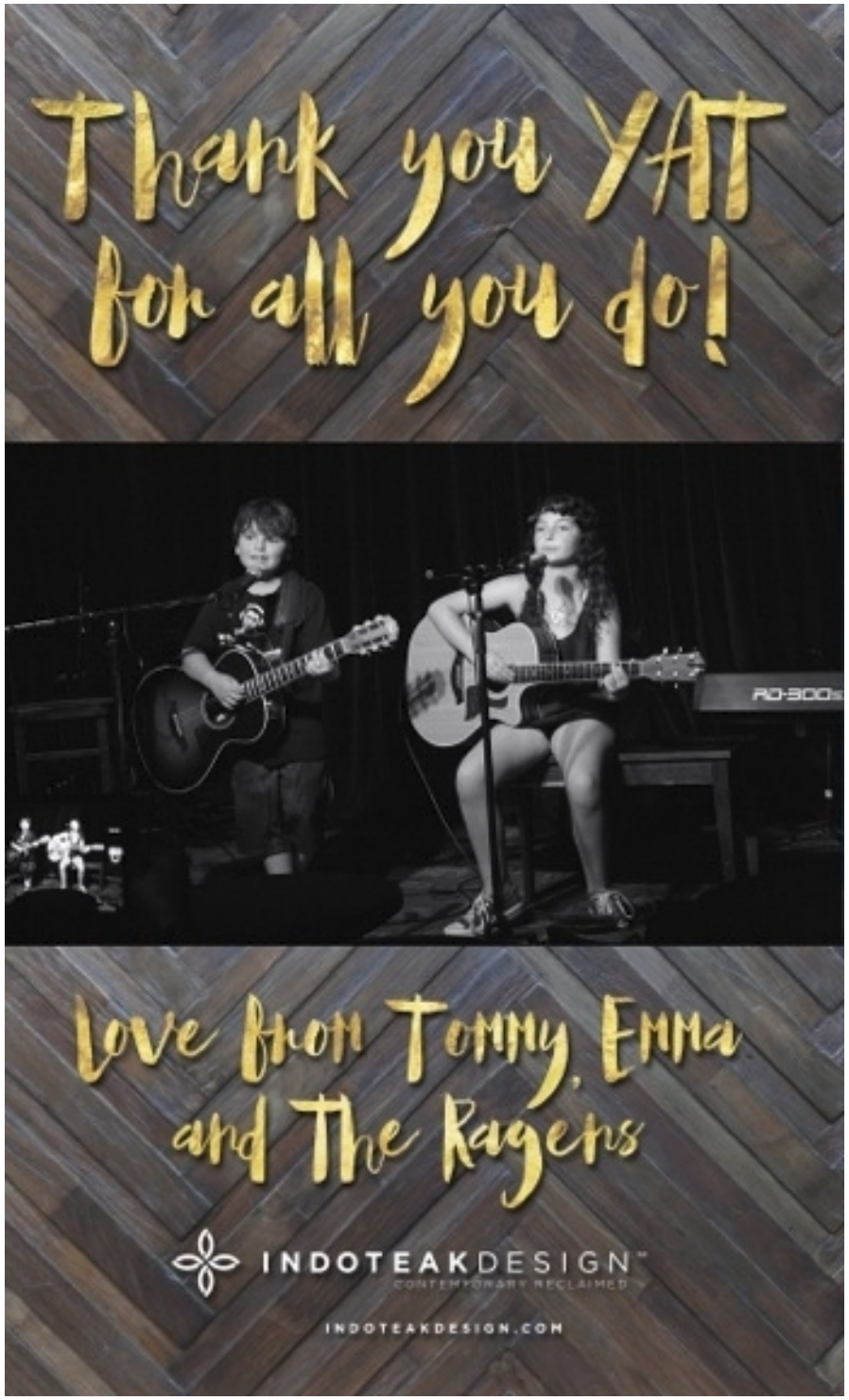

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Based on the Book
"CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY" by
ROALD DAHL

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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Charlie & The Chocolate Factory has been capturing the imaginations of kids and their parents ever since it was written in 1964. Roald Dahl's book was inspired by his personal schooling, where companies would send vast amounts of sugary confections to schools to be critiqued by the kids. This Fantastical story about a boy whose dreams come true has been delighting audiences on stage and in the movies since 1971. The recent London version will make its way to Broadway next year, with Willy Wonka portrayed by Tony award winner Christian Borle (Something Rotten, Peter and the Starcatcher).

