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# the **GREAT GATSBY**



ADAPTED FOR THE STAGE  
BY SIMON LEVY

**11/10-11/12 at 7PM**

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F. SCOTT FITZGERALD was born in St. Paul Minnesota, in 1896 and attended Princeton University. He was a major new literary voice whose novels "This Side of Paradise," "The Beautiful and Damned," "The Great Gatsby," and "Tender is the Night" - made him one of the most famous writers of his time. He died of a heart attack in 1940 at the age of forty-four. For his sharp social insights and pitch-perfect lyricism, Fitzgerald stands out as one of the most important American writers of the twentieth century.

Simon Levy is the Producing Director for the Fountain Theatre in Los Angeles where he's been a resident playwright, director, and producer since 1993. His stage adaptation of THE GREAT GATSBY, a Finalist for the PEN Literary Award in Drama, completes his Fitzgerald Trilogy, which includes TENDER IS THE NIGHT, Winner of the PEN Literary Award in Drama, and THE LAST TYCOON, winner of numerous awards and nominated for the prestigious Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Ted Schmitt Award for Original Play. He recently completed a new adaptation/translation of Ibsen's AN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE: A NEW VERSION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY. He's writing a new play, THE CANARY, as well as a young adult novel based on the story of Tristan and Iseult. His stage adaptation of Eliot Weinberger's celebrated article, WHAT I HEARD ABOUT IRAQ, was produced worldwide, including the Edinburgh Fringe Festival where it won the Fringe First Award, the Adelaide Fringe Festival where it won the Fringe Award, was produced by BBC Radio, and received a 30-city UK tour culminating in London. His directing, writing, and producing credits and awards are numerous. He was recently honored with the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Milton Katselas Lifetime Achievement Award in Directing. Please visit [www.simonlevy.com](http://www.simonlevy.com) for more information. More information about The Great Gatsby can be found at: [www.TheGreatGatsbyPlay.com](http://www.TheGreatGatsbyPlay.com)

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“Tomorrow we will run faster,  
stretch our arms further”  
– Nick Carraway,**



**Congratulations to  
the entire cast and  
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In an effort to use our voices as artists and support organizations fighting the causes of some of the more serious topics covered in The Great Gatsby, we are collecting funds through a donation jar in our lobby for the Greater Norristown NAACP, Laurel House, and Montgomery County Suicide Prevention Task Force. All monies raised through this jar will be split between these three noble organizations.

You can find more information about these organizations from their respective websites:

- Greater Norristown NAACP: <https://www.norristownpanaACP.com/>

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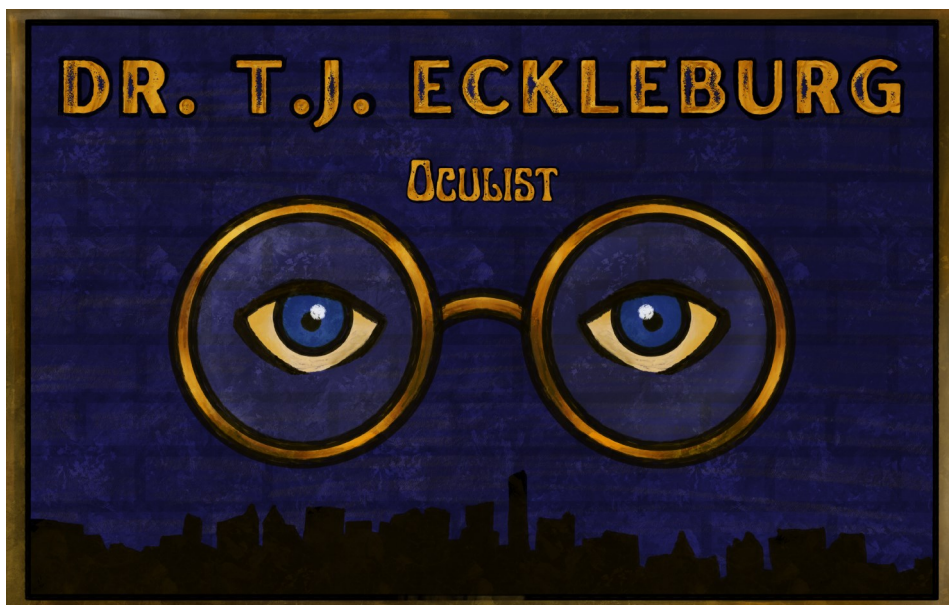
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## The Great Gatsby - Director's Notes

