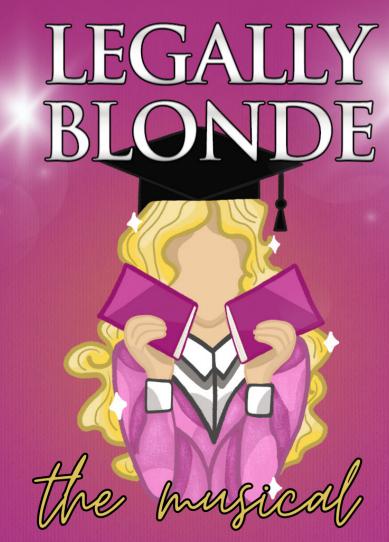
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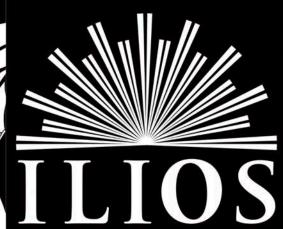
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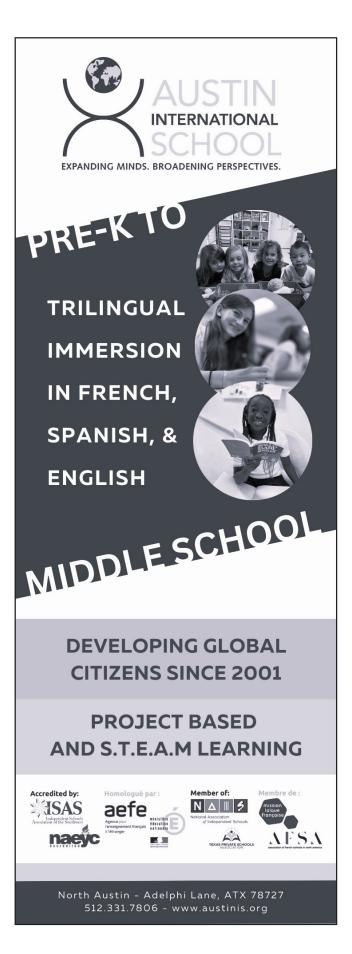
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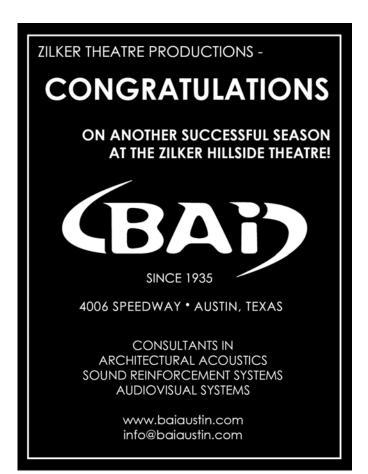
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"Omigod You Guys"	Elle, Serena, Margot, Pilar, and Delta Nus
"Serious"	Warner and Elle
"What You Want"	Elle, Serena, Margot, Pilar, Kate Elle's Dad, Elle's Mom, Grandmaster Chad, and Company
"The Harvard Variations"	Aaron, Padamadan, Enid, Emmett, and Harvard Students
"Blood In The Water"	Callahan and Harvard Students
"Positive"	Elle, Serena, Margot, Pilar, and Greek Chorus
"Ireland"	Paulette
"Ireland (Reprise)"	Paulette
"Serious (Reprise)"	. Warner and Elle
"Chip On My Shoulder"	Elle, Emmett, Greek Chorus, and Company
"So Much Better"	Elle and Company
ACT 2	
"Whipped Into Shape"	Brooke, Callahan, and Company
"Delta Nu Nu Nu"	Brooke and Elle
"Take It Like a Man"	Elle, Emmett, and Salespeople
"Bend and Snap"	Elle, Paulette, Serena, Margot, Pilar, Guys and Salon Folks
"Gay Or European?"	Elle, Callahan, Emmett,Brooke, Vivienne, Warner, Enid, Judge, Nikos, Carlos, and Company
"Legally Blonde"	Elle and Emmett
"Legally Blonde (Remix)"	Vivienne, Elle, Enid, Brooke, Elle's Dad, Elle's Mom, and Company
"Scene of the Crime"	Elle, Judge, Serena, Margot, Pilar, and Company
"Find My Way/Finale"	Elle, Paulette, Emmett, and Company

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CAST BIOGRAPHIES



ABBY LITTRELL (KATE, CHUTNEY)

Abby is an upcoming junior Performance and Production major at Texas State University. There, her recent roles include Suze in Fairview, Betty in Sure Thing, and Barbara in Slaughterhouse Five. She is so excited to be a part of her first Zilker production

and wants to tell everyone in the cast and crew to break a leg! And special thanks to her family and friends for always encouraging and supporting her!



ANDREW DE LA GARZA (GRANDMASTER CHAD, ENSEMBLE)

Andrew graduated from Texas Tech University in Spring 2023. Andrew recently performed a number from Jersey Boys for Zach Theatre's Red Hot Soul Gala and season announcement. He is so excited to be making his hillside debut in the

ensemble. Andrew would like to thank his parents, friends, and family for the continuous love and support in his theatrical endeavors.



