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Music by  
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Based on the original screenplay by DEAN PITCHFORD

Additional Music by ERIC CARMEN, SAMMY HAGAR,  
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**DIRECTOR:** Bruce Jacklin

**MUSIC DIRECTOR:** Diane Dinger

**CONDUCTOR:** David Schubach

**CHOREOGRAPHY:** Anthony Ingham

**PRODUCTION MANAGER:** Mary Harris

**STAGE MANAGEMENT:** Jack Davis, Megan Evans, Jaxon Reed



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MTVarts is extremely proud to bring the 1984 film classic FOOTLOOSE to the Woodward stage. Those familiar with the film undoubtedly will tell you it's a story of a town where public dancing is outlawed; however, the story is much deeper. It's a journey of loss, grief, and forgiveness. The citizens of Bomont are relevant to our own friends and family: the growth of Reverend Moore and Ren, the survival stories of Ethel and Vi, and the frustration and loneliness of Ariel.

What makes this story fun and exciting is the temporal setting of the 1980s, which can be felt through explosive choreography and invigorating songs such as "Holding Out for a Hero," "Let's Hear it for the Boy," and the exhilarating title track.

FOOTLOOSE was released forty years ago, but its themes are still very relevant today. The message of fighting for what you believe in and the friendships that impact our lives still rings in our ears. We hope you enjoy the nostalgic trip to the past. Sit back, relax, and it's time to cut loose!

Bruce Jacklin  
Artistic Director  
MTVarts

**BRUCE JACKLIN** has been a certified adjudicator for the OCTA (Ohio Community Theater Association) and AACT (American Association of Community Theater) for nearly 25 years. Mr. Jacklin has directed and acted in more than 170 productions in the last 35 years. This includes professional, summer stock, collegian and community theater productions. He has received numerous awards in acting and directing at both regional and state festivals from OCTA, AACTfest, Columbus Theater Round Table and OTA festivals. Bruce is also a film and television actor. For his film and television work he is represented by PCG Talent in Columbus, OH and Docherty in Pittsburgh, PA. Bruce is the artistic director for both MTVarts and The Alcove Dinner Theater productions. Bruce wishes to thank his wife, Marylou, for her patience, support and love that she has given him over the decades so he and his colleagues can create, collaborate and give the art of theater to our community.

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# Cast of Characters

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<b>REN MCCORMACK</b>	Christopher J. Hartman	<b>ENSEMBLE</b>	Judy Diehl
<b>ARIEL MOORE</b>	Molly Smith		Larry J. Evans
<b>REV. SHAW MOORE</b>	Steve Herbst		Megan Evans
<b>VI MOORE</b>	Serra Austin		McKinley Figurski
<b>WILLARD HEWITT</b>	Mitchell Daniel		Gabrielle Fuller
<b>RUSTY</b>	Kylie Stadler Hoam		Devin Hall
<b>ETHEL MCCORMACK</b>	Norita Hissong		Nate Hoam
<b>URLEEN</b>	Mary Harris		Kyla Keller
<b>WENDY JO</b>	Isabella Oster		Elisa Lybarger
<b>CHUCK CRANSTON</b>	Alex Snodgrass		Dorthea McCoy
<b>LYLE</b>	Alex Diehl		Lindsey Miller
<b>TRAVIS</b>	Silas Hoam		Sydney Moon
<b>GARVIN</b>	Peyton Hauenstein-Cline		Mary Rugola-Dye
<b>BICKLE</b>	Kale Oswald		Ashlynn Scott
<b>JETER</b>	Alex Diehl		Madison Sichina
<b>PRINCIPAL CLARK</b>	Glenn A. Hissong		Anna Snodgrass
<b>COACH DUNBAR</b>	William O'Brien		Evelyn Woodlee
<b>ELEANOR DUNBAR</b>	Abigail Tayse		Auralie Yoder
<b>LULU WARNICKER</b>	Caroline Pletcher		
<b>WES WARNICKER</b>	Mason Mickley		
<b>COWBOY BOB</b>	Jeremy Barrett		
<b>BETTY BLAST</b>	Judy Diehl		

