Lindbjerg Academy's Shining Stars presents

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A Note from the Artistic Director



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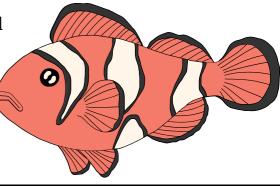
Thank you to all our amazing students! You have all worked so hard on your shows and I know how excited you are to share them with your families and friends!

Thank you to all our wonderful families! Your continued support of the studio is appreciated more than you know. Thank you to all our spectacular teachers, staff, crew, and volunteers! Your tireless work to ensure our students have the best experience possible

shines through in all the huge smiles we see on stage! It's an exciting time at the studio. Our competition students are right in the middle of competition season and are performing great! We have three amazing classes lined

up for our summer camp, and our senior students are traveling to New York this summer once again to attend workshops with Broadway professionals and see some amazing shows... not to mention we're only 7 months away from Simply Christmas!

Thanks again for being an amazing community, we couldn't do it without you! On with the show! Chad



About the Lindbjerg Academy

Since 1997, the Lindbjerg Academy of Performing Arts is Metro Vancouver's premier destination for musical theatre training. As a performing arts studio, we are proud to offer students the best in both training and performance opportunities.

Training opportunities include: Broadway style production classes, ballet, jazz, tap, lyrical, hip hop, acro, show choir, triple threat, plus private lessons for both dance and voice. We are certain that all students from preschool to senior ages will have a chance to nurture and grow their inner star!

Performance opportunities include: Broadway style production classes culminate in an actual show in local theatre space, all performance-based classes perform at the year end recital celebrating everything accomplished throughout the year.

Travel opportunities include: both Glee and Show Choir travel to California to perform at Disneyland and train with Disney professionals, senior students can travel to New York to participate in the Broadway Student Summit (includes show tickets and training with Broadway professionals).

Lindbjerg Academy is located on the traditional and unceded territories of the Kwikwetlem, Stó:lō, Semiahmoo, Qayqayt, Tsleil-Waututh, Tsawwassen, Musqueam, and Stz'uminus Nations, as well as those of the Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group. We are honoured to have the opportunity to perform at Riverside Community Church on the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwikwetlem, Tsawwassen, and Stó:lō Nations. We are grateful to have the opportunity to work, play, and learn on these lands, and we respectfully acknowledge the history, spirituality, and culture of the peoples who have lived here since time immemorial.



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CAST

The Dinglehoppers Ariel Olivia Robinson Prince Eric Sophia Wang Sebastian Elliette Latimer Flounder Laura O'Donovan King Triton Sydney Kuchka Aquata Kaylea Burnham Andrina Katerina Lando Arista Emily Nusantara-Dodd Atina Zoe Popa Adella Rachael Marana Allana Alyssa Post Ursula Daniya Hristozova Flotsam Mikayla De Couto Jetsam Ava Rhyne Scuttle Audrey Stasuk **Grimsby** Martin Hristozov Chef Louis Anastasia Izvekova Seahorse Addyson Handregan Carlotta Jamie Auclair-Troughton Pilot Anastasia Izvekova Ensemble Elyse Meville Holland Kennedy Hazel Kaldestad Brisa Curzon Andrew Lang Addyson Handregan Zoelle Plitt Keira Wyper Violet Drazenovic Anna Lee Renee Liu Sophia Gharbi Abby Besworth

Hot Crustacean Band

Elyse Meville Holland Kennedy Hazel Kaldestad Brisa Curzon Andrew Lang Keira Wyper Zoelle Plitt Violet Drazenovic Renee Liu Anna Lee Addyson Handregan Sophia Gharbi Mikayla De Couto Ava Rhyne Abby Besworth Martin Hristozov Alyssa Post Jamie Auclair-Troughton Jamie Auclair-Troughton Emily Nusantara-Dodd Olivia Robinson Sophia Wang Elliette Latimer Laura O'Donovan Sydney Kuchka Kaylea Burnham Katerina Lando **Emily Nusantara-Dodd** Zoe Popa Rachael Marana Daniya Hristozova Audrey Stasuk Anastasia Izvekova