Like many, my first experience with *The Great Gatsby* was in high school. Over the years that have passed since then, it always held a fond spot in my memory, symbolizing the glory and glitz of the Jazz Age and the Roaring 20s. However, when I first started thinking about directing *Gatsby*, I reread the novel and was surprised at how many of the darker aspects I had apparently glossed over in my younger years. After several more readings of both the novel and the adaptation we are using by Simon Levy, I knew this was a show we had to stage. The nuances of the characters, the tragic stories they unfold, and the way it is juxtapositioned against the glamour of what we think of as the Jazz Age made this something I knew our students could give a breath of gorgeous life to.

One of the more difficult aspects of rehearsing *Gatsby* was bringing to life the sensitive yet important issues that the story encompasses. Asking some of the kindest and most caring humans I have met to portray racist, abusive, and murderous individuals was a challenge. However, I have truly enjoyed the conversations we have been able to have about using our voices as artists and making sure we support organizations fighting the causes of some of these more serious topics. As such, you may have noticed a donation jar in the lobby. We will collect all funds raised through this jar and split them between the Greater Norristown NAACP, Laurel House, and Montgomery County Suicide Prevention Task Force. You can find more information about these organizations from their respective websites, which are located in our program.

Our students have worked diligently to portray these emotional and significant issues in respectful and responsible ways. What you see before you is the culmination of 2 months of long, hard work, by over 65 students, both on and off stage. I could not be more proud of the effort they have all put in and the dedication they have shown to bring you this incredible production.

Thank you for coming to support our students and the beautiful work of art they have created.

Mrs. Fitz

## Production Crew

**Director/Producer**.....Mary Fitzgerald  
**Assistant Director**.....Denise Naylor  
**Student Director**.....Elena Chaya  
**Choreographer**.....Taylor Kaminski  
**Dance Captains**.....Natalie Zebrowski, Sonja Otero  
**Stage Managers**.....Cora Heiser, Jude Remaley, Mimi Cavallo  
**Costume Designer**.....Heidi Swartz  
**Student Costume Coordinators**.....Corwen Kemp,  
Jessica Gabell  
**Prop Master**.....Heidi Swartz  
**Student Prop Master**.....Quintin Frey  
**Prop Master's Assistant**.....Tom MacNeel  
**Hair, Makeup, and Wig Coordinators**.....Mimi Cavallo,  
Raz Remaley, Sonja Otero  
**Set Design & Coordinator**.....Michael Fitzgerald  
**Set Construction and Painting**.....Cast, Crew,  
Parents, and Guardians of The Great Gatsby team: Amelia,  
Amelia, Andrew, Ben, Caroline, Cora, Corwen, Dave, Denise,  
Juno, Kendra, Laura, Mary, Mike, Natalie, Nora, Paige, Rachel,  
Raz, Sofia, Zarrina  
**Light Design**.....Michael Fitzgerald  
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*Acting  
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Dance  
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<u>Character (In order of appearance)</u>	<u>Student</u>
Jay Gatsby.....	Luke Horoho
Nick Carraway.....	Quintin Frey
Daisy Buchanan.....	Paige Alaishuski
Jordan Baker.....	Elena Chaya
Tom Buchanan.....	Evan Avelar
George Wilson.....	Max King
Myrtle Wilson.....	Mimi Cavallo
Lucille McKee.....	Nora Alaishuski
Chester McKee.....	Cavan Mackenzie
Meyer Wolfsheim.....	Raz Remaley
Policeman.....	Hannah Lake
Mrs. Michaelis.....	Cora Heiser