## Band

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### Conductor – David Schubach

Keyboard.....	David Schubach
Saxophone.....	Bob Blomeyer
Guitar.....	Andrew Clarkson Jr.
Bass.....	Jim Frady
Drums.....	Piersen Schuiling

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# Musical Numbers

## Act One

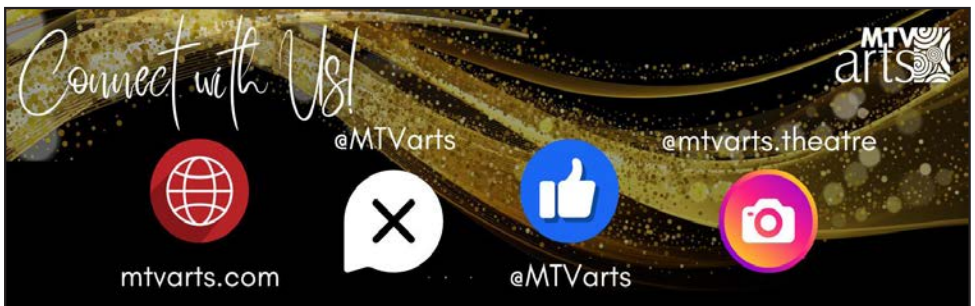
Footloose\*.....Ren and Company  
On Any Sunday.....Rev. Shaw Moore and Company  
The Girl Gets Around\*\*.....Chuck, Ariel, Travis, and Lyle  
I Can't Stand Still.....Ren  
Somebody's Eyes.....Rusty, Urleen, Wendy Jo, and Company  
Learning to be Silent.....Vi, Ethel, and Ariel  
Holding Out for a Hero+.....Ariel, Rusty, Wendy Jo, and Urleen  
Heaven Help Me.....Shaw  
I'm Free\*/Heaven Help Me.....Ren, Shaw, and Company

## ~ Intermission ~

## Act Two

Still Rockin'.....Cowboy Bob and His Band  
Let's Hear It For the Boy.....Rusty and Company  
Can You Find It In Your Heart.....Vi  
Dancing is Not a Crime.....Ren, Willard, Bickle,  
Garvin, and Jeter  
Mama Says.....Willard, Bickle, Garvin, Jeter, and Ren  
Almost Paradise++.....Ren and Ariel  
Reprise: Heaven Help Me.....Shaw  
Reprise: Can You Find It In Your Heart.....Shaw  
Footloose\* (Finale).....Company

*All music by Tom Snow, except: \*Kenny Loggins; \*\*Sammy Hagar; +Jim Steinman; ++Eric Carmen  
All Lyrics by Dean Pitchford, except: "Footloose" lyrics by Dean Pitchford and Kenny Loggins*





# Production Team

Director.....Bruce Jacklin  
 Music Director.....Diane Dinger  
 Choreographer.....Anthony Ingham  
 Conductor.....David Schubach  
 Producer.....Janis Stone  
 Production Manager.....Mary Harris  
 Stage Management.....Jack Davis, Megan Evans, Jaxon Reed

Set Designer.....Bruce Jacklin  
 Master Carpenter.....Michael Sears  
 Carpenter.....Bill Szucs  
 Scenic Painters.....Bruce Jacklin, William O'Brien, Kyle Boucher, Dori McCoy, Serra Austin, Charli Barrett, Jaxon Reed  
 Props Master.....Allison Smith  
 Prop Runner.....Tessa Corrigan

Costume Designer.....Susan S.B. Brown  
 Costume Assistants.....Janet Stutzman, Mary Harris, Maddie Donabauer, Megan Evans  
 Wig and Hair Design.....Jennifer Keim  
 Wig and Hair Assistants.....Ashton Bogo, Norita Hissong, Jade Salinas, Jamie Morman, Mason Mickley, Drezden Palms

Lighting Designer.....Kurt Mueller  
 Lighting Assistant.....Ian Fraser Ernsberger  
 Spotlight Operators.....Julia Matkovic, Andrew Snodgrass  
 Sound Engineering.....Alex Thompson  
 Microphone Assistant.....Joslin Frazer, Julia Matkovic

