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Music by **RICHARD RODGERS**
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PRODUCER: Janis Stone
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Diane Dingler
CONDUCTOR: Dr. Dane Heuchemer
COSTUME DESIGN: Susan S.B. Brown
CHOREOGRAPHY: Anthony Ingham
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Director's Note



THE SOUND OF MUSIC has something to teach all of us about optimism. In the world today optimism is in short supply. After working with these amazing actors, designers, technicians, House managers, marketing and sales staff for the last few months, I have realized where an endless supply of optimism lies-in the theater. Just like with the Von Trapps, these several months have helped us see the place for optimism in every corner of our lives. I hope that from this show you can take a bit of the amazing

energy and optimism innate from this production as we deliver our message of hope through the timeless story of THE SOUND OF MUSIC.

The production is full of life lessons that are never too early or too late to learn. THE SOUND OF MUSIC reminds us that with high-spirited hope, heartfelt compassion and unwavering determination, life's mountains can always be climbed.

Thank you all for being here and enjoy the show!

- Bruce Jacklin, Director

BRUCE JACKLIN has directed and acted in more than 150 productions in the last 30 years. This includes professional, summer stock, collegian and community theater productions. Bruce began his acting career while stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. It was during his enlistment in the U.S. Army that he first stepped on stage, and it was along side film legend Dana Andrews. Bruce is a certified adjudicator for the Ohio Community Theater Association and American Association of Community Theater. He has received awards in acting and directing at both regional and state festivals from OCTA, AACTfest, Columbus Theater Roundtable and OTA festivals for productions including OF MICE AND MEN, THE TRIP TO BOUNTIFUL, WALLY'S CAFÉ, HIDDEN IN THIS PICTURE, DONKEY BASEBALL, 'NIETZSCHE' ATE HERE, THE BAD SEED, DEATH OF A SALESMAN, and others. Bruce is a member of AFTRA/SAG (American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, Screen Actors Guild) and has appeared in numerous national and local television films and commercials. Bruce was also in the film treatment of Roy Berkowitz' 'NIETZSCHE' ATE HERE. The film premiered in Columbus, Ohio and in Washington, D.C. The film was featured in the 2013 Montreal International Film Festival. He won Best Supporting Actor at the San Francisco Actor's Film Festival and in 2014 he received the Red Cross Education Hero Award. PCG Talent in Columbus, Ohio and Docherty in Pittsburgh, Penn represent him. Bruce is the artistic director for both MTVarts and The Alcove Theater productions.



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CAPT. GEORG VON TRAPP	Steve Herbst	LÄNDLER DANCERS	Lindsay Andrews, Jayson Herbst, Luke Herbst, Cailyn Kennedy, Mason Mickle, Caroline Pletcher, Aidan Scott, Molly Smith, Will Stemen, Kris Wilson
MOTHER ABBESS	Rebecca Keck	FESTIVAL WINNERS	Rodney Cheek, Emilee Fletcher, Ashlynn Scott, Megan Snow
LIESL	Mackenzie Leland	PARTY GUESTS	Kami Owen, Stephanie Scott, Sarah Shaw, Trey Swallow
FRIEDRICH	Eli Wilson		
LOUISA	Cora McFadden		
BRIGITTA	Ellie Salvucci		
KURT	Briggs Swallow		
MARTA	Jillian Snow		
GRETI	Gwen Brady		
MAX DETWEILER	Thor Collard		
ELSA SCHRÄDER	Megan Evans		
ROLF GRUBER	Logan Montgomery		
SISTER BERTHE	Luane Campbell		
SISTER SOPHIA	Michelle Stoneburner		
SISTER MARGARETTA	Kate Ernsberger		
FRANZ	Jared Pierce		
FRAU SCHMIDT	Susan Moreland		
HERR ZELLER	Jeffrey Scott		
URSULA	Luna Moreland		
ADM. VON SCHREIBER	Trey Swallow		
BARON ELBERFELD	David Walsh		
ABBAY SOLOIST	Sarah Shaw		
NEW POSTULANT	Maddie Donabauer		
BISHOP	David Walsh		

Orchestra

Conductor – Dr. Dane Heuchemer

Violins.....	Meg Litteral, Jill Hawkins, and Ann Laudeman	Piano.....	Christa Brady
Viola.....	David Hoyt	Trumpets.....	Carol McCutcheon and Ethan Buehrer
Cello.....	Glenn Sigler	Horns.....	Arlene Grant and Tom Yoda
Flutes.....	Kathryn Suggs and Kelly Garlinger	Trombones.....	Bob Pelfrey and Bonnie Warren
Oboe.....	Becky Sigler	Bass.....	Jim Frady
Clarinets.....	Gary McCutcheon and Bob Milnikel	Guitar.....	Andrew Clarkson
Bassoon.....	Glenn Sigler	Drums.....	Piersen Schuiling



