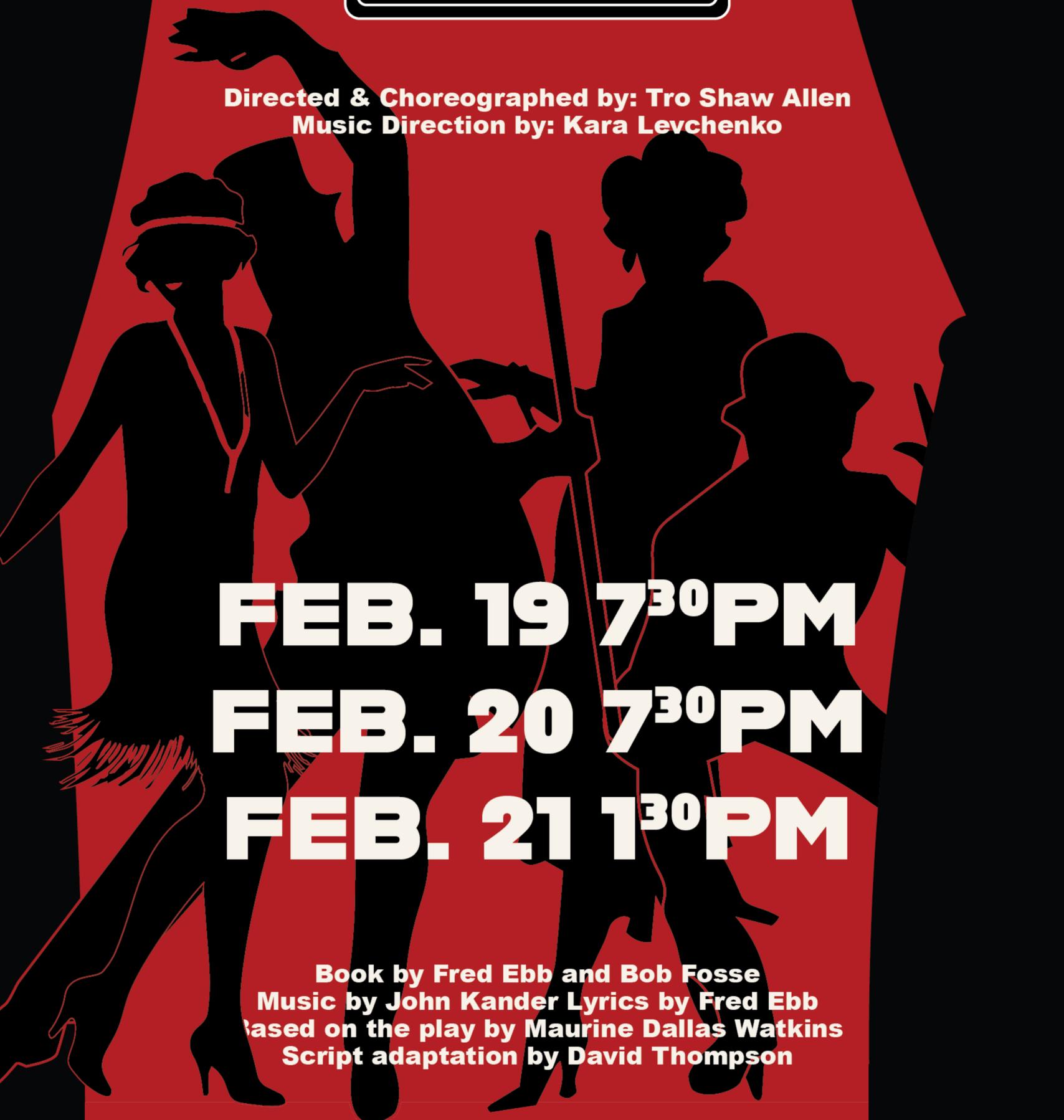


THE MADEIRA SCHOOL PRESENTS

CHICAGO

TEEN EDITION

Directed & Choreographed by: Tro Shaw Allen
Music Direction by: Kara Levchenko



FEB. 19 7³⁰PM
FEB. 20 7³⁰PM
FEB. 21 1³⁰PM

Book by Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse
Music by John Kander Lyrics by Fred Ebb
Based on the play by Maurine Dallas Watkins
Script adaptation by David Thompson