AIDAN BURGOON (AARON, ENSEMBLE)

Aidan is stepping back on stage after a bit of a hiatus, but his most recent performance can be found in the audio drama, *Nystagmus*, where he originated the role of Reed Merchant. He just graduated from the University of Texas this spring, receiving a

BA in English with a concentration in Digital Arts and Media. Aidan is stoked to be performing again and would love to send a big shout out to his family and friends for supporting him...and for chauffeuring on several occasions. Proverbs 16:24



ARAYA FEENEY (SERENA)

Araya is thrilled to return to the Hillside this summer! She is currently pursuing a Bachelors of Applied Arts and Sciences at Texas State University. Some past credits include Matilda the Musical (Ensemble), Jungalbook (Grey/Kaa), The Addams Family (Wednesday), and Elf the

Musical (Jovie). When not performing, Araya works as a director and choreographer at Austin Educational Theatre, with credits including Disney's Newsies, Cinderella, A Year with Frog and Toad, and Junie B. Jones. She would like to thank her family, friends, and students for always supporting her!



ALESHIA MCCLINTON (ENSEMBLE)

Aleshia is making her debut with Zilker Theatre. She went to an arts school in Saint Louis, Missouri and moved here to Austin 3 years ago to pursue the arts. Her most recent work being on EPUK's dance team, competing at 'World of Dance' Boston. She is honored to be a part of this

production and working with an amazing cast and crew!



ASHTYN KAHN (PAULETTE)

Ashtyn is unbelievably elated to be making her Zilker debut in one of her favorite musicals! Being a part of this production is a dream come true. Other credits include performing with River City Pops, ATX Musical Theatre Collective, and Birchwood Performing Arts. So much love to her friends and family who

have flown to Austin to see Ashtyn do what she loves. She is beside herself with all the love and support she has received. Love to her Texas family who have helped Ashtyn call Austin home. Special shoutout to her mom, dad, sister, and especially her husband. Thank you for always pushing Ashtyn to pursue her dreams. Ashtyn can't wait to see what the future holds!



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BELLA BIRDSLEY (ENID HOOPES, ENSEMBLE)

Bella is currently working towards a BFA in Musical Theatre at Millikin University. As an Austin local, she is ecstatic to be making her professional debut right here at home on the Zilker stage. Some previous credits of hers include Chris Hargensen in Carrie,

Elsa in Frozen, a Swing in The Lightning Thief, and Portia in Something Rotten. She has enjoyed listening to Chappell Roan to get into character. She would like to thank the cast and crew, her mom and dad, all the sisters in her life, and caffeine for getting her this far! OMIGOD!!



CARA BERNSTEIN (MARGOT)

Cara, a Jersey girl born and raised, is thrilled to be part of her first show on the Hillside! She was last seen on stage at TexArts in 9 to 5, the Musical. Other favorite Austin credits include: Frost Bites (The Alchemy Theater), Singin' in the Rain

and The Marvelous Wonderettes (The Georgetown Palace Theater.) Cara is a member of Austin's premier show choir, River City Pops, where she also had the opportunity to choreograph for their 40th anniversary show this year. Cara holds a BA in Musical Theater from Fairleigh Dickinson University and when not on stage, she works in product marketing in the tech space. She's very excited to be reliving her college sorority girl days in Legally Blonde this summer! Lots of love to the cast, crew, and her support system in the audience.



HADLEY REBTOY (ENSEMBLE)

Hadley is thrilled to make her Zilker Hillside debut! She is a rising junior at Vandegrift High School and a member of Zach Theatre's Pre-Professional Company. Previous credits include: The Prom and A Christmas Carol at Zach Theatre, Grease and The Wizard of Oz at Summer

Stock Austin, Legally Blonde and The Little Mermaid at Vandegrift High School, The Best Christmas Pageant Ever at Lakeway Players and the film Texas, Baby NYU/Tisch. Hadley would like to thank everyone at ZTP for this amazing experience! She is also grateful to her family, friends, directors and teachers for all of their support!



JOEY GALLEGOS (ENSEMBLE)

Joey is a recent Round Rock High School graduate and is thrilled to be returning to the Hillside this summer! Recent Credits: The Prom (Ensemble) at ZACH Theatre; Roald Dahl's Matilda: The Musical (Ensemble) at Zilker Theatre Productions;

Sweeney Todd (Judge Turpin), Death of a Salesman (Biff) at Round Rock High School; In the Heights (Ensemble), Alice's Wonderland (Ensemble) at Impact Arts ATX. Joey was also a 3-year member of the ZACH North Musical Theatre Company. Joey plans to attend Ithaca College to earn a BFA in Musical Theatre in the fall. Joey is grateful to all the fantastic teachers, choreographers, and directors, past and present, for the mentorship he has garnered throughout his journey. He would also like to thank his wonderful family for the endless amounts of love and support they've given him!



KAITLYN KENNEY (PILAR)

Kaitlyn is ecstatic to be making her ZTP debut this summer! Some of her recent roles include Brooke Wyndham in Legally Blonde, Countess Lily in Anastasia, and Pinocchio in Shrek the Musical. She is a rising junior at McNeil High School and can be seen

in their productions year-round. She'd like to thank her family for their continuous support as well as the ZTP team for this opportunity. @kait_kenney



KATE EVETTS (ENSEMBLE, DANCE CAPTAIN)

Kate is thrilled to take the stage in Legally Blonde as her first show with Zilker Theatre Productions! Theater credits include Oklahoma! and Annie Get Your Gun, but the majority of her last 19 years have been spent

as a dancer, performer and dance teacher in the Austin area. She obtained her BS from The University of Texas, where she was a 4-year member of the Texas Pom Squad. Giant thanks to her husband, Cole, for holding down the fort while she lives her best life on the stage!