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Musical Numbers

ACT ONE

“Preludium”.....	Mother Abbess with Nuns
“The Sound of Music”.....	Maria
“Maria”.....	Sisters Berthe, Sophia, Margaretta, and Mother Abbess
“My Favorite Things”.....	Maria and Mother Abbess
“I Have Confidence”*.....	Maria
“Do-Re-Mi”.....	Maria and the children
“Sixteen Going on Seventeen”.....	Rolf and Liesl
“The Lonely Goatherd”.....	Maria and the children
Reprise: “The Lonely Goatherd”.....	Gretl
“How Can Love Survive”.....	Max and Elsa
Reprise: “The Sound of Music”.....	Maria, the Captain and the children
Ländler.....	Orchestra
“So Long, Farewell”.....	The children
“Morning Hymn”.....	Nuns
“Climb Ev’ry Mountain”.....	Mother Abbess

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ACT TWO

Reprise: “My Favorite Things”.....	Maria and the children
“No Way to Stop It”.....	Elsa, Max and the Captain
“Something Good”*.....	Maria and the Captain
“Gaudeamus Domino”.....	Nuns
Reprise: “Maria”.....	Nuns
“Confitemini Domino”.....	Nuns
Reprise: “Sixteen Going on Seventeen”.....	Maria and Liesl
Reprise: “Do-Re-Mi”.....	Maria, the Captain, and the children
“Edelweiss”.....	The Captain
Reprise: “So Long, Farewell”.....	Maria, the Captain, and the children
“Finale Ultimo” (Reprise of “Climb Every Mountain”).....	Nuns

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 Music Director.....Diane Dinger
 Conductor.....Dr. Dane Heuchemer
 Producer.....Janis Stone
 Production Manager.....Leah Miller
 Isabel McDonald

Technical Director.....Ian Fraser Ernsberger
 Stage Manager.....Mason Mickley
 Assistant Stage Manager.....Chloe Skillman
 Choreographers:

“Do-Re-Mi”
 “Sixteen Going on Seventeen”
 “The Lonely Goatherd”
 “Waltz”
 “Ländler”.....Anthony Ingham

“Maria”
 “My Favorite Things”.....Megan Bell
 Leslie Bell

Set Designer/Scenic Artist.....Bruce Jacklin
 Set Construction.....Joseph Bell
 Set Painters.....Bruce Jacklin, Esme
 McDonald, Mason Mickley
 Nova Snoke, David Walsh, Lily
 Carnes, Sarah Hammond

Props Mistress.....Sarah Hammond

Costume Designer.....Susan S.B. Brown
 Costume Assistant.....Jessica Smarrella
 Costume Intern.....Tessa Corrigan
 Seamstresses.....Chris Goeppinger,
 Janet Stutzman, Luna Moreland
 Quick Change Crew.....Jessica Smarrella, Tessa
 Corrigan, Janet Stutzman

Wigs and Hair Design.....Ruth Frady
 Wigs and Hair Crew.....Emily Hammond,
 Norita Hissong, Isabel McDonald, Luna Moreland,
 Caroline Pletcher, Ashlynn Scott, Sarah Shaw

Makeup.....Kerri Mahan

Light Designer.....Matt Hazard
 Light Board Operator.....Isabel McDonald
 Spotlight Operators.....Esme McDonald,
 Karly Jacklin, Lilly Pollack

Sound Engineering.....Alex Thompson
 Sound Design.....Ian Fraser Ernsberger

Slide Montage.....John Wareham

Fly Crew.....Steve Jefferson, Matt Snow,
 Dan Bockover, John Nixon

Set Crew.....Jayson Herbst, Luke Herbst,
 David McDonald, Logan Montgomery, Jared
 Pierce, Aidan Scott, Jeffrey Scott, Trey Swallow

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LINDSAY ANDREWS (Nun Chorus; Ländler Dancer) At 15, Lindsay played Louisa in THE SOUND OF MUSIC. Revisiting the show is a joy. Since then she has been in THE CRUCIBLE, SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS, THE WIZARD OF OZ, THE EFFECT OF GAMMA RAYS ON MAN IN THE MOON MARIGOLDS, and ARSENIC AND OLD LACE. Singing for church and with her husband (and six kids) helped her prepare for the Nun's Choir. Getting back into live theatre is a gift. Enjoy!



GWEN BRADY (Gretl Von Trapp) This is Gwen's second show with MTVarts and third time on stage. Previous stage credits include the littlest munchkin in THE WIZARD OF OZ and Tiny Tim

in A CHRISTMAS CAROL. She will be a second grader at East Elementary School and lives in Mount Vernon with her three siblings, mom, and dad! She really hopes you like the show!



LUANE CAMPBELL (Sister Berthe) After COVID hit in March 2020, Luane decided to retire from teaching music for the Mt. Gilead Schools where she taught for 37 years, and has

since taken on a new career as an activity director for Morrow Manor in Chesterville. Luane enjoys participating in all types of performance groups, including the Knox County Community Flute Choir and The Coshocton Community Choir, as well as playing flute and piccolo for several different theater pit groups. Previous roles with MTVarts include ensemble in ANNIE and Mrs. Paroo in THE MUSIC MAN. Other productions Luane has performed in are STEEL MAGNOLIAS as Ouiser Boudreaux and NUNSENSE as Sister Robert Anne for Morrow Little Theater. Luane is so excited to be performing again! THE SOUND OF MUSIC holds fond memories and is one of her favorites. It was the first musical she saw as a young child at Vets Memorial.