Deck Chief.....Michael Sears  
 Stage Crew.....Kate Ernsberger, Lucas Herbst, Joslin Frazer, Jeremy Barrett, Devyn Hall, Glenn Hissong, Nate Hoam, William O'Brien

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**SERRA AUSTIN** (Vi Moore) is, as always, delighted to join MTVarts for another show! She started singing and acting as a young child, and has enjoyed performing many parts for the theater both onstage and

backstage over the years. Some of her favorite roles have been Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn in *THE MUSIC MAN*, and Nanny/Nurse Maide in *ANTIGONE*. She has also greatly enjoyed working with artsIQ, most recently directing *HONK JR.* Serra would like to thank her husband, Jeremy and their 3 beautiful children for their love and support.



**JEREMY BARRETT** (Cowboy Bob) is back on stage again, and is thrilled to be performing alongside this talented cast and crew. His most recent roles were Jackson in *PUMP BOYS AND DINETTES* and Pablo in *SISTER*

*ACT*. When not teaching Spanish at Ontario High School, Jeremy can be found smoking meats, listening to his ever-growing record collection, and spending time with his wife and three kids. He would like to thank his wife Serra for all her encouragement and for supporting him in all he takes on.



**MITCHELL DANIEL** (Willard Hewitt) is an incoming senior at Big Walnut High School. He has been a part of many productions throughout high school, and is very excited to be participating in his first show with MTVarts.

He is a dedicated musician who spends his time performing in various ensembles as both a classical saxophonist and vocalist. He has served as principal alto saxophonist for two years in the District 10 Honors Band, and was the grand champion winner at the Buckeye Brass and Wind saxophone competition. He also participated in the 2024 All-State Choir. He would like to thank his friends for always being there, the cast and crew for being so open and inviting, and especially his parents for always supporting him.



**ALEX DIEHL** (Lyle; Jeter; Ensemble) has been in multiple productions with MTVarts in the past, including *SISTER ACT*, *BEAUTY AND THE BEAST*, *THE ADDAMS FAMILY*, and *THE WIZARD OF OZ*. Alongside his

theatrical pursuits, Alex graduated from Ohio Northern University with a CS degree and now works as a full-time software engineer. Alex is passionate about music, singing in the church choir, and taking lessons on the organ. Most importantly, Alex would like to thank the cast, crew, as well as his friends and loved ones for their amazing support.



**JUDY DIEHL** (Betty Blast; Ensemble) *FOOTLOOSE* is Judy's second time onstage with MTVarts, after appearing in last year's *SISTER ACT*. She had such a good time, she just had to do it again! Judy is excited to get to

be in another show with her grandson Alex, and is ready to show off her rollerskating skills!



**LARRY J. EVANS** (Ensemble) has been acting and directing theatre most of his life. Some of his favorite roles have been Scrooge in *A CHRISTMAS CAROL*, Cogsworth in *BEAUTY AND THE BEAST*, and Clarence

in *IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE*. He appeared as Mr. Brownlow in MTVarts' production of *OLIVER!*, and is now excited to be doing his 10th musical with grandson Alex Snodgrass and 4th musical with granddaughter Anna Snodgrass and with this wonderful cast and crew!



**MEGAN EVANS** (Ensemble; Stage Management Team) has appeared in over 50 productions in the Central Ohio area, most recently as the Mother Superior in *SISTER ACT*, Mother in *A CHRISTMAS STORY*, Elsa

Schröder in *THE SOUND OF MUSIC*, and Sylvia in *SYLVIA*. In addition to acting, Megan is an experienced stage manager and props designer, and works as the Marketing and Administration Manager for the Mount Vernon Arts Consortium. Much love and thanks to Andrew, and many cuddles to her four fuzzy beast dogs.