The Dinglehoppers Shows

Friday, May 5 at 7:00pm Saturday, May 6 at 2:00pm Hot Crustacean Band Shows Saturday, May 6 at 7:00pm Sunday, May 7 at 2:00pm

MUSICAL NUMBERS



Fathoms Below Daughters of Triton Human Stuff Part of Your World Under the Sea Part of Your World (Reprise 1) She's in Love Poor Unfortunate Souls Les Poissons One Step Closer Kiss the Girl The Contest Poor Unfortunate Souls (Reprise) Part of Your World (Finale)

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SPECIAL THANKS

Creating a show takes a lot of work, time, energy and dedication - it is no small feat. We want to recognize the individuals you might not see that make our shows come to life. To Dan and John, the amount of time and effort you put into getting 11 shows ready each season is insurmountable. Thank you. To Jan for your dedication to stage right, wigs and makeup. To our wonderful prop queens and teaching assistants Elisabeth and Sophia - your organization and dedication is so valuable to the team. To Vada, thank you for all

your hard work each week. To Claire, Kelsey and the rest of the costume team, thank you for your hard working getting this show ready. To all the volunteers who helped during load in and the show, to the Terry Fox team for welcoming us each year, to Emily for organizing programs and social media, to Joanie to organizing volunteers for the run, and to Chad & Erin for giving the students a place to do what they love. Lastly, to our class parents who support their

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children's love of theatre, your support is so incredibly important. And to the students who pour their hearts into these shows, we are so proud of you all. To all of you and to anyone we may have missed, THANK YOU!

-Chris, Nicol & Sheryl



JAMIE AUCLAIR-TROUGHTON



Sidney (also goes by Jamie) has been with Lindbjerg Academy for approximately seven years. Some of her favorite productions have included: *Willy Wonka Kids, Sleeping Beauty Kids, High School Musical Jr, Guys & Dolls Jr* and *Annie Jr*. Sid also takes ballet tech at the academy and has enjoyed the school's summer camp sessions in her younger years. When Sid isn't studying musical theatre, she is creating new videos, educating others on best video practices, volunteering at her school as a peer helper and learning to be an awesome trans youth. Sidney is so grateful to her teachers and parents for their unwavering support and sincerely hopes everyone loves the show!

ABBY BESWORTH

As student at Lindbjerg for the past 4 and a half years, Abigail has been a part of 4 amazing productions. She loved being Harry the Horse/Grandma Abernathy and is very excited to be Scuttle in *The Little Mermaid Jr*. Abigail shows her love of theatre throughout her well decorated bedroom and making musicals with her friends. Abigail would like to thank her parents for driving her to all her rehearsals and to all her teachers and cast members for making this year amazing. She hopes you enjoy the show, Awwwk!





KAYLEA BURNHAM

Kaylea has been a student of Lindbjerg Academy since signing up for a Summer Camp in 2022 where she played a Townsperson in *Frozen Jr*. She loved the excitement of being on stage, so she decided to try the regular theatre program during the school year. She also takes jazz at the Academy with Chan, who she says is one of the best dance instructors out there! In addition to musical theatre, Kaylea loves to draw, write stories and travel with her family. Kaylea had no experience with dance or theatre until Lindbjerg, and would like to thank all Academy staff for their patience and kindness in helping her build confidence and learn so many new skills.

BRISA CURZON

Brisa is in her 3rd year at Lindbjerg Academy and also studies at Vancouver Young Actors School (VYAS). Brisa's past performances include Metro Theatre's Christmas Pantomime *Sleeping Beauty Wakes Up*, Gotta Sing Gotta Dance's *Wild Wild West Side Story*, Lindbjerg's *The Wizard of Oz YE* and Moscow Ballet's *The Nutcracker*. Brisa enjoys reading, everything STEM related, and playing dodge ball and hockey. Brisa would like to thank her parents for driving her 'everywhere', her friends for being so supportive and her teachers at the studio for their amazing coaching. Enjoy the show!