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Set against the glittering—and morally slippery—world of the 1920s, *Chicago* spins a darkly comic tale of fame, media sensationalism, and the cost of survival in a society obsessed with spectacle. The musical follows Roxie Hart and Velma Kelly, two women accused of murder who discover that in a city hungry for headlines, notoriety can be the fastest route to stardom. With the help of smooth-talking lawyer Billy Flynn, they learn to craft their own personas, turning the courtroom into a vaudeville stage and justice into just another show. What makes *CHICAGO* especially compelling is its foundation in real events. Journalist Maurine Dallas Watkins originally wrote the story after covering the highly publicized 1920s trials of Beulah Annan and Belva Gaertner for the *Chicago Tribune*. Watkins's reporting exposed how charm, beauty, and a willing press could sway public opinion—and even verdicts. Her play, adapted decades later by John Kander, Fred Ebb, and director/choreographer Bob Fosse, preserved that sharp social critique while transforming it into the stylized jazz-age satire audiences know today.

A central lens of this production is the show's commentary on the male gaze. *Chicago* deliberately frames its women through voyeuristic eyes: the press, the courtroom, and even the audience, and invites us to recognize how female bodies are used by institutions and by the women themselves, as currency in a world that values appearance over truth. Roxie and Velma learn to wield the gaze to their advantage, weaponizing spectacle to claim power in a system designed to objectify them. As you watch today's performance, you're invited to consider your own place within this cycle of spectacle. *Chicago* dazzles, entertains, and critiques all at once, reminding us that when justice becomes performance and celebrity becomes a commodity, we are all part of the audience applauding the razzle-dazzle.