As an avid reader in my childhood, I loved this book! It truly sparked my imagination, and I often wondered what would happen if I EVER spoke to my parents like those Golden Ticket Winners did?! In 1992 when my kids first performed in Willy Wonka, I fell in love with the endless creative possibilities for mounting this show. Ours is set in the 70's, similar to the original movie, with a few modern twists.

It has been my honor & pleasure to work with these talented kids, their dedicated parents, and my awesome directing team, as we created a world of "Pure Imagination"! It takes a village to produce these shows, and I am thankful for ours!

Christine Cordova
Director

A little nonsense now and then, is cherished by the wisest men. - Roald Dahl

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SHOUT OUTS

Caedyn – You are not only a beautiful performer, you are a beautiful person. Thank you for sharing your gifts, talents, humor, kindness and helpfulness with this cast. Pop Pop and I are so proud of you!

Gigi– You make a fabulous old lady – Congrats, love mom & Dad

Alle – Grandpma & Grandpa are so proud of you!

Joanna – We are so proud of you and the wonderful dancing you are doing in this show. Keep on shining!
Love, Mom and Dad

Julia – We are so proud of how much you have grown as an actress and singer! Congratulations on another great show!
Love, Mom, Dad, and Connor

Cassidy – We are so proud of you, Cassidy! Shine, sweet girl!
Love, Mom & Dad

Austin – Congratulations on being cast as your first lead in a show. We love watching you light up the stage.
Love, Mom, Dad, Nana and Papa

SONGS

ACT I

Prologue: Wonka's Factory

The Golden Age of Chocolate ..... Willy Wonka and Oompa-Loompas

Scene I: The Bucket Shack

Scene II: Outside the Bucket Shack

Scene III: The Bucket Shack

Scene IV: Outside the Bucket Shack

Scene V: The Gloops

I Eat More ..... Augustus, Philamena Trout, Mrs. Gloop, Producer, Camera Operator

Scene VI: Veruca

Scene VII: Outside the Bucket Shack

Think Positive! ..... Charlie, Mr. Bucket

Scene VIII: The Bucket Shack

Scene IX: Violet Radio Station

Scene X: Home of Mike Teavee

I See It All On TV ..... Mike, Ms. Teavee, Philamena Trout, Producer, camera Operator

Scene XI: The Bucket Shack

Cheer Up Charlie ..... Grandparents, Mr. Bucket, Mrs. Bucket, Charlie

Scene XII: Two Weeks Later - Snowy Streets

Think Positive! Reprise ..... Charlie

I've Got A Golden Ticket ..... Charlie, Bucket Family, Golden Ticket Winners, Parents

ACT II

Scene XIII: Outside Wonka's Factory

"Pure Imagination" ..... Wonka

Factory Reveal Sequence" ..... Wonka, Goldent Ticket Winners, Parents

Scene XIV: The Chocolate Smelting Room

Oompa-Loompa 1 ..... Oompa Loompas, Augustus

Scene XV: Candy Boat

There's No Knowing ..... Wonka, Charlie, Grandpa Joe, Salts, Beauregardes, Teavees, Featured Dancers

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ACT II (continued)

Scene XVI: The Inventing Room

Chew It ..... Wonka, Violet, Mrs. Beauregarde, Salts, Teavees

Oompa-Loompa 2 ..... Violet, Oompa-Loompas

Scene XVII: Fizzy Lifting Room

Flying ..... Charlie, Grandpa Joe, Featured Dancers

Burping Song ..... Charlie, Grandpa Joe, Featured Dancers

Scene XVIII: The Nut Room

I Want It Now! ..... Wonka, Veruca, Mr. Salt, Charlie, Grandpa Joe, Teavees

Oompa-Loompa 3 ..... Veruca, Oompa-Loompas

Scene XIX: Choco-Vision Room

Oompa-Loompa 4 ..... Mike, Oompa-Loompas

Scene XX: End of the Tour/Wonkavator/Home

Flying (Reprise) ..... Wonka, Charlie, Grandpa Joe

Finale ..... Full Company

SHOUT OUTS

Our Director, Mrs.C, encouraged the cast to write kindness notes throughout the run of our rehearsals, as a way to “Think Positive” and create a strong team within our cast. These notes were placed into a “Kindness Box” on the directing table. The resulting thoughts and notes have been an encouragement to the entire production team, and we’d like to share a sampling with you. We wish you could see the precious handwriting and spelling from many of these young actors….

