

The Huntington High School

Drama Club

invites you to

join us again on

March 22nd and 23rd

for our spring musical.

Enjoy the show!



HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL



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**HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB
PRESENTS**



Humbug

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 – 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 – 2:00 & 7:00 PM

Special Thanks

"Thank you."

Carrie Semelsberger

For always making us look great

Darin Reed

For always making us photogenic

Victoria Garbarino

For the carols

Laura Tierney & Katie Dopico

For all you do

Dave Semelsberger

For helping us build

Theresa Sullivan & Karen Scott

For the showcase

All the Parents

For understanding the crazy hours ...

and all the pickups & deliveries ...

and for all your work with the Parent's Association

Custodial

For keeping us clean

Janet, Sandy, Fran & Patrice

For keeping me up to date and paid in full

Brian Stellato

For everything

HHS Administration & Central Office

For always supporting us

Humbug

by

John Wooten

Director

Michael Schwendemann

Technical Director

Michael Zigon

Set Dressing

Carrie Semelsberger

Costumes

Carrie Semelsberger

Backdrop

Grosh Backdrops
& Drapery

Director's Notes

The word "humbug" is often taken as a general exclamation of displeasure and bitterness — in the case of Scrooge, Christmas is seen as a complete fraud. It is just another day of the week — no different from any other. Scrooge did not start this way; the change occurs over time, becoming blind to what Christmas stands for and growing evermore bitter with age; turning against those in need until Scrooge is forced to look at the choices made that led to others having to suffer. What a gift — the ability to see oneself how others see us! Daunting though it may seem, would you like to see yourself as Scrooge was forced to? As we enter the holiday season, can we open our hearts to those in need or will we just say "humbug" and continue on our merry way? Something to think about. Happy Holidays!

Humbug

TIME

The Present, Christmas Eve

SETTING

A Wall Street Office Suite, on the 16th Floor

Stage Crew

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Ethan Ambrosio | Emma Mortensen |
| Ailish Arent | Ethan Mortensen |
| Gianna Brady | Norah Moskowitz |
| David Cruz Ponce | Alejandro Orjuela |
| Chelsea Drummings | Christina Ray |
| Mia Einemann | Toni Reyes-Sorto |
| Anya Goleski | Eva Richter |
| Veda Gross | Netanya Shazner |
| Greyson Henderson | Audrey Sherwood |
| Heather Herman | Benjamin Soric |
| Matthew Jiminez | Charles Stanforth |
| Eli Levi | Rebecca Stone |
| Cole Lima | Joanna Villalta Vilorio |



Cast

(in order of appearance)

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Eleanor Scrooge | Sofia Rodriguez |
| Bobbie Cratchit | Lily Tierney |
| Tess | Lily Wasoski |
| Present | Deveren Flynn |
| Tug | Michael DiVencenzo |
| Bill | Maggie O'Toole |
| Ellie | Kyra Scott |
| Lisa | Layna Abraham |
| Past | Landry Flynn |
| Juan | Walter Lopez |
| John | Sam Soric |
| Robert | Alex Tine |
| Gravedigger | Kayla Murillo |
| Phil | Jack Semelsberger |
| Sarah | Alexa Schirripa |
| Ben | Will Berry |
| Marley | Josie Sullivan |
| Benson | Isabella Cruz Ponce |
| Young Phil | Sophia Tine |
| Timmy | Daniel Simon |
| Carla | Isabelle Gregorio |
| Nellie | Michaela Dopico |
| Future | James Stensland |

CAROLERS

Maya Ackerman, Jasmine Adcock, Lauren Dopico,
Mason Gomez, Victoria Hart, Caleb Palermo

Who's Who in the Cast



LAYNA ABRAHAM

(Lisa) is excited to be back in the HHS Drama Club for the fourth year as the character, Lisa! In previous years, Layna has acted in *The Curious Savage*, *The Addams Family*, *The Diary of Anne Frank*, *Hello Dolly*, *Alice in Wonderland Jr*, *Frozen Jr*, *Bye, Bye Birdie*, *The Jungle Book Jr*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Little Mermaid Jr*, *Almost, Maine*, *Seussical*, and *High School Musical Jr*. She enjoys spending her time with her family and friends, as well as acting and singing with her wonderful cast mates.