RODNEY CHEEK (Ensemble) Rodney has been seen on stage as the Guard in WIZARD OF OZ, Maude in BYE, BYE, BIRDIE, Juror #9 in TWELVE ANGRY MEN, & Maurice (Belle's father)

in BEAUTY AND THE BEAST. He has also had roles in PATSY CLINE, LIZZIE BORDEN, and SWEENEY TODD. Rodney has worked tech crews

for many productions and events and currently serves as Promotions Director for MTVarts and Bruce Jacklin Productions. He currently serves on the board for the Mount Vernon Music & Arts Festival and has organized and traveled for 18 years in southern gospel quartets. Rodney is also the stadium announcer for Mount Vernon High School football and girls basketball games.



THOR COLLARD (Max Detweiler)

is so happy to be back on stage and there is no place he would rather be on stage than with MTVarts! This is Thor's 5th show with MTVarts, having previously played Cogsworth in BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, The Lion in THE WIZARD OF OZ, and also joined in the classic series as The Guy Who Stole Bread in THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK and as Juror #11 in TWELVE ANGRY MEN. In the past several years, Thor has enjoyed being in quite a few shows around Central Ohio, a few of his other favorites include Teyve in FIDDLER ON THE ROOF, Thenardier in LES MISERABLES, Benjamin Franklin in 1776, and Fagin in OLIVER! Thor sends all his love and thanks to his amazing wife Annie for her love and incredible support over the years.



MADDIE DONABAUER (Nun

Chorus) is a 10th grader at Centerburg High School. She loves music. Currently, Maddie is in the Columbus Children's Choir for a 5th season, and is active with the high school marching band. She has participated in MTVarts and Orange Barrel productions. Maddie is very excited to play a nun in her all-time favorite musical!



KATE ERNSBERGER (Sister Margaretta) is thrilled to be returning to the Stage after over a year as a part of one of her favorite shows! She can be found both backstage and

onstage. Some of her favorite roles include Sister Mary Amnesia in NUNSENSE, Beggar Woman in SWEENEY TODD, Frenchy in GREASE, Janet in WALLY'S CAFE, and Meg in LEADING LADIES. She also recently stepped into the best role of all- Motherhood! Many thanks to her friends and family for their support, and to Ian, for believing in her! Enjoy the show!

MEGAN EVANS (Elsa Schröder) has appeared in over 50 productions in the Central Ohio area,

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most recently as The Wicked Witch in THE WIZARD OF OZ with MTVarts. Favorite roles include THE MIRACLE WORKER (Annie Sullivan), BEAUTY AND THE BEAST (Mrs. Potts), A FEW GOOD MEN, (Jo Ann Galloway), PROOF (Catherine), INVENTING VAN GOGH (Hallie/Marguerite), and THE MARVELOUS WONDERETTES (Cindy Lou). Megan is also a stage manager, prop designer, and costume designer, and works as the Facility Rental Manager for the Mount Vernon Arts Consortium. Much love and thanks to Andrew, who is always there for her, and many cuddles to her four fur babies, Libbi, Layla, Lucy, and Bluey.



is Carla Swallow's mother and Briggs Swallow's grandmother - three generations in the same play! Karen grew up in a musical family, her mother was a music and piano teacher. Music has always been a big part of her family's lives, and they have always enjoyed singing together. She is excited to be a part of this beautiful production.



EMILY HAMMOND (Nun Chorus) is a sophomore at MVHS. She is a member of the marching band, where she plays the flute. She has previously performed as Mrs. Gloop in WILLY WONKA JR. and a Narrator in A CHRISTMAS CAROL. Emily is thrilled to be back with MTVarts and hopes you enjoy the show!



EMILEE FLETCHER (Nun Chorus) appeared previously in MTVarts' THE WIZARD OF OZ production and Centerburg High School's THE MUSIC MAN production. She is so excited to participate in THE SOUND OF MUSIC and hopes everyone enjoys!

KAREN FULLERTON (Nun Chorus) retired nurse, teacher and pastor, moved from Idaho to Mount Vernon to be near family last November. She



VIVIAN JOYCE HAWK (Nun Chorus) is a Sophomore in Graphic Design at Kent State University. Her involvement in THE SOUND OF MUSIC will be her 11th theater production. Her favorite roles include Dorothy in THE WIZARD OF OZ, Danielle in BRING IT ON! THE MUSICAL, and Chiffon in LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS with the

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JAYSON HERBST (Ländler Dancer; Ensemble) will be a senior at Fredericktown High School. He participates in cross country, track and select choir. Additionally, he has participated in 13 shows with the FHS Drama Club, Licking County Players and Weathervane Playhouse. His favorite roles were Uncle Fester in *THE ADDAMS FAMILY* and Lyle in *THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES*.



