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Director's Notes...

Why do we hunger for horror? Why do we return, again and again, to stories drenched in blood and shadow? Perhaps because horror gives form to the fears we dare not name. It lets us stand at the edge of the abyss, peer into it, and know we are not alone. Together, we breathe the same gasp, the same shudder. Together, we survive the darkness.

Sweeney Todd is no mere tale of gore. Sondheim and Wheeler did not give us a monster; they gave us a man undone by grief. Torn from his home, stripped of his family, and sent to a foreign prison with no hope for due process—he returns with nothing left but rage and desperation to reclaim the life that was unjustly stripped from him by a lustful and corrupt “vulture of the law”. His story asks a question that still unsettles us: when wrong runs so deep, when injustice destroys what you love most—can revenge ever be enough? Can it ever be right?

The soot-stained world of Victorian London is closer than it seems. The Industrial Revolution promised prosperity, yet it left countless lives uprooted, families scattered, bodies bent to the will of progress. Our own age is no different. Technology dazzles and seduces, but it also discards. The powerful grow richer, while too many are left behind, unseen, unheard. The rich dine well while others barely survive. Every figure in *Sweeney Todd* bears this weight. Johanna, a caged bird with clipped wings. Toby, innocence devoured by hunger. Mrs. Lovett, bargaining away her soul for survival. The Beggar Woman, crying out into the void. And Sweeney himself, who lets grief rot into vengeance until there is nothing left but the blade.

This story does not soothe us. It does not reassure us. It confronts us with the terrible truth that despair can drive us to unthinkable places—and that revenge, however sharp, cannot stitch together what has been torn apart. And yet, it leaves us haunted by a question with no easy answer: in the face of unbearable wrong, is vengeance madness?... or is it the most human response of all?

That is why we tell this story, and why it continues to grip us. Not to glorify the violence, but to remind us of its cost. To let us wrestle with the darkness that lives in every one of us. To see, in the flicker of Sweeney's razor, the reflection of our own choices—and to wonder what we might do if the world ever broke us the way it broke him.

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The Directing Team of *Sweeney Todd*



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Melissa Berardelli (Johanna) is so grateful to be making their debut with the Athens Theater! Floral designer by day, dancing jester by night, Melissa is originally from Scranton, Pennsylvania, and moved to Florida to work in theme park entertainment. Some of their favorite roles include The Baker's Wife (*Into the Woods*), Penny Pingleton (*Hairspray*), and Cassie (*A Chorus Line*). Melissa enjoys long walks down the grocery aisle and a really good romance novel. Send recs to @mel_beann. A massive thank you to their partner, Rachel, for her never-ending love and support. Ready for a show?



Samm Carroll (Mrs. Lovett) is so thrilled to be back on the Athens stage for this beast of a show. You may have seen her last in their production of *RENT* as Mark's Mom & others. Favorite past professional credits include Woman 1 in *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*, Catherine in *Pippin*, Violet in *Violet*, and Nellie Forbush in *South Pacific*. She cannot contain her excitement to

do this show alongside her best friend and husband, Jeremy. This is an absolute dream come true for her and she wants to thank Frank, Tara, Chris, Kori, and the whole Athens team for trusting her. Special thanks and love to her incredible family, friends, Justin, Josh, Stanley, & her very own Sweeney Todd.



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Paige Christoffers (Ensemble) is an Orlando-based actress. This is her Athens Theatre debut, but you may have seen her in various other productions across Orlando. Most recently, she's been singing to the rafters in the ensemble/choir in both *Sister Act* (Little Radicals) and *Hunchback of Notre Dame* (Encore). She also caused some unintended chaos as Margaret in Bay Street Players' production of *Much Ado About Nothing*. Other sightings include *All Our Dead Pets* (34th Orlando Fringe), *Mrs. Claus* (SeaWorld Orlando), and *The Sound of Music* (St. Luke's Theatre). She also splits her time scare-acting at Howl-O-Scream Orlando, so keep an eye out! She's a proud graduate of Valdosta State University, and thanks her family & friends for their constant love and support. Insta: @Paige_christo



Izzy Ellis (Ensemble) is a recent graduate of the BFA Acting Program at the University of Central Florida. This is her debut at the Athens Theatre! She was last seen in *Grease* (Frenchy) at The IceHouse Theatre in Mt. Dora. Her favorite credits include *RENT* (Ensemble, Joanne U/S), *Matilda* (Bruce Bogtrotter), and *Manor of Death* (The Heiress) at the Orlando Fringe Festival. She would like to thank her family, friends, and the wonderful cast/crew for making this such a joyous experience! You can find her on Instagram @izzyellis and through her website: theizzyeellis.wixsite.com/actor.



