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Melissa Kendell and Kelli Simons

Assistant Directors: Mia Kadwell and Katie Maynard

Producer: Barb Sicoli Stage Manager: Jenni Kirt

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Set Design: Chandlar Gabara and Derek Sengelaub Costumes: Paula Buisch and Rebecca Krannitz

Props: Mackenzie Gabara and Julie

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Programs, Tickets, Poster Design: Jay Simon

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Cadillac High School Auditorium Cadillac, MI

CAST



Anna Elmore (Leanne) - Anna is 16 and going into her junior year at Cadillac High School. She is new to theater but has been a dancer her whole life. She'd like to thank her parents, Jason and Alicia, for always supporting her, and the cast for being so spectacular.



Austin Byard (Myrtle, Real Mr. Moody, Death Buddy) - Austin, who lives in Lake City and is a homeschooled ninth grader, plays many different acting roles in this production. Austin likes to sing and act and she is proud to be in *Puffs*. #PuffPride



Audrey Schwerdt (Hermeoone, Rita Scooter, Death Buddy) - Audrey is thankful for this chance to be in *Puffs*. She has been in *Shrek the Musical Jr., Lion King Jr.* with Footliters Jr., and a handful of other plays before she moved to Michigan with her family in 2016. In her free time, she likes to read, irish dance, and have fun with her 4 younger sisters.



Audrey Snyder (McG, Blondo, Puff) - Audrey is an incoming sophomore at Lake City High School. Her first show was *The Wizard of Oz* when she was in 1st grade. Since then, she's been in three Junior Footliter's productions and was extremely excited to be cast in *Puffs*. She would like to thank her family and friends for being an endless stream of support.



Cloey Kraszewski (Susie Bones) - Cloey is very happy to be working with this cast. This is her first Footliters production. She has done theater for years in the Cadillac High School Drama Club, and has always loved being involved on stage.



Devin Dunlap (Uncle Dave, Professor Turban, Clumsy Longbottom, Mr. Nick, Second Headmaster, Death Buddy) - Devin is happy to be a part of this play alongside some old friends and making new ones. He's enjoyed theater for some time but only recently got involved as anything more than an audience member.



Draven McKay (First Headmaster, Sports Announcer, Mr. Bagman, Death Buddy, DJ) - Draven is excited to be in her first Footliters play. This is the first play she's ever been in and she is so lucky to be able to work with such an amazing and helpful cast and crew. She is thrilled to show all the hard work everyone has put into making this play phenomenally hilarious.



Ella McMahon (Megan Jones) - Ella is super excited to finally be a participating member of the Footliters program. This is Ella's first play and production ever with Footliters, and she's more than happy she joined. She hopes to participate in future productions, as her role in *Puffs* has been such a great experience. She thanks her cast and crew for making it something extremely memorable and fun.



Emily Brannam (Harry) - This is Emily's final show with the Footliters before she goes off to college. She's been with the Footliters for almost 12 years and is so grateful for everyone who has worked with her through the years. She's so excited for this show, and is thankful for a supportive and friendly cast who has created a safe atmosphere so that she can be as silly as can be. Special thanks to everyone who has supported her goals and dreams through the years.



Emmi Dodson (Collin, Death Buddy, Bippy, Runes Teach) - Emmi is 13-years-old and loves being active. She thought doing this play would be so much fun to do with her friends and it would get her out of the house! She's always wanted to be an actor as a kid and when she heard about this play she thought it would be such a good idea! The cast is so nice and she's really enjoy being around everyone! Participating in this play has taught her so much!



Emily Dunn (Frenchy, Puff, Death Buddy, Rowena Ravenclaw, Bathroom Dancer, Goldstein) - This is Emily's first Footliter's show! She is very excited to be able to work with people she knows and also people she's never met before. This show is so fun and she is so grateful to work with such a wonderful cast and directors!



Evan A. Johnson (Wayne Hopkins) - Evan has always loved theater, and is exited to act as one of the main roles. He's awkward, and proud, making him a perfect fit for acting as a Puff. *Puffs* is Evans first production in the Footliters' quild!