MIKAYLA DE COUTO



Mikayla is delighted to return to the stage as Flotsam in Lindbjerg Academy's rendition of *The Little Mermaid Jr*. Being her eighth year at the academy she has had her fair share of roles including Chad (High School Musical Jr), The Cowardly Lion (The Wizard of Oz YE) and many more. Alongside acting, Mikayla participates in competitive dance and piano. Mikayla would like to thank her family for their endless support, teachers for their dedication and her peers who have been so helpful, amazing and truly special. She looks forward to seeing you from the stage and hopes you enjoy the show!

VIOLET DRAZENOVIC

Violet Drazenovic has been at Lindbjerg ever since she was 9 years old and has enjoyed inhabiting a variety of roles. Her first show was cancelled due to the Covid restrictions. Later on she had so much fun playing Archie in Captain Louie, and Adelaide in Guys and Dolls. This year, Violet is playing Arista, a mersister, in The Little Mermaid. The Little Mermaid is her favourite show of all, and she hopes it will be yours too.



SOPHIA GHARBI

Sophia has been a student at Lindbjerg Acadamy for four years. Her favourite roles to date have been Nathan Detroit in Guys and Dolls Jr, Oaken in Frozen Jr, along with her upcoming role as Ursula in The Little Mermaid Jr. Sophia also takes hip hop and voice lessons at Lindbjerg. Besides musical theatre, Sophia also enjoys soccer, lacrosse, basketball, wrestling, rugby, and swimming. Sophia would like to thank her mom and dad for driving her to Lindbjerg as well as to her other activities. She would also like to thank her Lindbjerg teachers for inspiring her to try her best and for assisting her with her singing, acting and dancing skills. Sophia hopes you enjoy The Little Mermaid.

ADDYSON HANDREGAN

Addyson is excited to be playing Allana and the Seahorse in *The Little* Mermaid Jr. A student at Lindbjerg for two years, she previously played Young Anna in Frozen Jr, General Cartwright in Guys and Dolls Jr and Shirley in Junie B. Jones Jr. Addyson has been taking vocal lessons since the age of 6, and accomplishments include winning a Junior Achievement Award. She has been dancing for seven years and is currently taking ballet and Glee Choir with the Academy. She also enjoys the guitar and creative writing. She would like to thank her teachers and the rest of the cast for the great memories created while making this show!

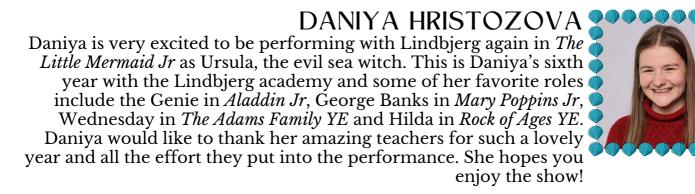




MARTIN HRISTOZOV



Martin is thrilled to reprise his role as Grimsby, Prince Eric's obedient valet, onstage alongside Lindbjerg in *The Little Mermaid Jr*. Martin has been a member of the Lindbjerg Academy for five years. The EarthWorm in *James and the Giant Peach Jr*, Pinocchio in *My Son Pinocchio Jr*, and Pugsley in *The Addams Family YE* have been some of his favourite roles. Martin would like to express his gratitude to his wonderful teachers for a wonderful year and all of their hard work on the show. He also would like to thank his parents for being supportive all these years. He hopes you'll love the performance!





ANASTASIA IZVEKOVA

Anastasia is thrilled to be performing in this year's production. Anastasia is 13 years old and has been in numerous productions. Her favourite one is *Wizard of Oz YE*. Anastasia also takes lyrical dance lessons with the Academy, enjoys skating, fencing, and playing musical instruments. She would like to thank her awesome teachers for their hard work and dedication to changing the lives of children through the art of theatre.