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KEYSHAAN CASTLE (KYLE, ENSEMBLE)

Keyshaan is more excited than he can express to be returning to the Hillside! A Southwestern graduate, who started his post college career in the pandemic, Keyshaan has found a great support around Austin where he has worked to make theatre. Recent credits

include: Disney Cruise Line on the Wonder; Performing on 6th street in Esther's Follies for over a year; Disney's Newsies here on the Hillside; Dude Face in the world premiere of Selfie: The Musical at the Vortex, as well as directing and performing at the Georgetown Palace. He thanks his family for the support and not getting tired of him singing around the house and all of his friends new and old for the unwavering love and support. Thank you for continuing to make my life SO MUCH BETTER!! @key_tcas



KYLIE BRUNNGRABER (BROOKE)

Kylie's Zilker debut!
Previous theatrical
credits include Mamma
Mia! (National Tour),
Memphis and Oklahoma!
(5-Star Theatricals),
Spring Awakening and
RENT. Kylie holds a BA
in Dance Performance
from Loyola Marymount
University and is a proud

Austin Firefighter. Immense gratitude to Sebastian, Mom, and Trent for their unconditional support in all things.



MATTHEW GRAVES (WINTHROP, ENSEMBLE)

Matthew is excited to be returning to the Hillside for his second summer! Matthew is from Oklahoma, where they attended the University of Oklahoma, graduating with a BA in music education and vocal performance. Since

leaving Oklahoma in 2021, Matthew has been a choir teacher in the Austin area. Previous credits include Roald Dahl's *Matilda the Musical* with ZTP and *She Loves Me* at the Georgetown Palace Theater. They would love to thank their partner Gabriel, their dog Gadget, and all their amazing students throughout the years.



MEGAN HUDSON (ELLE WOODS)

Megan is thrilled to be part of the fun cast of Legally Blonde! A graduate with a BFA in Musical Theatre from the University of Utah, Megan has been dancing her way across stages for 15 years. Some of her favorite roles include Harper in Tortoise & Hare (ZACH),

Texas in Cabaret (University of Utah), and Teen Fiona in Shrek (Zilker Hillside!). She's also had the honor of originating the character of Sydney in A Shoe Story with Summer Stock Austin. When she's not on stage, Megan loves spending quality time with her family, preferably at Disney World. Special thanks to Ellie, Mikaela and the Giraffe Gang! She hopes you enjoy the show. @



MEGAN MOSS (ENSEMBLE, DANCE CAPTAIN)

Megan grew up training in classical ballet with Mountain West Ballet in SLC, Utah. Now holding both a B.S. in Exercise Science and a B.F.A. in Dance; Performance and Choreography, Megan keeps busy both on stage and as a full-time faculty

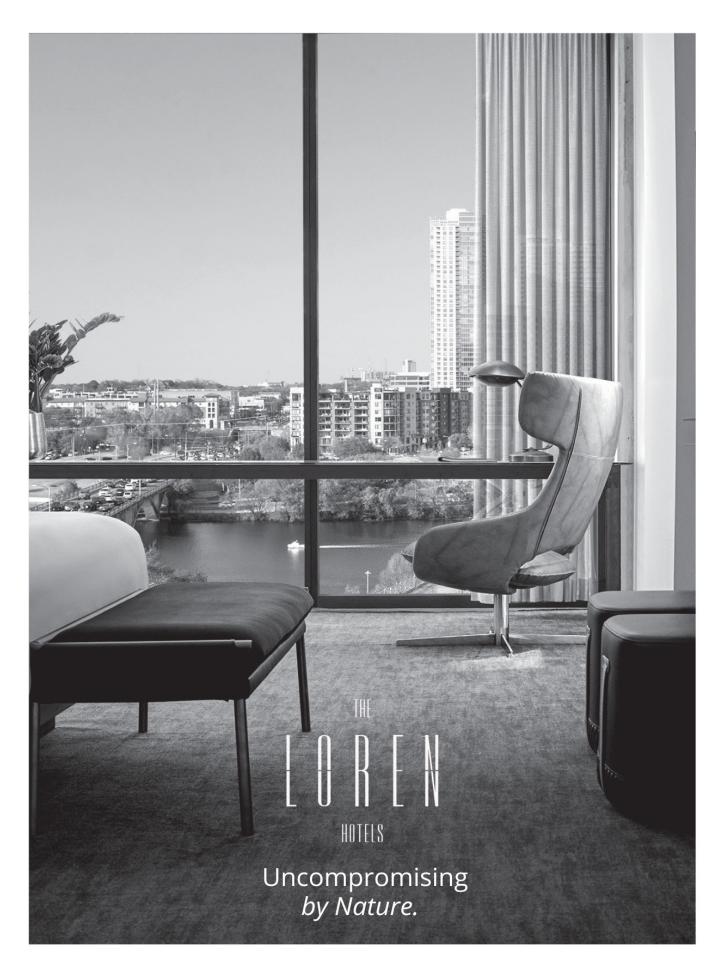
member at Texas State University's Department of Theatre and Dance. Recent professional appointments include performing and touring with Chadash contemporary dance company based in Denver, Colorado and performing internationally at the COCO Dance Festival in Port of Spain, Trinidad. Megan, now an Austin area resident, is excited to join the cast of Zilker Theatre Productions presentation of Legally Blonde for 2024. Special thanks to her husband, Brandon, and three children Parker, Anna-Kate, and Isaac for their continual support. To her three "Mosskateers", "Go after your dreams and always eat chocolate".



