A Huntington High School Drama Club Production

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S DREAM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 – 7:30 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 – 7:30 PM
A Midsummer Night’s Dream
by
William Shakespeare

Director
Michael Schwendemann

Set Dressing
Dana Freed

Backdrop
Grosh Backdrops & Drapery

Makeup
Melinda Sarabia

Technical Director
Ken Gilbert

Student Directors
Laura Ironman
Emma Hughes

Logo
Anna Wertheim

Program
Ellen Fleury

Costumes
Dana Freed
Norcostco Costume Co.

Act 1 Scene 1
Athens. The Palace of Theseus.

Act 1 Scene 2
Athens. Quince’s House.

Act 2 Scene 1
A wood near Athens.

Act 2 Scene 2
Another part of the wood.

Act 3 Scene 1
The Wood. Titania lying asleep.

Act 3 Scene 2
Another part of the wood.

Act 4 Scene 1
The same.
Lysander, Demetrius, Helena, and Hermia lying asleep.

Act 4 Scene 2
Athens. Quince’s house.

Act 5 Scene 1
Athens. The Palace of Theseus.

Director’s Notes
“The course of true love never did run smooth. . . .” As Lysander speaks these words little does he know what he is in for. Shakespeare not only knew what Lysander was in for but he showed us what we might come up against when faced with the fact that as long as there has been true love, there have been seemingly insurmountable difficulties to challenge it. Lovers are forced to deal with differences in background or age and difficulties caused by friends or unexpected outside forces they cannot control. Puck reminds us that love makes fools of us all; whether blinded by beauty, power or talent, we will survive and be the better for it. Lovers must persevere, overcoming every obstacle that fate throws in their path—the reward, a passionate paradise. So let us journey out of Athens and into the magic of the forest, where anything is possible, a place where love can bloom as well as the flowers. Enjoy a little magic in the night.

Special Thanks
Ellen Fleury
For sticking with us

Dana Freed
For sticking around

Ken Gilbert
For sticking it out

Jackie Higgins
For being as organized as I am not

The Ironmans
For all this and a wedding too

Lorraine Moya
For staying with us through sickness & health

The Custodians
For keeping us clean

The Secretaries
For keeping me on task

&

Dr. Leonardi
For all the support
Join us again on March 30 & 31
for our spring musical...

Cinderella

The Drama Parents Association
would like to thank the cast and crew of
“A Midsummer Night’s Dream”
for an outrageously wonderful show,
Mr. Schwendemann for his abounding enthusiasm,
and Mr. Gilbert for his “can do” attitude.

Cast

Theseus, Duke of Athens .................................................. Josh Stickell
Hippolyta, Queen of the Amazons .................................... Jackie Contino
Lysander, young courtier in love with Hermia .................... Matt Chadwick
Demetrius, preferred by Egeus as a match for Hermia......... Patrick Lombardi
Hermia, in love with Lysander ............................................ Emily McGoldrick
Helena, in love with Demetrius .......................................... Monica Owen
Egeus, Father of Hermia .................................................. Marc Widerman
Philostrate, Theseus’ Master of Revels ............................. Brendan Higgins
Oberon, King of the Fairies .............................................. Bobby Marcus
Titania, Queen of the Fairies ........................................... Chelsea Holmes
Puck, or Robin Goodfellow, Oberon’s lieutenant ............... Kat Gerdes
Peaseblossom, Fairy, in Titania’s service ............................. Julie Gray
Cobweb, Fairy, in Titania’s service .................................... Alex Reinertsen
Moth, Fairy, in Titania’s service ....................................... Hannah Rice
Mustardseed, Fairy, in Titania’s service .............................. Sarah Mosden
Peter Quince, a carpenter; Prologue in the Interlude .......... Stephanie Shea
Nick Bottom, a weaver; Pyramus in the Interlude .............. Anna Wertheim
Francis Flute, a bellows-mender; Thisbe in the Interlude .... Zach Burden
Tom Snout, a tinker; Wall in the Interlude ........................ Katelyn Postiglione
Snug, a joiner; Lion in the Interlude ................................. Liz Roman
Robin Starveling, a tailor; Moonshine in the Interlude ...... Jaime Moskowitz
Other Fairies attending on Oberon & Titania
Lords & Attendants to Theseus & Hippolyta ...................... Bobby Marcus,
Mary Pulizzotto, Nicole Tavares, Julia Zinn