MAYA ACKERMAN

(Caroler) is excited to be a part of this year's production as a caroler. Maya has participated in other plays in the past including *The Alibis*, *Bad Auditions on Camera*, *Mary Poppins*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and more. She looks forward to meeting new people in Drama Club and learning more about theatre.



JASMINE ADCOCK

(Caroler) is thrilled to be performing in her first high school play. She is a ninth grader who has been in plays and musicals since second grade. She takes vocal and piano lessons, participates in NYSSMA, and is a SCMEA nominee. Jasmine loves being in Drama

Club and hopes to study music and art in college. She would like to thank her teachers and family for their support.



WILL BERRY (Ben) is in his sixth show at HHS. It's his senior year, and he is preparing to say goodbye to the stage after the spring musical. He's very excited to return to

the stage in *Humbug* as Ben, the homeless helper. He would like to thank Mr. Schwendemann as well as his parents, the cast and the crew.



ISABELLA CRUZ

(Benson) is ecstatic to be a part of the 2023 fall production of *Humbug*! Izzy is a sophomore and has been in *Mary Poppins*, *The Wizard of*

Oz, *The Alibis*, and *Seussical*. She would like to thank her parents for their support and Mr. Schwendemann for this great opportunity. She hopes you enjoy the show!



MICHAEL DIVENCENZO

(Tug) is very excited to be participating in his first HHS production! He has loved working with Mr. Schwendemann and the rest of the cast.

Previously, he has been in *The Wizard of Oz* (Crow/Crinkle Guard), *The Alibis* (Sam), and *Cinderella* (Prince Charming). He hopes you enjoy the show!

Who's Who in the Cast



LAUREN DOPICO

(Caroler) is very excited to be in the HHS Drama Club production of *Humbug*! This is her first high school play and she

hopes to be in the many that will follow. She has been in multiple shows in her life including *Cinderella* at Finley last year. She would like to thank her family for always supporting her, and Schwen for giving her the opportunity to become a part of this big family at school. She really hopes you sit back and enjoy the play!



MICHAELA DOPICO

(Nellie) is so excited to be in this year's play! She loves doing the school shows, as she loves being with her friends within the cast, and her

amazing director Mr. Schwendemann. This is Michaela's fifth high school production. Michaela has been seen most recently as Sandrine in *Almost, Maine*, and Gertrude in *Seussical*. She would like to thank her parents and friends for supporting her throughout the entire timeline of this play, the cast for being a great group of people, and her amazing director Mr. Schwendemann for believing in her!



DEVEREN FLYNN

(Present) is thrilled to be performing in her first HHS production under the direction of Mr. Schwendemann. Some of Deveren's previous

stage credits include *Matilda* (Matilda), Mrs. Potts (*Beauty and the Beast*) and *Cinderella* (*Cinderella*). She hopes you enjoy the show!



LANDRY FLYNN (Past)

is beyond excited to be a part of this year's fall play at HHS. She previously played a Wickersham Brother in last year's production of *Seussical* and

Marcie in last year's *Almost, Maine*. She was nominated for Hunting-Tony's Best Supporting Actress in a Play for her work as Marcie. This is Landry's last fall production, and she will cherish the memories made with the cast for years to come.



ISABELLE GREGORIO

(Carla) is so excited to be participating in her first HHS production! She has loved working with the entire cast and Mr. Schwendemann.

Before this, she was in a production of *Beauty and the Beast Jr*. Isabelle hopes you enjoy the show! :)



MASON GOMEZ

(Caroler) is thrilled to be participating in his third HHS show. He has loved working with Mr. Schwendemann and the rest of the cast and crew!