CAST LIST

Velma Kelly

Callie Cai

Roxie Hart

Myla McNair

Billy Flynn

Maggie Westhoven

Amos Hart

Gail McKinney

Mama Morton

Kauu Scott

Mary Sunshine

Katie Ceresini

Liz/Reporter*

Cauille Fallen

Annie/Reporter*

Maddie McGarry

June/Reporter*

Ally Korsuuo

Mona/Reporter

Mary True Tang

Hunyak/Reporter

Lina Yu

Kitty/ Reporter/Ens #7

Milena Harris

Reporter/Ens #3

Caroline Whitaker

Reporter/Ens #2

Maya Alexander

Reporter/Ens #6

Anna Leigh

Fred Casely/Reporter/Ens #1

Luisa Valcarcel

Fogarty/Reporter/Ens #10

Casper Cancelado

Judge/ Reporter/Ens #9

Eliana Vakis

Harry/Reporter/Ens #11

Anna Murchison

Harrison/Reporter/Ens #4

Olivia Tirol

Clerk/Reporter/Ens #5

Maya Child

Juror 1/Reporter/Ens #8

Sara Fisher

Reporter/Ens #12

Anabel Hightower

STAGECRAFT 2025-2026

Mia Adams

Maya Alexander

Seraphina Allain

Elizabeth Bell

Izzy Brady

Props Master

Allison Cadena

Props Master

Casper Cancelado

Master Carpenter

Callie Coq

Aiita Crispin

Ivy Du

Scenic Charge

Sara Fisher

Assistant Costume Designer

Milena Harris

Anabel Hightower

Ally Korsuo

Beverly Lee

Master Electrician

Maddie McGarry

Costume Shop Manager

Juliana Miles

Kam Scott

Scenic Charge

Anna Trent

Eliana Vakis

Luisa Valcarcel

Assistant Set Designer

Bella Velez

Grace Wadlow

Maggie Westhoven

Master Electrician

Dorothy Woods

Assistant Costume Designer/Wardrobe

Lina Yu

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director & Choreographer

Tro Shaw-Allen

Music Director

Kara Levchenko

Set Designer & Producer

Sasha Newman

Costume Designer & Production Manager

Adalia Vera Touneyck

Lighting Designers

Lynn Joslin & Jimmy Engelkemier

Sound Designer

Levi Mauers

Stage Manager

Beverly Lee, '26

Assistant Director

Danielie Mussina '26

Assistant Stage Managers

Abby Poppe '27, Izzy Brady '28 & Ivy Du '28

Dance Captains
Cauille Fallen '26, Maggie Westhoven '26

Assistant Dance Captain
Maya Alexander '28

MUSICIANS

Piano Conductor
Leah Kocsis

Piano 2
Eui Erickson

Percussion
Danny Villanueva

Trombone
Chandler Corner

Trumpet
JB Greear

Reeds
Lindsay Williams

Upright Bass
Jason Wilson

CAST & CREW BIOS

MAYA ALEXANDER '28 (Reporter/Ens #2/Asst. Dance Captain) is a sophomore boarder from Saratoga Springs, New York. This is her second Madeira production as a cast member, and she is ecstatic to put on this production alongside the incredible cast, crew, and her fellow dance captains. She would like to thank the cast, crew, and Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible, along with her friends and family for all their support! She hopes you experience the magic of the theater and enjoy the show!

MIA ADAMS '26 (Team Leader) is a senior boarder from Davidsonville, Maryland. This is her fourth Madeira production, and she is SO excited to be a part of the tech team for this winter musical. She would like to thank her family and friends for their unwavering support. Mia would also like to thank the amazing fellow stagecrafters for making this fall play one to remember.

SERAPHINA ALLAIN '28 (Backstage Headset) is super excited to be teching her first show at Madeira! She's grateful for her dad for making stagecraft possible for her. Thank you to everybody who showed up, and she hopes you enjoy the show!

ELIZABETH BELL '27 (Stagecraft/Wardrobe) is a junior day student from Arlington, Virginia. She hopes you enjoy the show!

IZZY BRADY '28 (Assistant Stage Manager) is a sophomore boarding student from Charleston, SC. This is her fourth Madeira production, and she is so excited to work alongside this incredible cast and crew. She is proud to thank her amazing family, friends, her deck of cards, the student leadership team, and all of the Madeira arts department for their love and support. She would also like to acknowledge the incredible cast and crew of Chicago: Teen Edition for making this production come to life. She hopes you enjoy the show!

CALLIE CAI '26 (Velma Kelly) is a senior boarder from Nanjing, China. This is her fourth Madeira production. She is thankful for this fantastic cast, the crew, and the Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She would also like to thank her family and her friends for all their support. She hopes you enjoy the show!

ALLISON CADENA '27 (Assistant Props Master) is a junior day student from McLean, Virginia. This is her third Madeira production, and she is so excited to work with the wonderful cast and crew on this show. She would like to thank everyone in stagecraft for their hard work and dedication, especially her co-props master, Casper, her family and friends, and Ms. Newman and Ms. T for their guidance. She hopes you enjoy the show as much as she has loved working on it!

CASPER CANCELADO '26 (Fogarty/Reporter/Ens #10) is a senior boarder from Alexandria, VA. This is their seventh and final Madeira show, and their fifth as part of the cast. They are beyond thrilled to be part of this show and perform with such an incredible cast. They would like to thank Ms. Allen, Ms. Newman, and Ms. T for their leadership and help throughout the years, as well as the student leadership team and their co-props master, Allison. A very special shoutout to all their friends and family for their constant support with their theater endeavors. They hope you enjoy the show!

KATIE CERESINI '27 (Mary Sunshine) is a Junior day student from Bethesda, Maryland. This is her fourth Madeira production. Past shows include You On The Moors Now (2024), Hadestown (2025) and Shakespeare in Love (2025) . She is thrilled to perform with this talented cast. She would like to thank her family and friends, especially her advisory, who have supported her throughout this process. She would also like to thank her choir director, Mrs. Margaret Nomura Clark, for always encouraging her and helping her vocal skills to grow. Finally, she would like to give a big thank you to the cast, crew, and the Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She hopes you enjoy the show!

