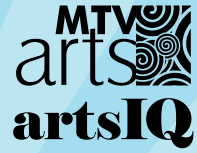




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# Director's Note

**M**y first memory of encountering Dr. Seuss was reading "The Cat in the Hat" to my younger sister when I was just 8 years old. She was 3 and a half, and we only got through the first 4 pages before I called in back-up to help with all the unfamiliar words!

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Thanks to all the families who tirelessly bring their kids to rehearsal night after night, the kids who have been working so very hard, the volunteers that give of their time, and a big THANK YOU to each of you for coming to the show, and for all the support you give to artsIQ. We could not offer the opportunities to young actors that we do without all of you!



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# Musical Numbers

Oh, The Thinks You Can Think!	Company
Horton Hears A Who	Cat, JoJo, Horton, Jungle Citizens, Bird Girls, Mr. Mayor
Biggest Blame Fool	Sour Kangaroo, Young Kangaroo, Horton, Wickersham Brothers, Bird Girls, JoJo, Cat, Gertrude, Mayzie
Biggest Blame Fool/Gertrude McFuzz	Sour Kangaroo, Cat, Mr. Mayor, Wickersham Brothers, Jungle Citizens
Here On Who	Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor, JoJo, Whos, First Who Family, Second Who Family, Third Who Family, Fourth Who Family, Fifth Who Family, Horton, The Grinch
Meet JoJo The Who	Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor
How To Raise A Child	Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor
Oh, The Thinks You Can Think (Reprise)	Cat, JoJo
It's Possible (Part 1)	JoJo, Cat, Fish
It's Possible (Part 2)	JoJo, Cat, Fish
Alone In The Universe	Horton, JoJo
The One Feather Tail Of Miss Gertrude McFuzz/Amazing Mayzie	Gertrude, Mayzie, Bird Girls
Amazing Gertrude (Part 1)	Gertrude, Cat
Amazing Gertrude (Part 2)	Gertrude, Cat, Nurses, Bird Girls
Monkey Around/Chasing The Whos	Wickersham Brothers, Horton, Wickershams, Sour Kangaroo, Bird Girls, Vlad Vladikoff
Notice Me, Horton	Gertrude, Horton
How Lucky You Are	Mayzie, Cat
Mayzie's Exit/Horton Sits On The Egg/Dilemma/Hunters	Bird Girls, Horton, Gertrude
Egg, Nest, And Tree	Sour Kangaroo, Bird Girls, Horton, Wickershams, Hunters
Sold/Mayzie In Palm Beach	Company, Mayzie, Cat
Mayzie At The Circus	Mayzie, Horton
Amazing Horton	Mayzie, Horton
Alone In The Universe (Reprise 1)	Horton
Solla Sollew	Horton, Circus Animals, JoJo, Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor
Gertrude/Espionage (Part 2)	Gertrude
All For You	Gertrude, Horton, Cat, Bird Girls
The Whos Return/The People Versus Horton The Elephant (Part 1)	Company
The People Versus Horton The Elephant (Part 2)	Company
Yopp!	Company
Alone In The Universe (Reprise 2)	Horton, Gertrude, Cat, JoJo
Oh, The Thinks You Can Think! (Finale)	Company
Green Eggs And Ham (Finale Bows)	Company
Exit Music	Company



# Cast of Characters

JOJO Jenna Jurkowitz  
THE CAT IN THE HAT Kate Marhefka  
HORTON THE ELEPHANT Kale Oswalt  
MR. MAYOR Will Pletcher  
MRS. MAYOR Dori McCoy  
GERTRUDE MCFUZZ Isabella Oster  
MAYZIE LA BIRD Evelynn Brandenburg  
WICKERSHAM BROTHERS Zach Cramer

## BIRD GIRLS

Charlee Foley  
Briggs Swallow  
Amelia Wells  
Kiersten Clinedinst  
Izzy Cook  
Ady DeCosky  
Reese Ferenbaugh  
Nora Gotschall

## SOUR KANGAROO

## YOUNG KANGAROO

## YERTLE THE TURTLE

## VLAD VLADIKOFF

## THE GRINCH

## MAX

## THING 1

## THING 2

Kailee Foreman  
Charlee Clinedinst  
Devyn Hall  
Will Pletcher  
Devyn Hall  
Charli Barrett  
Ainsley Sweeney  
Lanah Andrews

## ENSEMBLE

## (JUNGLE ANIMALS,

## WHOS, CIRCUS ANIMALS,

## COURTROOM

## ATTENDANTS)

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**LANAH ANDREWS** (Thing 2) is a 7th grader at GOAL Digital Academy. She has previously been in MTVarts' productions of *Shrek JR* (Puss in Boots) and *Frozen Kids*

(Ensemble). Lanah enjoys drawing and playing with her cat, Mickey.



