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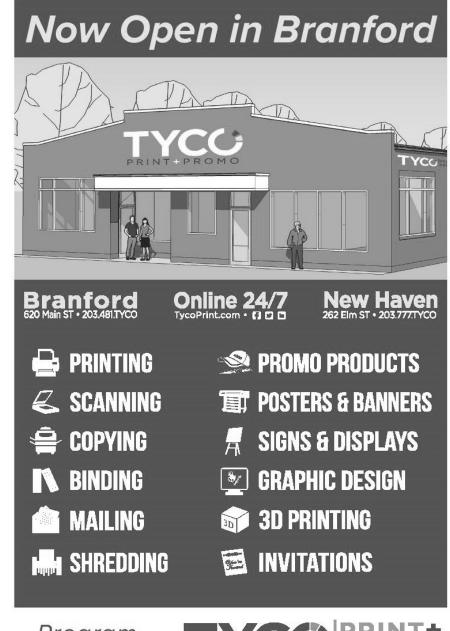


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The Producers

The Mel Brooks Musical

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Thomas Meehan Brooks

Starring

Mike Martone Jr. Ioe Martone

Chris Lemieux* Scott A. Towers

Alison Johnson Patrick Delucia

Costume Design Alicia Loesche

Lighting Design Adam Jackson

Set Design Kristin Hottin

Sound Design

Roger Gagne

Directed by

Colin Sheehan

Technical Advisor Jess Strassburg

Choreographed by Paola Rarick

Hair/Makeup Design

Kathie Towers

Musically Directed by Mike Martone Ir.

June 27th-29th, 2019

Original direction and choreography by Susan Stroman

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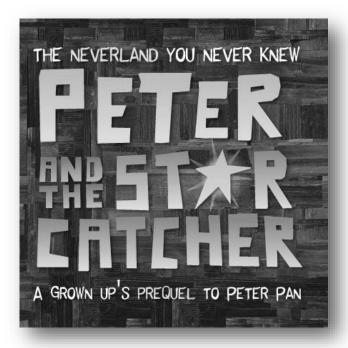
Overture	Orchestra
It's Opening Night	Usherettes, Ensemble
The King of Broadway	Max, Ensemble
We Can Do It	Max, Leo
I Wanna Be a Producer	Leo, Ensemble
We Can Do It (Reprise)	Max, Leo
I Wanna Be a Producer (Reprise)	Max, Leo
In Old Bavaria	Franz, Pigeons
Der Gutten Tag Hop-Clop	Franz, Max, Leo
Keep it GayRoger, Car	men, Max, Leo, Roger's Team
When You've Got It, Flaunt It	Ulla
	, Ulla, Roger, Carmen, Franz, n, Little Old Ladies, Ensemble
Entr'acte	Orchestra
That Face	Leo, Ulla
That Face (Reprise)	Leo, Max
A Wand'ring Minstrel	Jack
Have You Ever Heard the (Interrupted)	Jason
Have You Ever Heard the German Band	Franz
It's Opening Night (Reprise)	
It's Bad Luck to Say Good Luck on Op'ning Springtime for Hitler Roger, Ulla,	Leo, Franz, Max
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Roger				
Ulla	Alison Johnson			
Franz	Joe Martone			
Carmen, Bum	Patrick Delucia			
Mr. Marks, Judge	Jon Firman			
Hold Me, Touch Me	Laura Sue Melillo			
Jack Lapidus	Bobby Olejarczyk			
Scott, Churchill	Dorian Hayes			
Kevin, Production Tenor	Ben Clouse			
Sergeant O'Houlihan, Donal	d, Jury ForemanRob Luce			
Jason	William Fryer			
Bryan, Stalin				
Shirley				
Street Cleaner, O'Rourke	Max Dormer			
Baglady				
Nuns	Judy Bannon, Alena Fitzgerald			
Usherettes	Maddie Oberempt, Bella Rarick			
	Abigail Pearl Boyle, Taryn Broughal, Ariel Cobden, Sophia Coppola, Jayleen Flores, Kelsey Mulligan, Sadie Ostad, Maddie Oberempt, & Bella RarickAlexis Brown, Mallory Legman, Emma Ng, Taylor Novella, Amelie Parczany, Alicia Loesche, Nitya Bam, Emma Boyle, Caity Darby, Gail Mattie-Boyle, Sarah Nelson, Lisa Rosenthal, Emily Taber, & Samantha Wilson			
UNDERSTUDIES				
Male Understudy				
Female Understudy	Bella Rarick			