**MCKINLEY FIGURSKI** (Ensemble) is not a new face to the stage. She has been in 5 MTVarts shows and 9 Mount Vernon High School productions. Her favorite roles include the hilariously chaotic Ellie Blake in *FREAKY FRIDAY*, the charmingly frazzled Polly Benish in *PLAY ON!*, the delightfully green Ogre

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Fiona in SHREK JR., and the intense Juror 3 in 12 ANGRY JURORS. When she's not performing, McKinley enjoys playing her guitar and ukulele. She would like to thank you all for coming and hopes you enjoy the show!



**GABBY FULLER** (Ensemble) is thrilled to appear in MTVarts' rendition of FOOTLOOSE. She has been involved with the arts for over nine years and only aspires to continue. She most recently appeared in HONK JR. as Penny. Some of her favorite roles include Charity in ACENSION DAY, Katie in BOY MEETS GIRL, and Lavender in MATILDA JR. She is excited to work alongside her fellow actors and production team for her 12th show with MTVarts. She would like to thank her family and friends for their never ending support and constant reassurance. She would like to wish everyone in the crowd a wonderful experience, so kick off your Sunday shoes and get ready to cut loose!

**DEVYN HALL** (Ensemble) This is Devyn's eighth show with MTVarts! Some of his favorite roles have been Dragon Puppeteer in SHREK JR., the Elephant Bird in SEUSSICAL JR., and the Escapologist in MATILDA JR. He will be a 9th



grade homeschool student in the fall. When he is not acting, he likes to play board and video games, along with baseball. He would like to thank his family and friends for their love and support. Enjoy the show!



**MARY HARRIS** (Urleen; Production Manager) is a graduate of The Ohio State University where she earned a degree in Arts Management. She has been using that degree and working with MTVarts as the Season Production Manager, a director, costumer, and stage manager for two years now. Before earning her degree, she performed in MTVarts' musical productions such as PETER PAN (2008), WIZARD OF OZ (2009), THE ADDAMS FAMILY (2018), and many others. Last summer she played Michelle and a nun in SISTER ACT. Mary is excited to be onstage once again in this production of FOOTLOOSE. Enjoy the show!

**CHRISTOPHER J. HARTMAN** (Ren McCormick) received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from Ohio Northern University with a major in Musical Theatre. Christopher is studying with the Great

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Lakes Michael Chekhov Consortium and will receive his actor/teacher certification in the Michael Chekhov Acting Technique. He was most recently seen onstage in MTVarts' production of *SISTER ACT*, which he also assistant directed. Christopher recently directed *A Night of One-Acts 2024* alongside Mary Harris. He has also performed as Chris Keller in MTVarts' production of *ALL MY SONS* by Arthur Miller, George Gibbs in *OUR TOWN* by Thornton Wilder, Kapila/Devadatta in *HAYAVADANA* by Girish Karnad, Romeo in Shakespeare's *ROMEO AND JULIET*, Etches in *TITANIC THE MUSICAL* by Maury Yeston and Peter Stone, and he originated the role of Joe Rupp in Yianni Papadimos and Ben Chavez's musical, *ELYSIUM: AN AMERICAN FABLE*.



**PEYTON HAUENSTEIN-CLINE** (Garvin; Ensemble) is a rising high school senior at Mount Vernon High School. This is his 13th year of theater and he has enjoyed every role he has played, from Young Simba in *THE LION KING JR.* to his most recent role as Mike in *FREAKY FRIDAY*. He is excited to be on stage dancing in *FOOTLOOSE*, and he hopes you enjoy the show.

**STEVE HERBST** (Reverend Shaw Moore) is happy to be sharing the stage with so many talented artists. He has played numerous characters in many productions over the years for MTVarts, Alcove Dinner Theater, Licking Co. Players,



Millersport Community Theater, and Weathervane Playhouse. Some favorites are Captain Von Trapp in *THE SOUND OF MUSIC*, Bill Sikes in *OLIVER!*, The Proprietor in *ASSASSINS*, and Miles Gloriosus in *A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM*. Some favorite shows he has performed in are *JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR*, *LES MIS*, *SPAMALOT*, *BREAKING LEGS*, and *RENT*. He would like to thank the entire MTVarts family for this opportunity, as well as his wife of 30 years for supporting him.