LUKE HERBST (Ländler Dancer; Ensemble) is a junior at Fredericktown where he participates in football, wrestling, choir, and drama club. His favorite role was Jethro in *THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES*. He has also acted with Licking County Players and Weathervane Playhouse. He would like to thank MTVarts for the opportunity and his family for always supporting him

STEVE HERBST (Captain Georg von Trapp)



has performed in numerous MTVarts productions over the past 9 years. He has also performed with Licking Co Players and Weathervane (both in Newark). Some favorite shows

he has been in are *JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR*, *CABARET*, *ASSASSINS*, *BREAKING LEGS*, and *SPAMALOT*. Although he has had the pleasure of playing some pretty delightful and challenging characters over the years, nothing is more rewarding and enjoyable than sharing the stage with so many amazing and talented actors while bringing to life a story that is entertaining and loved by so many such as *THE SOUND OF MUSIC*. This show is made even more special for him because his two youngest sons are members of the cast. Steve would like to thank the entire MTVarts community and staff for putting on yet another incredible show, the Mount Vernon community for supporting live theater, and his wife, Kellie for always supporting him in every adventure each new show brings. Thank you and enjoy the show!!

KELSI HESS (Nun Chorus) is a freshman at Fredericktown High School where she plays

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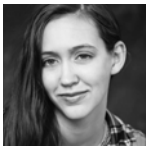


trumpet in the marching band and sings soprano in the choir. She has participated in TaVací for 5 years and was once a scary doll in MTVarts haunted forest. Kelci loves musicals and is very excited to be part of this one!



REBECCA KECK (The Mother Abbess) is thrilled to make her first appearance with MTVarts, and to have the opportunity to play the Mother Abbess for the second time. Rebecca

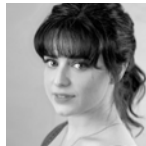
came to Ohio from Colorado to attend The Ohio State University and obtained her Doctorate in Vocal Performance. While at Ohio State she performed leading roles in COSI FAN TUTTE, CARMEN, and FIDDLER ON THE ROOF. Rebecca has also performed roles with Opera Columbus and Columbus Light Opera, and has appeared as a soloist with Columbus Symphony, Ashland Symphony, Denver Symphony, and Mansfield Symphony. Rebecca is a vocal instructor at Kenyon College and music director at Faith Lutheran Church. She resides in Apple Valley with her husband, Dave.



CAILYN KENNEDY (Nun Chorus; Ländler Dancer) is making her MTVarts debut in THE SOUND OF MUSIC. She has always enjoyed acting from a young age and has performed in varying

roles with Orange Barrel Production Company. Cailyn is a junior at MVNU where she is studying for her Elementary Education degree. When she is not on stage, or studying, Cailyn enjoys reading and hanging out with her family.

MACKENZIE LELAND (Liesl Von Trapp) is thrilled to join the MTVarts family for the first time in this



year's production. She currently works as a princess character performer. Favorite credits include MARY POPPINS (Mary), THE LITTLE MERMAID (Ariel), OUR TOWN (Emily Webb), GUYS

AND DOLLS (Sarah Brown), THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST (Cecily Cardew), and LITTLE WOMEN (Jo March). She wants to thank Bruce and the rest of the production team for the opportunity to be back on stage doing what she loves most. She thanks her family and friends for their love and support.



CORA MCFADDEN (Louisa Von Trapp) loves to play basketball and saxophone (and piano and guitar). You'll also find her watching movies with her five younger siblings. This is her

fourth musical with MTVarts having performed in THE LITTLE MERMAID, ALADDIN, and THE LION KING (as Young Nala.) She is grateful for the welcoming attitude of her fellow cast members and loves to be part of the MTVarts family. She hopes you enjoy the show as much as she has enjoyed being a part of it.



LOGAN MONTGOMERY (Rolf)

is so excited to be back on the stage and is so thankful that he was given the chance to show his skills on a brand new stage with many new and friendly and very talented people. He hopes you enjoy the show and remember: A doe is a female deer.



LUNA MORELAND (Nun Chorus;

Ursula) loves theater, making movies, sharing her art and singing. She has been in many MTVarts productions, her first



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when she was just 4 years old. Some of her favorite roles have been Veruca Salt in *WILLY WONKA JR*, the Caterpillar in *ALICE IN WONDERLAND JR* and A Star to Be/Boylan Sister in *ANNIE JR*. She hopes you enjoy the show!



SUSAN MORELAND (Frau Schmidt) has been involved with MTVarts since the beginning. She has volunteered as a director, choreographer, actress and all around wherever needed.

She is our Ohio Community Theater Association representative and was honored as State Delegate of the Year in 2019. Susan was last seen on the Memorial stage as Grandma Addams in *THE ADDAMS FAMILY* and as Dotty in *The Alcove Dinner Theater production of THE SAVANNAH SIPPING SOCIETY*. Susan and her husband Bob are retired and live in Mt. Vernon and are grandparents to six Fabulous grandchildren. She is very honored and proud to be president of her MTVarts family.