ORCHESTRA

Conductor/Piano	Nick Stanford
Reed 1	Kristen Morace
Reed 2	Phil Plott
Reed 3	Amanda Welch
Keyboards	Cathyann Roding
Trumpet 1	Ted Samodel
Trumpet 2/3	Dan Buchner
Trombone 1	Jeff Grubin
Trombone 2/3	Zac Whitlock
Drums	Nate Dobas
Percussion	Matt Johnson
Violin	
Bass	Jordan Brint

PRODUCTION STAFF

Musical Director, Set Construction	Mike Martone Jr.
	Paola Rarick
Set Design	Kristin Hottin
Lighting Design	Adam Jackson
	Kathie Towers
	Roger Gagne
	Adam Jackson
	Ramic, Nora Longway, & Hannah Jackson
Backstage Stage & Technical Crew	Christian Bjork, Dylan Campos,
	n, Evan DeCaprio, CJ Doyle, Mia DuPuis,
	Gruendel, Alex Hernandez, Lisa Kroeber,
	ppiwnicki, Liz Lam, Eric Lin, Ben Lussier,
	Dan Merrill, Linda Mollow, Jared Moore,
	Julianna Pegnataro, & Jamie Travaglino
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WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

Mike Martone Jr.

as Max, Musical Director



Mike graduated from BHS in 2001 where he was fortunate to perform in *Crazy for You!*, *Lil' Abner*, and the role as Nicely Nicely Johnson in *Guys and Dolls*. He attended WSCU where he obtained his B.S. in Music Education. Mike performed in several operas as a member of the WCSU Opera Ensemble. Credits include: Tamino in *The Magic Flute*, Don Basilio in *The Marriage of Figaro*, King Kasper in *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, as well as several others. Mike graduated with high honors and was awarded the Ruth P. DeVillafranca Certificate which is given to the most promising music educator as deemed by the music faculty. He also has his M.S. in Music Education from WCSU again graduating Magna Cum Laude. Mike also created and directed a summer music camp for young performers for the last several years as well as performed in a couple plays with a theater company himself.

Chris Lemieux*

As Leo



Chris is an actor and director based in NYC. He graduated from BHS in 2009 and majored in Acting at Pace. Favorite performance credits: Comedy of Errors (Alabama Shakespeare Festival), The Bakery (Hollywood Fringe), Illusion (Under St. Mark's NYC), and Cinderella (Alabama Shakespeare Festival). He will appear next in Legacy Theater's Midsummer Night's Dream on the Branford Green. As a director, Chris has directed productions in NYC, Alabama, and Connecticut. He assists STC and TaborArts with their youth productions. This fall he will direct STC's first play, Peter and the Starcatcher. Lemieux is the Director of Development for an LA-based theater company which recently premiered Pocketmon! A Pokemon Parody Musical at the Hollywood Fringe. He'd like to thank Colin and Mike for the opportunity to play with STC this summer.

Alison Johnson

As Ulla



Alison is excited to be returning to Branford for her STC debut. She is a classically trained Soprano with a Vocal Performance Minor from the UConn. Past credits include *Die Zauberflöte* as the cover for Papagena and *II Barbiere di Siviglia*. As a member of the UCONN Opera Outreach program, roles include Olympia in *Opera Tales: Pinocchio*. She was honored to be a participant in the Masterworks Festival Chorus at Carnegie Hall debuting composer Ola Gjielo's Sunrise Mass. Before her time at UCONN, she enjoyed performing as Princess Amneris in *Aida* and Christine Daaé in *Phantom of the Opera* on the BHS stage.