“Dear Miles, Thank you for being the first person to help me out in this play, it was really nice.”

“Mandy helped me with my lines for an hour”

“Dear Cassidy, You have been working very hard. I am happy you got to be in the cast.”

“Dylan has been working hard lately”

“I love YAT because it is fun and it inspires people...Hugs & Kisses”

“Dear Julia, thank you for being my big me. You are doing great!”

"Dear Mrs. Gloop, Good job getting a lead role! You’re awesome! I see you working hard up on the stage for “I Eat More”. Anyway, I love how hard you work and how funny & friendly you are!” PS: “Nice Accent!”

“Caedyn, you always make sure I’m not alone”

“Everyone is so nice! I love our cast!

“Miles has a good voice”

“Thank you for playing with me, Justine!”

“Maria came in early to teach a dance to new dancers! So thoughtful”

“Dear Gigi, Thank you for keeping the Grandparents together! You’re always on top of things! You are awesome, Thanks! Good job yelling at Grandpa George!!

“At break I was feeling left out, and Madeline told them to let me in.That was really nice”

“Awesome! Amazing! Wow! This cast is all those things. I’m so happy I’m in this production!”

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CAST

Cast Members

Willy Wonka	Damon Ojeda
Augustus Gloop	Tommy Ragen
Charlie Bucket	Nicholas Haney
Grandma Georgina	Gigi Hewitt
Grandma Josephine	Paris Carter
Grandpa George	Austin Mitchell
Grandpa Joe	Miles Reed
James/Oompa-loompa	Dylan Masis Thomas
Matilda/Oompa-loompa	Alle Fehrensen
Mike Teavee	Levi Laddon
Philamena Trout/Featured Dancer	Emma Ragen
Veruca Salt	Giana Bove
Violet Beauregarde	Mandy Keller
Mrs. Bucket/Featured Dancer	Taitum Eddington
Mr. Bucket	Nate Flores
Mr. Salt	Blake Brown
Mrs. Beauregarde	Catherine Tarlov
Mrs. Gloop	Leksi Waring
Ms. Teavee	Kiersten Waters
Producer/Featured Dancer	Madeline Tulagan
Candy Man/Featured Dancer	Kamryn Stinebaugh
Camera Operator/Featured Dancer	Cassidy Walters
Squirrel/Featured Dancer	Kaylee Fuller
Squirrel/Dance Captain/Featured Dancer/Oompa-loompa	Maria Minutelli
Oompa-loompa	Ashley Fenton
Oompa-loompa	Zoey Lucas
Oompa-loompa	Abigail Lemkau
Oompa-loompa	Cadence Grosch
Oompa-loompa	Alle Fehrehsen

CAST

Cast Members (continued)

Oompa-loompa	Justine Garcia
Oompa-loompa	Cadence Grosch
Oompa-loompa	Zoey Lucas
Oompa-loompa	Isabella Villegas
Oompa-loompa	Nolan Garibay
Oompa-loompa	Mason Lemkau
Oompa-loompa	Alissa Van Der Zalm
Oompa-loompa	Avary Morales
Oompa-loompa	Emily Sekol
Featured Dancer	Julia Swann
Featured Dancer	Ruby Lopez
Featured Dancer	Joanna Demaree
Featured Dancer	Madison Sanford
Featured Dancer	Caedyn Nation

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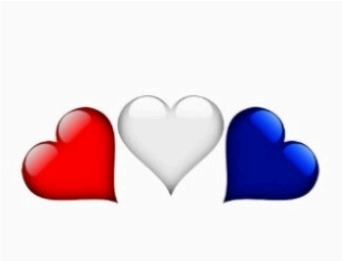

Kamryn we are always so proud of you and love to watch you perform. At 10 years old you know how to do it all! Keep up that passion for performing. It is what you were born to do! We love you - Grandpa and Grandma, and the rest of the Stinebaugh clan

Kamryn ~

Each day you amaze us with your brilliance and talent. We love to watch you on stage ~ where you are so comfortable. We know that you are going to be a Super Star someday, even though you already are with us. We love you around the world a zillion times over and are always here to support you 110%.

Love you ~ Dad and Mom

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Blake, what a fun year you have had. We have enjoyed watching all of your performances, on stage and at home!