Stage Crew

Stage Managers
Justin Fleiss
Marc Solomowitz
Ashley Veliz

Lighting
Gabe Goldman
Mike Lambi

Paint Design
Wilmarie Aviles

Sound
Christine Powers

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Who’s Who in the Cast

ZACH BURDEN (Francis Flute) is in his first show at Huntington High School. He is currently in his sophomore year. He loves this year’s cast and is very excited to continue with Drama Club at Huntington High School. Although he has a busy schedule with Drama Club, he enjoys sitting at home crying at sad movies, on his Saturday nights with his cats. His past shows include The Sound of Music (Ensemble), My Fair Lady (Professor Karpathy), and Oliver! (Mr. Brownlow). He is very involved other than Drama. He is in Yearbook Club, AWOD, and is very involved in Student Government. He is also this year’s Historian of the Drama Club and Choir. Thanks for the Schwendiest moments of my life, Schwendy. Pce Luv Drama Club.

MATTISON CHADWICK (Lysander) is a sophomore at Huntington High School and is elated to be part of this production. He has wanted to act in a Shakespearean play for several years now and is happy to have this dream realized. Mattison transferred to HHS from West Babylon Senior High School this past September. He was part of the ensemble in their Spring production of Seussical the Musical and enjoyed being part of the cast very much. Mattison thanks his family and friends for their love and support in all that he does!

JACKIE CONTINO (Hippolyta) is so excited to be in her first drama production! She was in Carousel last year with her brother who was the one who inspired her to try musical theater. It has been such a great experience for her and she wants to thank everyone for their entertainment!

KATHERINE GERDES (Puck) is a sophomore at Huntington High School and is extremely excited to be performing in her first Shakespearean production! She has a passion for acting and literature, and cannot wait to perform with her fellow castmates. Some of her past roles have been Alice in Alice in Wonderland, Laozi in Mulan, Millie in Thoroughly Modern Mille and ensemble/bit parts in several other musicals. Katherine hopes that all her canker blossoms and lob break their legs during this performance, and would like to thank her family and friends for their tremendous amounts of support!

JULIE GRAY (Pease-blossom) has been in 8 shows including High School Musical and Alice in Wonderland. She appreciates Drama Club very much and is very proud to be in this production. This is her second show at the high school and enjoys it greatly.

BRENDAN HIGGINS (Philostrate) is a senior and is thrilled to be in his seventh HHS performance. He discovered Drama Club in Huntington Intermediate and has been a part of every production since the fourth grade. His credits include: a band member in The Music Man, a chorus member in School House Rock, the baker in Aladdin, a knight in Once Upon a Mattress, and a Who in Seussical the Musical. He has also been in the HHS productions of Auntie Mame, The Pajama Game, Stage Door, Meet Me in St. Louis, The Skin of Our Teeth and Carousel. Brendan loves the stage and has always enjoyed performing for his family and friends. His dream is to be an actor on Low and Order or Glee. He would like to thank Mr. Schwendy and his friends in the Drama Club. They make him laugh every day. He dedicates this performance to his family who never miss a show.

CHELSEA HOLMES (Titania) is appearing in her second production with the high school Drama Club and she is excited to be in such a hilarious show. This is her first ever drama but she has done many musicals including The Sound of Music (Marta Von Trapp), My Fair Lady (Eliza Doolittle), Oliver! (Nancy), Mulan (Zhang), Thoroughly Modern Mille (Ms. Flannery), and Carousel (Julie Jordan). Chelsea has also done several shows at the Cultural Arts Playhouse in Plainview including Once on this Island (Mama Euralie), Once Upon a Mattress (Lady Larken), and Beauty and the Beast (Mrs. Potts). Chelsea has explored several genres of music including Opera, Pop and Jazz. She is currently a member of the Gilbert and Sullivan light Opera Company and recently toured with them in, The Sorcerer. Chelsea has also participated in NYSSMA and SCMEA. This production has given Chelsea the opportunity to experience a new type of character and the Shakespearean language. Luckily her “Diva” personality has helped her to overcome being “as ugly as a bear” and perform her role of the powerful and seductive Fairy Queen.

PATRICK LOMBARDI (Demetrius) is in his first year at Huntington High School and he is very pleased to be playing the part of Demetrius. Patrick has been doing school plays each year since the fifth grade, and he has also taken several classes at the John W. Engeman Theater in Northport. Previous parts include the Sultan in Aladdin, Jr. and Big Jule in Finley’s production of Guys and Dolls, Jr. Patrick is very excited and expects the show to be great.

BOBBY MARCUS (Oberon) has been acting since he was seven. He has played many background roles as well as starring roles. He has performed in My Fair Lady, The Sound of Music, The Wizard of Oz, and Peter Pan. Bobby dreams of becoming a director on Broadway after graduating from NYU.