Ricky Hernandez (Ensemble, US Judge Turpin) is honored to be in this fantastic production of *Sweeney Todd*! You might have seen him in *Young Frankenstein* at The Ritz or *A Christmas Carol* and *GREASE* here at the Athens. Ricky would like to thank the production team for taking a chance on him. He'd like to thank everyone who supported and helped get him to this point. To his family, thanks for always being there. Florida team, thank you for opening doors. He hopes he makes you proud. To his best friends, Taylor, Ja'Saun, Autumn, Hunter, Trinity, Lauren, and Taylor: Thank you. You are the reason he's still here, still trying his best. You inspire him, guide him, and he loves you more than anything. He'd trade every hour of sleep to stay up late with you. He hopes you all enjoy the show!

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Jeremy Hudson (Sweeney Todd) is positively thrilled to be making his Athens Theatre debut as the Demon Barber himself. Past favorite roles include Dan in *Next to Normal*, Seymour in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Enjolras in *Les Misérables*, Freddy Benson in *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* and the Balladeer/Oswald in *Assassins*. Jeremy offers heartfelt thanks to his friends, family, and best boy Stanley for their constant support—and is over the moon to be sharing the stage (and not a meat pie) with his incredible wife, Samm.



SarahRae Jackson (Pirelli, US Sweeney Todd) is honored to be returning to the Athens for her fourth show. She was last seen as Teen Angel and Miss Lynch in *Grease*, Van Helsing in *Dracula*, and The Wardrobe in *Beauty and the Beast*. She would like to thank the production team for trusting her with these roles that are not traditionally performed by women. And most importantly, she wants to thank her talented wife for all the music coaching and support (despite the many crash outs). You can find her on all things social @sarahraejay



Cassie Klinga (Ensemble, US Tobias) is thrilled to be making her Athens Theatre debut! Originally from Minnesota, she professionally trained in opera starting at age 10, and during high school found her love of musical theatre. Cassie graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire with a musical theatre degree and dance certificate before moving to Florida to pursue Disney Entertainment. She wants to thank her family, friends, and everyone who has supported her on this journey. Some of Cassie's favorite credits include *Hunchback of Notre Dame* (Encore!), *Freaky Friday* (The Ritz), *To all our Dead Pets* (Orlando Fringe Festival), *Little Shop of Horrors* (The Garden Theatre), *Seussical* (Little Radical Theatrics), *Company* (University of Wisconsin Eau Claire), *The Tempest* (University of Wisconsin Eau Claire).

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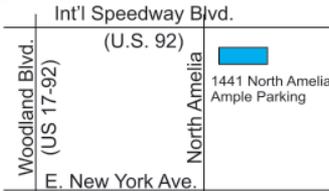
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Kyle Meehan (Beadle Bamford, US Pirelli) has been performing in the greater Orlando area for the past eight years taking part in shows such as *My Dear Watson: A Sherlock Holmes Musical* (Dr. John Watson), *Cinderella* (Jean-Michelle), and *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Jack Worthing). He has worked with communities such as Valencia College, Bay Street Players, Central Florida Community Arts and Penguin Point Productions. Kyle is a graduate of Valencia College from the musical theatre department in Orlando Florida. He is immensely excited to be in this production, and happy to be performing on the historic Athens Theatre stage for the first time. He is thankful to his supportive friends, mentors and family for helping him all along the way.



Olivia Migliorato (Ensemble, US Johanna) is an actress based in Central Florida with a background in opera. Her most recent credits include Gianetta in *The Elixir of Love* and 2nd Woman in *Dido and Aeneas*. She has also performed with the Lakeland Symphony Orchestra's productions of *Cavalleria Rusticana* and *Madama Butterfly*. Her other credits include Ursula in *The Little Mermaid*, M'Lynn in *Steel Magnolias* and Antigone in *Antigone*. She is excited to return to musical theatre in her favorite musical alongside a fantastic company here at the Athens Theatre. She hopes you enjoy the show!

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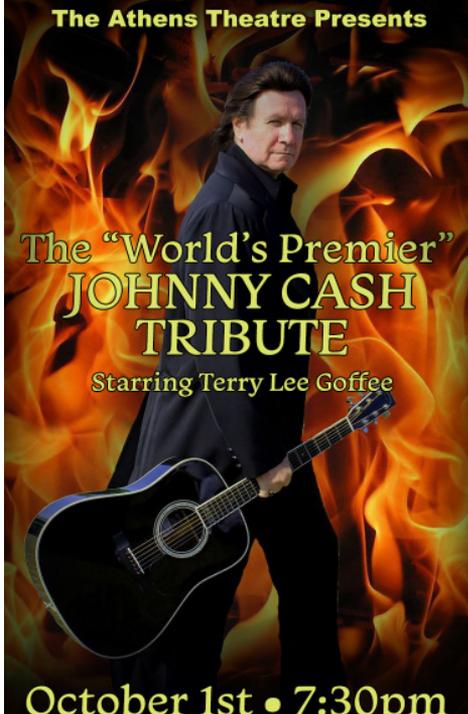
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Patrick O'Hara (Ensemble) is excited to make his debut at the Athens Theatre. Patrick has done shows all around Central Florida. Some of his recent credits include Jesus in *Godspell*, Riff Raff in *The Rocky Horror Show*, and Judas in *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Patrick is thrilled to be part of this incredible musical and looks forward to more opportunities in the future.