MYK GARCIA (ENSEMBLE, U/S ELLE WOODS)

Myk is beyond excited for her first summer with the Zilker family. After earning her BFA in Acting/Minor in Musical Theatre at St. Edward's University, Myk has since been seen in various Austin productions including the B.Iden

Payne nominated role of Isabel in Isabel and The Runaway Train, Magnolia Musical Theatre's Disney Beauty & The Beast, and ZACH's A Year with Frog and Toad. Myk would like to thank all of her fellow creatives, mentors, friends, and family for always supporting her musical endeavors. Special thanks to everyone at Zilker for making dreams come true!

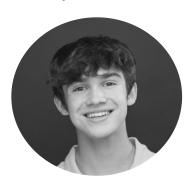




NATHAN TRAN (ENSEMBLE)

As the Assistant Theatre Director at Glenn High School, Nathan's recent theatrical work has primarily been on the creative team including the Heller Award for Young Artists nominated Mean Girls and Chicago: Teen Edition. Prior to becoming a director,

Nathan earned his Bachelor of Fine Arts from The University of Texas at Austin, participating in productions such as The Department of Theatre and Dance's *Spring Awakening* as Georg. He is beyond excited to return to the stage and make his ZTP debut in Legally Blonde. Nathan would like to send his love to his family and friends, as well as his students!



RYAN CROSBY (ENSEMBLE)

Ryan is an incoming Junior at Round Rock High School and is excited to be back at the Hillside after being in the ensemble of Roald Dahl's Matilda last summer. REGIONAL CREDITS: The Prom (Ensemble), The Sound of Music (Friedrich), A Christmas Carol 2021 (Turkeyboy), 2022

(Peter), 2023 (Student Dance Captain) at ZACH Theatre. EDUCATIONAL: Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street (Tobias, Heller Award Nominee), Anastasia (Featured Dancer), A Midsummer Night's Dream (Lysander) at RRHS, Original Movie Musical, Dance Hall (Featured Dancer) with Impact Arts ATX. Additionally, Ryan trains with ZACH's Pre-Professional Company. Thanks to friends, family, and directors for their enduring support! @ryancr0sby



SAMANTHA ORLAND (ENSEMBLE)

Samantha is jazzed to be making her theatrical debut with ZTP this summer! She graduated from Vanderbilt University and works in tech consulting, working with universities. Samantha grew up dancing and has never stopped – you can find her in Austin most days taking a tap or hip hop class. In her

free time she likes to hike, read, do word puzzles, and go to NY to see all of the latest Broadway shows. Going to the Hillside to watch the musical with friends and family has been one of her favorite Austin summer traditions, so it's special to be on the other side. Love to mom, dad, Drew, and Frito.



SARA TEETER (VIVIENNE KENSINGTON)

Sara started a passion for the arts at her local California community theater at a young age. She soon found herself engrossed in performing onstage with her family and the passion has followed her until today. Some of her recent credits include Lucy Harris in

Jekyll and Hyde, Veronica Sawyer in Heathers, Jane Porter in Tarzan, Eponine in Les Miśerables, and Belle in Beauty and the Beast. Sara feels so fulfilled to be a part of this wonderful and supportive Austin theater community. She thanks her wonderful Fiancé Jon for his endless love and support as well as her two kitties Alister and Nami for being the cutest audience members for all her impromptu home concerts.

@sarateeter



SCOTT SHIPMAN (PROFESSOR CALLAHAN)

This is Scott's 20th anniversary at Zilker, having started in 2004 with *The Secret Garden* (Major Shelley) and then going on to appear in most shows since, including *Annie Get Your Gun* (Buffalo Bill Cody), *Seven Brides for*

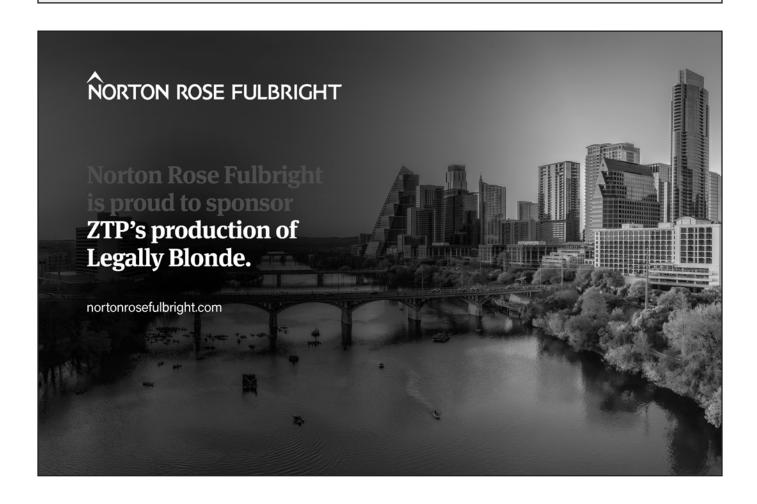
Seven Brothers (Carl), My Favorite Year (Alan Swann), Beauty and the Beast (Cogsworth), The Music Man (Mayor Shinn), Annie (Daddy Warbucks), Footloose (Rev. Shaw Moore), Hairspray (Edna Turnblad), Little Shop of Horrors (Mr. Mushnik), Newsies (Pulitzer), last year's Matilda: The Musical (Ms. Agatha Trunchbull) as well as directing the Zilker shows Shrek: The Musical in 2016 and Disney's The Little Mermaid in 2019 and working concessions during the summers of The Sound of Music and Oklahoma. Scott is also a company member of Austin Playhouse (Chicago, Guys and Dolls, Mystery of Edwin Drood, The One Act Play That Goes Wrong, etc), and has worked with Zach Theatre (Urinetown, Ragtime, etc), Austin Shakespeare (Hamlet), TexARTS ([Title of Show]), Austin Opera (l'Etoile, The Italian Girl in Algiers, Tosca, La Traviata), and has acted and directed several shows at The Palace Theater in Georgetown, most recently appearing in Something Rotten (Nostradamus) and directing Rogers and Hammerstein's Cinderella, and Jekyll and Hyde. Scott has also been a guest artist at both St. Edward's University (Merrily We Roll Along, She Loves Me) and UT (The Drowsy Chaperone). Scott would like to thank his boys for their love and support that keeps him going. Without you guys, I'd be lost.