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

Scott A. Towers

As Roger



Scott graduated from BHS in 2006 and was fortunate to be in Les Miserables, West Side Story, 42nd Street, and Beauty and the Beast as the Beast. Scott graduated from Western Connecticut State University with his Bachelor's of Science in Music Education with a Voice Concentration. While at WCSU, Scott was listed as the Principal Operatic Tenor in roles such as: Tamino in The Magic Flute, Rinuccio in Gianni Schicchi, Kaspar in Amahl and the Night Visitors, and Frederic in The Pirates of Penzance. Scott was also awarded the Don Craig/James Furman Choral Legacy Award in 2011. Last year Scott made his debut with the Shoreline Theatre Company as Corny Collins in Hairspray. He has his Master's of Science in Higher Education Administration with a Student Affairs Concentration and works full-time at Post University as the Director of Student Activities and Diversity Programs. Scott is also proud to serve as the Co-Producer for the BHS Performing Arts Spring Musicals.

Joe Martone As Franz



Joe is a custodian at BHS. He's a North Branford High School Alumni. This will be his first foray into musical theatre and first time acting on stage since high school in 2005. Although Joe has never received any classical music training or vocal lessons, he's been on stage entertaining crowds in locals bands for well over a decade. Surrounded by a very musically gifted family, Joe claims his life is like living a musical and he wouldn't have it any other way. He would like to dedicate his performance to his mother, Renee, who was always his biggest fan.

Patrick Delucia

As Carmen, Bum



This is Patrick's second time performing with Shoreline Theatre company and he couldn't be more thrilled. The performing arts is his most beloved hobby. He has participated in 6 musicals and had a minor appearance in the blockbuster hit *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen*. He is grateful to STC for this opportunity to perform with a great group of friends.

Jon Firman

As Mr. Marks, Judge



Jon is excited to be returning to the stage with Shoreline Theatre Company for his second ever on-stage performance, his first being last year with STC's production of *Hairspray*. Jon is a science teacher at Bethel High School but works with the Branford High School Marching Band program, through which he was introduced to the newly-formed STC and decided to audition. His experience in *Hairspray* last year was so rewarding and enjoyable that he had to return, and he is excited to once again take the stage with a very talented and wonderful group of people!

Many Thanks

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WHO'S WHO IN THE CREW



Nick Stanford

Associate Musical Director

Nick received his BA in Music from UConn studying piano under Irma Vallecillo. Favorite Music Director credits include Beauty and the Beast (Artful Living) and Into the Woods (GetUp Stage Company). While Nick mostly does community theater and high school productions, profession credits include subbing on Keyboard 2 for In the Heights (Playhouse on Park) and Altar Boyz (Seven Angels Theatre). Nick is the pianist for Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Society in Madison. He regularly accompanies students at the Community Music School in Essex as well as the vocal studio of Amy Buckley. Thank you to my mom for always supporting me.

Adam Jackson

Stage Manager, Lighting Design



Head Stage Manager for STC and a recent alumnus of BHS. Adam has been involved with 20+ productions: Onstage, he most recently played Scrooge in A Christmas Carol (2018) and Lucas Beineke in The Addams Family (2019). Adam is a member of the BHS Tech Crew, Band (Drum Major), Choir (Bass Section Leader), Music Makers, Regional Choir (2014 & 2015), Regional Band (2017 & 2019), Regional Orchestra (2018, 1st Chair), and the National Honor Society. In his free time, Adam enjoys composing and hanging out with his friends. After he graduates, Adam plans to pursue his passion for music by majoring in music education at Western Connecticut State University.