Garrett Smith (Cedric) - Garrett is super excited and thankful to join the Footliters this year for *Puffs*. Garrett started doing theatre his sophomore year and has since graduated. He would like to thank the directors and cast for such a fun summer experience. He would also like to thank his friends and family for their constant support.



James Kiomento (Mr. Voldy, A Certain Potions Teacher, Professor Locky, Professor Lanny, A Very Tall Man, Grim Reaper) - James is thrilled to be back on stage for another show. He is very grateful for another chance to be in a production. He wants to thank the cast for making this a super fun show, and superglue for fixing his props.



Jayan Raju (Ernie Mac) - Jayan is so excited to be in his first ever Footliters production! He is extremely thankful for the wonderful creative team that were a huge support to him and the rest of the cast throughout the show. Jayan has been doing theatre since age five in cities such as Novi, Hartland, Traverse City, and now Cadillac! Some of his favorite credits include Seussical Jr., Matilda, and Bye Bye Birdie: Young Performer's Edition. He hopes you enjoy the show!



Jazmin Devereaux (J. Finch) - Jazmin is so excited to be a part of *Puffs*! They have been in six other productions, the most recent ones being *High School Musical* and *Mamma Mia*. Jazmin would like to thank their friends and family for support and encouragement throughout the show. They loved every moment of being in *Puffs* and are so excited to be performing this show for everyone to see!



Joslyn Culver-Dixson (Goyle, Soul-Sucking Security Guard, Death Buddy, Scorpius) - Joslyn is completely new to acting onstage. She is autistic, but has an insane memory. However, she will need constant clarification because she's all about accuracy.



Katelynn Sexton (Helga, Viktor, Professor Sprouty, Death Buddy) - Katelynn has been in two Footliters performances. She really enjoys theater and being around people who are there because they enjoy it as well. Katelynn will be heading down to Eastern Michigan University to study Music Education.



Karlee Wilkerson (Hannah) - Karlee is 18-years-old and has been a part of the Footliters community for 10 years. She absolutely loves theatre and being able to express herself on stage. A couple of the previous productions she has been a part of are: *The Great All-American Musical Disaster* and *Freaky Friday*. Portraying Hannah in this show has been such a fun experience for her and she hopes to continue theatre through college!



Liam Chilcote (Oliver) - Liam has always wanted to be in a Footliters production on stage. He has done pit for two productions and on stage for a few drama club productions. He is extremely excited to share the stage with such an amazing cast and he is thankful for his family's amazing support.



Lilli Dushane (Ms. Babble, Ghost History Teach, The Dragon, Death Buddy) - Lilli has had so much fun getting to know all of her cast mates. She is a first degree black belt in Taekwondo and was given the opportunity to use that knowledge to choreograph her dragon fight scene, which she loved doing. And as a HUGE Harry Potter fan, is very excited to be a part of the show.



Mark Simons (The Narrator) - Mark is happy to be back in Cadillac for the summer after his year at Interlochen, and happy to spend his summer with the Footliters performing *Puffs*. You might know Mark from his roles as Ralphie in *A Christmas Story*, Adam in *Freaky Friday*, or Lurch in *The Addams Family*. Mark would like to thank the directorial board and creative team for all their hard work in these trying times.



Molly Taylor (Xavia Jones, Ginny) - Molly is incredibly thankful for the chance to take part in *Puffs*. She loves the cast that she got to work with and is grateful for her amazing directors. This is her first show that she has been able to perform in. She's been a fan of theater and Harry Potter for years, so she was keen to try out for *Puffs* when the opportunity presented itself.



Tori Olmstead (Sally Perks, Puff) - Tori is 17 and just graduated from CHS, where she was in the CHS Drama Club from her sophomore year to senior year and absolutely loves being on stage! This is her first Footliters production and she couldn't be more excited to share this new and fun experience with all of her amazing former classmates!



Footliters would like to thank First Presbyterian Church of Cadillac for their community partnership providing a rehearsal space for our productions.