Jacob Pence (Judge Turpin) is thrilled to join The Athens Theatre for Sweeney Todd. Jacob has been a recurring performer with Central Florida Vocal Arts as the Police Sergeant in *The Pirates of Penzance*, Ben Weatherstaff in *The Secret Garden*, and Herr Zeller in *The Sound of Music*. Other local performance credits include the Slave in *Candide* with Opera Tampa and other small roles with Opera Orlando, St. Petersburg Opera, and First Coast Opera in St. Augustine, Florida. Outside of Florida, Jacob's Theatre Credits include Pete Gavin in *Show Boat* with Kentucky Opera, and Anselmo in *Man of La Mancha* with Indianapolis Opera. Jacob received an M.M. in Vocal Performance from The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, and a B.M. in Vocal Performance from The University of Evansville in Evansville, Indiana.

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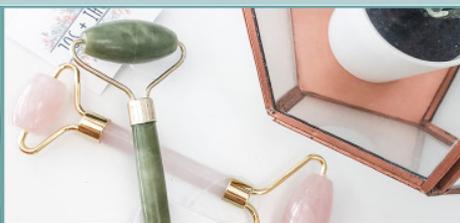
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Kyle Price (Bird Seller, Ensemble, US Anthony) is so bloody excited to make his Athens Theatre debut with such an iconic dream show! He was recently seen at Theater West End in *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Peter) & *Rock of Ages* (Mayor/Ensemble). Other favorite credits include the national tour of *Fete the Cat* (Jimmy), workshops of *Fat Kid Rules the World* (Piper), & Off-Broadway's *Pip's Island* (Finn). Proud CAP21 alum. Huge shout out to his beyond supportive friends, family, and pets, as well as everyone at Athens Theatre for giving him the opportunity to perform with such an incredible cast & creative team.



Fredy Ruiz (Anthony Hope) is excited to return to the Athens. Most recently seen in *GREASE* as Danny Zuko and in *Dracula* as Dracula. Other credits include Gomez Addams in *Addams Family*, Emcee in *Cabaret*, Guido in *Nine*, Dr. Frank-N-Furter in *The Rocky Horror Show*, Sebastian Valmont in *Cruel Intentions the Musical*, Pablo in *Native Gardens*, Usnavi in *In the Heights*, and Adolpho in *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Fredy's performing career has traveled him around the world, but when he is home in Orlando, Fredy is a regular at Universal Orlando and performs at Disney World. Fredy thanks his friends and family for their support. Insta: @thefredyruiz

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Meet The Cast



Danny Sanchez (Ensemble, US Beadle Bamford), (he/him) is an Orlando-based performer and is excited to return to the Athens stage in *Sweeney Todd!* Theatrical credits include: Nostradamus in *Something Rotten!* (Henegar Center), Bert Healy in *Annie* (Theatre South Playhouse), Cogsworth in *Beauty and the Beast* (Athens Theatre), Marcus Lycus in *A Funny Thing Happened...to the Forum* (Athens Theatre), Sheldon in *The Prom* (Theater West End & Titusville Playhouse) and William Barfee in the *25th Annual...Spelling Bee* (Athens Theatre). Commercial credits: Halloween Horror Nights 2024, DTO and Tijuana Flats. Education: UCF BA Theatre Studies & Double Minor(s) in Journalism and Creative Writing. He hopes you enjoy the show! IG: thatsodanny



Trevor Spence (Jonas Fogg, Ensemble) is thrilled to return to the Athens stage! You may have seen him in *Elf* (Buddy the Elf), *Scrooge* (Tom Jenkins), or *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* (Hero). Other recent credits include Henry VI in *Henry VI Parts 1 and 2* (Orlando Shakes), Bobby in *Exit Laughing* (Studio Theatre), Oliver in *Puffs* (Theatre South Playhouse), Robert in *The Play That Goes Wrong* (Osceola Arts), and Toby Darling in *The Inheritance* (Ensemble Company). Trevor would like to thank the cast and crew for this phenomenal experience and his family for their love and support.

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Ashley Van Kirk (Ensemble) is so excited to return to the Athens, her last show here was *Elf* in 2021. Since then, she has been pursuing a lot of theme park work and has performed at every Central Florida theme park. She recently was part of the opening team of Epic Universe. While performing all day every day she still tries her best to make time for her first love, theatre. You may have seen her in *To Kill A Mockingbird* at TWE, Capones Dinner & Show, and many more. She thanks you for your support of live theatre!



Taylor Whiteman (Ensemble, US Beggar Woman) is thrilled to join the cast of *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*. A graduate of the University of Central Florida with a B.A. in Theatre Studies, Taylor's recent credits include Enid in *Legally Blonde* and Jovie in *Elf*, both at the Athens Theatre. Outside of performing, she is a licensed cosmetologist with a love for theatrical wig styling. She would like to thank her friends and family for their unwavering encouragement and support.