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SHANE SCANDURRA (WARNER)

Shane is so excited to be performing in his second Zilker Hillside show! An Austin local, Shane had been performing since middle school, before moving to Iowa to pursue his degree in Musical Theatre at Drake University. After completing his studies, he

moved back to Austin where he has been consistently performing in shows such as Newsies (Spot Conlon, Jacks Kelly u/s) with Zilker, and Cinderella (Ensemble, Jean-Michele u/s) and She Loves Me (Keller, Georg Nowack u/s) with the Georgetown Palace. You may have also seen Shane Performing last summer in Alaska as a part of Princess Cruisline's The Music Of Denali as Harry Karstens. Shane would like to thank his parents for supporting him and his dream every single step of the way, his friends for always encouraging him to push himself, and his brother for continuing to teach and guide him. And finally, Shane hopes that you enjoy the show!



THOMAS KENNEBECK (LOWELL, ENSEMBLE)

Thomas is excited to be back for his 2nd year with Zilker Theatre Productions, having previously been seen in Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical (The Doctor/The Escapologist). Some of his other favorite credits include Rent (Mark Cohen), Sweeney

Todd (Anthony), Cinderella (Lord Pinkleton), and Into the Woods (Cinderella's Prince). He is forever grateful for his family sending their love and support from Pennsylvania, his friends, and his two adorable fur babies, Syrah and Sushi!





WILL MALLICK (EMMETT FORREST)

Will is a brand new alumni of Southwestern University where he graduated with a B.A. in Religion & Culture and a minor in Theatre. Two summers ago, he played Romeo and understudied Davey in Disney's Newsies with Zilker Theatre

Productions, and is beyond thrilled to be returning to the Hillside for his second summer production! Some recent favorite roles include Anthony Hope in Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street (Southwestern University), Daniel Beauxhomme in Once On This Island (Georgetown Palace), Kenickie Murdoch in Grease (Summer Stock Austin), Chad Rubik in Disaster! (Georgetown Palace), and Jimmy Ray Dobbs in Bright Star (Georgetown Palace). Will would like to shout out the amazing cast, crew, and production team for their amazing work and dedication to this production. He would also like to extend his warmest gratitude to his family and friends (special thanks to 5 Deep) for their continued love and support in his theatrical endeavors! You can find Will on Instagram and TikTok @willmallick



ZAID RICARTE (ENSEMBLE)

Zaid is making his ATX debut! He is originally from Juárez, Chih., MX. He is beyond excited to be a part of his first show at Zilker, and share the stage with so many extremely talented people. He would like to especially thank Jason, Taylor, Amy, Lynn and

the whole ZTP team! He would also like to thank his sister, Emma, for all the support and love. Zaid holds a Bachelor of Multidisciplinary Studies in Theatre, Musical Theatre and Dance from the University of Texas at El Paso. Past credits include: Cinderella's Prince in Into the Woods (UTEP Dinner Theatre), Trent in The PROM (UDT), Mr. Alex in SUNDAY (EPO). He has also served as the Assistant Choreographer for Matilda the Musical (UDT) and Dance Captain for Head Over Heels (UDT). He would like to thank his friends and family for their love and support. Es un honor! Lastly, he would like to dedicate this performance to his mom. Te amo, Mami!

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IVY CLAMONS (ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER)

Omigod you guys! Ivy (she/they) is so excited to be returning to the Hillside for her 3rd summer with ZTP. Ivy is pursuing a BFA in Technical Theatre with an emphasis in Stage Management and minors in Art & Design and Creative Writing. Their recent credits include Sub Production Stage Manager and Props Artisan for Small Mouth Sounds (Texas State University), Assistant Stage Manager for Rent (Texas State University), Assistant Stage Manager for Matilda (Zilker), Sub Assistant Stage Manager for Newsies (Zilker), Production Assistant for Heller Awards for Young Artists, Sound Board Operator and Assistant Lighting Designer for Tapestry (Psalm 149 Dance Ministries), and is the resident mixer for Hays Legacy Players. Ivy would like to extend her gratitude to her family their endless support throughout her journey, her friends for always coming to her shows, even though she rarely makes an appearance on stage, and to the incredible cast, crew, and production team for all of their hard work on this incredible show! You can keep up with Ivy on her social medias

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KATHRYN EADER (LIGHTING DESIGNER)

Kathryn is excited to be returning to the hillside where last year she designed *Matilda* for ZTP. She has been designing lighting for over 35 years now and has called Austin her home base for the past 13 years. During her career she has done extensive work in opera, working for Austin Lyric Opera, Houston Grand Opera, Portland Opera, Michigan Opera Theatre, Grande Theatre de Geneve and Lyric Opera of Chicago. In the Austin area her work has been seen frequently at Austin Opera including recent productions of Fidelio, Everest and La Traviata. As a faculty member at St. Edward's University her home base theatre is the Mary Moody Northen Theatre. Some of her favorite designs there include the recent production of Spelling Bee, Book Club, Spring Awakening, Cabaret, Eurydice and Who's Afraid of Virginia. From 2003-2016 she held the position of Resident Lighting Designer for the Butler Opera Center at the University of Texas where she designed over 25 productions for them. After finishing her undergraduate degree at the University of Texas, Kathryn went to New York where she got her MFA in lighting from New York University. Her favorite productions of all time are her 3 amazing children; Josephine, Megan, and Shane.