EMILY MCGLDICK (Hermia) feels spellbound to be a part of this year’s production of A Midsummer Night’s Dream. Her previous credits include Stage Door, Meet Me in St. Louis, The Skin of Our Teeth, Carousel, Annie and Mulan. This “acorn” is thrilled to have so many new members of the dysfunctional family that is called Drama Club despite having to physically
attack a few of them on stage. Big Mary would like to thank Schwendy for all the guidance about Shakespeare, her dad (Happy Birthday!), and the cast and crew for bringing this show to life. Hopefully this spring the sock musical will be a smashing hit!

**Sarah Mosden**

(Mustardseed) is participating in her third Huntington High School production and is extremely excited to be playing the fairy, Mustardseed. Sarah is a sophomore in high school this year, and even though the work is hard, she dedicates as much time as she possibly can to all of the rehearsals and meetings for Drama Club. She hopes to continue participating in the drama and musical productions throughout her high school career! Sarah would like to thank many people. First off, she would like to thank her mom, who is so very supportive of her and the drama club, and drives her home from rehearsal day in and day out. Next, she would like to thank Mary, Patrick, Matt, and Bobby. Because of them, Sarah feels like she has finally found her place in the drama club. Sarah would also like to thank her best friend Randi Madonna. Even though she is not able to attend the show, Sarah knows that she is always there for her, and is always around to give her a good laugh, especially at their nightly Ke$ha club meetings. Furthermore, she would like to thank Schwendy, because without him, Drama Club would just not be amazing. And lastly, Sarah would like to thank Conor Byrne who is always there for her and continues to support her every day. Last but not least, Sarah would like to give a big shout out to all of the freshmen who tried out for the fall production! She hopes that they all remain in Drama Club throughout all of their years of high school. Break a leg everyone!

**Jaime Moskowitz**

(Robin Starveling) is proud to be part of a Huntington Drama Club production for the fifth time. Her past credits include Billy Griff from *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* and the cow from *The Skin of Our Teeth*. She commonly plays animals in school production, which caused her role as Robin Starveling to be abnormal for her. Don't fear though, she also plays a form of nature for a portion of the show: Moonshine. She would like to thank her employers at The Ugly Museum for giving her the hours to be part of this show, and can't wait to be in future productions. As a farewell note to this fabulous play, she'd like to say “moo” to reminisce.

**Monica Owen**

(Helena) is extremely excited to be participating in this year's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* production. Although this is Monica's first high school production, past shows include *Alice in Wonderland* (Mad Hatter), *The Wizard of Oz* (Glinda), and *Shout! The Mod Musical* (Blue Girl). This production has been an exciting and educational experience for Monica and she would like to wish the rest of the cast the best of luck. Monica would also like to thank her friends and family for being so supportive of her!

**Katelyn Postiglione**

(Tom Snout) is a junior this year at Huntington High School and has been involved in every show since freshman year. In this show Katelyn plays Tom Snout the tinker, and the Wall. She would like to thank everyone for supporting her and making this show the best one yet! She loves her fellow mechanics and is very proud to share the stage with them. Katelyn is writing this in third person, now I am writing this in first person.

**Mary Pulizzotto**

(Fairy/Attendant) is thrilled to be performing in her very first drama production at HHS and is looking forward to many more as this is her freshman year! Past performances include: *Alice in Wonderland Jr.* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Jr.* A thank you to all who are watching tonight's show and to the cast for making this such a fun experience!!

**Alex Reinertsen**

(Cobweb) is a junior at Huntington High School who loves theater and music. She is so excited to be involved with her fourth production in the Huntington High School Drama Club! She also does color guard in the marching band. She dedicates as much time as she possibly can to all of the rehearsals and meetings for Drama Club. She hopes to continue participating in the drama and musical productions throughout her high school career! Sarah would like to thank Schwendy for all the guidance about Shakespeare, her dad (Happy Birthday!), and the cast and crew for bringing this show to life. Hopefully this spring the sock musical will be a smashing hit!

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JOSH STICKELL (Theseus) – Like yo’ wassup y’all? Josh Stickell be reppin’ Theseus in this year’s play man. Josh Stickell has been in only one other school production, Meet Me in St. Louis. He played the mighty role of Sydney Purvis. This is his second production and he’s mad excited yo! He loves the new friends he’s made and can’t wait for upcoming productions. In his spare time he likes talking about himself and chillin’ to the maximum with his friends. Just kidding about the talking about himself (not really). To be honest he loves Drama Club. To be honest.