Jordan Williams (Ensemble) is thrilled to be doing his first adult main stage show at the Athens. Last seen as Hermes in *Hadestown: Teen Edition* at the Dillard Theatre, but also seen as the Prince in *Cinderella Youth Edition* and Jack Kelly in *Newsies Jr.* at the Athens. Jordan is most excited to learn from all the wonderfully talented cast, and to grow as a performer himself.



Parker Ross Williams (Tobias Ragg) is excited to be back at the Athens Theater for this production. He is grateful to be a part of the vibrant Orlando theater community. Some recent favorite roles include King Herod in *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Theater West End), Ronnie in *Until Next Time* at the Orlando Fringe Festival, and Robbie in *Dragons Love Tacos* (Orlando Family Stage). In addition to acting, Parker enjoys voiceover, commercial, and film acting. He's represented by Reel Casting Management (Los Angeles) and Brevard Talent Group (Florida). Parker is grateful for the coaching and support of Sarah Lee Dobbs and Laura Mehl. You can follow his acting journey on Instagram at [parkerrosswilliams](#).



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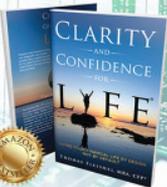
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Christie Young (Beggar Woman, US Mrs. Lovett) is excited to share this dream show and role with you! Athens audiences have seen her onstage in *Beauty and the Beast* (Mrs. Potts), *Young Frankenstein* (Frau Blucher), *Rock of Ages* (Regina), and *Forum* (Domina). She's performed in theatres from Alaska to New Hampshire. Other local productions include Lady Eugenia in *A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder* (Osceola Arts), Ensemble in *Kiss Me, Kate* (Orlando Shakespeare Theatre), and Helga the German Storyteller in *Holidays Around the World* (Epcot). She is a full-time actor and puppeteer for Universal Orlando Resort (Grinchmas, Wizarding World of Harry Potter, DreamWorks Imagination Celebration) and opened Epic Universe as a puppeteer for Isle of Berk/How to Train Your Dragon. Many thanks to my family and friends for their continued support! Socials: @foreverchristieyoung.



Seraphine Zavlunov (Ensemble) is delighted to return to the Athens stage in her first professional production. She has been active in the Athens Theatre Youth Academy for several years, during which she has developed a passion for theatre. You may have seen her in the Youth Academy's summer production of *Newsies Jr.* or in *Green for Green: A Night in the Emerald City*. When she's not on stage, you can find Seraphine reading, playing D&D, and avidly crocheting. She is so excited to share the stage with such a wonderful cast!

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Fredy Ruiz.....	Anthony Hope
Melissa Berardelli.....	Johanna
Christie Young	Beggar Woman, US Mrs. Lovett
Jacob Pence	Judge Turpin
Kyle Meehan	Beadle Bamford, US Pirelli
SarahRae Jackson.....	Pirelli, US Sweeney Todd
Parker Ross Willams.....	Tobias Ragg
Kyle Price.....	Bird Seller, Ensemble, US Anthony
Trevor Spence	Jonas Fogg, Ensemble
Paige Christoffers.....	Ensemble
Izzy Ellis.....	Ensemble
Ricky Hernandez.....	Ensemble, US Judge Turpin
Cassie Klinga	Ensemble, US Tobias
Olivia Migliorato	Ensemble, US Johanna
Patrick O'Hara	Ensemble
Danny Sanchez	Ensemble, US Beadle Bamford
Taylor Whiteman.....	Ensemble, US Beggar Woman
Jordan Williams.....	Ensemble
Ashley Van Kirk.....	Ensemble
Seraphine Zavlunov.....	Ensemble



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~ Act 1 ~

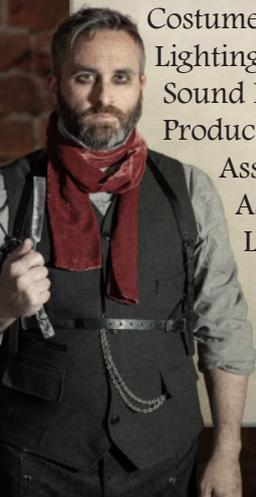
The Ballad of Sweeney Todd
No Place Like London
The Barber and His Wife
The Worst Pies in London
Poor Thing
My Friends
Green Finch and Linnet Bird
Ah, Miss
Johanna
Pirelli's Miracle Elixir
The Contest
Johanna (Judge Turpin)
Wait
Kiss Me
Ladies in Their Sensitivities
Pretty Women
Epiphany
A Little Priest

~ Act 2 ~

God, That's Good!
Johanna (Act 2 Sequence)
By the Sea
Wigmaker Sequence
The Letter
Not While I'm Around
Parlor Songs (Sweet Polly Plunkett /
Tower of Bray)
Fogg's Asylum
City on Fire / Searching
Pretty Women Reprise
Final Sequence (The Judge's Return /
Final Scene)
Ballad of Sweeney Todd Epilogue