MAYA CHILD '28 (Clerk/Reporter/Ens #5) is a sophomore day student from Arlington, Virginia. This is her very first Madeira production, and she is thrilled to be able to work with this amazing cast and crew! She would like to thank her family and friends for always supporting her in everything she does. She would also like to thank the Madeira Arts Department for making this incredible performance happen. She hopes you have a wonderful night and enjoy the performance!

CALLIE COQ '26 (Master Carpenter) is a senior boarder from Alexandria, Virginia. This is her sixth Madeira production, and she is thrilled to join the tech team for this winter musical. She has enjoyed being Master Carpenter and teaching new Stagecrafters! She wants to thank her friends and family for supporting her, and she hopes you enjoy the show!

ANITA CRISPIN '27 (Wardrobe) is a junior boarding student from Singapore. This is her first Madeira production, and she's so excited to gain experience as well as learn from the so many talented people in the cast and crew! She's very grateful for the opportunity to explore the ins and outs of how backstage crew works to get a performance up and running. She would also like to thank the Madeira Arts Department for all the work they have put into making this show happen. She hopes you enjoy the show!

IVY DU '28 (Assistant Stage Manager) is a sophomore boarding student from Beijing, China. This is her second Madeira production, and she's thrilled to share this opportunity with such a fantastic cast and crew. Ivy is especially grateful for the spark that first drew her toward tech, as well as for the support of friends and family. She also thanks the Madeira Arts Department for bringing this show to life and can't wait for you to see the magic they've made together!

CAMILLE FALLEN '26 (Liz/Reporter*/Dance Captain) is a senior day student from Lorton, Virginia. This is her eighth Madeira production, and she is so excited to perform alongside this excellent cast. She would like to thank the cast, crew, and entire Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She would also like to thank her family members for supporting her over the years. She hopes you enjoy the show!

SARA FISHER '26 (Juror 1/Reporter/Ens #8) is a senior day student from Alexandria, Virginia. This is her fifth Madeira production onstage, and she is thrilled to be working alongside the incredible cast and crew. She would like to thank her friends and family for their support (and patience), her teachers, and everyone involved in bringing this amazing production to life. Have a wonderful day and enjoy the show!

MILENA HARRIS '27 (Kitty/ Reporter/Ens #7) is a junior day student from Arlington, VA, who is excited to perform in her sixth Madeira production! She would like to thank the cast for making this process so fun! Additionally, she wants to credit the crew, teachers, and entire Madeira Arts Department for the success of the show, and her friends and family for their support. She hopes you have a great time!

ANNABEL HIGHTOWER '28 (Reporter/Ens #12) is a sophomore student, boarding from Vienna, VA. She is very excited for her third Madeira production! She would like to thank the cast and crew for making the rehearsal process exciting and creating unforgettable memories along the way! She would also like to thank the Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She hopes you enjoy the show!

ALLY KORSMO '28 (June/Reporter*) is a sophomore from Mclean, VA. This is her fourth production at Madeira! Additionally, she is proud to be the Vice President and Treasurer for Madeira's ITS Troupe! She is very excited to share this amazing show, and she would like to thank the incredible cast, crew, and Madeira Arts Department for making this show so amazing! She hopes you enjoy the show!!

BEVERLY LEE '26 (Stage Manager) is a senior boarding student from Washington, DC. This is her sixth Madeira production, and she is very excited to work alongside the wonderful cast and crew. In addition to being part of the show, she is also a proud member of Madeira's International Thespian Society Troupe as an Honor Thespian. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support, especially her roommate, Leah. She hopes you enjoy the show!

ANNA LEIGH '28 (Reporter/Ens #6) is a sophomore day student from Bethesda, Maryland. This is her second Madeira production, her first Madeira musical, and she is proud to be a new member of Madeira's International Thespian Society Troupe. She is grateful for the support from her family, friends, advisory, and the cast and crew of Chicago. She is so excited to put on an amazing and lively musical with the Madeira Arts Department again this year. She can't wait to make so many memories and hopes that you enjoy diving into the world of Chicago with her!!