HAZEL KALDESTAD

Hazel is wrapping up grade 7 at Moody Middle this year, and is thoroughly enjoying her 4th year at Lindbjerg. Her roles at Lindbjerg have included Wendy (*Peter Pan Jr*), Dorothy (*The Wizard of Oz YE*), Jovie (*Elf the Musical Jr*), Sarah Brown (*Guys and Dolls Jr*), and Middle Anna (*Frozen Jr*). She was heard but not seen as a youth singing on a phonograph in *Cabaret* by Rain City Theatre. Hazel plays alto saxophone and studies jazz, tap and ballet. She would like to thank her teachers and her family for all their love and support.





HOLLAND KENNEDY



Holly has been dancing, singing and songwriting for many years. Holly enjoyed her past Lindbjerg roles as Regina in *Rock of Ages YE* and Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz YE*. She is active in school productions including Sally in *Charlie Brown's Christmas*, and a supporting role in the drama *Mirror Game*. Holly also enjoys her high school Jazz Choir, creative writing and travelling. Holly would like to thank her parents for encouraging her to pursue her passions. She is thankful for the welcoming, creative home at Lindbjerg, with wonderful teachers and friends. She looks forward to this show and many more in the years to come!

SYDNEY KUCHKA

This is Sydney's first season as a full time Lindbjerg student. She attended summer camp last summer where she was a member of the *Frozen Jr* cast and she was instantly hooked. Sydney also takes lyrical, jazz and voice lessons. Outside of Lindbjerg, Sydney likes to spend time with her friends and family, play volleyball and she is a member of Citadel Cares and Athletic leadership at her middle school. Sydney is also an avid rugby player and sometimes volunteers with the minis program at her club Sydney wishes all her friends and cast mates a great show!



KATERINA LANDO



Katerina has been a Lindbjerg student for 9 years. Some of her favorite roles include, Shere Khan in *The Jungle Book Kids*, Pooh Bear in *Winnie The Pooh Kids*, Kelsey in *High School Musical Jr*, Lonnie in *Rock of Ages YE*. Katerina also enjoys tap and jazz dance. Aside from Lindbjerg Academy, Katerina thoroughly enjoys playing basketball, cheering for the Canucks, travelling and baking. She's thankful for her teachers dedication and for her parents love and support. Enjoy the show!

ANDREW LANG

Andrew is very excited to be back in his 8th year with Lindbjerg with some of his favourite past roles being Charlie in *Willy Wonka Kids* and Nicely Nicely in *Guys and Dolls Jr*. Currently in grade 7 at Hillcrest Middle school, Andrew loves to sing, dance and act, and has a natural flare for the dramatic. Andrew resides in Coquitlam with big brother Graham and parents Tim & Jill, who couldn't be prouder of Andrew's success.

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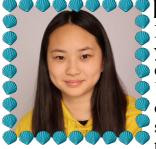


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Elliette is so excited about playing Sebastian in this production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.* Ellie adores musical theatre and has been performing ever since she was 4 years old. Some of her favorite productions include *Junie B. Jones Jr, Annie*, and *Seussical*. Ellie also loves art, basketball, and the Lindbjerg Academy where she can be found dancing most days of the week and volunteering for younger classes. Ellie also enjoys acting for film and loves training and auditioning with her coach Michelle Allen. Elliette would like to thank her family, especially her grandma and her friends for all their love and ongoing support. She cannot wait to be where everything is better, see you under the sea!!

Anna has been a student at the Lindbjerg Acadamy for the past year and also takes jazz classes. She's also been taking school performances for two years and got the part for Jack Kelly in *Newsies Jr* this year. Other than musicals, Anna enjoys reading, writing, and digital drawing. In school, she does leadership, band with the alto saxophone. Anna would like to thank her family for always supporting her in everything she does, and she would also like to thank her teachers for giving her the first real experience in musical arts. She hopes you enjoy this production.