## Featured Dancers

Alex DePiano, Alex Pack, Amelia Syx, Brianna LaFreeda, Carmen Bibian, Emerson Gormley, Hadil Jarhale, Hannah Lake, Jeramie Hampton, Natalie Rydzewski, Natalie Zebrowski (Dance Captain), Nora Alaishuski, Samantha Cranmer, Sonja Otero(Dance Captain), Taylor Kaminski (Choreographer)

## Ensemble

Abby Drummond, Alex Jacoby, Amelia Heiser, Ava Nascimento, Cassie Guihan, Cecilia Montalbano, Chloe Whitney, Corwen Kemp, Ella Burns, Emily Kirschner, Emily Laird, Evie Sullivan, Jaxon Van Dame, Joelle Miles, Leah Thress, Mandi Chesney, Michael DiPrinzio, Nate Shewfelt, Tom MacNeel, Varsha Iyengar



# CAST



Abby Drummond is very excited to perform in her first highschool show. She's met a lot of really great people so far and can't wait to perform with them again. She'd like to thank the cast and crew of The Great Gatsby for an amazing show.



Alex DePiano is very happy to be a part of The Great Gatsby. She loves to dance and has been dancing since she was little. Some of her favorite shows were when she played Alice in Alice in Wonderland and the Gold Fairy in The Tales of Sleeping Beauty. She is very excited to be in more shows at MHS.



Alex Jacoby is extremely excited to perform in his second show for the company! He is very thankful toward his family and friends for the support and hopes to continue the theatre experience in college.



**AMAZING JOB, JOJO!  
WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!**

**LOVE,  
KAELA, JEREMIAH & AALIYAH**

**CASSIE,  
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOUR FIRST  
HIGH SCHOOL PRODUCTION!  
MOM AND DAD**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DIRECTORS,  
CAST AND CREW OF "THE GREAT GATSBY."  
THE GUIHAN FAMILY**

**EVAN AVELAR! OUR FAVORITE EVAN!  
CONGRATULATIONS!  
FROM ADAMS TO TOWN AND NOW GATSBY,  
WE'VE LOVED THEM ALL. CAN'T WAIT TO  
SEE THE NEXT INSTALLMENT IN "THE  
LIFE OF EVAN!" I'M SURE YOU'LL HAVE  
US ON THE EDGE OF OUR SEATS!**

**CONGRATS TO TAYLOR & CAST AND CREW!**

**MICHAEL, SO PROUD!  
LOVE, MOM AND DAD**



**QUINTIN:  
YOU ALWAYS DO A GREAT JOB, YOU GOT  
THIS! WE LOVE YOU!  
GMOM & POPS**

**SOFIA,  
IT'S FUN TO WATCH YOU SHINE!  
<3 MOM AND DAD**

**SOFIA,  
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!  
<3 MOM-MOM AND POP**

**HANNAH,  
FOLLOW YOUR HEART, BIRD. YOU  
ARE MEANT TO FLY FAR.  
XO, THE LAKE CLAN**

**AVA,  
BREAK A LEG, HAVE FUN!  
LOVE, MOM, DAD, AND BROS**

**GO 'HEAD, GIRL! FOLLOW YOUR  
HEART, EVEN THROUGH THE  
PAIN! WE LOVE YOU, JOELLE!  
MOM&DAD  
XOXO**

## CAST



Alex Pack (Featured Dancer) is a junior who is excited to be a part of the MHSTC 2022 Fall Play! "The Great Gatsby" will be her ninth stage production in the last four years. Her favorite performances thus far have been The Spongebob Musical, as well as the annual WPG show. Alex would like to send the biggest thank you to her best friends in the whole world, who she met because of this theater company, for keeping her sane and always making her smile and laugh even on the worst of days.