He has appeared in many other shows such as: *Mary Poppins*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Alibis*, *Almost, Maine* and *Seussical*. Mason hopes you enjoy the show!



VICTORIA HART (Caroler)

is excited to be participating in her second HHS Production! She has loved working with Mr. Schwendemann and the rest of the cast! She

previously has been in *Mary Poppins*, *Alice and Wonderland*, and *The Alibis*.



Who's Who in the Cast

Victoria cannot wait to participate in more shows, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



WALTER LOPEZ (Juan) is a sophomore at HHS and is so excited to be in this year's fall production of *Humbug*. He has appeared in other school productions such as

Seussical (ensemble) and *The Alibis* (Nesbitt). He's also performed in community theater productions of *Shrek* (Papa Ogre/Fairy Tale Creature/Tap Dancing Rat) and *Moana* (Maui). He has had so much fun working with Mr. Schwendemann and the rest of the cast. He can't wait to continue performing in future productions and he hopes you enjoy the show!



KAYLA MURILLO (Grave-digger) is delighted to be a part of her first theater production at HHS! She thanks all her peers and Mr. Schwendemann for this opportunity.



MAGGIE O'TOOLE (Bill) is ecstatic to be participating in her fifth HHS production. She has loved working with Mr. Schwendemann and the entire cast and crew.

She has been in many other productions such as *Newsies* (Nun/Newsboy), *Beauty and the Beast* (Mob Folk), *Shrek* (Mama Ogre), *Mary Poppins* (Kite Flyer), *Matilda* (Miss Honey), *42nd Street* (ensemble), *Almost, Maine* (Deena) and *Seussical* (Cindy Lou Who). She is very proud of everyone for all their hard work, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



CALEB PALERMO

(Caroler) is ecstatic to be a part of the *Humbug* production this year. Caleb has been in a few other productions including *Mary Poppins*

and *The Wizard of Oz*. Caleb would like to thank Schwen for bringing him in to be part of this production. He would also like to thank Alex Tine for convincing him to participate in this production and helping him get settled in.



SOFIA RODRIGUEZ

(Eleanor Scrooge) is a junior at HHS and is thrilled to be a part of this year's fall play. Throughout her time at the high school, Sofia

has been in all of the drama club's productions, appearing in *The Curious Savage* (Miss Willie), *42nd Street* (Bert Barry), *Almost, Maine* (Marvalyn and Hope), and *Seussical* (JoJo). Now, she is ecstatic to start her third year in the school's drama club as Eleanor Scrooge in *Humbug*! Outside of the high school, she has been in various other productions, including *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* (Lumiere), *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Burt), *Annie Jr.* (Miss Hannigan), *Fiddler on the Roof Jr.* (Hodel), *Into the Woods* (Little Red Riding Hood), *Heathers* (Veronica Sawyer), *Mean Girls* (Janis Sarkisian) and *Candide* (Old Lady). She is very grateful to have had another beautiful experience with the drama club while working on this show and would like to thank everyone who helped make it possible!



Who's Who in the Cast



ALEXA SCHIRRIPA

(Sarah) is thrilled to be playing Sarah in *Humbug* this year! She has recently appeared in

Huntington productions as a Bird Girl in *Seussical*, Waitress/Villain in *Almost, Maine*, and Anytime Annie in *42nd Street*! She is so excited to be contributing to the Drama Club. Alexa hopes you have happy holidays and enjoy the show!



KYRA SCOTT

(Ellie) is excited to be in this year's play! She's been a part of various ballets and also played Shelly in *Almost, Maine*, and a Wickersham brother in *Seussical*.

She'd like to thank Mr. Schwendemann for directing, Mrs. Semelsberger for all she does with the costumes, and the stage crew for our set!!!