RENEE LIU

Renee was born in Canada. She has been at Lindbjerg for around 4 years now! She plays the Mersister Atina in the Hot Crustacean Band cast. She has also been in the musicals *Pinocchio Jr, The Wizard of Oz YE* and *Rock of Ages YE*! Renee loves to dance and does many types of dance. Such as jazz tap hiphop and contemporary! She also has been singing for 4 years at Lindbjerg too! She is very excited for you to see the show and hopes you enjoy!

RACHAEL MARANA

This is Rachael's first year in musical theatre and she's excited to play a mersister. Rachael is 14 and goes to school at Maillard Middle School. She has a passion for arts such as fashion, singing and dancing. Rachael takes royal jazz with Ms Sydney. She knows how to play the piano and guitar. Rachael would love to thank her family and friends for supporting her along the way and would also love to thank her teachers, Mr Chris, Ms Nicol, Ms Sheryl and all of the TAs.





ELYSE MEVILLE



ELTOE MEVILLE Elyse has been performing for anybody who would watch since she was a toddler. She has enjoyed her first year at Lindbjerg Academy, taking part in dance classes such as competitive tap, hip hop, and the musical theatre program. Elyse is very excited to be portraying the role of Ariel, one of her favourite childhood princesses. She connects with Ariel through her creativity and curious nature. Elyse would like

to thank her peers and amazing mentors for the experience and all the learning opportunities along the way. She encourages you to "dive in" and enjoy this performance Under the Sea!

EMILY NUSANTARA-DODD

Emily Nusantara Dodd is in the Rising Stars class and is playing the role of one of Ariel's sisters, Arista. Emily is 13 years old and currently goes to school at Scott Creek Middle. *The Little Mermaid Jr* is Emily's 6th production at Lindbjerg. She had previously played in *Aladdin Jr*, *James and the Giant Peach Jr*, *Music Man Jr*, *The Wizard of Oz YE*, and *Rock of Ages YE*. Emily also attends jazz and tap classes. Outside of Lindbjerg, Emily is a keen soccer player, plays the piano and enjoys reading and writing in her free time. Emily is very grateful for her teachers and other Lindbjerg staff for all the hard work into making this show possible. She hopes you enjoy the show.





LAURA O'DONOVAN

FUN FACT: Laura was born in Ireland! She's has always loved performing, especially musical theatre and since Grade 1 has been in many productions. Laura joined Lindbjerg in 2018 and has appeared in; James and the Giant Peach Jr, The Music Man Jr (Winthrop), The Wizard of Oz YE (The Wizard), Rock of Ages YE (Franz). This year, The Little Mermaid Jr (Flounder). Laura feels so lucky to be part of this production, "I hope you enjoy this production as much as I have preparing for it".

ZOELLE PLITT Zoelle has been performing since she was little. She's always been excited to put on a show for everyone's enjoyment. This is Zoelle's third season with Lindbjerg, playing Mother Superior in *Sister Act Jr* and multiple characters in *Junie B Jones Jr* last year. She is thrilled to be part of a big show once again. Zoelle is ready to put on her best performance for everyone.







ZOE POPA

It is Zoe's first full year at Lindbjerg Academy and her first year in musical theatre; she is also taking acro and hip hop this year. Prior to Lindbjerg, Zoe did ballet and jazz at Goh Ballet Academy. Besides dance, Zoe enjoys learning new languages and art. She would like to thank her dad for driving her to classes, and her mom for registering her with Lindbjerg. Zoe would also like to thank her amazing friends and teachers for making her look forward to classes, and you for coming to see the show.

ALYSSA POST

Alyssa Post attends Ecole Glenbrook Middle School in New Westminster. This is Alyssa's sixth year in Lindbjerg Academy. She is exited to be in The Little Mermaid Jr, performing as Chef Louis and Allana. Previously she played the role of Waitress #1 in Rock Of Ages YE, Glinda and Aunt Em in The Wizard Of Oz YE, Miss Paroo in The Music Man Jr, Ms. Darbus in High School Musical Jr, and Mason the Monkey in *Madagascar Jr* Alyssa takes gold jazz advanced and gold lyrical at the Academy. Alyssa would like to thank all of her teachers for their dedication.