NICOLE TAVARES (Fairy/Attendant) is happy to be making her debut performance at HHS in A Midsummer Night’s Dream and wishes the best to the cast and crew.

ANNA WERTHEIM (Nick Bottom) is thrilled to be performing in her fifth show with the Huntington High School Drama Club. She is especially excited to portray Bottom, her dream role, in her favorite Shakespearean play. Anna has previously played Quince in another production of A Midsummer Night’s Dream. Anna has also appeared as Ann in Stage Door, Dr. Barton in Leaving Hannibal, and Mrs. Drudge in The Real Inspector Hound, just to name a few. Anna would like to thank all her biddies, especially the Fab Five, for cheering her up, embarrassing themselves with her, belting out show tunes with her, and dealing with her mood swings. She would also like to thank her family, although they almost never see her, they always support her and drive her everywhere. Anna would like to thank Schwendy, Gil, Stage Crew and the entire cast. She dedicates her performance to Renee Leavy, her second grandmother and Mamam, who never missed a show.

MARC WIDERMAN (Egeus) first wanted to be an actor after seeing his brother in a production of You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown at USDAN Center for the Creative and Performing Arts. Ever since he has been following in his brother’s footsteps and more doing shows at the high school, other schools and at USDAN, where he was in a production of Li’l Abner, which ironically was directed by Schwendy.

JULIA ZINN (Fairy/Attendant) is happy to be making her debut performance at HHS in A Midsummer Night’s Dream and wishes the best to the cast and crew.

Boosters

I love singing with you, Jaime! – Guess who.

Drama Club is like a family. You guys are the best! – Brendan Higgins

Hey Everybody – I didn’t mean for “I am invisible” to become literal and I am super bummed I had to step out. As they say, however, the show must go on! I have to admit, being a king and having you all bow to me was pretty nice ;) but let’s face it: you all don’t need me to put on a fantastic show. You all rock my socks and I hope that you are missing my JOKES because they will be back full force come the musical. Fantastic job to all you thespians, Schwenn, the crew, and everyone else involved. Sorry for any stress or anything that my sickness may have put anybody through, but the show is a bona fide masterpiece and I am very proud to be a part of this club. Break a leg and I’ll break the other for you! – Daniel

Missing all of my Drama Queens (and... Kings?) Phyllis is missing an aunt. –AH

Break a leg Anna – Bottom is Tops with us! – Love, Mom&Dad&Matthew&Ariel

Break a leg HHS Drama Club! The play’s the thing! – The Wertheim Family

Good luck to Zach Burden, cast and crew! – Gam & Papa

Good luck Zach, we are proud of you and love you! – Grandma & Grandpa

Zach – You are and always will be our shining star! – Love Always, Mom & Dad

Good luck cast & crew from the Owen Family

Monica – We are so proud of you. Break a leg! – Love Mom & Dad

Monica – Let’s get famous together! – Love, Dan

Good luck Drama Queen! – Love, Tim

“Who’s Adam” I love you C.H. – Love S.S.

Koala Bear & Eucalyptus Tree! Love you K.P. – S.S.


Congratulations, Steph, on another great show. Love you. – Mom & Dad

Here we go again! Love you.

I AM THE KOALA!!!

“Friend” me on Facebook – Mom
Boosters

Feel better Dan – The Mosden Family

Congratulations to the cast & crew of A Midsummer Night’s Dream
– The Mosdens

“Cinderella” here we come...

Congrats Emily! We are so proud of our super talented sister and wish we could be there to see you shine! – Love, Tara & Erin

Once again, you are our pride and joy. – Love GMA & GPA

Hermia, You are our “Midsummer Night’s Dream” come true!
– Love Mom & Dad

We are so proud of you, Mattison – Love, Mom & Andrew

Way 2 Go Matt. Great job in your first drama. – Love, Drew & Sam

Great job, Mattison & cast. – Love, Auntie

Very proud of you, Mattison. – Love, Nana

Grandma wishes Mattison and cast the best!

Excellent job as Lysander! – Love, your Uncle Ron & Aunt Ree

We wish HHS drama the best in this production.

Kat – You are my shining star. – Love you, Grandma

Good luck to our fun-loving, mischievous, quick-witted Puck.
-- Love, Mom and Dad

Kat – Don’t Puck Up – Alex

Bobby Marcus – Congratulations! We are so proud of you.
– Love, Mome & Dad

Hey Bobby (Marcus) – So cool lil’bro – Break a leg. – Love, Justine

Bobby – Break a leg kiddo. – Love, Unci

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