Amelia Heiser is excited to be in her first production at Methacton High School. She has been in many productions in the past, some of her favorites were the Genie in Aladdin JR., Young Will in Big Fish, and Calliope in Xanadu Jr. She would like to thank everyone who made this production possible and made it a great experience.



Amelia Syx is a freshman in MHS, and is very excited to work with so many talented people. She is looking forward to being a featured dancer in the production of The Great Gatsby, and is elated at the opportunity she was given this year. In the past, Amelia has participated in The Little Mermaid Jr, and Peter Pan Jr. She is more than happy to add another show to her list!



# CAST



Ava Nascimento is excited to be in this production of The Great Gatsby. She is a sophomore. She has been in many shows before, including The Dining Room and Spongebob here at Methacton.



Brianna LaFreeda is a sophomore at MHS and this is her third show at the high school! Last fall, she played Aggie in "The Dining Room" and was in the ensemble in "Spongebob: The Musical." She has been involved in many shows at Firebird Theatre, COMAD, as well as MCT. Some of her favorite roles include Maleficent (Sleeping Beauty), Evil Stepsister (Cinderella), Tessie (Annie), and Sharpay (High School Musical). She appreciates everyone's time and efforts on this show!



Carmen Socorro Bibian is thrilled to be in The Great Gatsby as a featured dancer, for her first show with the MHS Theatre Company. She has been in musicals such as Xanadu Jr. as a Siren, Annie Jr. as Tessie (But wasn't able to perform due to the pandemic), and Mulan Jr. in the ensemble. Carmen can't wait to show everyone the hard work both the cast and crew have put into the show. Also, the hard work that Mrs. Fitzgerald and Ms. Naylor have done to make the show possible.



**Q FREY,  
"YOU ARE ONE OF THE FEW HONEST  
PEOPLE I HAVE EVER KNOWN."  
BEST SHOW EVER!**

**"YOUR SMILE IS ONE OF THOSE RARE  
SMILES..." CONGRATS Q! WE LOVE YOU!  
M&D**

**"AND SO WE BEAT ON..."  
CONGRATS QUINTIN,  
YOU ARE A SUPERSTAR!**

**Q FREY,  
WISH I WAS THERE, BUT AL-  
WAYS KNOW I BELIEVE IN YOU  
<3 ADDI**

**I AM HERE FOR YOU ALWAYS, Q!  
(EVEN IF YOU ONLY COME TO 2  
HOCKEY GAMES) <3 MOLLY**

**CARMEN,  
SO PROUD OF YOU!  
MAMI AND PAPI**

**EMILY,  
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!  
LOVE, MOM, DAD, AND ETHAN**

**GREAT JOB EMILY,  
WE LOVE YOU!  
GRANDMA, NANA, AND POP**

**BRIANNA,  
GREAT JOB! WE LOVE WATCH-  
ING YOU PERFORM!  
LOVE, MOM, DAD, AND TAYLOR**

**RAZ,  
SO PROUD OF THE MILLION THINGS YOU DO TO  
IMPROVE EVERY SHOW THAT YOU ARE A PART  
OF, ON AND OFF STAGE! YOU MAKE THE WHOLE  
WORLD SHINE A LITTLE BRIGHTER!**

**LOVE,  
MOM, SCOTT, PAIGE, JUDE, KITTY,  
AND HARRISON**

**RAZ,  
GREAT JOB AS MEYER. FIXING THE WORLD  
SERIES AND WINNING OUR HEARTS. SO  
PROUD. GOD BLESS.  
LOVE, DAD**

## CAST



Although she's in 10th grade this is Cassie Guihan's first show with the theater company and she is very excited! She's happy to be apart of such an amazing theater company and even more excited to spend time with her new friends!