KAMI OWEN (Nun Chorus) This is Kami's debut with MTVarts, though she is not new to the stage. She has been involved in productions such as *SHENANDOAH*, *ONCE UPON*

A MATTRESS, *MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD*, *PIRATES OF PENZANCE* and *WILLY WONKA*. Kami is the Vocal and Performing Arts teacher at Danville High School, which includes teaching choir, guitar, ukulele, piano as well as directing plays and musicals. On the weekends, she enjoys leading worship with her husband Mark at Mount Vernon First Church of the Nazarene.



JARED PIERCE (Franz) is a local actor with 8 years and 14 shows under his belt. He has had the pleasure of working with Orange Barrel Productions, the Mount Vernon Players, Highland Theater, and MTVarts. He is excited to be performing in his 3rd Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, and to call it his 15th theater production. Jared would like to thank you for coming to the show, and hopes that you enjoy our performance of *THE SOUND OF MUSIC*!

CAROLINE PLETCHER (Nun Chorus; Ländler Dancer) This show marks Caroline's fifth show with MTVarts. She has done other local productions with Orange Barrel and Mt. Vernon Players. Caroline is a teacher and coach at Fredericktown



Middle School. She has recently taken up tap with the amazing Brandon at Bradford Academy of Dance. Caroline would like to thank her boys for always being such great support at home!



ELLIE SALVUCCI (Brigitta Von Trapp) is a seventh grader at St. Vincent de Paul where she was first exposed to musicals. She is grateful for previous opportunities to pursue her interest in singing & performing by playing Molly in *ANNIE JR.* and Candy Man in *WILLY WONKA KIDS*. She is so excited for the opportunity this year to play Brigitta von Trapp, and she wishes to thank all the cast, crew, and volunteers that made *THE SOUND OF MUSIC* possible.



AIDAN SCOTT (Ländler Dancer; Ensemble) is 17 years old and is an incoming freshman at Trevecca Nazarene University. He has been a part of several MTVarts productions, including playing the role of Rooster in *ANNIE JR.* and the role Willy Wonka in *WILLY WONKA JR.* He is very excited to be a part of a production again, especially with such an impressive cast and crew.



ASHLYNN SCOTT (Nun Chorus) is a fifteen year old sophomore in high school. She has been in multiple MTVarts Productions including *THE MIRACLE WORKER*, *LION KING JR.*, and

WILLY WONKA JR. She is so excited to be a part of another MTVarts musical.



JEFFREY SCOTT (Herr Zeller) After discovering a passion for theater in college, Jeff auditioned for and was selected to receive a year-long acting residency at The A.D. Players in Houston,

Texas, where he performed in such productions as *TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD*, *CHARLOTTE'S WEB*, and *NOAH AND THE GREAT AUK*, among others. Then, in classic rom-com fashion, he quit acting and moved across the country to pursue a girl. Now, following a 25-year hiatus, Jeff is both excited and nervous to be back on a live stage, but thrilled to be working with MTVarts and such a talented and supportive cast and crew. Jeff is the Executive Director of Knox County Foundation and lives in Mount Vernon with his amazing wife

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(yes, she of the cross-country pursuit) and their three exceptional children.



STEPHANIE SCOTT (Nun Chorus) is a recovering attorney and a homeschooling mother to three luminous children. After watching her kids from the wings of several artsIQ performances, Stephanie

is excited to be able to join them onstage in her first MTVarts production. She is honored to be working with such a talented cast and crew and to be a small part of bringing live theater to our community.



SARAH SHAW (Abbey Soloist; Nun Chorus; Ensemble) is excited to be a part of THE SOUND OF MUSIC with MTVarts, and is honored to be working with such talented people! Sarah

most recently performed in the ensemble of THE SECRET GARDEN in Columbus, Ohio and has previously performed in Denver, Colorado in shows including NEVERMORE (Player 6), THE FANTASTICKS (The Mute), MARY POPPINS (ensemble), and PETER PAN (Peter Pan). Sarah has also performed in Sag Harbor, New York with Stephen Schwartz in the first reading of THE PRINCE OF EGYPT (ensemble). Sarah is thrilled that live theater is coming back after such a trying year and is excited to bring some joy to the community. Thank you to Jacob for always supporting my crazy schedule and to my family for being there no matter what, much love!



MADISON SICHINA (Nun Chorus) is thrilled to perform in her first production with MTVarts. Madison is 14 years old and is a member of Utica High School's drama club. Her favorite role was

playing Charlie in WILLY WONKA. She has also performed in GODSPELL, ANNIE, and SCHOOL HOUSE ROCK LIVE. Madison loves to sing and perform. She will be a freshman at Utica High School. Madison is grateful to her family and friends for their love and support.



MOLLY SMITH (Nun Chorus; Ländler Dancer) This might be Molly's MTVarts debut, but she's no stranger to the stage. In middle and high school, she performed in productions of

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, THE ADDAMS FAMILY, INTO THE WOODS, and more. Molly is a rising

sophomore at Kenyon College, where she is studying economics and mathematics. In her free time, she enjoys running and playing her guitar.