Jess Strassburg

Technical Advisor

Set Design

Jess is a BHS alumnus of the class of 2001. She holds a B. A. in Theatre Design/Technology/Management from Wagner College, Jess has worked in all aspects of theatre for over 20 years. Past credits include Costume Department for The Santa Fe Opera (New Mexico), Goodspeed Opera House (Connecticut), Forestburgh Playhouse (New York), and College Light Opera Company (Massachusetts). Jess is proud to currently be the Technical Advisor to the BHS Performing Arts Department since 2010.

Roger Gagne

Sound Design | Kristin Hottin

I have been volunteering at BHS for 7 Kristin is excited to be back for Shoreline years...helping out with the construction Theatre Company's second show. She of the sets, and more. I was able to trick comes from North Branford with a Bachthem into letting me run the sound for elor of the Arts in Studio Art from the STC's first musical, Hairspray, then was University of Rhode Island. You may have allowed to take the reigns for BHS's spring previously seen her work in Tabor's *Peter* musical The Addams Family. I'm really Pan, Ir., Willy Wonka Ir., and Seussical enjoying being the person behind the Ir., as well as Aladdin, Ir., Hairspray, and board; I'll try to keep the feedback to a Elf Ir. with the STC. Kristin is also recently minimum.

finished designing for Sister Act with A Shared Stage Productions in May and will be working on Alice in Wonderland Ir. with the STC camp.

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

Laura Sue Melillo

As Hold Me, Touch Me



Laura is so very happy to be back performing with the STC. Favorite roles include Prudy in STC's Hairspray, Reverend Mother In Nunsense, Lucy in Snoopy The Musical, Blind Old Hag/Ghost of Christmas Future in A Christmas Carol the Musical, and Yente In Fiddler On The Roof. When not performing, Laura is a mom to Webster and Treia. Love to Lee Strasberg.

Bobby Olejarczyk

As Jack Lapidus



Bobby is very excited about working with STC again. Bobby recently graduated from BHS as President of the Class of 2019. He was a Co-Captain of the football team, a member of Concert Choir and Music Makers, and a part of many other student organizations. His previous shows have included Mary Poppins, Titanic, Shrek: The Musical, Hairspray, and The Addams Family. In addition, Bobby was a High Honors Student and a member of the National Honor Society. Bobby will be attending Bentley University in the fall with a major in Economics-Finance. He would like to thank Mr. Martone, Colin, Paola, Nick, and Stage Management for their countless hours of hard work that has made this show possible!

Dorian Hayes

As Scott, Churchill



Dorian is a junior at Branford High School. He has performed in the Artful Living productions of *The Music Man* and the annual outdoor dramatic experience Sleepy Hollow. He's also appeared as Peter Pan in Shrek the Musical and Angel Gabriel in A Coney Island Christmas on the Ivoryton Theater. Dorian is thrilled to be a part of the second Shoreline Theatre Company musical. He'd like to thank the creative team for their incredible work and making every minute a memorable experience.

Ben Clouse As Kevin, Production Tenor

Ben's most recent productions include *The Addams Family* as Uncle Fester and A Christmas Carol as Bob Cratchit. When Ben is not at rehearsal, he likes to volunteer at the Branford Compassion Club. Ben would like to thank his friends and family for supporting him in the arts programs in town.

Max Dormer

As Street Cleaner, O'Rourke



Max is a Junior at Branford High School and is participating in his second Shoreline Theatre Company show. Max was a Nicest Kid in Hairspray, (STC's Debut) and has participated in BHS performances for past 3 years. Max would like to tell his cast members to break a leg, not literally, and would like to thank his family for cheering him on.

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

Rob Luce

as Sergeant O'Houlihan, Donald, Jury Foreman



Rob is so excited to be making his STC debut in *The Producers* and his return to the BHS stage after 16 years away! Past BHS musicals include *Guys and Dolls* (2001), *Anything Goes* (2002), and *Les Miserables* (2003). Rob currently works at Electric Boat and lives in Mystic. On his downtime, Rob likes to play his guitar, golf, and play video games. He would like to thank his family and friends for all their support and cannot wait to go to LBI for a week in July with the Sunday Crew!