WAYNE FOWKS (COSTUME DESIGNER)

Wayne is a costume designer with a twinkle in his handlebar mustache and a flare for storytelling through attire. Originally from Orlando, Florida, Wayne honed his craft at Rollins College, where he studied Theatre and Studio Art. His career began in Orlando, designing costumes for theme parks, which eventually led him to establish his own successful independent costume shop. Wayne's designs have graced a diverse array of stages and events, boasting a portfolio that includes clients such as Pfizer, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Porsche, and Malibu Rum. Seeking new horizons, Wayne moved to Los Angeles, where he made a mark designing costumes for musicians and dance shows, adding a theatrical touch to the entertainment industry. For the past decade, Wayne has called Austin, Texas, home, contributing his talents to Zach Theatre and the University of Texas, where he served as a Draper while also taking on freelance projects that showcase his versatility and artistic vision. Beyond his professional achievements, Wayne has had memorable experiences, including appearing in a Britney Spears music video during his time in Los Angeles. Maybe you can spot him in that split second?





ZIA FOX (SOUND DESIGNER)

Zia is excited to be working with Zilker for the first time on Legally Blonde! Zia received their BA in Music Technology and MFA in Theatre Sound Design & Technology, both from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Zia is a freelance sound designer, and works in classroom technology solutions at UT Austin full time. Their regional show credits include Into the Woods (Sound Designer, Mary Moody Northen Theatre), Bat Boy the Musical (Sound Designer, Austin Community College), Godspell (Mary Moody Northen Theatre), In the Heights (Sound Designer/Supervisor, Summer Stock Austin), Somebody Loves You, Mr Hatch! (A1, ZACH Theatre), A Christmas Carol (A2, ZACH Theatre), and Into the Woods (A2, ZACH Theatre).

MICHAEL GAULT (PROPS DESIGNER)

Michael is a Texas State University MFA graduate student focused on Set Design for Theatre & Film. Previous Scenic Designs for TXST include The Liar, She Kills Monsters, Big Love and Life Sucks (Props Design). Additionally he has professionally designed the shows Amazing America Road Trip, Chemical Imbalance: A Jekyll and Hyde Play and "6". He has done a multitude of Prop Designs with some being: The Great Gatsby, Marian or True Tale of Robin Hood, Titanic, The Apple Tree, Cabaret, Blood Brothers, Godspell and Tick, Tick ... Boom! Michael Graduated from Michigan State University with a BFA in Theatre Design. His undergraduate scene design credits include: Frankenstein, A Wrinkle in Time, Thus With a Kiss I die and Taco Soup (Film).

LISA GOERING (PRODUCTION MANAGER)

Lisa is happy to be back on the Hillside for another summer! Lisa works as a stage manager in Austin for companies including ZTP, Austin Shakespeare, St. Edward's University, LOLA, and ZACH. Lisa has also worked as an ASM for Austin Opera, and as the Production Manager for Jarrott Productions. In addition, Lisa works as a costume technician locally and regionally.

APRIL HUDSON (DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT)

April is so happy to be back on with ZTP this summer! In addition to hanging out on the Hillside, April also works with Magnolia Musical Theatre and Impact Arts/Heller Awards for Young Artists. Over the years she has worked with several theaters here in Austin including: Austin Playhouse, Austin Jewish Repertory Theatre, Trinity Street Players, TexArts, Texas Musical Theatre Workshop, and the University of Texas Department of Theatre and Dance. Favorite productions she has worked on include: And The World Goes Round, Chicago, Fiddler on The Roof, Legally Blonde: The Musical, and Anything Goes. Stop by the Info Table and give us your best Bend and Snap!

LYN KOENNING (MUSIC DIRECTOR)

Lyn Koenning is an award-winning music director with over thirty years conducting and performing experience for productions at Austin Playhouse, TexARTS, Summer Stock Austin, ZACH, The Paramount Theatre, Mary Moody Northen Theatre, Rude Mechs, and The University of Texas at Austin. She is truly delighted to be returning to ZTP for her eighth time as music director and conductor of LEGALLY BLONDE. Lyn headed up the musical theatre program at UT Austin for nine years, and her former students perform on Broadway and National Tours, cruise ships, in Disney parks and regional theaters across the country, and on television, films and web series. In 2023, she music directed and conducted the Texas Medal of Arts Awards, music directed the development of a new musical composed and directed by Todrick Hall, and played keyboards alongside Kathy Valentine, original bassist for the Go-Go's, in several performances of ZACH's production of "Head Over Heels." Lyn has used her skills as a classically-trained pianist to accompany master classes for Broadway actors and directors including Kathleen Marshall, Billy Porter, Laura Osnes, Mandy Gonzalez, Ramin Karimloo, Judy Kuhn, Tonya Pinkins, Joseph Leo Bwarie, and J. Quinton Johnson...and to help develop new musicals with Tony- and Grammy-winning directors, playwrights, and composers like Mark Hollmann and Greg Kotis (*Urinetown*), Cheri Steinkellner (*Sister Act, Cheers*), David Zippel (City of Angels), Matthew Wilder (Mulan, Hercules), Berton Averre (co-writer of 1979's #1 song, My Sharona), and Tony-nominated producer Natasha Davison (The Prom).