**CHARLES ARRIGO** (Ensemble): This is Charles' second production with MTVarts! He most recently was Little Ogre and Ensemble in *Shrek JR*. Charles is a 3rd grader at

St. Vincent de Paul School. When he isn't at school, you can find him playing the piano, riding his scooter, or playing his Oculus. He is extremely excited for all of you to see how hard the cast and crew have been working on *Seussical JR*.



**CHARLOTTE "CHARLI" BARRETT** (Max) is elated to make her stage debut as Max the Reindeer Dog. She has helped her mom (Serra Barrett) backstage on several artsIQ shows

including *Wonka JR*, *Frozen JR*, and most recently *Shrek JR*. Charli is 6 years old and having a great Kindergarten year at Stingle Elementary. When she isn't helping at the MTVarts Warehouse, she can be found taking dance lessons, drawing in her sketchbooks, or painting with watercolors. Charli would like to thank her mom, dad, and two big brothers for all the love and support.



**EVELYNN BRANDENBURG** (Mayzie La Bird): Before this Evelynn had been in *Shrek JR* with MTVarts, and *A Christmas Carol* with Community Family Players.

This is Evelynn's first speaking role and she

is so excited to perform! Evelynn is a 7th grader at Mount Vernon Middle School. She is very thankful to all of MTVarts for all they have done. Evelynn loves this show, and hopes you will too!



**KIERSTEN CLINEDINST** (Bird Girl) is 12 years old, and a 6th grader at Saint Vincent de Paul school.

This is her sixth show with MTVarts. Her favorite past role is the Ugly Duckling in *Shrek Jr*. While not acting, she is either journaling, writing a story, reading, playing with her sisters, doing flips, or posting videos on her YouTube channel. She is also a Level Four gymnast who just landed her front tuck! She would like to thank her parents and her best friend Kate for making this journey so joyful.



**CHARLEE CLINEDINST** (Young Kangaroo) is 9 years old, and a third grader at Saint Vincent de Paul School. This is her third show with MTVarts.

Past roles include Young Elsa in *Frozen Kids* and a Duloc in *Shrek the Musical*. In her spare time she enjoys playing soccer, doing crafts, and playing with friends. She would like to thank her parents, Mary the costume designer, Serra the director, and Janis... the keeper of all the things.



**IZZY COOK** (Bird Girl) is so excited to be part of the *Seussical JR*. cast. This is her fourth experience performing with MTVarts. She has also performed in *Frozen KIDS*, *Oliver!*, and

*Shrek JR*. As always, she is grateful for the direction and guidance of all the MTVarts leaders and volunteers. She cherishes the time spent and memories made with her fellow cast members at her home away from home.



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**ZACH CRAMER**  
(Wickersham Brother) is a 6th grader at Mount Vernon Middle School. Outside of school, Zach likes to play sports and listen to music. This is Zach's sixth show with MTVarts. He most recently appeared in *A Christmas Story* as Flick. Zach hopes you have a great day, and enjoy the show.



**ADY DECOSKY** (Bird Girl) is thrilled to be performing in this production of *Seussical JR.* She has previously performed in *Willy Wonka KIDS*, *Frozen KIDS*, and *Shrek JR.* Ady

is from Howard, Ohio, and is an active 6th grader at East Knox Elementary. She enjoys art, reading, movies, nature, and spending

time with her family. She would like to thank all of the amazing people responsible for making her role as a Bird Girl possible.