MADDIE MCGARRY '27 (Annie/Reporter*) is a junior boarder from Burke, Virginia. This is her fifth Madeira production, and she is honored to serve as Madeira's ITS Troupe President. She is incredibly grateful to her family and friends, Luisa, and the Cova advisory, for their constant, unwavering support. She extends special thanks to the Madeira Arts Department for all they do to lift up the cast and crew and make the magic possible. She hopes you enjoy the performance as much as she has enjoyed being part of it!

GAIL MCKINNEY '26 (Amos Hart) is a senior day student who grew up in St. Paul, Minnesota, but now lives in McLean, Virginia. This is her fifth Madeira production, with past shows including Newsies (2023), Lost Girl (2023), Rock of Ages (2024), and Hadestown (2025). She is looking forward to joining her Madeira theater experience on a high note (literally and figuratively) with a community she has grown to know and love deeply. She is eternally grateful to her family, who have always been her cheerleaders, her first and last audience, and her inspiration. She would also like to thank her friends and castmates for all their joy and vulnerability. She is grateful for the arts department, and all the resources she is so fortunate to have here at Madeira. She hopes you enjoy the show!

MYLA MCNAIR '27 (Roxie Hart) is a junior day student from Arlington, VA. This is her 6th Madeira production, and she is so excited to perform with this incredible cast! She has had so much fun rehearsing this show and would like to thank the cast, crew, and entire Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She would also like to thank her family, especially her Dad, for his incredible dancing techniques, and her mom for all her work in Drama Mamas. She would also like to thank her friends (especially Abby Poppe) for their support. She hopes you enjoy the show!!

JULIANA MILES '27 (Costume Shop Manager) is a junior boarding student from Chevy Chase, Maryland. This is her second Madeira production, and everyone is so excited to watch the show. She had enjoyed making costumes and being on this tech team. She would like to thank her family for their support and hopes you enjoy the show.

ANNA MURCHISON '28 (Harry/Reporter/Ens #11) is a sophomore day student from Alexandria, VA, and is so excited to present this story with this wonderful cast! This is her third Madeira production, with her previous one being You on the Moors Now (2024), when she made her Madeira debut as a freshman playing Jane Bennet, and she also played Wabash and Mistress Quickly in Shakespeare in Love (2025). She is a proud member of Madeira's ITS troop, #1548. She has very much enjoyed working with this awesome group of people and she would like to thank her family, her Girl Scout troop, and the rest of her friends! Thanks for all the support and enjoy the show!

DAMELIE MUSSINA '26 (Assistant Director) is a senior boarding student from Astana, Kazakhstan. This is her fifth Madeira production, and she is so thrilled to be able to share this musical with such an incredible cast and crew. Damelie is so grateful to have been a part of Madeira theatre and to everyone who has supported her along the way. She also thanks The Madeira Art Department for their endless hard work and talent in each production! She hopes you enjoy the wonderful production of Chicago!

ABBY POPPE '27 (Co-Stage Manager) is a junior day student from Oakton, VA. This is her fourth Madeira production, and she is so excited to work with such a fantastic cast and crew. She would like to thank the Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible, as well as her family and friends (especially Myla McNair) for their unwavering support. She sincerely hopes you enjoy the show!

KAM SCOTT '27 (Mama Morton) is a junior boarder from Silver Spring, Maryland. This is her first Madeira production as a cast member and her fourth overall. She has loved being part of the cast and would like to thank the Madeira Arts Department for being a second home. She also sends gratitude to her friends, older sister, Ring Sisters, and dorm director, Ms. Tippens.

MARY TRUE TANG '27 (Mona/Reporter) is a junior boarder from Charlotte, North Carolina. This is her third Madeira production, and she is thrilled to put on this show alongside an amazing cast. She would like to thank the cast, crew, and entire Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She would also like to thank her friends, family, and advisor for all their support every step of the way! She is so glad you came, whether it's from the dorm or across state lines, and hopes you enjoy the show as much as we have enjoyed putting it together!