**GLENN A. HISSONG** (Principal Clark; Ensemble) is happy to be on the Woodward Opera House stage for the first time. He has played many characters over the years, and had fun with each one. He hopes you enjoy the

show!



**NORITA F. HISSONG** (Ethel McCormick) is thrilled to be "footloose" this summer as Ethel. Recent credits include MTVarts productions of *SISTER ACT* and *OUR TOWN*, and the Alcove Dinner Theater's *WILD WOMEN OF WINEDALE*. Her passion for theater includes backstage creativity too, doing hair and make-up and much more for multiple productions. Outside of the theater, Norita works in Gambier, and loves art. You may have seen her creating art at local festivals or her etch-a-sketch art online.

## "Pawloose"

### Raffle fundraiser for MTVarts



This darling sculpture was created and donated by local artist Rebecca Sigler of Mousecraft in honor of MTVarts' production of *FOOTLOOSE!* Raffle tickets will be available for purchase at all *FOOTLOOSE* performances.

*The MTVarts fundraiser is now in its 5th year! It all started with "The Mice of Oz" followed by "The Sound of Mice", "More Cheese Please" and last year's "Mouse Act"!*

**Tickets are only \$1 and 100% of the ticket sells go to MTVarts. Drawing will be after the intermission at the July 14th show.**

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**KYLIE STADLER HOAM** (Rusty) is recent graduate of Otterbein University, completing a degree in both Music Education and Flute Performance. As a vocalist, she has performed with the Opera Theatre and Opus One, and

was a frequent soloist for Otterbein University's Jazz Ensemble. Throughout the years, Kylie has been a part of 16 different productions. Some of her favorite roles include Wednesday Addams in *ADDAMS FAMILY*, Belle in *BEAUTY AND THE BEAST*, and The Professor with the Fez in *THE WHOLE SHEBANG*. Most recently, Kylie worked at Encore Music Studios as a private lessons instructor, teaching flute, piano, and voice. Lastly, she would like to thank her friends, family, and husband, Davis, for their overwhelming support in all she does. Thank you for coming to the show!



**NATE HOAM** (Ensemble) has been actively involved with theater since 2018, working with Fredericktown High School as set builder, choreographer, acting coach and technical director (yes, he wears many hats). This

is his first time on stage in quite some time and he hopes to continue supporting MTVarts in their future productions in whatever capacity is needed.



**SILAS HOAM** (Travis; Ensemble) began participating in the performing arts when he started playing the violin at the age of 5. Although this is not acting, it did give him plenty of stage experience to start up acting

easily. He first became interested in acting when his brothers took part in *OH HORRORS*, *IT'S MURDER* at Fredericktown High School. His favorite role that he played was Lurch from *THE ADDAMS FAMILY*. Although this was not a very large part, he enjoyed wearing stilts and walking around Halloween night in his costume. Silas also enjoys running, climbing, hiking, camping, play board/video games, and making costumes. He is currently attending Wright State University majoring in electrical engineering.



**KYLA KELLER** (Ensemble) is excited to be a part of her first MTVarts show! She has done theater at Mount Vernon High School, where she was also a member of NHS, Key Club, and student government. Kyla has

also danced with BalletMet for 7 years, and plays varsity and club soccer. When not onstage, Kyla is a huge "Swiftie" and enjoys playing her guitar.



**ELISA LYBARGER** (Ensemble) has been doing theatre since her freshman year with Danville High School. She has performed in *ALL TOGETHER NOW*, *ANNIE*, *ALICE IN WONDERLAND*, *CLUE*, and *LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS*;

in which she played the lead (Audrey). She thanks her performing arts teacher Mrs. Owens for always supporting her and pushing her to do her best in whatever she does.



**DORTHEA MCCOY** (Ensemble) Dorthea, or Dori, as she's most commonly known, is very excited to be participating in her first summer musical with MTVarts! She has been involved in theater

throughout her childhood with roles such as Sergei in *MATILDA JR.* and Mary-Lois Becker in Timothy Mason's *ASCENSION DAY*. A recent high school graduate, Dori is on her way to Ohio University for a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting. When not on stage, Dori enjoys writing, painting, and playing with the goblin that freeloads in her home (her cat.) She thanks her family and friends for all of their support, and hopes that this show will help you cut loose!