**REESE FERENBAUGH**  
(Bird Girl) is an 8th grader at East Knox High School. This is her fifth production with MTVarts with her previous productions including *The Wizard of*

*Oz*, *Willy Wonka KIDS*, *Frozen KIDS* where she played the role of Elsa, and *Shrek JR.* When she isn't on stage, you can always find her with friends and family, cheerleading alongside her team, or on the lake. Reese hopes that you enjoy the show just as much as she does. It will definitely keep you awake!

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## **CHARLEE FOLEY**

(Wickersham Brother) is a 7th grader in Mount Vernon Middle School. He likes band and choir. Charlee also really loves musicals and was very excited to do

one of his many favorite musicals. Charlee has been in a few other plays including *Willy Wonka KIDS*, *Frozen KIDS*, and *Shrek JR*. He hopes you enjoy the show!



**KAILEE FOREMAN** (Sour Kangaroo), an 8th grade student at Centerburg, has always enjoyed theater and discovered at a young age that she also enjoyed acting. She couldn't wait

until she met the age requirements to be a part of MTVarts. *Seussical JR.* is her sixth experience with MTVarts and she is excited to play the role of the Sour Kangaroo. She always looks forward to being with her theater family. Kailee is thankful for her role models that inspired her to be a part of theater and for the sponsors and volunteers that make theater possible in our community. She hopes you enjoy the show!



## **NORA GOTSCHALL**

(Bird Girl) is a 7th grader at Mount Vernon Middle School. She loves reading, writing, making cards, singing, dancing, spending time with family and

friends, and acting. She plays the violin and takes ballet and pointe at The Spotlight. Nora has been in various productions with MTVarts. Some of her most recent roles have been in *Oliver!*, Queen Iduna in *Frozen KIDS*, Flora in *Shrek JR.*, and Ghost of Christmas Past with Community Family Players' production of *A Christmas Carol*. Thank you for coming!

**KATE GOTTKE** (Ensemble) is excited to be part of her third show with MTVarts.



She previously was in *A Christmas Story*, and "Little Fiona" in *Shrek JR*. She is a 3rd grader at East Elementary. She also enjoys gymnastics, crafts, reading, and being in 4-H.

She fell in love with theater at a young age and hopes someone out there watching catches the bug too. Enjoy the show!



## **MADDIE GRAHAM**

(Ensemble) is in 3rd grade at Twin Oak Elementary. She is excited to be a part of her second production with MTVarts. She was most recently a Woodland

Creature in *Shrek JR*. She enjoys singing, playing piano, animals, and spending time with her friends and family. Enjoy the show!



## **DEVYN HALL** (Judge Yertle

and Grinch): This is Devyn's fifth show with MTVarts! He has been in other shows such as *Annie JR.*, *Willy Wonka KIDS* as Mr. Salt, *Frozen KIDS* as Weselton,

and *Shrek JR.* as Guard and Puppeteer. He is a 7th grade homeschool student that likes Pokemon, baseball, and Minecraft. He would like to thank his family and friends for their love and support. Enjoy the show!



## **JENNA JURKOWITZ**

(JoJo) is a 7th grader at Mount Vernon Middle School and is thrilled to be part of this production! She is involved in both school and club volleyball

and also plays the piano and violin. This is her fifth MTVarts appearance (Ensemble, *Annie JR.*; Oompa Loopma, *Willy Wonka KIDS*; Olaf, *Frozen KIDS*; Ensemble, *Oliver!*). Jenna is thankful to live in a community that supports the arts and wishes to thank all the volunteers who have made this

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show come to life! She cherishes all the fun memories with her theater friends!



**KATE MARHEFKA** (Cat in the Hat) is a 6th grader at Saint Vincent de Paul and this is her fourth show with MTVarts. Her past roles were Candy Kid in *Willy Wonka KIDS*, Bulda in

*Frozen KIDS*, and Teen Fiona in *Shrek JR.* In her free time, she loves to play basketball, volleyball, and hang out with her friends. She is so excited to be back on stage for another production. She wants to thank all the cast and crew who have put so much work into the show. She hopes you enjoy the show!



**DORI MCCOY** (Mrs. Mayor) is very happy to be with the *Seussical JR.* cast. This is her second time performing with MTVarts. She has also performed in *Shrek JR.* She is very thankful to have the

opportunity to return to MTVarts and work with the amazing people behind this show, and knows that the memories she makes here will last a lifetime.