Happy 13th Birthday.
Love, your family

CREW

Crew Members

Director	Christine Cordova
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Choreographer	Marc Caro-Willcox
Stage Manager	Danielle Dudley
Assistant Stage Manager	Ethan Tarlov
Backstage Crew	Sophia Gardner, Jonathan Hoagland, Noah Reed, Megan Singer and Shealle Swift

WHO'S WHO

Damon Ojeda
as Willy Wonka

Damon is 12 years old and in the 6th grade. His previous roles were Malcolm (13), Barnacles (Honk), and Pigpen (Snoopy). He is thrilled to get his first lead in Willy Wonka. He hopes to one day be in a Broadway production, he loves performing for an audience. Damon would like to thank his teachers, all his parents, grandparents, brother, parents, and Mrs.C.

Nicholas Haney
as Charlie Bucket

Nicholas, age 10, is in the fourth grade. He began acting classes with YAT at Spring Break Camp this year. He played Kenickie in his first performance of Grease. Thank you to Jonathan and his team for a great experience! In his free time Nick likes playing basketball and swimming with his friends at home and he LOVES going to the skate park and riding scooters and skateboards.

Tommy Ragen
as Augustus Gloop

Tommy is an 8 year old with a big love of music. He plays guitar and piano and writes his own music. He performs at open mic and has performed at numerous charity events. This is his first time performing in a musical. He is so excited to be performing at YAT along with his sister Emma!

Gigi Hewitt
as Grandma Georgina

GiGi is very excited to be seen in YAT's production of Willy Wonka. She was last seen as Pepper (Peter Pan Junior Theater's Production of Annie). She'd like to thank the cast and crew for letting her be involved.

Paris Carter
as Grandma Josephine

Paris loves acting and is delighted to be perform whenever she can. Her previous performance was as Frieda in the ensemble cast of YAT's production of Snoopy!!! The Musical. Paris is a 6th grade student locally, who enjoys swimming, dancing, and reading. Paris would like to thank the director and the artistic team for all the effort they do to make the production shine!

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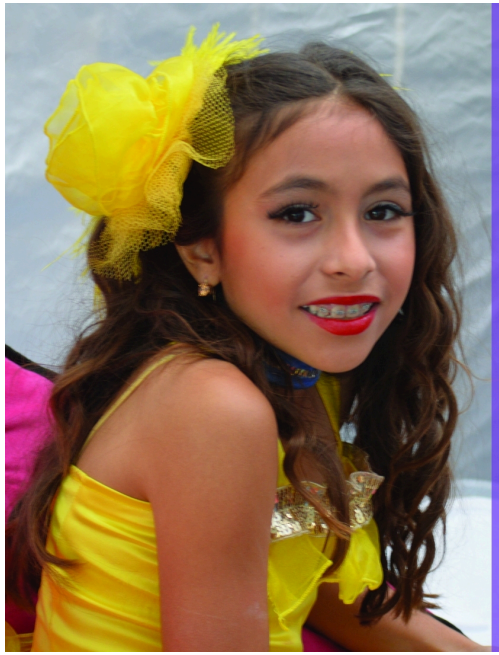

Giana,

When you do your best and you really try, the results are extraordinary. You're the living proof of that!

Love,
Mom & Dad

WHO'S WHO

Miles Reed

as Grandpa Joe

Miles is 9 years old and in the 3rd grade. He has been taking theatre and dance classes since he was 4 years old. This is his 7th production at YAT. During his free time he likes to dance, sing, draw, play video games, and make people smile. Miles would like to thank his family, friends, and the artistic team for their support.

Dylan Masis Thomas

as James/Oompa-loompa

Dylan is 9 years old and has done approximately six shows at YAT. Dylan has performed live many times with the KROC center and YAT. Dylan has been in a number of mini productions with Lil Arts and YAT after school. Dylan has also been in internet commercials for Party City and Build a Bear. Dylan loves performing and taking classes at YAT. Dylan calls YAT his second home.

Alle Fehrensen

as Matilda/Oompa-loompa

Alle is 8 years old and this is her first YAT performance. Alle loves to sing and dance and has been dancing in the San Diego German American Society's Kindertanzgruppe (kids dance group) for 3 years. Alle also enjoys playing soccer, Girl Scouts, and hanging out with friends. When Alle grows up she wants to be an artist and fashion designer.