~ Production Team & Technical Crew ~

Director Tara Kromer
Music Director Chris Endsley
Assistant Director Kori Lusignan
Fight Director Bill Warriner
Movement Consultant Heather Bogstad
Scenic & Prop Designer, Scenic Build,
Scenic Painter, TD Tori Oakes
Scenic Painter Bonnie Sprung
Costume Designer Tamara Marke-Lares
Lighting Designer, ATD Nicholas Hogan
Sound Designer Alberto Meza
Production Supervisor, Stage Manager Diane McLean
Assistant Stage Manager, Deck Chief Annalee Weydert
Assistant Stage Manager Madison Thompson
Lighting Programmer &
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Tara Kromer (Director) is a multidisciplinary theatre artist with a directing focus who brings nearly two decades of professional experience to their work in the field of live entertainment. Tara's work as a director is primarily focused on plays and musicals that celebrate the experience of marginalized identities. With a background in stage management and technical theatre, Tara has extensive experience in the areas of Sound Design, Props Design and fabrication, and Puppetry. Other productions at the Athens Theatre include *Wait Until Dark*, *Greater Tuna*, *Driving Miss Daisy*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Into the Woods*, *Ragtime*, and *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Catch Tara's upcoming productions of *Goosebumps The Musical: Phantom of the Auditorium* at Orlando Family Stage this Fall, *The Bacchae* at TheatreUCF, and *POTUS* and *Hedwig and the Angry Inch* at Theatre West End in Sanford in the spring of 2026.



Chris Endsley (Music Director) is a veteran professional Music Director having served as Music Director/Accompanist for Garden Theatre, UCF Conservatory Theatre, Rollins College, Athens Theatre, Theatre Winter Haven, Osceola Arts, Orlando Family Stage, Daytona State College, Granbury Opera House (Texas), and Seaside Music Theatre. Chris is currently Music Director for Virgin Voyages cruise line and Organist/Director of Traditional Worship at North Lake Presbyterian Church, Lady Lake. He has toured the country as a concert organist and conducted workshops in church music development. Chris taught Choral Music, Musical Theatre and AP Music Theory for Volusia County Schools for 25 years. He holds a Bachelor of Music in Church Music/Organ from Baylor University, a Master of Music in Organ Performance from Florida State University and two additional years of graduate study in performance from Texas Christian University. Chris is a proud member of AFM Local 389. Much love to A.M.E.N.!



Bill Warriner (Fight Choreographer) Professional Fight Director since 1991. He's done some stuff.

A promotional banner for the 'Absolute Queen' concert series. It features a black background with four portraits of the band members of Queen on the left. The text 'ABSOLUTE QUEEN' is written in large, white, serif font, with a crown over the letter 'Q'. On the right, there is a graphic of a queen in a red and white outfit. At the bottom left is the 'CONCERT SERIES' logo, and at the bottom center is the text 'OCTOBER 18TH • 5 & 8 PM' in white, bold, sans-serif font.

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Kori Andreoli Lusignan (Assistant Director) is thrilled to be back behind the scenes at the Athens on the creative team for *Sweeney Todd*. She thanks Frank Ramirez and Tara Kromer for this wonderful opportunity. You may have seen Kori onstage at the Athens in *Scrooge* or *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, or in a variety of plays and musicals for local Central Florida theaters. Kori is a founding member of Strega Studios, a theater company dedicated to amplifying the voices of female-presenting and gender non-conforming artists. Strega Studios made its debut at the 2025 Orlando International Fringe Festival with its patrons' pick show, *GenXMen*, cowritten and coproduced by Kori and *Sweeney* cast member, Christie Young. You will often find Kori knitting during rehearsal; for *Sweeney*, that meant making a lovely muffler for Toby. As always, Kori is grateful to her husband, Mike, and her daughter, Ellerie, for their love and support.



Diane McLean (Production Supervisor, Stage Manager) is happy to be at the Athens Theatre for a third year! She is a professional stage manager with over 30 years experience in regional, touring, and Off-Broadway theater, as well as film and higher education. She received her M.F.A. in Stage Management from Boston University. She has stage managed for The Kennedy Center, Manhattan Theatre Club, Berkshire Theatre Festival, Huntington Theatre Company, Lyric Stage Company, Boston University College of Fine Arts, and Boston University Tanglewood Institute, to name a few. Film credits include *War of the Worlds*, directed by Steven Spielberg and Stephanie Daley starring Tilda Swinton. In addition to her work at the Athens Theatre, she is a professor and mentor to theater students at the Mike Curb College of Music, Entertainment & Art at Daytona State. She is also the former Professor of Theatre at Endicott College in Beverly, MA. She'd like to thank Frank for his never-ending support! Love to C and G.



Madison Thompson (Assistant Stage Manager) grew up in Utah and moved to Florida four years ago. She is a student at Seminole State College working towards a bachelor's degree in early elementary education. Madison has been involved with the Athens for three years and is excited to be an Assistant Stage Manager for *Sweeney Todd*. She has been the light board operator for eighteen shows at the Athens and has been seen onstage in their production of *Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella: Youth Edition*.