The Great Gatsby will be Cavan Mackenzie's eighth show, and he is very excited at having the opportunity to do a play instead of a musical. He is a freshman at Methacton High who started his theater journey in fourth grade for the sole purpose of being better than his brother. Cavan is so grateful about how supportive his family has been about his endeavors in drama.



Cecilia Montalbano is ecstatic to be in the ensemble of The Great Gatsby. She has played the roles of Annie, in "The Dinning Room" and a fan girl in "SpongeBob the Musical" for Methacton just last year. She would like to thank her friends and family, especially her Mom and Dad for always supporting her on and off stage.





# CAST



Chloe Whitney is a 9th grader and normally performs in shows at Springer Studio Youth Theatre and has been a part of several shows there such as Annie Jr, Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, Little Mermaid, and more.



Cora Heiser (Mrs. Michaelis) is excited to be returning to the stage at Methacton High School. Last year she was featured as Patchy the Pirate in Spongebob the Musical. Other stage experiences include The Little Mermaid Jr (Andrina) and Elf Jr (Matthews). She would like to thank Mrs. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Naylor for another great experience on the stage.



Corwen is excited to be a part of their first Methacton theater experience! This is her first time onstage since 5th grade. Corwen also enjoys sewing and drawing, and is excited to be helping with the costumes for this production. They also enjoy excessively long words such as sesquipedalianism.



Elena Chaya (Jordan Baker) is a senior at Methacton and has been a part of MHSTC for four years. Throughout this time, she has gained a passion for the arts and is currently planning on minoring in theater. Some of her most rewarding roles have included Mary Warren in The Crucible and The Charming Shopper in TOWN. She would like to thank MHSTC for giving her her best friends and would especially like to thank the Director, Mary Fitzgerald, for trusting her with the role of Student Director.

**CAVAN,  
LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR  
“PICTURE” PERFECT PERFORMANCE!  
MAMMIE AND PAPA**

**CAVAN,  
SEEING YOU ON STAGE WARMS OUR  
HEARTS. SO PROUD!  
GRANDPA, NANA, AND NANNY JEAN**

**CAVAN,  
LOVE WATCHING YOU “DEVELOP” YOUR  
SKILLS AS A PERFORMER!  
MOM AND PAPI**

**CORWEN,  
SUCH BEAUTIFUL SHIRTS, EMBELLISHED  
DANCERS, A MAID WATCHES, LIKE A  
MURDER OF CROWS**

**CARMEN,  
ERES UN ORGULLOSO PARA NOSTROS**

**CARMEN,  
ESTOR MUY ORGULLOSO, QUE ERES  
UNA NIÑA INTELIGENTE.**

**SONJA,  
SO PROUD OF YOU!  
LOVE, MOM AND BRIAN**

**MAXIMUS KING,  
DON'T FORGET US WHEN YOU'RE  
FAMOUS, MAX!  
LOVE, CHRIS AND ALEX**

**MAX,  
WE'RE SO PROUD WATCHING YOU  
PERFORM, YOU NEVER  
DISAPPOINT!  
MOM AND DAD**

**MAXIMUS KING,  
FOR A LITTLE BROTHER,  
YOU HAVE BIG TALENT!  
LOVE, JAKE AND NOELLA**

**MAXIMUS KING,  
TO OUR MASTER THESPIAN-  
BREAK A LEG!  
MOM AND DAD**

**AMANDA CHESNEY,  
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!  
LOVE, MOM, DAD, ALY AND LEXI**

## CAST



Ella Burns has been acting and dancing since elementary school and is excited to be in her first high school production.



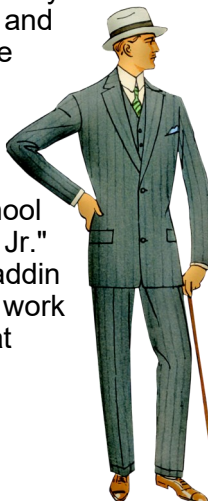
Emerson Gormley (Featured Dancer) is thrilled to be a part of MHSTC's production of The Great Gatsby. Emerson is a junior and has been doing theatre since 7th grade. Some of her past roles include Mrs. Banks in Mary Poppins and Silly Girl in Beauty and the Beast.