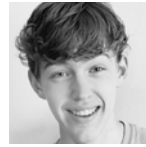
JILLIAN SNOW (Marta Von Trapp) has appeared in several MTVarts productions. Her favorite role was as the orphan July in ANNIE KIDS. She

appeared as Matilda in WILLY WONKA KIDS, and she was part of the Lullaby League in THE WIZARD OF OZ. In addition to acting, Jillian participates in gymnastics at Gym Xtreme. She plays piano and tennis and loves to be with her friends and family. Jillian is looking forward to starting 6th grade at Mount Vernon Middle School in the fall.



MEGAN SNOW (Nun Chorus) has been a volunteer with MTVarts for a few years now. She has especially loved being part of the artsIQ program and working with the talented youth of our

community. This is Megan's first venture onto the stage as part of the cast, and she has enjoyed learning about theater from this new perspective. Megan wishes to thank her daughter, Jillian, for encouraging her to be brave and to try new things. Enjoy the show!



WILL STEMEN (Ländler Dancer; Ensemble) is a high school sophomore from Mount Vernon. This is his third performance with MTVarts. He enjoyed being in WILLY WONKA, ALICE

IN WONDERLAND, and some Orange Barrel Productions. He has loved his previous experience with community theater and is excited to be a part of THE SOUND OF MUSIC! He enjoys expressing himself through music and acting. He is so glad live theater is back!



MICHELLE STONEBURNER (Sister Sophia) is delighted to be making her debut with MTVarts. Recent roles include: Mrs. Sowerberry in OLIVER! with Highland Local Schools

Theater and The Ghost of Christmas Past with COMMUNITY FAMILY PLAYERS. She sings with Mid Ohio Civic Opera, Opera Project Columbus, The Magpies, and Columbus Chamber Singers. She is thrilled to be singing and performing with her community after a long year of no choirs or theater!

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BRIGGS SWALLOW (Kurt von Trapp) is delighted to have his first character role in an MTVarts production. He previously participated as a chorus member in MTVarts children's version of **WILLY WONKA**. He recently completed his fourth-grade year at East Elementary. He loves music, acting, and computer coding. He also has an adorable puppy named Shadow. Thanks to Mr. Bruce, Mrs. Diane, and Mr. Tony for all of the wisdom and training.



CARLA SWALLOW (Nun Chorus) is participating in her first MTVarts production. Previous credits include being a cast member in **MUSIC MAN**. She is a professor at MVNU. She loves to sing and thinks MTVarts is a wonderful program and a blessing to our community. She is excited to be participating in the show with her Nazi husband, nun mother, and Von Trapp son. Although she is 8 months pregnant she will not be denied the stage!



TREY SWALLOW (Admiral Von Shreiber) is delighted to be performing for the first time with MTVarts. Previous theater history includes roles in **FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** and **PIRATES OF PENZANCE**. It seems Trey only chooses roles where he has to talk like a pirate, a Russian, or a German, never just good old-fashioned Mount Vernon twang. When he is not playing a Nazi Admiral, Trey is the father to Kurt Von Trapp, husband to the pregnant nun in the nun chorus, and son-in-law to another nun in the production.



ABIGAIL TAYSE (Maria Rainer) is so happy to be back on a stage doing another summer show with MTVarts! In real life, she is the Archivist at Kenyon and spends her time reading, knitting, and hanging out with her cantankerous greyhound, Anubis. 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: Angie (**BREAKING LEGS**), Aunt Em/Chorus (**THE WIZARD OF OZ**), Julie (**JAKE'S WOMEN**), Gloria (**BOEING, BOEING**). Many thanks to Diane for her support and tireless voice work. Love to family and friends!

DAVID WALSH (Ensemble) is so excited to be a part of the cast of **THE SOUND OF MUSIC!** He



has always dreamed about returning to the stage after acting as a chorus member in two of his high school theater productions. David would like to thank Bruce, Ruth, and Leah for believing in him. David thinks this is going to be a wonderful production. Break a Leg to all involved!!!



ELI WILSON (Friedrich Von Trapp) is thrilled to be back on the stage with MTVarts and this incredibly talented cast and crew. He has been acting for eight years and has had the honor of playing a variety of roles including Oliver Twist (**OLIVER!**), Pugsley (**THE ADDAMS FAMILY**), Miles (**THE INNOCENTS**), Jeremy Jacob (**HOW I BECAME A PIRATE**), Michael Banks (**MARY POPPINS**), Winthrop (**MUSIC MAN**), and Tiny Tim (**A CHRISTMAS CAROL**) among several others. Eli has an undying love for U.S. military veterans and has served them by volunteering with Honor Flight, Champaign Aviation Museum (rebuilding a B-17), Motts Military Museum and cleaning gravestones of fallen heroes. He's so grateful to have been included in the performance of this incomparable production.