Abigail Pearl Boyle

As Baglady



This is Abby's second show with STC and her 13th production. Abby has been in all four years of the BHS musicals, three years at WIS, three shows with the Whitney Players, and has been doing sixteen years of ballet and dance training. Abby is excited to perform with her sister and mother. She wishes good luck to all the cast!

William Fryer

As Iason



William is a recent graduate of Notre Dame High School. He will be attending Salve Regina University in the fall. He is thrilled to be in his first production with the STC. He would like to thank the cast and crew for being extremely welcoming and would especially like to thank the directors for their support and encouragement.

David Rosenthal*

As Bryan, Stalin



David is excited to be part of his first STC musical. His credits include: Broadway: *Matilda the Musical* (Bruce) Regional Theater: World Premiere of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid the Musical* (Rowley), *The Addams Family* (Pugsley), TV & Film: *Up the Stairs* (Buckley), *Limitless, Growing up Smith*. David would especially like to thank Mom, Dad, Hannah, family, friends, The Wagner/Iovanna Family, and the BHS performing arts program for their constant support.

Katie Spaulding

As Shirley



Katie is super excited to be in her second production with Shoreline Theatre Company! Previously she has starred in *Hairspray* as Tammy, as well as *Titanic* and *Shrek* with BHS Performing Arts. Currently she is a sophomore at Emmanuel College in Boston pursuing a degree in neuroscience. She'd like to thank Martone, Colin and the entire production team for all their efforts and creating a space where alumni can come home and have a place to perform!

WHO'S WHO IN THE CREW

Colin Sheehan

Director



Colin is a BHS graduate ('03) and the current Director of the BHS Performing Arts' Spring Musical. A Graduate of Wagner College ('07) with a B.A. in Theatre and Speech. Colin founded the charity MusiKids CT, Inc. giving away over \$25,000. In 2003, he made his Broadway debut in the closing night production of Les Miserables. In '99, Colin appeared numerous times on "The Rosie O'Donnell Show" and worked on "The Wendy Williams Show." Colin has produced, directed, hosted, and performed in the tri-state area and abroad with Broadway Cruises, R Family Vacations Cruises, and others. Colin is also a philanthropist and has raised funds and awareness for many Branford organizations, Rosie's Theatre Kids, Pulse of Orlando, Make-A-Wish, and many more. For years, Colin worked for Seaview Productions. Other directorial credits include Her Song at the Ivoryton Playhouse and Artistic Director of Tabor Arts Branford. For more information visit ColinSheehanEvents.com



Choreographer



Paola is thrilled to be a part of the creative team at STC. Paola has been co-owner of StudioOne Dance Center in Branford for the past 10 years. She has choreographed numerous musical theatre productions such as James and the Giant Peach and The Little Mermaid at Walsh. She also serves as choreographer for Artful Living Productions in Killingworth where she choreographed productions of Mary Poppins, The Little Mermaid, and The Music Man. She is also currently working on Beauty and the Beast. Paola received a B.S. in Corporate Communications at SCSU. She resides in Branford with her husband Bill and her daughter Bella.

Alicia Loesche

Costume Design, Ensemble



Alicia is a Sacred Heart Academy graduate ('07) where she performed in *Guys and Dolls*, *Anything Goes*, and *Annie*. Alicia attended UConn where she received a B.A. in Mathematics, and Quinnipiac University where she received a Masters in Secondary Education and Sixth Year Diploma in Educational leadership. Alicia began working with costumes in 2018 when she costumed the BHS production, *Shrek* and *The Addams Family*. Alicia is thrilled to be working on the creative design team with the Shoreline Theatre Company.

Kathie Towers

Hair/Makeup Design

Kathie is excited to be a part of the Shoreline Theatre Company team. This is Kathie's 27th show as head of hair and makeup in Branford. She has enjoyed working with the students every year and is thrilled to be working with some of them, including her own son, now as adults.