**MASON MICKLEY** (Wes Warnicker; Ensemble) is excited to be part of such a wondrously fantastical show with an even more fantastical cast, crew, choreographer, vocal director, and director! When he's not

performing, his wavy ginger mug is devouring inhumane amounts of caffeinated milkshakes he calls "coffee", working in the high-octane action-packed thrill ride world of insurance, and trying to wrangle his three fluffy demon babies, also known as cats, with his loving partner. He would like to thank everyone for taking the time to support local theater and for seeing a show that's had so much heart, soul, compassion, and plenty of blood, sweat, and the occasional tear, into it. He hopes you enjoy the show, and in the wise words of Keanu Reeves and Alex Winter, "Be Excellent to Each Other, and Party On, Dudes!"

**LINDSEY MILLER** (Ensemble) is a native of Mount Vernon and has enjoyed watching MTVarts productions for years, so much so that she decided

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to participate in one! She has two incredible boys who are currently high school and college-aged, and a dog that controls her life. She would like to thank the humility that doing this show offered, the cast and crew for their

unbelievable talent, patience, and support, and her awesome family and friends (and clients too!) who, after getting past the shock of her deciding to do this, cheered her on endlessly and encouraged her to keep pushing. I love and appreciate all of you so much. Thanks for coming!



**SYDNEY MOON** (Ensemble) is excited to be making her MTVarts debut! She is originally from Dover, Ohio, where she has performed in *THE ADDAMS FAMILY* (Alice Beineke), *THE GREAT GATSBY* (Daisy

Buchanan), *MAMMA MIA*, *MARY POPPINS*, *MY FAIR LADY*, and more. Sydney has a degree in graphic design from MVNU and now works there as the Assistant Director of Campus Experience. She enjoys spending time with her husband and cats, gardening, and making art. Sydney thanks this cast and crew for such a fun show!



**WILLIAM O'BRIEN** (Coach Dunbar; Ensemble) is excited to play Coach Dunbar in MTVarts' production of *FOOTLOOSE*. Some of his favorite roles include *The Narrator/Mysterious Man*, *Curly McLain*, and *Joseph*. He would like to thank his wife, family, and friends for their endless support. Enjoy the show!



**ISABELLA OSTER** (Wendy Jo) will be a junior at the Knox County Career Center, and this is her tenth show with MTVarts. Among her favorite roles that she has played include *Gertrude* in *SEUSSICAL JR.*, and *Bruce* in *MATILDA JR.* Besides theatre, Isabella also loves to paint, crochet, tap dance, and chill with her four dogs! She is very grateful for this amazingly talented cast and all of the friends she has made.

**KALE OSWALT** (Bickle; Ensemble) is absolutely rhapsodized to kick off his Sunday shoes and cut loose with the cast as Bickle. This is Kale's sixth show with MTVarts. Recently, you may have seen him in *MATILDA JR.* as *Agatha Trunchbull*, *ASCENSION DAY* as *Randy*, *SEUSSICAL JR.* as



*Horton*, or in *HONK JR.* as *Ugly*. When Kale is not pursuing the arts, he can be found listening to *Stevie Nicks*, spending time with family and friends, and learning Spanish. He would like to thank all who have supported him

along the way including his family, best friends, Owen, Bryson, and Kingston, and his girlfriend, Gabby. He would also like to thank YOU for your never ending love for live, local, theatre. He wishes you all a wonderful experience and hopes you enjoy this exhilarating performance!



**CAROLINE PLETCHER** (Lulu Warnicker; Ensemble) is excited to be on stage for another summer show with MTVarts. Caroline has a Bachelor's in math and a Master's in special education. She teaches math at

Fredericktown Middle School as well as coaching track. Some of Caroline's favorite roles include *Gwendolyn Pigeon* in *THE ODD COUPLE*, *Sister Mary Martin-of-Tours* in *SISTER ACT*, and any role where she gets to dance a lot. She wants to thank her family and friends for all their support.