KRIS WILSON (Nun Chorus; Ländler Dancer) made her debut appearance on the stage as Mrs. Corry in the MTVarts production of **MARY POPPINS**. Since then, she has played Mrs. Sowerberry/Mrs. Bedwin (**OLIVER!**), Miss Watson/Aunt Sally (**BIG RIVER**), and Widow (**THE TAMING OF THE SHREW**), among others. Kris thanks MTVarts and the Mount Vernon community for the incredibly positive and encouraging experience which they provide to both youth and adults interested in trying their hand at theater.



AURALIE YODER (Nun Chorus) is sixteen and will be a junior at Mount Vernon High School this fall. She has loved **THE SOUND OF MUSIC** ever since she can remember and is elated to get to perform in one of her favorite musicals. She has been a part of her school choir and many school productions, as well as five previous MTVarts shows and a showcase directed by Courtney Decosky. When Auralie is not on the stage, she enjoys reading, photography, and playing with her little sister Luna. She hopes you enjoy watching the show as much as she has enjoyed being a part of it!

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JOSEPH BELL (Master Carpenter) has been associated with theater for over 50 years. Recently retired, he was the director of the theater program at the Highland Local School District, where he worked with students,

staff and community members offering many theater experiences for all to enjoy. Joe has been the Master Carpenter for MTVarts since their inception. Loving the challenges that stage construction entails, he appreciates the ability to bring to life visual concepts and ideas for practical stage purposes. It's the ultimate in model building! His motto is simple. Imagination is the only force that can truly manifest itself into reality. Come to the show and see how this ensemble uses their imagination. What a thrill.



LESLIE BELL (Choreography) will be a Junior this fall at Baldwin Wallace University where she is studying Arts Management and Dance in hopes of opening her own studio. At school, she is on

the dance team and currently holds the position of Treasurer. She is so excited she got to be part of the production team for MTVarts again this year, and hopes you enjoy the show!



MEGAN BELL (Choreography) Megan recently graduated with a BFA in Studio Art/Pre-Art Therapy from Ohio Northern University. She has been heavily involved in her university's

bands, choirs, dance showcases and productions, theatrical productions, and visual arts. She will continue her education this fall at Lesley University, pursuing her MA in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Expressive Therapies. Some of her favorite shows to choreograph include GODSPELL, ONCE UPON A MATTRESS, BYE BYE BIRDIE, THE ADDAMS FAMILY, and THE WIZARD OF OZ. She enjoys working with MTVarts and looks forward to continuing to share her love of dance and choreography with all involved. Break a leg!



CHRISTA BRADY (Rehearsal Accompanist) is a busy mom of four fantastic kids. She is the pianist for First Congregational United Church of Christ, and serves as an accompanist for the

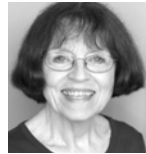
Kenyon College Music Department. In her "free-time", she enjoys gardening, cooking, and playing

in MTVarts musicals. She would like to thank her family and her husband, Nick, for their unwavering patience and support.



SUSAN S.B. BROWN (Costumer) has had several adult lives since finishing college and her master's degree in theatre.

She then pursued a PhD while keeping house and carting her then 5 year old daughter to school and starting a gourmet kitchenware store. She lived in Princeton NJ for three years where she costumed a non-equity summer stock co. for two years, and then the NY Renaissance Fair for two before returning to Columbus where she pursued an MFA in theatre design. She taught theatre at Ashland University for 15 years and then retired to tend bees and raise vegetables. She has done several MTVarts shows, including THE WIZARD OF OZ (twice), ARSENIC AND OLD LACE, ANNIE, THE MUSIC MAN, THE CRUCIBLE, and THE ADDAMS FAMILY.



DIANE DINGLER (Music Director) has been the music director for MTVarts since the company's first show, BEAUTY AND THE BEAST. Diane is an adjunct instructor at Kenyon College

where she teaches voice, has a private studio for voice and piano and is Director of Music at Saint Paul's Episcopal Church. She loves teaching and spending time with her granddaughter, Olivia. Diane is thrilled to be the vocal director for this wonderful show, MTVarts' return to live theater.



IAN FRASER ERNSBERGER (Technical Director) It's good to be back. That's all Ian can say. After 2 years, it is great to be back in the Memorial Theatre and in front of a

audience. While Ian isn't on stage for this show, he instead has taken on many other tasks to help the production in any way he can. On top of his excitement for the return of live theatre, Ian is more so enjoying his newest role as Father to his beautiful daughter, Anastasia. And after over two years, he will be returning to both the Memorial and Alcove stage this fall and winter. As always he wants to thank his family for all their support and his co-star for life Kate.

RUTH FRADY (Wig and Hair Mistress) is proud to be wig and hair advisor for the talented cast of THE SOUND OF MUSIC. She is the wig mistress

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for MTVarts, managing an inventory of over 400 wigs and hair pieces. Ruth has worked as an actor on stage and film, as well as wig and hair designer, makeup artist, and costume dresser for numerous local productions over the years. She and her musician husband, Jim Frady, reside in Mount Vernon. They have three grown children and a Frady cat named Clara. **WELCOME BACK TO THE THRILL OF THEATRE, EVERYONE!**



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SARAH HAMMOND (Prop Mistress) Sarah is a ninth grader at Mount Vernon High School. This is her fourth production with MTVarts, and third doing tech. She was previously part of Mansfield Symphony Youth Strings and still enjoys playing, as she has played bass for almost 4 years now. Sarah spends a majority of her time with creativity; an artist and occasional writer. She is very happy to be part of the team, and hopes you enjoy the show.