**ISABELLA OSTER** (Gertrude McFuzz) is jubilated to be elevated in this acoustical performance of *Seussical JR.* She's played many roles, some were nice,

some were trolls. In *Shrek*, she pretended, in *Frozen* she was splendid. She traveled to Oz, in *Lion King* she bared her paws. In *Willy Wonka*, she chewed and chewed, so rude, and in *Annie* she was an orphan so shrewd. Through it all she is grateful, she's collected a crate full of memories and friends that have no end.

**KALE OSWALT** (Horton): This is Kale's second show with artsIQ. He is excited to participate in *Seussical JR.* as Horton. He was



previously in *Shrek JR.* as Papa Ogre and a guard. He is an 8th grader at MVMS. Kale loves singing and has an old soul when it comes to music. He enjoys bowling, theatre, volleyball, gardening, hiking/camping, and spending time with his friends and family. He would like to thank everyone that makes this show possible and hopes you enjoy it!



**MICHELLE PACKARD** (Ensemble) is excited to perform in her first MTVarts production. She is a 4th grader at Twin Oak Elementary. She loves to sing, dance, and write stories. She is looking forward to future opportunities performing with MTVarts.



**WILL PLETCHER** (Mr. Mayor/Vlad Vladikoff) is excited to be in his third show with artsIQ and his eighth show overall. He was previously seen as the Pied Piper in *Shrek JR.*

and Kristoff in *Frozen KIDS*. Will runs cross country and track for Fredericktown Middle School. He enjoys playing video games with friends. Being Mr. Mayor is Will's first step towards world domination.



**JOSIE SNYDER** (Ensemble) is a 10-year-old 4th grader at Columbia Elementary. She resides in Mount Vernon with her cat, Cupcake, and her parents Frankie and Melissa Snyder.

She is thrilled to be starting her third year with MTVarts. She has been a cast member in *Frozen KIDS* and *Shrek JR.*, and looks forward to many more performances! Josie would like to thank all the producers and volunteers who dedicate their time and talents to her success. She would like to also thank you for coming!

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**BRIGGS SWALLOW** (Wickersham Brother) is a 6th grader at Mount Vernon Middle School. This is his seventh production with MTVarts, having previously been in the casts of *Willy Wonka KIDS* (Chorus), *The Sound of Music* (Kurt VonTrapp), *All My Sons* (Burt), *Oliver!* (Gang of Thieves), *Shrek JR.* (Pig 2), and *A Christmas Story* (Ralphie). In his current role as a Wickersham Brother, Briggs is enjoying playing a villain for the first time. Briggs enjoys reading, drawing, designing models for his 3D printer, and playing with his dog, Shadow. He would like to thank Mr. Bruce, Janis, and Serra for providing the opportunity to do theater in the Mount Vernon community.



**AINSLEY SWEENEY** (Thing 1) is a 7th grade student at Mount Vernon Middle School. She is super excited to be part of MTVarts and *Seussical JR.* this year. Ainsley has performed in MTVarts' *Annie KIDS*, *Willy Wonka KIDS*, and *Frozen KIDS* as well as *The Hobbit* with the

Mount Vernon Players. Ainsley loves working with make-up, wigs, and costumes.



**AMELIA WELLS** (Wickersham Brother) is super excited for you to see *Seussical JR.*! Amelia loves theater and her appreciation for the arts grew even more when she was a part of the ensemble for *Shrek JR.* and saw all the work and coordination that goes into a large theater production. Amelia is a 2nd grader at Twin Oak Elementary with her favorite subject being science. She also enjoys soccer, basketball, and hanging out with family. She hopes your experience watching *Seussical JR.* is as fun as it was for her to be involved in!



**LARK WRIGHT** (Ensemble) is nine years old. *Seussical JR.* is her first theatre performance and she loved every moment of the experience. She especially enjoyed practicing the choreography. She hopes to be involved in future MTVarts productions.