Levi Laddon

as Mike Teavee

Levi is 10 and in 5th Grade. This is his 12th YAT Production. His favorite roles have been Peter Pan (Peter Pan), Winthrop (Music Man) and Boo Who (Old Globes' Grinch). He was nominated for the National Youth Art Award for his performances as Iago (Aladdin) and Chi Fu (Mulan). Levi would like to thank his family, friends, YAT and his voice coach, Debbie Glivar Roberts for their love and support.

Emma Ragen

as Philamena Trout/Featured Dancer

Emma is 11 years old. She played Lucy in Snoopy and Charlotte in 13 The Musical with Yat. She was in The King and I with The Welk Resort and has done numerous productions throughout San Diego. She has performed twice in NYC with Broadway Artist Connection. She will spend her second summer in New York at Stagedoor Manor Performing Arts Summer Camp. Emma loves YAT and considers it a second home.

WHO'S WHO

Austin Mitchell
as Grandpa George

Austin is 11 years old and in 5th grade. He is very excited about his first show with YAT. He has been in PPJT's Once Upon a Mattress, Annie, C Hook's Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, and his school's production of Seussical the Musical. He would like to thank his family and friends for their support and encouragement as well as the production team for all they do.

Kiersten Waters
as Ms. Teavee

Kiersten is 12 years old and is excited to be in her first production at YAT! Past favorite roles with CYT include being a Poppins Performer (Mary Poppins), and an Amberette (Hairspray Jr.). She would like to thank Jessica Couto for being an amazing voice teacher and her family for being so supportive. "Learn from yesterday. Live for today. Look to tomorrow. Rest this afternoon" -Snoopy.

Maria Minutelli
as Squirrel/Dance Captain/Featured Dancer/Oompa-loompa

Maria is 11 years old and in 6th grade. She has performed in numerous school plays, and this is her 9th production with YAT. Some favorite roles: Qian Po and the Matchmaker (Mulan), and Ashleigh (13). She loves singing, dancing, and acting. Sheâ€™s looking forward to showing off her dance skills during Willy Wonka. Maria loves her YAT family, and thanks the artistic team for this opportunity.

Giana Bove
as Veruca Salt

Giana is excited to return to the YAT stage in Willy Wonka. She is 9 years old and has previously appeared in 3 YAT productions. When not acting and singing, Giana studies Taekwondo where she has earned a Black Belt. She is fluent in Spanish. Other interests include traveling, government, history, reading, and art. Giana would like to thank her parents for supporting her acting adventure.

Mandy Keller
as Violet Beauregarde

Mandy is 10 years old and this will be her 8th performance with YAT. When not at the theater, she enjoys playing the piano, gymnastics, dancing, singing, softball and girl scouts. She loves being with all her talented, wonderful friends here at YAT. She would like to thank the artistic team for casting her as Violet Beauregarde and canâ€™t wait to turn purple! She hopes you enjoy the show.

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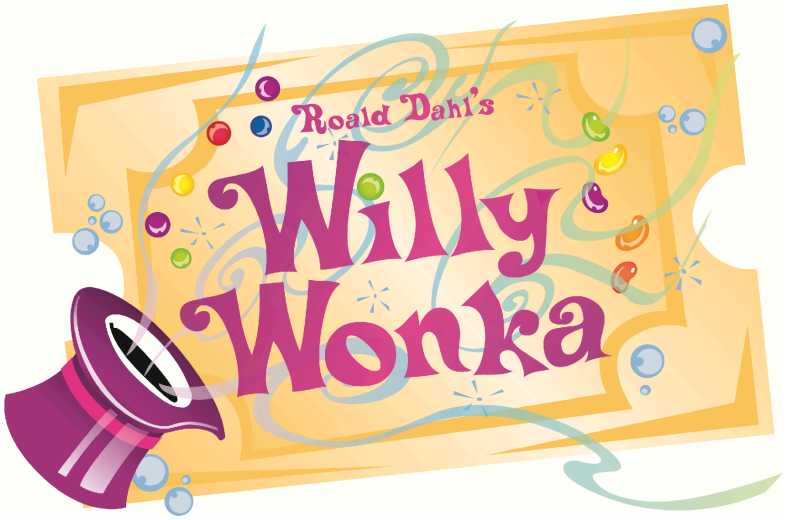

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Taitum Eddington
as Mrs. Bucket/Featured Dancer

Taitum is 12 years old and in 6th grade. She loves the stage and has been in 8 Productions. Favorite roles include playing Dorothy (The Wizard of Oz) and Lucy (You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown). She was also blessed to play the body double for Athena in Disneyâ€™s feature film Tomorrowland. She thanks the artistic team for the wonderful opportunity and her family for all their love and support.