DR. DANE HEUCHEMER (Conductor) is a Professor of Music and the John B. McCoy-Banc One Distinguished Teaching Chair at Kenyon College, where he teaches music history and directs the Symphonic Wind Ensemble. **THE SOUND OF MUSIC** represents his fifteenth year conducting the summer musical for MTVarts and his nineteenth summer production since moving to the area in 1995.

MATT HAZARD (Lighting Design) is a freelance lighting designer who works during the day for Vincent Lighting Systems. He has designed around Central Ohio for many organizations including

ANTHONY INGHAM (Choreographer) This is Tony's 2nd season with MTVarts. He also choreographed **LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS** for MTVarts in 2019. Tony has been choreographing all over the world for 23yrs. He also was a dancer



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in a Dr Pepper Commercial in the early 80's. Tony has choreographed for many local theatre groups such as Hilliard, Imagine Productions and Vaud-Villities as well as various High School show choirs and productions. He is also Founder/Director/Producer/Choreographer of his own Charity performing troupe – Columbus Entertainment Production 4 Charity. His group has raised over \$50,000 for various charities over the few years since they started. Tony loves being welcomed into the MTVarts family and hopes to have many more chances to DANCE!!



ISABEL MCDONALD (Production Management Team/Light Board Operator) has been participating in theater for over ten years both on and off the stage. She has been acting with MTVarts for seven years and has helped behind the scenes for five years. She is grateful to all the volunteers at MTVarts and the cast that have worked to bring magic back to the stage. She is studying Classics at St. John's College in Annapolis, MD.



ESME MCDONALD (Production Management Team/Spotlight Operator) has long been a part of MTVarts artsIQ productions such as WILLY WONKA JR., ANNIE JR., LION KING JR. and more.

She loves writing, reading, singing, everything geeky and creative! When not at the theater, she watches Youtube, swims laps, and plays video games. Esme is excited about being a part of THE

SOUND OF MUSIC and having the chance to work with her MTVarts friends!



MASON MICKLEY (Ländler Dancer; Ensemble; Stage Manager) As a graduate of the New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts and pursuing his passion of acting, Mason is excited to finally see what the process is like off-stage as stage manager as well as working alongside the incredible cast and crew of this phenomenal show! When he's not flaunting his ginger locks around town, he's devouring inhumane amounts of caffeinated milkshakes disguised as "coffee" and working away in the high-octane thrill-ride world of insurance.



LEAH MILLER (Production Management Team/Audition Coordinator) has been a board member with MTVarts since their inception and is happy to be a part of such a wonderful community theatre group. She has been in several MTVarts and Bruce Jacklin & Co productions and previously directed Arthur Miller's THE CRUCIBLE for the Classics Series. Leah holds a Bachelor of Arts in Drama from Ashland University and a Master of Science in Leadership and Workforce Development from Louisiana State University. She would like to thank her wonderful husband Chris and her amazing daughter Lanah for their love and support.

CHLOE SKILLMAN (Assistant Stage Manager) is going to be a sophomore at The Ohio State

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University this year and is more than honored to have been able to perform with MTVarts on 10 amazing shows. She is so excited to turn in her character shoes for her Converse sneakers to

help everyone put this show on, from backstage to onstage, so you can sit down and enjoy.



JESSICA SMARRELLA

(Costumer) is a fourth year Family and Consumer Science teacher at Danville Local Schools. In college, Jessica worked in the University of Akron Costume Shop where

she was the student assistant wardrobe mistress for all of the Theatre and Opera productions. At Danville, Jessica is the costume mistress for all of the fall plays (PRIDE AND PREJUDICE, FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON, HARRY'S HOTTER AT TWILIGHT, CAFÉ MURDER, and YOUR BRAIN ON SOCIAL MEDIA) and spring musicals (LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS, ALADDIN, BRING IT ON, WIZARD OF OZ). Mostly recently Jessica worked with MTVarts on their production of THE WIZARD OF OZ and the artsIQ productions of WILLY WONKA JR. and WILLY WONKA KIDS. Jessica would like to wish good luck to the cast and crew.



JANIS STONE (Producer)

has been the Volunteer Business Director for MTVarts since its inception in 2007.

Her responsibilities include operational oversight to ensure stability and sustainability, a fancy way of saying pay the bills. Show people are her favorite kind of people and contributing to a thriving community is a dream come true. She lives in Mount Vernon with her husband Steve.



SCOTT SWINGLE (Front of House) has enjoyed electronics from a very young age. He enjoys learning new innovations and technologies as he has moved into videography. He

owns and operates- Westie Productions and Derr Designs in Mount Vernon.

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