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Music Director.....	Laura Ackert		Tish Roginski
Choreographer.....	Megan Bell		Joanne Snow
Light Design.....	Kurt Mueller	Props.....	Jason Frazer
Spotlight Operators.....	Joslin Frazer		Taffy Frazer
	Charlotte Smith		Bruce Jacklin
Sound.....	Alex Thompson		Allison Smith
Production Manager.....	Mary Harris	Wigs/Hair Design.....	Ruth Frady
Production Assistant.....	Christopher Hartman	Wigs/Hair Assistants.....	Bella Doyle, Erin Gottke,
Stage Manager.....	Christina Cook		Jenna Jurkowitz, Serena McCoy, Lizzy Stull,
Choreography Assistant.....	Caroline Pletcher		Nikki Stull, Ainsley Sweeney
Rehearsal Assistants.....	Kate Ernsberger	Makeup.....	Kerri Mahan
	Laurel Foreman	Carpenters.....	Michael Sears
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**LAURA ACKERT** (Music Director) is a music educator with 25 years of experience. She currently teaches Kindergarten through 5th grade in the Mount Vernon City School District.

She formerly served as co-director of Knox Youth Choirs and Director of Music at First Congregational United Church of Christ. In addition to directing music for MTVarts IQ, she is an adjunct professor of music education at Mount Vernon Nazarene University. She lives in Mount Vernon with her husband Brian and her child who is currently a student at Oberlin College and Conservatory. Laura is a member of the Organization of American Kodaly Educators and the American Orff-Schulwerk Association.



**SERRA BARRETT** (Director) has been performing and creating stories since she was old enough to walk and talk. As a young child, she began singing in front of an audience wherever she was

able. She landed her first leading role in the 7th grade musical, *Prevention is the Best Cure*. Since then, Serra has gone on to perform in many shows including Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn in *The Music Man*, and Nanny/Nurse Maide in *Antigone*. After earning her MA in Theater, Serra has focused more on arts education and the next generation of young artists. She believes deeply in the power of live theatre, and the vital life experience it brings to cast, crew, and audience alike. Her directorial portfolio includes *The Lion*, *The Witch*, and *The Wardrobe*, *Freaky Friday*, and *Little Women*. She has also stage managed several shows for MTVarts including most recently *Oliver!* She is thrilled to be partnering with them once again, directing her first show for the company. Serra would like to thank her loving, devoted husband for giving wings to her dreams, and never failing to believe in her. His support through the years has been a pillar in her life and success. She also thanks her 3 beautiful children for joining her on this journey and always making her proud.



**MEGAN BELL** (Choreographer) is currently attending Lesley University as a candidate for her M.A. in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Expressive Arts

Therapy. She has always been involved in the arts in her local and university communities and is excited to be pursuing a degree that recognizes and celebrates the healing nature that the arts provide. Megan hopes to continue to bring awareness of the expressive arts to local communities and engaging with youth through art, music, dance, drama, and poetry. She has been active in MTVarts productions with her family for years, performing in and choreographing for many shows.



**CHRIS COOK** (Stage manager) is beyond grateful for the amazing opportunities provided to youth in Knox County by MTVarts and the artsIQ program. This is her first

experience in this role. She loves witnessing the growth and camaraderie of the young cast. Kudos to the cast and their families. These are great kids!



**KATE ERNSBERGER** (Assistant Stage Manager) is excited to be working with the kids in *Seussical JR*. She loves to be any part of the production/stage process. Kate's favorite acting roles

include Alice in *The Addams Family*, Janet in *Wally's Cafe*, and Frenchy in *Grease*. Kate is thankful for her friends and family for their support as well as Ian and Anastasia for always believing in her.



**RUTH FRADY** (Wigs/Hair) is proud to be the wig and hair advisor for the talented cast of *Seussical Jr*. She is the wig mistress for MTVarts, managing an inventory of over 500

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wigs and hairpieces. Ruth has worked as a wig and hair designer, make-up artist, costume dresser, and actor for numerous local productions. She and her husband Jim Frady reside in Mt. Vernon, have raised three talented children and have a Frady cat named Clara.

**JASON & TAFFY FRAZER** (Props): This is Jason and Taffy's first official role on a stage crew, although they have been supportive in the background of their children in theater for a number of years. They are thankful for the opportunity to help and hope you thoroughly enjoy the show!