Emily Kirschner is a junior who is part of the ensemble in The Great Gatsby. She has only ever been in two theater productions: The Dining Room and Spongebob the Musical. Even with barely any experience, Emily hopes to continue theater throughout her junior and senior year at Methacton High School. Also, she hopes you enjoy the play!! :)



Emily Laird is excited to be in her first High School play. Emily's past productions include "Xanadu Jr." for Arcola Intermediate Middle School, and "Aladdin Jr." through Firebird Theater. Emily is happy to work with her friends and be in the cast of "The Great Gatsby".



# CAST



Evan Avelar, who plays the role of Tom, is a Senior at Methacton High School and has been doing theater at the high school for all 4 years. He is very excited to put on this show.



Evie Sullivan has been doing theatre since third grade. She enjoys being able to talk to her friends and be able to meet new people through theatre. She is excited about The Great Gatsby and this year for theater.



Hadil Jarhale (Featured Dancer) is a Senior, and this is her first year participating in MHSTC. She would like to thank the cast, crew and the Director's for giving her this opportunity.



Hannah Lake (Policeman, Featured Dancer) is thrilled to be performing in MHSTC's production of The Great Gatsby. She is a junior and has been doing theater for 5 years now. Some of her favorite roles include Larry the Lobster and Gary the Snail in SpongeBob the Musical and Babette in Beauty and the Beast. Hannah would like to thank her family and friends for all their love and support.

**NATALIE R, YOU'RE OUR DANCING QUEEN! WE  
LOVE YOU,  
MOM, DAD, CARA AND FAMILY**

**EMMY-  
CONGRATS TO THE BEST LITTLE! BREAK A LEG!  
NORA**

**CORWEN & AVA-  
CONGRATS ON A GREAT SHOW, POKÉBUDS!  
LOVE, PAIGE <3**

**BREAK A LEG TAYLOR!  
WE LOVE YOU**

**#1 TAYLOR-FAN!  
MOM, DAD, JORDAN XO**

**BEST WISHES, NORA! SO PROUD OF YOU!  
YOU GO, GIRL! LYTTMAB!  
NANA AND POP**

**CONGRATULATIONS ELLA!  
LOVE, GRAMMY AND GRANDPA JOHN**

**SO PROUD OF YOU, ELLA!  
LOVE, MOM AND DAD**



# Shout Outs

**NORA, WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU (AND YOUR  
ARTWORK) ON STAGE AND OFF!  
CONGRATS!  
LOVE, MOM & DAD**

**NORA, SO PROUD OF ALL THAT YOU HAVE  
DONE! GREAT THINGS ARE LEFT TO COME!  
LOVE YOU!  
GRAMMY**

**PAIGE, I ENJOY WATCHING YOU SHINE LIKE A  
BRIGHTER STAR YEAR AFTER YEAR! LOVE  
YOU!  
GRAMMY**

**PAIGE, WE LOVE WATCHING YOU ON  
STAGE...TODAY AND FOR MANY YEARS TO  
COME! BREAK A LEG!  
LOVE , MOM & DAD**

**TO "DAISY", OUR PAIGE...IT'S YOUR TURN TO  
SHINE! SO PROUD OF YOU! LYTTMAB!  
NANA AND POP**

## CAST



Jaxon Van Dame will be making his second appearance on stage playing ensemble in The Great Gatsby. He is excited to play in his first high school production this year.



Jeramie Hampton is a Junior, she is a featured dancer. Jeramie has been in one other Methacton show; SpongeBob the Musical, and she was a featured dancer in that as well.