JASON KRUGER (DIRECTOR)

After spending last summer on the Hillside as a Producer for Matilda, Jason is so excited to be directing the 65th Zilker Summer Musical production of Legally, Blonde! Jason has directed Moon Over Buffalo! and Little Shop of Horrors at the Wimberley Playhouse, which won the Broadway World Austin Awards for Best Direction of a Comedy in 2019 and Best Musical and Best Musical Direction in 2018, respectively. He has also directed Next to Normal, Nunsense, and Cabaret in Wimberley and The Last Five Years for Texas Light Opera in San Antonio and How to Succeed in Business..., Lend Me a Tenor, As You Like It, and The Merchant of Venice in D/FW. Jason just finished his 28th year in Theatre Education, the past 19 years at St Andrew's Episcopal School. Favorite school productions include The Little Mermaid, Newsies, Mary Poppins, The Sound of Music, Anything Goes! and Guys and Dolls.

EUGENIA DE LA GARZA (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR)

Eugenia is a rising senior at NYU/Tisch School of the Arts, and is part of the Department of Drama's New Studio on Broadway. Some projects Eugenia has been a part of include Grease (Rizzo) with Summer Stock Austin, Evita (Eva Peron), Jesus Christ Superstar (Judas), Mamma Mia (Donna), Macbeth (Ross), and the original musical Hyena in Petticoats (Mary's Thoughts). She is thrilled to be working with Jason Kruger and the ZTP team as assistant director! Keep posted on her upcoming projects @eugeniadlgarza.

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BRYDON H. LIDLE, IV (SCENIC DESIGNER)

REGIONAL: Resident Theatre Company: Into The Woods (Scenic Designer) Tuacahn Center for the Arts: White Christmas (Assistant Scenic/Lighting Designer) COMMUNITY/ACADEMIC: Texas State University: Pippin (Assistant Lighting Designer) Antigone (Scenic Designer) Merge: Four Seasons (Scenic/Projections Associate Designer, Lighting Designer) Yellow Inn (Lighting Designer) Bunco State (Lighting Designer) Oedipus the King (Assistant Lighting Designer); Various High School Productions: Chicago (Scenic Designer) Cinderella (Scenic/ Lighting Designer) Theatre Harrisburg: A Rock Sails By (Scenic/Projections Designer) Newsies (Scenic Designer) I Love You Because (Lighting Designer); A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum (Lighting Designer) Brydon is so happy to be working again with Jason and this incredible production team. He would like to say a special shoutout to his amazing and supporting wife Rachel for all her love.

NICK PASCAROSA (TECHNICAL DIRECTOR)

Nick has been a theatre professional and live event technician for over 13 years. In various capacities, from carpentry to lighting, or audio/visual to technical direction, he has worked for award-winning collegiate, regional, and professional theatre programs in Pennsylvania and Colorado before moving to Austin at the end of 2022. Thank you to the crew and volunteers that made this show possible!

AMY OXLEY (PRODUCTION STAGE MANAGER)

Amy is thrilled to be returning for Zilker Theatre Productions 65th summer musical! Amy graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a BFA in Stage Management. Before moving to Austin, Amy worked as a professional stage manager regionally, internationally, sailing the seas and in New York City on/off Broadway. Amy now splits her time working in the technology industry by day and mentoring future theater professionals and working local productions by night. Some favorite credits include Broadway: Wicked International: Disney Cruise Lines, Celebrity Cruise Lines, illusionist The Jason Bishop Show Regional: multiple seasons at Lyric Theatre Oklahoma, Titus Andronicus & The Comedy of Errors (Great River Shakespeare Festival), The Christmas Show (Oklahoma City Philharmonic) Austin: Matilda (Zilker Theater Productions), Sleuth (The Wimberley Players), Deathtrap (Jarrott Productions) Educational: The Little Mermaid, Guys and Dolls, Chicago (St. Andrews Episcopal High School) Amy is so honored to have won the B. Iden Payne award for Stage Management last year for Matilda at Zilker! Amy wants to send a huge thank you and congratulations to the entire Legally Blonde production team for creating this amazing show and making great memories along the way. Special shout out to her wife Liz and daughters Fynn and Lane for their constant love and support. Follow along on Instagram

@stagemanageramy

DAVID PONTON (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

David fell in love with the mission of Zilker Theatre Productions in 2003 when he was cast as Wyatt Earp in the ensemble of *Crazy for You*. Since then, he has performed on stage in eight Summer Musicals, co-directed and choreographed three with his longtime collaborator Karen Olson, and served on ZTP's Board of Directors. He has performed on many stages large and small, but his heart has always been with the Zilker organization. As Executive Director, David is responsible for forwarding ZTP's mission of serving the Austin community by entertaining audiences and inspiring artists. His deepest hope is that this year's experience will spark the same passion in this cast and crew that it did in him all those years ago.