**JOSLIN FRAZER** (Spotlight Operator) is an 8th grader at Mount Vernon Middle School. She enjoys cooking, running, solving puzzles, and animals. This is her second show with MTVarts

but her third show overall. She helped out with tech for *Shrek Jr.* and *A Christmas Carol* and acted in *Frozen KIDS*. She hopes you enjoy the performance.



**MARY HARRIS** (Costumer) graduated from The Ohio State University where she earned a B.A. in Arts Management. Mary began her journey in theatre with MTVarts when she was cast

in the 2008 summer musical. She eventually discovered a love for not only being on stage, but working behind the scenes as a stage manager, production manager, costumer, or educator. Most recently, she stage managed a production of *The Graveyard Shift* with MadLab in Columbus, helped with sewing costumes for *Oliver!*, as well as production managing and co-costuming *Shrek JR.* with MTVarts, and costuming *A Christmas Carol* for Community Family Players.

**BRUCE JACKLIN** (Artistic Director) has directed and acted in more than 150 productions over the last 35 years. This includes professional, summer stock, collegian and community theater productions. He has



received awards in acting and directing at both regional and state festivals. Bruce has appeared in national and local television films and commercials. He won Best Supporting Actor

at the San Francisco Actor's Film Festival for the film *'Nietzsche' Ate Here*. He is the recipient of the 2014 Red Cross Education Hero Award. PCG Talent and Docherty Casting Agency represent Bruce. He holds a bachelor's and a master's degree in art education and curriculum instruction. Bruce is the artistic director for MTVarts and the Alcove Dinner Theater.



**KERRI MAHAN** (Makeup) is delighted to one again be doing makeup for an MTVart show. She also performs with MTVarts, her recieving shows including *The Addams Family*, *Bye Bye*

*Birdie*, *How I Became a Pirate*, *Rooted: Stories of Knox County*, and her dinner theater debut as the mischievous Sister Robert Anne in *Nonsense*. When not on stage, Kerri enjoys teaching math to 5th graders at Pleasant Street Elementary School. She is grateful to her family for their love and support.



**KURT MUELLER** (Light Design) has been a lighting and sound designer in Columbus for several years and has worked with many companies in the area. He received his

bachelor's degree in Theatre from The Ohio State University in 2018. Some of his most notable shows include *Secret Garden* (Gallery Players,) *Silent Sky* (Red Herring Theater Co,) *Into the Woods* (Imagine Productions,) *Sheridan* (MadLab,) *The Legend of Georgia McBride* (Red Herring Theater Co,) and *A Raisin in the Sun* (MTVarts). Kurt won Theatre Roundtable awards for light design in 2016 (*The Diviners*, Theater Columbus State) and 2020 (*Newsies*, Gallery Players), Kurt also DJs with his company D and M DJ Entertainment.

# About the Production Crew



**CAROLINE PLETCHER** (Choreography Assistant) graduated from Capital University with a BA in Mathematics in 2004. Since then, she has been teaching and is currently

at Fredericktown teaching middle school math. In 2012, she earned her MA in Special Education from MVNU. Caroline also earned her Gifted Licensure from the University of Cincinnati in 2018. While in college, she ran track and now shares her love of the sport by coaching. Caroline has been acting with MTVarts since 2016 and helping out with artsIQ since her son decided to give *Frozen KIDS* a try.

**TISH ROGINSKI** (Costumer) is proud to be working with MTVarts once again. She learned to sew from her mother and has been sewing her whole life. Tish has been married to her husband Jim since 1980 and they have one son who lives in Columbus. She is retired from office work and moved here 4.5 years ago to live in Apple Valley. They love to travel. Tish likes to read and do crafts.



**MIKE SEARS** (Master Carpenter): After his daughter Avery was in her first artsIQ production with MTVarts, Mike began helping behind the scenes with the stage crew, building set pieces,

and creating props for the productions of *Willy Wonka Kids/JR*, *Frozen Kids/JR*, *Oliver!*, *Shrek JR*, and *Misery*. His wife Christian be-

came involved as well and is now one of the leaders for artsIQ. Local community theater has turned into a family affair that they all enjoy together.



**ALLISON SMITH** (Scenic Painter) is an avid supporter of the arts. In the past few years, she has been able to assist with numerous productions. She is grateful to have the opportunity to help behind the scenes.