Joelle Miles loves being a part of Methacton's theater company, it's like one big family. Some of her favorite past roles include Sardine (Spongebob) and Bird Woman (Mary Poppins). She is also a part of Chorale and Jazz choir, which she also loves so much. Being able to dance and sing with her friends after school is one of her favorite things. She is so excited for this performance and also can't wait for the musical!




Leah Thress is a freshman and is so excited to be in her first MHSTC show. Some of her previous experiences include, the cashier in Legally Blonde the Musical and Euterpe in Xanadu Jr the Musical. She would like to thank her family, friends, and most importantly the cast and crew of Gatsby who have worked so hard to put together this beautiful show. Leah would like to dedicate her performance to Colin Mash Official, SLAYONCÉ.


# CAST

**MHSTC wishes the best of luck to all of our Seniors!**


Alex Jacoby.....	Cast
Elena Chaya.....	Cast
Evan Avelar.....	Cast
Hadile Jarhale.....	Cast
Max King.....	Cast
Mimi Cavallo.....	Cast
Quintin Frey.....	Cast
Raz Remaley.....	Cast
Sam Fishburn.....	Crew
Sarah Kim.....	Crew
Sofia Musi.....	Crew
Taylor Kaminski.....	Cast


Luke Horoho has been doing theater for many years and has been a part of many productions. Most recently Luke was a part of Legally Blonde at Firebird Theater in the Role of Nikos Argitakos. He would like to thank his friends and fellow classmates for making the show a super fun experience and for putting on such a great production.



Mandi Chesney (Ensemble) is in 10th grade and is excited to be on stage performing in The Great Gatsby. This will be her fifth show at MHSTC, with prior experiences being The Dining Room (Emily), and Peter Pan Jr (Smee). She would like to thank her fellow castmates for making this show a fun time, and her family for getting her to and from rehearsals. She can't wait to do more shows at Methacton.



Max King (George) is very excited to be participating in this production of The Great Gatsby. He has participated in every play and musical at methacton since his freshman year, landing lead roles such as Officer Lockstock (Urinetown), and Plankton (The SpongeBob Musical). He would like to thank his family for their amazing support, and all of his vocal teachers and past directors for helping him find a love of performing.



Michael DiPrinzio cannot wait to perform as a member of the ensemble in his first ever show. He enjoys playing tennis and piano in his spare time. Michael would love to thank Nora and Paige Alaishuski for introducing him to theatre along with his parents for supporting him along the way.

## CAST



Sonja Otero is a Junior in highschool and this is her fourth show here including All Together Now, SpongeBob the Musical, and last spring's WPG show. She is excited to kick off her junior year with two amazing shows in her future. Sonja has performed in six shows in Methacton theater and hopes to continue performing throughout high-school and college. She would like to thank her family for always supporting her and her friends for bringing happiness to the shows.



Taylor Kaminski is a senior who is thrilled to perform as a featured dancer in her 8th production with MHSTC! She was ecstatic to choreograph, and is looking forward to Footloose. She is a VP, and the president of the company's Thespian Society. Taylor is involved in WPG, Chorale, and is a Student Ambassador; She has danced for 16 years. Taylor would like to thank her "newsies core 5" and the seniors for always making her smile during rehearsals, and for always having her back when she needs a friend!



Tom MacNeel is a sophomore at Methacton High School. This is his second year doing theatre and the Great Gatsby is his 4th production at Methacton. He also assists with prop-making. Tom enjoys listening to music and also takes part in Methacton's video journalism program. He acted as "Boy" in The Dining Room and Ensemble in Spongebob. He is so excited to do the shows this year!



Varsha Iyengar is currently a sophomore and is excited to begin her theater experience at Methacton with "The Great Gatsby." Varsha has previously performed in two shows, her favorite role being Wendy in "Peter Pan Jr." In her free time, Varsha loves to sing and play chess. She would like to thank the cast and crew for making this a fun show.