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Annalee Weydert (Deck Chief, Assistant Stage Manager) is a recent graduate from the University of Central Florida's BEA Stage Management program. She spent this summer working at the Santa Fe Opera in New Mexico working as a Props Run Crew Apprentice and is excited to be back home at the Athens! Recent Athens credits include *Rock of Ages* (Stage Manager), *Escape to Margaritaville* (Asst. Stage Manager), and *Mamma Mia!* (Asst. Stage Manager). Recent UCF credits include *The Last Firefly* (Production Stage Manager), *Rhinoceros* (Production Stage Manager), *Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr.* (Stage Manager) at the Orlando Family Stage, and *The Prom* (Asst. Stage Manager).



Tori Oakes (Scenic and Prop Design, Scenic Artist, TD) is a Central Florida based technical director and scenic designer. She is, as always, happy to be working at the Athens Theatre. Previous designs at the Athens include *Full Monty*, *Misery*, *Margaritaville*, *Rock of Ages*, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, *Ragtime*, *Shrek TYA Version*, *Elf*, *Chicago*, *Mamma Mia!*, *The Fantasticks!*, *9 to 5*, *Into the Woods*, *The Producers*, *Jekyll & Hyde*, *The Wedding Singer*, *Oklahoma!*, *Arsenic & Old Lace*, *Aladdin, Jr.*, *Sister Act*, *Driving Miss Daisy*, *James and the Giant Peach*, *A Christmas Carol*, *The Addams Family*, *Cabaret*, and *White Christmas*. Tori is the owner of Misfit Toys Theatrical LLC, an Orlando based production company that, in addition to building scenery for Athens Theatre productions, provides various scenic and properties services for a number of theatrical organizations from Central Florida to New England. Tori holds an MFA in theatre from the University of Central Florida.



Nicholas Hogan (Director of Lighting, Assistant Technical Director) A Florida based Lighting Professional is excited to be working on his fourth season here at the Athens Theater. A few of his favorite designs at the Athens Theatre include: *Dracula*, *White Christmas*, *Jimmy Buffett's Escape from Margaritaville*, and *Misery*.

A promotional poster for the theatrical production 'Phantasmagoria XVI: Hauntingly Whimsical Tales'. The poster features a collage of characters in various costumes, including a woman in a black and white outfit, a woman in a blue and black outfit, a man in a white suit, and a woman in a black and white outfit. The text on the poster reads: 'PHANTASMOGORIA XVI HAUNTINGLY WHIMSICAL TALES CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF AUTHOR & ARTIST EDWARD GOREY OCTOBER 24 & 25'. There is a circular logo in the top right corner that says '100 Years of Edward Gorey'. At the bottom, it says '© 2025 Chris Bridges' and 'Works included are fully licensed through the Edward Gorey Charitable Trust. All related titles, characters, and logos are property of The Edward Gorey Charitable Trust. All Rights Reserved'.



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Alberto Meza, Jr. (Director of Sound) is thrilled to be joining the Athens Theatre team! He comes from Jackson, Mississippi where he served as the Sound Designer/Engineer & Projections Designer/Engineer & Company Liaison for over 5 years at Mississippi's only Regional Professional Theatre, New Stage Theatre. He is a graduate of Belhaven University, located in Jackson, MS, where he received his honors in BFA Theatre and has received design and acting awards during his time there. He returned to Belhaven University as a recurring Professional Guest Artist and has worked at other theatres and universities in Mississippi for designs in lighting and sound. Some of his Regional design credits for lighting, sound, and projections include: *Pipeline*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *A Christmas Carol*, *A Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Clue*, *The Spitfire Grill*, *Every Brilliant Thing*, *Radium Girls*, *Ring of Fire*, *Elf*, *The Musical*, *Chicken and Biscuits*, *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*, *Noises Off*, *Gaslight*, *Million Dollar Quartet Christmas*, *The Mountaintop*, *Little Women*, *The Broadway Musical*, and *Come From Away*. Meza can't wait to give the audience of Athens Theatre outstanding sound quality and designs throughout his time here!



Tamara Marke-Lares (Resident Costume Designer) is a sculptor, painter, printmaker, and creature marionette maker. She has been designing costumes freelance for 19 years. She has designed for Dance, Ballet, Opera and Cirque productions, as well as numerous collaborative and solo productions. Some favorite costume credits include *Margaritaville*, *Rock of Ages*, *Ragtime*, *Shrek!*, *Elf*, *Clue*, *Ain't Misbehavin'*, *Jerry's Girls*, *Chicago*, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare, Abridged*, *James and the Giant Peach*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Into the Woods*, *The Wedding Singer*, *Jekyll & Hyde*, *The Lion King, Jr.* and *The Producers*. This is her seventh season with the Athens Theatre. Tamara spends her days teaching at Ivy Hawn Charter School, creating art and costumes and being amazed by her two crazy-talented children.