OLIVIA TIROL '27 (Harrison/Reporter/Ens #4) is a junior boarder from Washington, DC. This is her fifth Madeira production, and she is so grateful to work with this wonderfully talented cast on "Chicago." She wants to thank her family, friends, cast, and the Madeira Arts Department for their constant support. She hopes you enjoy the show!

ANNA TRENT '26 (Scenic Charge) is a senior day student from McLean, Virginia. This is her eighth Madeira production, and she is so grateful to have such a wonderful cast and crew for her final show. She would like to thank her parents for always driving her to and from Stagecraft and her friends for making it so fun. Most of all, she'd like to thank Ms. Newman and Ms. T for all they've done for her and for Madeira theater. She hopes you enjoy the show!

ELIANA VAKIS '27 (Judge/Reporter/Ens #9) is a junior day student from DC. This is her third Madeira production, and she is so honored to have worked alongside such a dedicated cast and crew. She would like to thank everyone who made this show possible, including the Madeira Arts Department. She would also like to thank her parents for being so supportive and driving her to and from rehearsals. She hopes you enjoy the show!

LUISA VALCARCEL '27 (Fred Casely/Reporter/Ens #1) is a junior boarder from Mexico City, Mexico. This is her fifth Madeira production, and she is so excited to perform alongside this excellent cast! Offstage, she proudly serves as Madeira's ITS Troupe Publicity Chair. She would like to thank her fellow cast, crew, and the entire Madeira Arts Department for making this show possible. She would also like to thank her friends (especially her roommate), dorm, and her family for their constant love and support! She hopes you enjoy the show!

BELLA VELEZ '26 (Assistant Set Designer/Spot Operator) is excited to have helped design the set for Chicago. She hopes you enjoy the show!
Grace Wadlow '28 (Stagecraft/Spot Operator) is a sophomore day student from Herndon Virginia. This is her second Madeira show on crew and she is so so excited to share it with everyone! She is especially grateful to the Madeira Arts Department, cast, crew, and family!

MAGGIE WESTHOVEN '26 (Billy Flynn/Dance Captain) is a senior day student from Alexandria, Virginia. She is absolutely thrilled to be in her eighth Madeira production! Maggie has loved getting the chance to grow through Madeira theater and become her best self. She would like to thank her eight-show buddy, the cast, crew, Ms. Allen, Ms. T, Ms. Newman, Ms. Lev, and everyone who has helped her along the way. She would also like to shout out her friends and family, especially her parents and sisters (ring and real!), for being her biggest fans. She is so excited to bring Billy to life and hopes you enjoy the show!

CAROLINE WHITAKER '27 (Reporter/Ens #3) is a junior day student from Arlington, Virginia, and is thrilled to be performing in her fifth Madeira production. She feels incredibly lucky to work alongside such a talented and supportive cast and crew. Caroline is also a dedicated member of Madeira's ITS troupe #1548 and proudly serves as a co-head of the performing arts club. She would like to give a special thank-you to her mom and dad for their constant encouragement, endless patience, and unwavering support throughout her theater journey, as well as to her friends and sisters for always cheering her on. Now she hopes you, Chicago enjoy the show!

DOROTHY WOODS '26 (Master Electrician/Light Board Operator) is a senior boarder from Arlington, Virginia. This is her 6th Madeira production and her 4th behind the board. She has loved the time she's spent in stagecraft and as a part of Madeira theater over the last 3 years. She would like to thank her friends, her family, her lovely roommate Casper, her Co-Master Elec Maddie, her girlfriend, and most of all, all the people who went into making this show happen, especially Ms. T, Ms. Newman, and Ms. Allen. She is incredibly proud of all the wonderful actors and techies that are a part of this show, and she hopes you enjoy it as much as she does!!