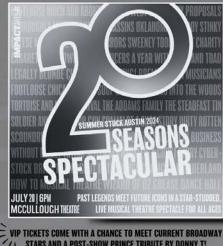
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TAYLOR RAINBOLT (CHOREOGRAPHER)

Taylor has performed with Austin Shakespeare, Zilker Theatre Productions, The City Theatre, and special events at the Zachary Scott Theatre. She danced with The Austin City Showgirls, Diverse Space Dance Theatre and Austin Contemporary Dance Theatre. Choreography credits include: Into The Woods, Beauty and The Beast, Godspell, Tick Tick Boom!, Little Shop of Horrors, The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas, Nunsense and feature film: **Nedventure**. She trained with the Radio City Rockettes, performed a piece by Sean Carmon of The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, back up danced at SXSW and for pop singer, Fey. She is thrilled to be on the creative team for Legally Blonde and would like to thank ZTP, her fiancé, family and friends for their love and support!

JULIE SCHWARTZ (CONCESSION MANAGER)

Julie is returning this year as the Concession / Volunteers Manager for Zilker Theatre Productions. This will be her 10th year working the Zilker Hillside! Although she has experience performing with Chorus Austin and Austin Summer Musical for Children, she is more comfortable in the front of the house. Look for her under the big, white tent, engaging with patrons of the show and assisting with the coordination of the organization's volunteers. She is appreciative of all the support from her family and friends, and thrilled both of her children will be on the Hillside working throughout the show run. Apart from the theatre world, she enjoys her job as a leader in payment network compliance at Esquire Bank. She is thankful for the love and support of her husband, Doug!

WENDY SCHWARTZ (ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER)

Wendy Schwartz is thrilled to be returning back to the Hillside this summer! Previous credits for Zilker Theatre include Matilda: The Musical (ASM), Newsies! (Deck Crew), and Little Shop of Horrors (Asst. House Manager). She is currently on track to graduate from the University of North Texas this upcoming spring, majoring in Theatre Studies, where she also works as a staff member of the Costume Dept. during the school year. Credits at UNT include Fiddler on the Roof (ASM), Antigone (ASM), and American Idiot (Wardrobe Supervisor). Wendy hopes to continue her work as a Stage Manager and learn as much as she can about the industry! She would like to thank her parents and brother for all the love and support they've shown

DESIREE SIBOLE-LAING (HOUSE MANAGER)

Desiree is thrilled to be returning to ZTP! Zilker Theatre Productions is like family to so many, and she feels very fortunate to be a part of this AMAZING team. We're super excited for another year o' family friendly FUN!

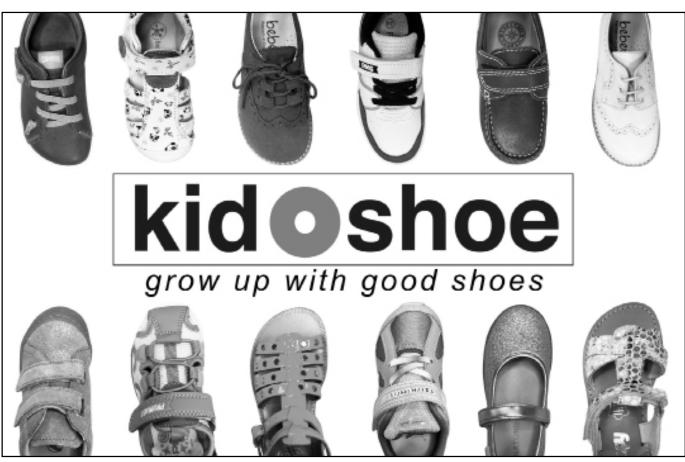
RODD SIMONSEN (SOUND DESIGNER)

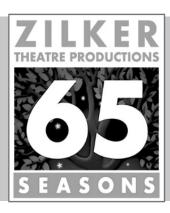
Rodd studied Radio, Television and Film at the University of Texas at Austin. He works Full-Time as an Audiovisual Design Consultant for BAi, designing theatrical and performance sound systems for theaters, schools, churches and other venues. He is a Theater Sound and Video Designer. This is Rodd's fifth season designing for Zilker Theatre Productions, previous credits include Roald Dahl's Matilda, Disney's Newsies, Little Shop of Horrors and Disney's The Little Mermaid. Rodd provided sound design for the Heller Awards for Young Artists and has worked with Summer Stock Austin and Impact Arts for multiple seasons to support their shows. He works with many aspiring young sound designers from area schools including Bowie HS, McCallum HS, St. Andrew's Episcopal School, and St. Edward's University. Zilker's sound is run by current and former students of these schools. Video Design for theater includes ZACH Theatre shows Singing in the Rain, Christmas Carol, and Immortal Longings along with technical design and programming for many other shows.

AARON STAHLECKER (TECHNICAL DIRECTOR)

Aaron has been a Director / Technical Director for the past 15 years. Aaron graduated from Valparaiso University in 2004 with a Bachelor's of Arts in Theatre and Television Arts. Following graduation from college, Aaron moved to Chicago to pursue a career in film and theatre. While in Chicago, Aaron worked for the Chicago Shakespeare Theatre as well as the Goodman Theatre. In the Fall of 2005, he began working for Feld Entertainment with the tour of Ringling Bros. And Barnum & Bailey Circus as a Lighting Technician and Pyrotechnician, where he toured for a year. In 2006, he directed a feature film for submission into the Festival circuit. Aaron has been teaching, directing, and designing since 2008. He has Directed / Scenic Designed many theatre / musical productions such as Kiss Me, Kate!, Guys and Dolls, Bye Bye Birdie, Thoroughly Modern Millie, As It Is In Heaven, and The Odd Couple as well as many others. He has also designed for shows in the Greater Austin Area for Zilker Theatre Productions (Little Shop of Horrors '13) as well as the River City Pops.







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