Bonnie Sprung (Scenic Charge Artist) was recently Scenic Charge for *Grease*, and most of last season. Bonnie has a BA from Hofstra in Set Design and Graphics, along with her AA from VCC in Fine Art. She has done set design, scenic painting, make-up and stage management for over 300 shows in Orlando and New York. She worked as Set/Scenic designer for the BCC Summer Fine Arts and the JCC Center Players. Stage Manager, Sound and Graphics for Southern Winds Theatre. She has also designed for Florida Theatrical Association, The Ensemble Company, Sparkyl Entertainment and many more. Some of her nominated designs include, *The Flick*, *Bat Boy the Musical*, *Torch Song*, *Clybourne Park*, *Perfect Arrangement*, *Three Days of Rain*, *Hysteria* and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf*. Bonnie has over 30yrs. experience in curating, judging art exhibits and thespian festivals. She is on the Seminole Cultural Arts Council Board and was named artist of the year 2024.



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Amy Uppercue (Costume Shop Manager, Production Associate) has been working behind the scenes at the Athens Theatre since 2011 and has loved being a part of all the magic that has been created on our stage. Favorite costume design credits include *Footloose: Youth Edition*, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, *A Year with Frog and Toad*, *Legally Blonde: the Musical*, and *Footloose*. In addition to running the Athens Costume Shop, Amy is also a teaching artist for the Athens Theatre Youth Academy, and serves on the board of the National League of Junior Cotillion West Volusia Chapter and the DeLand Choir Parents Association. So much love to C, HK, AB and B.



Amanda Tyler (House Manager) A native Floridian, Ms. Tyler studied film and theatre production at Valencia College. She began working in theatre in 1993 at Seaside Music Theatre in Daytona Beach as Wardrobe Supervisor, Assistant to the Resident Costume Designer, and Costume Rentals Manager. She finds herself out from behind the curtain for the first time as the Athens House Manager. Amanda joined the Athens family in 2023 and is excited to help this incredible organization continue to grow and move forward. She takes great pride in the work she does alongside the many dedicated Athens Theatre volunteer ushers while helping to bring amazing art to this historic DeLand stage. She hopes that you enjoy the show!

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Alexa Baldwin (Executive Director) is a graduate of Kent State University with her BFA in Musical Theatre. After twelve years of working in the theatre industry and managing the offices of several companies, Alexa became the Director of Marketing and Operations for the Sands Theatre Center (DBA - Athens Theatre) in July of 2011. In 2021, she was made the theatre's Executive Director. She has dedicated her life to working

with an incredible family of co-workers and volunteers to make the Athens Theatre a representation of what community theatres can strive to be—both onstage and off. In addition to her theatre family, she is fortunate to have an incredible husband and daughter who are endlessly patient and supportive with all things Athens Theatre. Mrs. Baldwin thanks everyone in the cast, crew, production team, and ALL the staff for the tireless hours they spent making tonight's magic happen. She hopes that you enjoy the show and come back to visit us again soon.



Frank Ramirez (Producing Artistic Director) is a passionate and accomplished entertainment professional with over three decades of experience spanning nearly every facet of the performing arts industry. His multifaceted career has included work as a stage manager, director, union representative, general manager, and creative leader. Since joining the Athens Theatre in 2018, Frank has directed numerous acclaimed productions and now proudly serves as the Producing Artistic

Director. He is honored to help steward this historic and vibrant cultural landmark in the heart of Downtown DeLand. Frank's previous work includes collaborations with Broadway and Off-Broadway productions, professional regional theatres, and theme park entertainment. He has also worked internationally through his role with *The Jim Henson Company* and Heather Henson's *IBEX Puppetry*, serving as Company Manager for large-scale theatrical tours across the United States, Canada, China, Kazakhstan, and Indonesia. A committed mentor, Frank has served as a guest artist instructor in Stage Management at SUNY Potsdam's Crane School of Music, sharing his expertise with the next generation of theatre professionals. His career reflects a deep dedication to storytelling, community, and the transformative power of the arts.

A promotional poster for a concert series. In the top left corner is a logo for 'CONCERT SERIES' featuring a stylized fan or sunburst. The background is dark with a group of six men, some in suits and some in casual shirts, smiling and posing. The text 'November 1st' and '7:30pm' is in the top right. At the bottom, the title 'TURNSTILES' is written in large, bold, red letters with a black outline, and below it, 'THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE TO THE MUSIC OF BILLY JOEL' and 'UNLEASHED' are written in smaller red letters.

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Santi Gabino (Director of Marketing and Communications), a native of South Florida, relocated with his husband and two crazy dogs to DeLand in the summer of 2022. With a rich background in venue and event management, Santi served as the Executive & Marketing Director of a highly successful venue in Homestead, FL, for over 11 years. During his tenure on his family's estate, he orchestrated nearly 100 weddings, attracting attention from renowned publications like *Allure Bridal* and *Modern Bride* for magazine shoots. The venue also

became a prime location for television filming, hosting esteemed networks such as Nickelodeon and Telemundo. He also spearheaded the creation of a wildly popular Farm-to-Table dinner series. Having cultivated a substantial social media following in his previous role and drawing upon his expertise, he now oversees the creation of all marketing materials, develops content for social media, writes press releases, radio scripts, and billboard copy, manages public communications, nurtures business-to-business relationships, and more. Additionally, he contributes a monthly food and lifestyle column to *The West Volusia Beacon*, titled "Central Flavors." Outside of work, Santi finds joy in cooking, painting, and succumbing to the irresistible temptation of buying things he absolutely doesn't need at any yard, garage, or estate sale that crosses his path.