Nate Flores
as Mr. Bucket

Nate Flores is 10 and lives in La Mesa, California with his parents and big brother. He loves baseball, theatre, the ocean, and playing with his friends.

Blake Brown
as Mr. Salt

Blake will be celebrating his 13th birthday while performing in one of his favorite plays, Willy Wonka. In the last year heâ€™s been a part of 6 productions and has enjoyed performing in all of them. He loves that he has made so many new friends and that he is part of the YAT family. He wants to thank the artistic team and all the volunteers for making this such a great experience. Enjoy the show!

Catherine Tarlov
as Mrs. Beauregarde

Catherine is 12 years old and is in the 7th grade. Some of her favorite parts have been the Cat (Honk) and Lucy (13). She would like to thank the artistic team for this great opportunity. Catherine would also like to thank her family and Megan Singer. Keep moving forward.

Leksi Waring
as Mrs. Gloop

This is Leksi's 2nd show with YAT. She was Violet Gray in Snoopy and loves singing,dancing and performing. Some of her hobbies are dancing, swimming , and art.

WHO'S WHO

Madeline Tulagan

as Producer/Featured Dancer

Madeline is pleased to be in her 2nd show at YAT. Previous roles: Eudora (Snoopy), Dorothy (Wizard of Oz) and Baloo (Jungle Book). She plays the guitar, loves to sing, dance and read books. She also enjoys writing and was named first place winner for 5th grade in the annual CVESD Speech Contest. She'd like to thank her family, friends, two dogs, two guinea pigs and her turtle for their support.

Zoey Lucas

as Oompa-loompa

Zoey is eight years old and is so happy to be performing with YAT for a second time. She enjoyed playing Marbles in Snoopy and learned so much. In her spare time she likes to play soccer, travel to Mexico with her family and play with her beloved dog Molly. She would like to thank everyone at YAT for all their hard work and wonderful memories they are helping her make!

Cadence Grosch

as Oompa-loompa

Cadence is 8 years old and is very excited to be in her first production at the YAT. She fell in love with theatre at a spring break camp last year. She got to play Alice in her school play and really loved being Amber in the Hairspray spring break camp this year. Most of all she is very happy to have met some really great people and friends at the YAT.

Kamryn Stinebaugh

as Candy Man/Featured Dancer

Kamryn is currently in 5th grade and is a performer at heart! Willy Wonka is her 7th YAT production! Recent roles include Woodstock (Snoopy) and Queenie (Honk). Along with theater she studies tap, jazz, and voice. She loves to hang with friends and travel with her family. She would like to THANK her family for all the support and love and to Mrs. C and the artistic team for this opportunity!

Kaylee Fuller

as Squirrel/Featured Dancer

Kaylee is 11 years old and excited to be a part of Willy Wonka! This is her 9th show, and she has enjoyed playing the role of Quian-Po (Mulan jr.) and she loves participating in the Gala. She hopes that everybody enjoys the show!

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Cassidy Walters

as Camera Operator/Featured Dancer

Cassidy is 10 years old and lives in Casa De Oro with her parents and two younger sisters. She loves to sing, draw, write and play with her sisters.

Ashley Fenton

as Oompa-loompa

Ashley is super excited to be an Oompa-loompa in this show. She recently played The Queen of Hearts (Another Alice). She is funny and energetic. She loves taking hip hop, Jazz, Musical Theatre and acting.

Abigail Lemkau

as Oompa-loompa

Abigail is 9 years old and in 4th grade. Sheâ€™s been in 2 productions with YAT- village daughter (Mulan Jr.) and Mini Indian/ Pirate (Peter Pan). She recently played Scar in The Lion King Jr. with her school's drama club. She just joined YAT's Show Choir too. She likes to draw, sing, play with her friends, spend time with her family and so much more. Thank you to friends and family who are attending

Justine Garcia

as Oompa-loompa

This is Justine's second show at YAT & she loves everything about the stage, especially singing. At the age of 3 she started dancing. Justine has a big heart & is always making others laugh. Our "Cha-Cha" has a bright future ahead of her!