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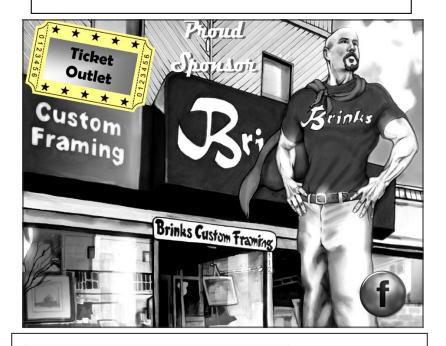


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A Message From Our President, Joseph Baumann

Dare I say, "we made it?" Dare we recognize an incredible 58th Season for Cadillac's Footliters? Dare we appreciate broken attendance records, heretofore unknown levels of NEW participants (60+ in the last three shows alone!), and a season that saw us do all that in FIVE different venues? Yes. We dare.

Just like you dared to return to theater. To your community. And to your lives. This season has not been without challenge, but we have seen as a community and as a theater just what can be accomplished when we show up. Thank you for showing up. It matters. You matter. The arts, matter.

We have returned, just as we promised. We found new ways to #enrich our community, #engage many many new volunteers, and #entertain 6000+people.

While the Footliters will soon revisit our Strategic Plan and plot a renewed path for our next 3-5 years, I can say that our mission is more relevant and important than ever - and boy are we excited to show you what's next. Thank you for being here, supporting our mission, and telling your friends that the arts are better and stronger than ever here in Cadillac.

Enjoy this incredible show and these incredible young talents. See you for Season 59!!

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Directors' Notes

I consider it a privilege to have co-directed this dynamic, wildly fun group of young adults in Puffs. From the very first rehearsal, they rose to the challenges we put to them, and the challenges were many. Each character in Puffs is unique, and fully formed, requiring a commitment from the actors to delve in and explore the role's motivation, joys and sorrows, with one common theme for all; to search the soul and bring the character's true self to the stage. I truly thank this spectacular cast for their dedication, and for the fun they brought to every rehearsal. Their artistic growth, confidence and respect for the craft of acting grew exponentially throughout production, skills they will take with them off the stage. I would also like to thank my extraordinarily talented co-director and friend, Kelli Simons, for the quality and passion she brings to every production, both on and off the stage. A huge heartfelt thanks to our Assistant directors Katie Maynard and Mia Kadwell, and to everyone in our production team, we hit the jackpot! We are proud to bring this Footliters production of Puffs to the stage, and it wouldn't be the show that it is without each and every one of them.

Melissa Kendell

Co-Director

In true Puff's fashion I greet you with a cheerful, "Hiiiiiiii!"

First of all, THANK YOU for playing the incredibly critical role of audience member. Puffs is performed today through the hard work and dedication of a brilliant production team. My talented and generous co-director and dear friend, Melissa and I have been dreaming, imagining, and planning this show since last year and it is such a joy to see it come alive. We have the incredible suport of our Assistant Director, Katie Maynard whose work with our music and sound is NO JOKE, and Mia Kadwell who generously shared her time and choreography talent. Our producer, Barb Sicoli, has been a rock star and has filled in in every possible way, sometimes even before we know we needed it. Thank you to Julie VanHaitsma, Derek Sengelaub, Mackenzie and Chandlar Gabara, Rebecca Krannitz, and Paula Buisch for their unbelievable work on props, sets, and costumes (did you see how many there were?!?). And to our stage crew, Jenni Kirt and Anne Cool for keeping things together backstage, no small feat! Mostly, I'd like to thank the true heroes, our cast. Their dedication and flexibility have inspired me over and over again.

I hope you enjoy this silly, fast paced show. I also hope you leave tonight how I left every rehearsal of Puffs: wonderfully exhausted, laughing, and feeling like you witnessed a little bit of magic.

Kelli Simons

Co-Director

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Our sponsors and members help us keep the stage lights on and are the primary reason we're able to bring shows like the ones this season to the stage. We welcome your support! To learn about making a tax-deductible donation to the Footliters visit: cadillacfootliters.com/support-us/

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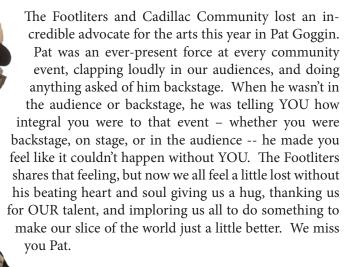
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