**CHARLOTTE SMITH** (Scenic Painter/Stage Crew) is an aspiring artist and has been involved in numerous productions. She has not only done set design, painting, and makeup, but

also backstage crew and spotlight. MTVarts and Bruce Jacklin & Co. have been amazing platforms for her to explore the arts amongst such talent and resources.



**BILL SZUCS** (Master Carpenter) has been helping build theater sets for about two and a half years now. He enjoys the experience of working behind the scenes with such a talented group

of people to help bring shows to life. Along with carpentry, Bill enjoys fishing and spending time with his loving wife and daughter.

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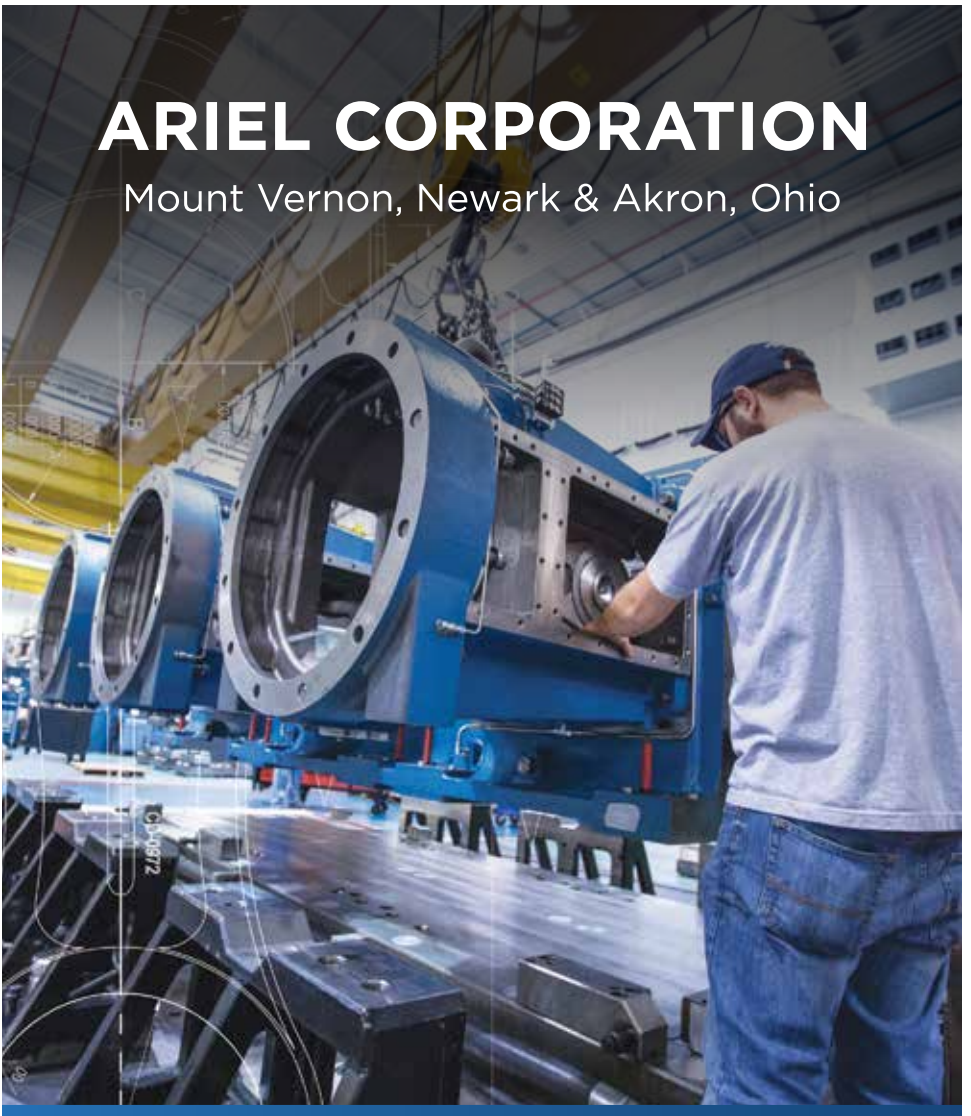
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