AVA RHYNE



Experienced actress Ava Rhyne is back on the stage with this year's production of *The Little Mermaid Jr*. She's been with Lindbjerg Academy for 8 years, nurturing her love for the theatre, dance and the arts. Appreciative of the classics, she plays the piano and euphonium (basically a baby tuba). Also, try to say euphonium 3 times fast for fun! She loves the show The Little Mermaid and she hopes that the memories you take away from this performance will be forever a part of your world. Life is the bubbles - enjoy the show!

OLIVIA ROBINSON

This is Olivia's 3rd year at Lindbjerg. She performed in Captain Louis Jr and Rock of Ages YE in which she played the roles of Amy and Justice Charlier. This year she is thrilled to be playing the role of Ariel, the rebellious daughter of King Triton. Besides singing and dancing, Olivia enjoys track and field, basketball and snuggles with her dog. She would like to thank her teachers for helping to make this show possible and her parents for their nonstop encouragement. Enjoy the show!







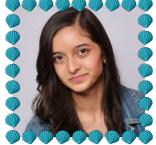
AUDREY STASUK

Audrey has been at Lindbjerg for 7 years and will be playing Scuttle in *The Little Mermaid Jr* this year. Audrey loves performing on stage & also does ballet, hip hop, jazz, and tap as well. Audrey likes to spend her free time drawing while listening to music, playing the piano or writing stories.

SOPHIA WANG

Sophia has been a student at the Lindbjerg Academy for 4 years. Sophia used to act in some music theatre show including *Guys and Dolls Jr, Wizard of Oz YE*, 'When I Grow Up', 'It's A Hard Knock Life', *Aladdin Jr, The Little Match Girl*. Sophia also takes singing, jazz, piano, swimming, drawing, and waterpolo. Sophia is a good team leader, warm-hearted, friendly, easy going, and helpful. Sophia would like to thank her awesome teachers for their hard work and support and her parents for driving her to and from rehearsals. She hopes you enjoy the show!





KEIRA WYPER

Keira loves performing and has been on stage since she was 7 years old. She danced in the Royal City Youth Ballet's Nutcracker for 4 years in various roles. Among Keira's favorites performances are 'Hard Knock Life' from *Annie* and 'When I grow Up' from *Matilda*. Besides musical theatre, Keira also takes singing lessons, jazz, acro dance, hip hop and acting lessons. Keira enjoys skiing, swimming, traveling and is fluent in French. She joined Lindbjerg Academy in this year's production of *The Little Mermaid Jr*. Keira would like to thank her parents for supporting her dreams! She hopes you enjoy the show!



CHRIS ADAMS

Director

Chris holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from The University of Victoria in Theatre and studied Musical Theatre in New York with Circle in the Square Theater School. He is a two-time Jessie Award winning producer and a two-time Ovation Award Winning actor. Chris got his start teaching/directing at UBC for their Summer Musical Theatre classes, teaching 6-16 year olds everything from Musical Theatre to Acting to

Improv. For the Lindbjerg Academy, Chris has directed for the last 8 years. He is also a professional director and the Co-Managing Artistic Director of the awarding winning company Raincity Theatre, where he has been nominated two for Outstanding Director at the Jessie Awards. As an actor, Chris has performed on some of Canada's best stages, including playing Charlie Brown in *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* at the Globe Theatre, touring with Axis Theatre in the National Tour of *The Number 14*, and performing in the sold out run of *Gutenberg the Musical* at the Vancouver Fringe.