Isabella Villegas

as Oompa-loompa

Isabella is 9 years old and is so excited to be performing in her 3rd show at YAT! Previously she performed as Belle, a Snoopy puppy, (Snoopy), as well as a Neverland Bird (Peter Pan). She really loves singing and dancing and her time on stage. Isabella is a purple belt in Tae Kwon Do, and enjoys soccer. She would like to thank her family and artistic team for all their support and dedication!

WHO'S WHO

Nolan Garibay
as Oompa-loompa

Nolan is 8 years old and he loves dancing, singing, acting, and manga drawing. You may have seen him recently as Linus in Snoopy the Musical at YAT. He has also performed in Peter Pan, Honk, Seussical the Musical, Annie, and The Little Mermaid. He loves performing and being part of the family at YAT! When not on stage, Nolan enjoys swimming, writing comic books, and hanging out with his dog, Lucy.

Mason Lemkau
as Oompa-loompa

Mason is 8 years old and in 2nd grade. He is very excited to participate in his first production with YAT. He recently played a Hyena in The Lion King Jr. with his school's drama club. He enjoys playing with his friends, playing XBOX, Cub Scouts, spending time with his family and more. He has really enjoyed making new friends at YAT. Thank you to friends and family who are attending the show.

Alissa Van Der Zalm
as Oompa-loompa

Alissa is 10 years old and is excited to perform in her first full-length play at YAT. Alissa has participated in theare camps at YAT, like Suessical, Jungle Book and summer camp. Recently, Alissa was tall Alice in her school play of Alice in Wonderland and FDR in Annie. In her spare time she likes to dance and sing. Alissa thanks her family and YAT for supporting her.

Avary Morales
as Oompa-loompa

Avary is thrilled to be returning to perform with YAT again! Recent credits include the amazing yellow bird in Peter Pan. Avary loves dancing, singing and performing in general, and looks forward to many more opportunities to grow in performance theater! She would like to thank all her friends and family for coming to support!

Emily Sekol
as Oompa-loompa

Emily is 10 years old and in the 4th grade. This is her second performance in a production and she is very excited to be a part of it. She also enjoys gymnastics, ice-skating, and art. She would like to thank her family, friends, and production team for their support and positive encouragement.

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We would like to recognize Jean Isaac, and the Board of Directors, who tirelessly contribute their time and effort! It is through their individual commitment to YAT that we are able to keep the arts alive in our community!

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Young Actors' Theatre (YAT) is dedicated to providing professional level theatrical training to children of all ages and abilities. Initially founded by Jean Isaac as an after-school program, YAT has now expanded its vision to include seven major musical productions, multiple theatre camps, and an annual Holiday show.

YAT's goal is to provide a multitude of theatrical elements to interested students in a caring, non-competitive atmosphere, all under one roof. Each student and their family are an integral part of YAT's success. The performer and YAT form a partnership, bringing imagination and adventure to the theater experience. Ultimately, this partnership produces an extraordinary experience for all to enjoy!

Young Actors' Theatre teaches students about creative group dynamics and help each individual child grow and play at their own pace. Outgoing children find a place to strut their stuff. Shy children find a comfortable, nurturing place to build their confidence and self-esteem! Young Actors' Theatre offers more than just training for theatre, we offer a theatre experience that lasts a lifetime!

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WHO'S WHO

Julia Swann
as Featured Dancer

Julia is in fifth grade and loves to act and sing! Willy Wonka is her fourth production with YAT. Some of her favorite roles include Violet (Alice in Wonderland) and Dorothy (The Magical Land of Oz). Julia enjoys camping, playing the piano, singing, and hanging out with her friends. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support, and the artistic team for the opportunity.

Ruby Lopez
as Featured Dancer

Ruby is 11 years old and this is her first time performing in a theater group. She plays piano, sings and enjoys tumbling and yoga. She would like to thank her family for their support. She would also like to thank Marc and the rest of the team and volunteers at YAT. This has been an exciting new experience for her.

Joanna Demaree
as Featured Dancer

Joanna Demaree is in 5th grade and is thrilled to be in her 2nd YAT show. Last summer, she was a villager (Fiddler on the Roof). She has also been in 7 CYT musicals. She loves singing and being on stage. She is thrilled to be in this show! "Keep dancing through life" - Wicked

Madison Sanford
as Featured Dancer

Madison is a free-spirited energetic 11 year old who has been performing sense she could remember. She has such a strong passion for theatre and YAT and has been with YAT since she was 7 and has done 11 shows here.