JACK SEMELSBERGER

(Phil) is thrilled to be in his fifth HHS Drama Club production! He started acting on stage at Finley, performing as Mr. McAfee and White

Rabbit. In the high school he played Dr. Emmett in the *The Curious Savage* during his sophomore year, and was nominated for a Hunting-Tony award. In the spring production of *42nd Street*, he played Julian Marsh. In his junior year he played Phil/Chad in *Almost, Maine* and Horton the Elephant in *Seussical*. He would like to thank his sister and parents for inspiring

him and furthering his love for theater, and thank Mr. Schwendemann for his incredible directing over the course of his time in the theater department.



DANIEL SIMON

(Timmy) is very happy to be part of the play this year! In the past, he has been in plays such as: *Humbug* (John Wooten), and is

overjoyed to be playing the role of Timothy Cratchit in: *Humbug* by John Wooten.



SAM SORIC

(John) is excited to get on stage for this year's play.

Recently, you may have seen him in *42nd Street* as part of the ensemble, *Almost, Maine* as Jimmy, and *Seussical* as Mr. Mayor. He has been singing and acting as long as he can remember. Sam recently was accepted into All-State Choir and hopes to bring his experience and to future shows. He is so proud of the cast's hard work and is prepared to take on a new role!



JAMES STENSLAND

(Future) is ready to go for *Humbug*! He's excited to be in his first play at HHS. Prior productions he's done are *Elf* (Buddy), *Beauty and the Beast*

(Gaston), and *Frozen* (Hans). James would like to thank the cast for welcoming him into the program and helping him find a place in Huntington. He can't wait to be a part of the next production!



Who's Who in the Cast



JOSIE SULLIVAN

(Marley) is so thrilled to be in HHS's production of *Humbug*! After her previous role as Mayzie in *Seussical*, she is excited to be doing something

a little different! This is her second straight play and she couldn't ask for better people to do it with. She is so proud of the cast and crew, and so grateful to Mr. Schwendemann for all that he has done for them. She hopes you enjoy the show!



LILY TIERNEY (Bobbie Cratchit) is so happy to be returning for her final year in the play at HHS. She's featured as Bobbie Cratchit, the assistant with a pure soul and the

spirit of Christmas. Lily has previously played Judge Yertle the Turtle in *Seussical*, Fairy May, the eccentric comic relief in *The Curious Savage*, and Ginette in *Almost, Maine*. Lily is a senior this year, and she wants to thank Schwen for always being there for the cast, stage crew for keeping us sane, and the cast for being some of her favorite people ever.



ALEX TINE (Robert) is very excited to be a part of *Humbug* this year. He's been in other productions such as, *Mary Poppins*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Alibis*, *Almost*,

Maine, and *Seussical*. Alex would like to thank Schwen and the cast for helping him deliver a great performance for you. And he would like to thank his sister Sophia Tine, for driving him to and from school and play rehearsals, and for putting up with him.



SOPHIA TINE (Young Phil) is excited to be a part of this year's production of *Humbug*! This is Sophia's fifth production with the HHS Drama Club. She

loves working with Schwen, along with the talented cast and crew. She would like to thank everyone who has made this opportunity possible.



LILY WASOSKI (Tess) is so excited to be participating in her second HHS production! She has loved working with the entire cast and Mr. Schwendemann!

She has appeared in many other shows such as: *The Grinch* (Leslie), *Bye Bye Birdie* (Kim), *Bad Auditions on Camera* (Georgie), *The Alibis* (Arlington), and *Seussical* (Mrs. Mayor). She wants to thank you for coming to the show, and she hopes you enjoy!!



Schwen,

Thank you for the direction, guidance and loving support for your cast.

Mrs. Semelsberger and Mr. Zigon,

Thank you for making us look great and keeping us shining on stage.

With our love and appreciation,

Your Cast & Parents

Happy Holidays!

Congratulations, Seniors!



Best wishes and much love
to our seniors on their last fall drama production.