**MARY RUGOLA-DYE** (Ensemble) is a retired music educator and a 3rd term member of the Mount Vernon City School Board. She is the former director of the St. Vincent de Paul Choir. Mary says, "Art is a reflection of life. It is vital

that the arts remain a focus in our communities and in our great public schools. I am honored to be a part of *FOOTLOOSE* and cutting loose with this amazing, talented cast."



**ASHLYNN SCOTT** (Ensemble) is a high school graduate planning on studying engineering at Olivet Nazarene University in the fall. She has been with MTVarts since she was eight years old and has thoroughly enjoyed

every show she has performed with them. Some of her favorite roles include *Elsa* in *FROZEN JR.*, *Pinocchio* in *SHREK JR.*, ensemble in *OLIVER!*, and *Mary Poppins* at *Weathervane Playhouse*. She wants to thank every member of MTVarts that has supported and encouraged her throughout her theater experience.

**MADISON SICHINA** (Ensemble) is 17 years old and is an upcoming senior at Utica High School.

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She is a member of the UHS drama club as well as Tavaci here in Mount Vernon. Some of her favorite shows to be in at UHS and MTVarts have been OLIVER! (Gang of Thieves), SHREK JR. (Tinker Bell), THE LITTLE MERMAID (Ariel), MATILDA JR. (Mrs. Phelps), SEUESSICAL (Gertrude McFuzz), and ASCENSION DAY (Joyce). She would like to thank her friends and family for their endless love and support! Enjoy the show!



**MOLLY SMITH** (Ariel Moore) is a recent graduate of Kenyon College, where she earned her Bachelor's in mathematics and economics while continuing to pursue her love of music. She has been honored to have worked with MTVarts over the past few years, with her favorite roles being Bet in OLIVER! and Faith in ASCENSION DAY. In her free time, Molly can be found running, playing her guitar, and befriending local cats. She would like to thank the whole cast (and especially Kylie, Christopher, Mary, and Mason) for their incredible support and endless silliness.



**ALEX SNODGRASS** (Chuck Cranston; Ensemble) is excited to appear in his second MTVarts production! He previously appeared as the Artful Dodger in OLIVER! with MTVarts in 2022. Recent productions of his include FOOTLOOSE with Olentangy Berlin High School, FOOTLOOSE with Big Walnut High School, and CLUE with Big Walnut High School. Alex plays a variety of instruments and recently arranged pit music for WILLY WONKA JR. For Sunbury Performing Arts! Alex is looking forward to his third production of FOOTLOOSE, and is ready to cut loose!



**ANNA SNODGRASS** (Ensemble) has been doing theater since she was little. She was Ismene in the Newark Black Theater in 2022, and ensemble in shows like THE LITTLE MERMAID, URINETOWN, and LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS. She's a college student at OSU Newark for Early Childhood Education. She loves to write and read in her spare time as well as draw. She's in this show with her Grandfather, Larry Evans, and her younger brother, Alex Snodgrass. She'd like to thank her family for

always supporting her in whatever she's wanted to do and everyone who has come to see the show.



**ABIGAIL TAYSE** (Eleanor Dunbar; Ensemble) is glad to be back for another summer musical. In real life, she is the Archivist at Kenyon and spends her time reading, knitting, baking, and controlling the chaos of her greyhound, Pippin. She received her Bachelor's in Theatre from Ball State University and Master's in Library & Information Sciences from the University of Pittsburgh. Recent roles: Mary Bailey in IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE, Sister Mary Patrick in SISTER ACT, Jane in LIE, CHEAT, & GENUFLECT, Lydia in ALL MY SONS, Cecily Pigeon in THE ODD COUPLE, and Maria in THE SOUND OF MUSIC.



**EVELYN WOODLEE** (Ensemble) has been in musicals throughout high school and is participating in community theater for the second time. She was most recently seen as Annie in her high school production of ANNIE and is excited to see what her senior year has to offer.