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Mimi Cavallo has been performing since she was three years old, and she is beyond excited to be participating in her senior play with MHSTC! Mimi has loved getting to work with and spend time with her best friends over the years through MHSTC, and she is thrilled to be onstage yet again in such a wonderful show. Some of Mimi's past performances with Methacton include Brigadoon and Trojan Women. Mimi would like to thank her friends and family for always supporting her on and offstage.



Natalie Rydzewski is very excited to be in The Great Gatsby this year and happy to be dancing! Natalie enjoys reading, singing, and dancing and has been in All Together Now and SpongeBob in the past at Methacton. She is so grateful for this opportunity and her friends and looks forward to Footloose!



Natalie Zebrowski is extremely excited to perform for you as a dance captain in this production of The Great Gatsby! Some of her favorite roles in the past have been Ursula in Firebird Theater's the Little Mermaid Jr. and Mr. McQueen in Methacton High School Theater Company's production of Urinetown. Natalie would like to thank her family and friends for their support and encouragement this year!



Nate Shewfelt was really excited when he heard that the theatre company was making The Great Gatsby. He is a servant, a press reporter, and a party guest. While none of these are a lead role, he still loves being in theatre. He has been in productions such as Beauty and the Beast, Frozen Junior, High School Musical, and Legally Blonde. He has always liked The Great Gatsby and does hip hop and jazz lessons.



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Nora Alaishuski, Lucille McKee and a featured dancer, has been performing for over five years. Some of her previous roles include Mrs. Lovett in Sweeney Todd and Orin Scrivello DDS in Little Shop of Horrors. In addition to theatre, Nora is president of National Art Honor Society. Nora also designs the logo, poster, program cover, and t-shirt for MHSTC shows. She would like to congratulate her best friend Michael for stepping out of his comfort zone and joining her on stage for the first time.



Paige Alaishuski is thrilled to enjoy her third year at MHSTC as a junior! She has been performing for over 7 years, some of her previous roles being Karen in "The SpongeBob Musical" and Jovie in "Elf". Besides performing, Paige teaches theatre to younger kids and has worked for 5 different organizations so far. She thanks Mrs. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Naylor for putting their all into this show.



Quintin Frey is a senior and is very excited to be a part of The Great Gatsby. He has been in every production since his freshman year, and is ecstatic to keep his streak going. He is a president of the company, as well as prop master of the production staff. He is excited for the senior show and the upcoming spring musical. He would like to thank his friends, family, and fellow seniors for supporting him in his adventures on this stage and making this experience such a memorable last MHSTC play.



Raz Remaley is excited to be performing as Meyer Wolfshiem in this production of The Great Gatsby. He is also extremely proud to have helped with the historical accuracy of the costumes in this show. Theatre has been the greatest joy of Raz's time in high school and he'd like to thank everyone who made this possible. And May, love you MayMay.

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Sam Fishburn is a senior and has worked behind the scenes of many Methacton productions since 6th grade. She worked in crew and tech, mostly in sound production. She is always thrilled to learn and do new things, and to be working with her friends behind the scenes. She is especially excited for this year's shows!



Samantha Cranmer is excited to be in her first Methacton High school play. Her past productions include, stage crew for "Xanadu Jr." at Arcola Intermediate, and was part of the ensemble in "Legally Blonde the Musical" through Firebird Theater. She is happy to be working alongside her friends. Samantha wants to thank her friends and family for all of their support.



Sarah Kim is so happy to be part of Methacton's Theatre Company! She is a senior and has been part of the tech team since middle school. She loves working the soundboard and hopes to continue in college. Her favorite part is making new friends and memories!



Sofia Musi is so excited to be tech directing this year! She's loved working in anything behind the scenes since sixth grade. She's worked in stage crew, set/prop design and lighting design and most recently painted set pieces for Firebird Theatre's production of Aladdin Jr. She's very happy to be back with the Methacton crew and wishes everyone in Gatsby a great show! :)