The Drama Club Parents' Association

**Congratulations to
the accomplished members of the
HHS DRAMA CLUB!!**



Humbug

**Looking forward to an outstanding
performance of *Humbug*!**

Christian Bowen, Superintendent
Rubie Harris, Assistant Superintendent
Beth McCoy, Assistant Superintendent
Chris Hender, Assistant Superintendent

The Office of
Fine and Performing Arts
congratulates the cast, crew, staff, and
all involved in this year's production of
Humbug.

You should all be so proud!





Congratulations Jack!

From *Curious Savage* to *Almost, Maine* to *Humbug* we have loved watching you perform and we can't wait to see you shine on that stage once again!

Love, Mom, Dad & Abby

Michaela

Congratulations on being a part of your fifth Huntington High School Drama Club production. The future is yours to create. Looking forward to watching you shine on stage in your performance of *Humbug*!



"You must always have faith in people. And most importantly, you must always have faith in yourself."
-Elle Woods (*Legally Blonde*)

Love,
Mommy, Lauren, Grammy, Pappy, Aunt Kerry, Matt, Bella, & Tristan
(and Charlie too)

Congratulations to **Maggie O'Toole**
and the entire cast of *Humbug* for making this show
a complete success.



The hard work and
dedication of the Huntington
High School Drama Club
is remarkable.

**Congratulations
on a stellar performance!**

Keep smiling and shining,
Mom, Dad, Leila, & Cecelia

Lauren

We are so excited to see you in your first Huntington High School drama production! You continue to make us proud everyday. Looking forward to watching you do what you love!



"You only get so many firsts, each one is a blessing."
-Taylor Swift

Love,
Mommy, Lauren, Grammy, Pappy, Aunt Kerry, Matt, Tristan & Bella
(and Charlie too)

Congratulations LILY

On so many wonderful
performances over the years.

Your hard work
always shines through.

We're so proud of you!



Love,
Mom, Dad, and Miles



Oliver's wishes Josie and the
High School Drama Club a huge success!

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Alexa



We're very excited to see you in your 4th production —
you never cease to amaze us.

Congratulations to the entire cast & crew of *Humbug* —
break a leg!

Good Luck to our Granddaughter Josie
and all of the cast and crew members
of Huntington High School's production
of *Humbug*!!



Love, Maga and PopPop

Congratulations to Josie
and the cast and crew of *Humbug*!
We love watching you perform.
Have a great time up there!

The Sullivans



Boosters

I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year. –
Charles Dickens

Jasmine A. – We're so proud of you! Continue to reach for your dreams.
Congratulations on your first high school play! – Love from Mom, Dad,
Sophie, Juniper & Sweet Tooth

Michael – We are so excited for you to be in your first high school play :)
Hope you have a blast!! – Love, Mom and Dad

To the cast of *Humbug* – it has been such fun working with all of you!
Thanks for letting me be a part of your awesome production!
– Carrie Semelsberger

To Jack – We are so proud of you! Break a leg in your final drama
production at HHS! – Love, Mom, Dad and Abby

To Schwen – thanks for all you do! – Carrie Semelsberger

To Laura & Katie – thanks for all that you do for our drama club kids!!!
– Carrie Semelsberger

To our Lil Man Caleb – Best of luck and we are so proud of you!
– Love, Mom, Celine and Caitlyn

Best wishes to all the talented people of the *Humbug* production.
– From Caleb's Family

Sophia – You are amazing! Enjoy every moment and have fun.
Keep reaching for the stars, we love you and are so proud of you!
– Love, Mom and Dad

Alex – You surprise us every day! Keep doing what you're doing.
We love you and are so proud of you! – Love, Mom and Dad

For Landry – Thank you for 4 years of countless nicknames,
46 documented inside jokes, and one meeting spot no matter what.
– Love you forever, Vance

From Schwen to Our Seniors: Sophia, Kayla, Jack, Landry, Will, Lily and Layna



"There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious
as laughter and good humor."

– Charles Dickens, *A Christmas Carol*