NICOL SPINOLA Choreographer

Nicol Spinola is a multi-award-winning dance and theatre educator, performer, and choreographer. Currently based in Vancouver, Nicol has spent the past two decades teaching and working at many dance studios and theatre companies across North America & Asia. Nicol's students have gone on to dance and performer professionally all over the world. Nicol has choreographed for some of the largest theatre companies in



Western Canada, including Arts Club Theatre Company, Chemainus Theatre Festival, Align Entertainment, Theatre Under the Stars, Gateway Theatre, and Capilano University where she sat as interim faculty in the Musical Theatre department. In addition to working extensively as a choreographer & dance educator, Nicol is also the Co-Managing Artistic Director for Raincity Theatre, whose sold-out productions have won many professional theatre awards. This is Nicol's 8th season with Lindbjerg Academy where she works hard to train and mentor all of her amazing students. Each summer, Nicol runs Camp Cue, an overnight musical theatre camp for kids and teens, of which she is a founding director. <u>www.campcue.com</u>



SHERYL MCMILLAN

Music Director

From Musical Theatre to Children's Theatre, from Dinner Theatre to film and television, Sheryl has been a part of the entertainment industry for well over 30 years, performing, impersonating, choreographing, directing, and teaching. Sheryl's teaching career began in Australia first as a jazz teacher and then a natural progression into Musical Theatre and Stage. As the criteria for Dance Festivals changed and singing became an erformance in the dance community. Sheryl became unice conching for

important part of performance in the dance community, Sheryl began voice coaching for performance troupes across Queensland. For those Dancers wishing to enhance their talents and become more versatile as performers, Sheryl began teaching choral and private voice lessons. So that is how it began. Fast forward past several years, with a move back to Canada in 2004, Sheryl has been teaching steadily in the Coquitlam and Vancouver areas ever since. Sheryl's teaching credentials include Musical Director for TUTS summer camps, Musical Theatre teacher for the New Westminster School Board as one of their after-school programs in three schools over a two-year period. As well as having taught Musical Theatre and Voice at the Jewish Community Centre and Stagecoach Musical Theatre School in Coquitlam. In 2018, trying to find a better work/life balance, Sheryl joined the ranks of the Lindbjerg team and has never looked back.

ELISABETH POLLOCK Student Teacher / Props Manager Elisabeth was a student at Lindbjerg Academy for eight years and was a TA for four. Since graduating in 2022 this is her first year as a student teacher! She's loved having the pleasure of watching the young performers in Shining Stars grow and succeed. In this show, Elisabeth was so happy to work on and choreograph "Les Poissons" along with her other student teacher, Sophia. In the past, Elisabeth has also had



the pleasure of working backstage for select Align Entertainment shows, such as, Annie and Shrek the Musical. Select credits include Carlos - Legally Blonde, Tanya - Mamma Mia, Lumière - Beauty and the Beast, (Lindbjerg Academy) and Mrs. Tottendale - The Drowsy Chaperone, (Riversedge Theater). Elisabeth can't wait for the Shining Stars class to perform The Little Mermaid Jr! Enjoy the show and have fun under the sea!



SOPHIA POLLOCK Student Teacher / Props Manager This is Sophia's 11th year involved with Lindbjerg Academy. She has been TAing for 5 years and is so excited to be working with the Shining Stars students! She is so proud of all the work they've done and can't wait to see them shine this weekend. In the past Sophia has had the opportunity to work backstage at A Christmas Story, Annie, and Shrek (Align Entertainment) and she also had the privilege to direct and

produce The Little Mermaid Jr with Vogager productions. Sophia also has a passion for performing on stage. Select credits include: Judy Understudy/Ensemble in White Christmas (TIC), Belle in Beauty and the Beast, Sophie in Mamma Mia, and Margot in Legally Blonde (Lindbjerg Academy). Enjoy the show!

VADA COLLINS Teachers' Assistant





JAN BALLARD

ASM / Wiøs and Makeup

Jan has worked with the Lindbjerg Academy for many years. She, and her husband Ian, supply, style and work at the shows putting wigs and makeup on for the many different varieties of performances. Jan is very proud to be working along side such a great group of people. She is also a stage manager during showtime - helping with picking up, setting up, and taking down sets. During shows you can always find Dan or Jan on one side of the back stage or the other.