Caedyn Nation
as Featured Dancer

Caedyn is 13 years old, in the 7th grade. Sheâ€™s been dancing since age 2, and loves being at her dance studio! Favorite roles include Mrs.Darling (YAT â€œPeter Panâ€?), Patty SImcox (IDPA â€œGreaseâ€?), and Lion Pride (IDPAâ€? Lion King). She would like to thank Christine Cordova, Marc Caro-Willcox, and her entire family, for continually pushing her to reach her goals!

CREW WHO'S WHO

Christine Cordova

Director

Christine Cordova has been teaching youth theater for over 20 years. Favorite directing credits include Peter Pan (YAT), The Wizard of Oz (YAT), Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Willy Wonka Jr., Beauty & The Beast and Godspell. Additionally, she is currently the director of YAT-in-School. All 5 of Christineâ€™s(now adult) children performed on the YAT stage, including the inaugural production of Bye-Bye-Birdie! Christine is thrilled to be working with her son Marc (Choreographer), and Granddaughter Caedyn (Featured Dancer). She would like to thank Matt, Kyler, Danielle,Robb, MJ, and Jerry for their invaluable help creating this show!

Kyler Waitley

Assistant Director

Kyler is an Alumni from Young Actors Theatre and has been performing his whole life. This is his 2nd time assistant directing with Christine Cordova, the first being Peter Pan. Kyler loves working with all the talent and heart that these wonderful kids bring to their show. When he is not assistant directing he teaches private voice lessons and performs at Legoland California. Kyler would like to thank the wonderful Cast, Crew, and Artistic Team for letting him help put together this magical show.

Matt Ignacio

Music Director

Matt is a cantor and director of the Youth Choir at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, where he recently starred as Joseph in the SJC Drama Ministry's production of Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. He is always thrilled to musically direct in YAT productions. He loves being able to work with such talented students. Previous shows include Aladdin, Alice in Wonderland, Bye Bye Birdie, The Music Man, Mulan, Peter Pan, 13 the Musical, The Addams Family and A Holiday To Remember.

CREW WHO'S WHO

Marc Caro-Willcox

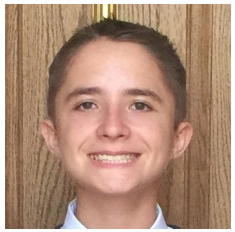
Choreographer

Marc Caro-Willcox has recently moved back to San Diego from the Bay Area where he was Choreographer for the New Conservatory Theatre of San Franciscoâ€™s summer camps, as well as a teaching artist for the companyâ€™s school satellite classes. Mr. Caro-Willcox previously was the Director of Theatre Education at Visionary School for the Performing Arts while also being a company member of Visionary Dance Theatre under the direction of Mr Spencer Powell. Original company member of K.O. Dance Co. under the direction of Mrs. Katie Pipes. Marc currently is a choreographer for Helix High Schoolâ€™s choir department. He would like to thank, our director, Christine Cordova for always thinking of him!

Danielle Dudley

Stage Manager

Danielle has been involved with YAT for the past year, with her first show being the ASM for Hairspray. Danielle has been stage managing ever since high school & now is pursuing a career in stage management. She has received an Associates degree in Technical Theatre from Grossmont College & is currently working on receiving her bachelors in Theatre Arts from UCSD. Some of her past credits include: The Odyssey (Grossmont College, SM), You're a Good Man Charlie Brown (Grossmont College, SM), Kimberly Akimbo (Grossmont College, SM), The Piano Lesson (Set Designer, SM), Spring Awakening (YAT, SM), Addams Family: The Musical (YAT, SM), A Holiday to Remember (YAT, SM), Foreground: Dance Thesis Works (UCSD, ASM), Rocks in Her Pocket (UCSD, Production Assistant) and Once Upon a Mattress (YAT, SM). Danielle is absolutely thrilled to be working with YAT!



Ethan Tarlov

Assistant Stage Manager

Ethan is a freshman in High School and has been involved in their drama department's tech program. Credits there include 12 Angry Men (Director's Assistant) and The Rainmaker (Assistant Light Tech). Ethan has also been involved at YAT, working both backstage and in the tech booth for Peter Pan, Honk, and Addam's Family. He would like to thank Jean for giving him this exciting opportunity.

Backstage Crew