LINA YU '27 (Hua Ning/Reporter) is a junior boarder from Beijing, China. She could not be more excited to be in her first Madeira production. She is so grateful to work with the amazing Madeira theatre community and have the chance to perform in this show. She would like to thank her friends, family, the Madeira arts department, and the entire "Chicago" cast for making this show possible!

PRODUCTION STAFF BIOS

TRO SHAW ALLEN (Director & Choreographer) is honored to be crossing CHICAGO off her bucket list with this amazing and hard-working cast of incredibly brave and talented performers. Tackling this highly stylized, dance heavy show was a unique challenge this year with the physical limitations that come with pregnancy, and Ms. Allen could not have managed it without the support of her fabulous student leadership team as well as her incredible dance captains. Ms. Allen is a professional performing artist with an MFA in Classical Acting from GWU and a BFA in Acting from Carnegie Mellon. She has performed in professional productions for over 30 years, in various cities across the country, including Broadway. She has directed and choreographed numerous productions, cabarets, and staged readings over the years. At the Madeira School, Ms. Allen teaches acting, directing, and public speaking classes, and serves as the Troupe Director for Madeira's International Thespian Society Troupe. Special thanks to Ms. Newman, Ms. T, Ms. Lev, Jimmy, Lighting Lady Lynn, Levi, Leah and the wonderful band, this amazing cast, and the stagecraft students for bringing all the amazing technical elements of this show together! And special thanks to Simon and Billie for their love and support. This one's for the pooper – thanks for the added challenge, little one!

MS. LEVCHENKO (Musical Director) is thrilled to be a part of CHICAGO at Madeira! Ms. L is in her third year at Madeira and is currently in her 9th year teaching music. Ms. L teaches Chorus, private lessons in voice, guitar & piano, and directs vocals/sound for the musical. Ms. L earned her BM in Vocal Music Education and MM in Music Education, both from James Madison University. Her research interests include disrupting the dominant narrative of choral music education through student-directed learning activities, popular music, and songwriting projects. Prior to teaching at Madeira, Ms. L taught in Shenandoah County, Arlington County, and Fairfax County, Virginia. When she's not teaching, you can find Ms. L all over the DMV performing solo acoustic gigs or pop rock gigs with her band, Medusa's Muse!

SASHA NEWMAN (Set Designer, Artistic Director) is very pleased to present her 32nd show with Madeira in her 16th year of teaching! She is a graduate of Boston University's College of Fine Arts with her BFA in Scene Design and received her Masters of Art Education at the University of Florida. She also holds the position of Arts Department Chair at Madeira and loves the opportunity to lead an amazing team of artists and teachers in shaping the arts programming to allow students to flourish.

ADALIA VERA TONNEYCK (Costume Designer & Production Manager) has been working in D.C. Metro area for the last 17 years as a freelance theater artist, at such companies as The Folger, Traveling Players Ensemble, GWU, Howard University, Constellation, Signature and Adventure theater. She holds a B.F.A. in Fiber Arts from S.C.A.D. University of Creative Careers and an M.F.A in Production Design from George Washington University. She has been designing costumes at Madeira since 2014. This is her 22nd production here. She has been the Production manager for 7 years and visual arts faculty. She wants to thank her husband Reony and son Ryden for all the love and support always.

JIMMY ENGELKEMIER (Lighting Designer) is glad to be back with Madeira after working on the lighting design for She Kills Monsters, Into the Woods, and Newsies, Rock of Ages, You on the Moors Now, Hadestown, and Shakespeare in Love!

LYNN JOSLIN (Lighting Designer) is glad to be back at Madeira after working on the lighting team for Mamma Mia, She Kills Monsters, Pirates of Penzance, Sense & Sensibility, Pippin, The Matchmaker, Nice Work if You Can Get It, Macbeth, Newsies, Lost Girl, Rock of Ages, You on the Moors Now, Hadestown, and Shakespeare in Love!

LEVI MANNERS (Sound Designer) is happy to be back for his thirds show with Madeira after working on the sound design for Hadestown: Teen Edition and Shakespeare in Love.

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