**AURALIE YODER** (Ensemble) is a rising freshman at Capital University. Since she fell in love with performing at age eight, Auralie has been in school choirs and numerous school productions including Phyllis in PLAY ON! and Cinderella in CINDERELLA. Auralie has been involved in more than ten MTVarts productions either on stage or as a lighting operator. She also performed in the Mount Vernon Music & Arts Festival in 2022 and 2023. She hopes you enjoy watching the show as much as she's enjoyed being a part of it!

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# Production Team



**SUSAN S.B. BROWN** (Costume Designer) has been designing and building costumes for 60 years. She has been affiliated with MTVarts since 2009 and has designed or worked on eight of their summer musicals as well

as designing or working on six of the Classics Series shows. In real life, she taught at Ashland University for 15 years and lives in Fredericktown where she grows vegetables and keeps bees. Previous shows include THE WIZARD OF OZ (twice), ARSENIC AND OLD LACE, ANNIE, THE MUSIC MAN, THE CRUCIBLE, OLIVER!, OUR TOWN and THE ADDAMS FAMILY.



**JACK DAVIS** (Stage Management Team; MTVarts Intern) recently graduated from East Knox High School and the Knox County Career Center where he studied Digital Media and Software Development. Jack plans to study music education at Mount Vernon Nazarene University this fall. This is Jack's second show with MTVarts. He did lights for FENCES and is excited to be stage managing FOOTLOOSE!



**DIANE DINGLER** (Music Director) has been doing vocal direction with MTVarts since its inception. Having sung in musical theatre as well as opera productions, she now enjoys working with the cast of each show helping them

to prepare for their performances. Diane teaches voice at Kenyon College and in her home studio, where she also teaches piano. She is looking forward to beginning her 52nd year of teaching.



**JENNIFER KEIM** (Wig and Hair Designer) is an experienced stylist with a passion for creating stunning looks for performances. With a keen eye for detail and a creative flair, Jennifer has been entrusted with the responsibility

of managing the wild '80s hair for FOOTLOOSE! When she's not working, she loves spending quality time with her family, cherishing the special moments they create together. Jennifer is excited to bring her expertise and enthusiasm to the stage for FOOTLOOSE!

**ANTHONY INGHAM** (Choreographer) This is Tony's 7th time choreographing in Mount Vernon. He previously choreographed LITTLE SHOP OF



**HORRORS** for the Alcove in 2019, and **THE SOUND OF MUSIC, OLIVER!, MATILDA JR., SISTER ACT** and **HONK JR.** for MTVarts. Tony has been dancing since he was 8 and attended various schools for training from Phil Black's Dance

Studio in NYC to Carnegie Hall. He performed all over the country in the telethon circuit to various commercials and infomercials and was on tour for RENT for 6 months. Born in New York City and raised in New Jersey, Tony has been choreographing for 29 years.



**JAXON REED** (Stage Management Team; MTVarts Intern) is a recent graduate of Mount Vernon High School as well as the Knox County Career Center where he studied Digital Media and

Software Development. This is his 3rd show with MTVarts. He previously ran lights for FENCES & AND A CHILD SHALL LEAD but this is his first show as stage manager. He is thankful for the opportunities he has been given at MTVarts and is honored to be a part of an incredible show.



**DAVID SCHUBACH** (Conductor) After working in Hollywood for twenty years and serving as the two-term vice president of the Musicians Union, composer/playwright/keyboardist David Schubach has returned to

Ohio. Schubach's music has been performed by symphony orchestras, concert bands, jazz bands, and solo artists. Recently the Pomerene Art Center/Coshocton presented a concert of Schubach's original tangos. His drama BACK WORDS has been produced in Hollywood, in Ohio, and on the island of Bermuda. He has been music director/arranger for the premiers of musicals MOON RIVER TONIGHT! – THE ANDY WILLIAMS STORY, and at MTVarts WELCOME HOME, a Vietnam veteran's story. Schubach is excited to be back in Mount Vernon conducting!



**MICHAEL SEARS** (Master Carpenter; Deck Chief) After Mike's daughter Avery was in her first artsIQ production with MTVarts, he began helping behind the scenes. His wife, Christan, became involved as well and is now one of the leaders for artsIQ. Local community theater has turned into something that the Sears family can all enjoy together.



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