IAN BALLARD Wigs and Makeup

Ian Ballard is a professional hair stylist who has worked on stage, film and tv productions as a Head of Dept for over 30 years. He is a master of wigs and period hairstyles and we are fortunate to have him working and sharing his art with us. Ian has been nominated for Emmys on various productions throughout his career and now is happy to mainly work on the wigs and creative styles to help make the stage come alive. Hope you enjoy the show.





JOHN BRADBURY

Set Construction

Learning to build with his grandfather as a child resulted in over 20 years of set design and carpentry for John. In addition to Lindbjerg Academy, he has enjoyed working with Align Entertainment and Boone Dog Productions as well as other Vancouver theatre companies. Select list of building projects include *The Little Mermaid, Lion King, Tarzan* and *Peter Pan*. John has loved being a part of the Lindbjerg Family for the past 10 years.

JOANE BOWES

Volunteer Coordinator Joanie Bowes has been a musical theater fan since she watched her older siblings perform in their high school productions. Her first and last performance was as an ensemble member in *Grease* during her first year of high school. She now prefers to support her daughters and their theater and dance mates at Lindbjerg Academy. As the volunteer coordinator, she encourages others to come be a part of the show! She promises to not make singing or dancing part of the volunteer responsibilities.





DARA COULTER

Dara has been a student of Showstoppers Academy since 2012, started assisting with classes in 2017, and joined the staff as an instructor in 2018. She joined the costume team with Lindbjerg in the summer and has loved creating costumes and helping the visions come to life. She has a passion for textiles is grateful for all she has learned from the team. She hopes you enjoy the show!

EMILY_MATCHETTE Costume Team / Program Design Calling the Lindbjerg Academy home since 2009 when they began there as a student, Emily has been so thrilled since joining the Showstoppers family last year. She is a graduate of the Musical Theatre program at Capilano University, and the Bachelor of Performing Arts Program at Douglas College. Emily is passionate about youth theatre and creating a safe rehearsal space for exploration



and play. This year, he is teaching a total of seven production classes between both studios and is especially excited to have joined the costume team. Upcoming shows include: Shrek Jr (Showstoppers), Frog and Toad Kids, and Madagascar Jr (Lindbjerg).



KELSEY TIERNEY Costume Team

Miss Kelsey has spent her childhood surrounded by music. As an original student of Showstoppers, she has grown up performing onstage. Favourite past roles at Showstoppers have included Jafar in Aladdin Jr, and Anna in Frozen Jr. Working at Showstoppers since 2017, Miss Kelsey has performed many different roles including making props and costuming shows, working backstage, reception, and

CLAIRE TURNER

assisting with some of the musical theatre classes. She is very proud of all the students and the hard work they have put into their shows.

Head of Costumes Claire joined the Lindbjerg team in August 2022 and has enjoyed creating the costumes for you to enjoy with the rest of the costume department. She graduated from CapU's Costuming program in 2019. Notable credits include, Assistant Designer and Head Dresser for 9 to 5 (Exit 22 Productions), Head Dresser for Rock of Ages (Renegade Arts Society) Costume Designer for *Amphitruo*, A Public Reading of an



Unproduced Screenplay about the Death of Walt Disney, Thy Neighbour's Wife (United Players of Vancouver), Happy Birthday, Stag & Doe, The Importance of Being Earnest (Metro Theatre).



DAN WIEBE ASM / Set Design / Set Construction Dan has been involved in musical theatre for the past 15 years. It all started with Lindbjerg Academy where his children joined, and fell in love with singing, dancing and acting. Over the years, and through the help of talented individuals, he has learn the trade of set building and design, and Assistant Stage Management. Past shows include, Align's The Little Mermaid, Joseph, Legally Blonde, Shrek the Musical, and A

Christmas Story as ASM, Legally Blonde, Shrek the Musical and A Christmas Story as set construction, numerous Lindbjerg Academy productions as Set Design and ASM, Naked Goddess Productions' The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Bring on Tomorrows' Fame and 13 the Musical, and Snapshot Collective's Sweeney Todd. Bring on the show!





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