Craig Uppercue (Director of Community Relations) A Stetson University (BM/BME) & Grand Canyon University (M.Ed) alumnus, Mr. Uppercue has taught for 20 years in the public school systems of Florida, currently serving as a Fine Arts specialist in Volusia County Schools. Mr. Uppercue has been with the Athens Theatre since 2011 and had the wonderful privilege of serving as Artistic Director for 10 years. He is now honored to be playing a continued part in the life of the theatre. Craig is the Music Director of the Off-Broadway

National Tour *The Rock & The Rabbi* and performs with the show when available. Other performing opportunities include Broadway and Off-Broadway credits such as *The Witnesses Musical* (Original Cast member), *The Lion King*, *Songs for a New World*, and numerous national tours throughout the U.S. He is actively involved with many professional symphonies and maintains an active performing schedule with professional artists throughout the nation. Craig and his wonderful wife, Amy, live locally, enjoying every moment as they watch their three daughters grow up!



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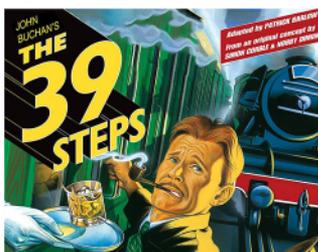
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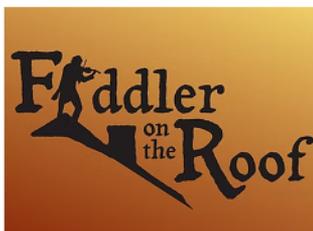


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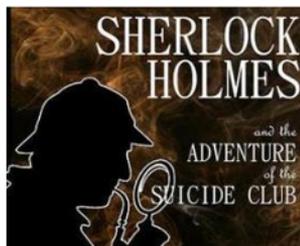


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Mike Kitaif (Photographer) Mike has been passionate about photography since high school and is proud to be photographing for the Athens Theatre. Along with photographing other local theaters, he spent eight seasons capturing images for the UCF Marching Knights. When not in the theater, Mike develops software for Cardinal Systems that collects 3D data from photographic and laser sources which is utilized by mapping professionals, civil engineers, and NASA. With a wife and daughter on stage, Mike's love for theater photography blossomed naturally, becoming a 12-year passion. He's honored to have the best seat in the house during photo sessions and is deeply grateful to the actors, crew, directors and everyone who contributes to make the magic of theater happen.



Grace Boynton (Development Director) Grace has a background in both the performing arts and nonprofit development. After graduating from the University of Central Florida in 2020, Grace discovered her passion for nonprofit work and has since made significant contributions to organizations like Planned Parenthood and United Against Poverty, managing yearly budgets of over two million dollars and producing annual fundraising efforts. As the Development Director for the Historic Athens Theatre, she gets to blend her artistic insights with strategic fundraising expertise to support the theater's mission and ensure its continued success in the community. You may recognize Grace as a performer at the Athens Theatre in shows like *Legally Blonde*, *RENT*, *9 to 5*, and *The Wedding Singer*.

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Shonda L. Thurman (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advocate) Born and raised in Flint, MI, Ms. Thurman holds a BFA in Musical Theatre from Roosevelt University, in Chicago, IL, and Stephens College in Columbia, MO. She also holds a theatre management certification from Tiffany Vega Management. Shonda is currently the curriculum manager for the Orlando Family Stage and current co-chair for the Juneteenth Lunch and Learn: Facts of Freedom. Her performance credits range from local to all over the country in national tours. In her roles as a DEIA, performer, director, and educator she believes that everyone deserves a voice, their stories told and heard, and themselves represented in whatever arena they choose. "I am not a teacher I am an awakener." ~Robert Frost.



Roberta (Bobe) Kenemer (Resident Graphic Artist) is a graduate of Ringling College of Art & Design (formerly Ringling School of Art) majoring in Graphic Arts & Illustration. After relocating to Volusia County in 1982, Bobe worked for a small publishing company and as a Cartographer before accepting a position at Tennant Printing Company in DeLand. She gained extensive experience in the Graphics Department of various printing companies, along with numerous freelance projects, before assuming her role with the Athens Theatre in the fall of 2019. As the sole image designer for the theatre and the Athens Theatre Youth Academy, her graphic design skills play an integral role in the theatre's visual identity. She takes immense pride in being part of the Athens Theatre family and eagerly anticipates the opportunity to contribute to the creative journey of each upcoming production and event.

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