

PLAYBILL

THE WARRIOR THEATER COMPANY PRESENTS
A HIGH SCHOOL PRODUCTION OF

ANASTASIA

The Musical



Thursday, April 16 at 7pm
Friday, April 17 at 7pm
Saturday, April 18 at 2pm & 7pm

Cornerstone Church Praise Center

“CCS Fine Arts...Performing for the Glory of God”



**BOOK BY
TERRENCE MCNALLY**

**MUSIC BY
STEPHEN FLAHERTY**

**LYRICS BY
LYNN AHRENS**

Inspired by the Twentieth Century Fox Motion Pictures
by special arrangement with Buena Vista Theatrical

From the play by Marcelle Maurette as adapted by Guy Bolton

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The mission of the Cornerstone Christian Schools Fine Arts Department is to develop and train the God-ordained artistic talent of CCS students with unprecedented excellence to be given back to God as an offering of praise.

“For of Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things; to Him be the glory forever, amen.”

Romans 11:36

ACT I

Once Upon a December (Prologue).....	Dowager Empress & Young Anastasia
The Last Dance of the Romanovs.....	Romanovs
A Rumor in St. Petersburg.....	Dmitry, Vlad & Ensemble
In My Dreams.....	Anya
The Rumors Never End.....	Gleb & Ensemble
Learn To Do It.....	Vlad, Dmitry & Anya
The Neva Flows.....	Gleb & Anya
My Petersburg.....	Dmitry & Anya
Once Upon a December.....	Anya & Ensemble
A Secret She Kept.....	Anya
Stay, I Pray You.....	Count Ipolitov, Anya, Dmitry, Vlad & Ensemble
We'll Go From There.....	Anya, Dmitry, Vlad & Ensemble
Traveling Sequence/Still.....	Gleb, Gorkinsky, Anya, Vlad & Dmitry
Journey to the Past.....	Anya

ACT II

Paris Holds the Key To Your Heart.....	Vlad, Anya, Dmitry & Ensemble
Paris Holds the Key - Reprise.....	Anya
Close the Door.....	Dowager Empress
Land of Yesterday.....	Lily, Leopold & Ensemble
The Countess and the Common Man.....	Vlad & Lily
Land of Yesterday - Reprise.....	Gleb
A Nightmare.....	Romanov Children, Tsar, Tsarina & Anya
In a Crowd of Thousands.....	Dmitry & Anya
Meant to Be.....	Vlad
Quartet at the Ballet.....	Anya, Dmitry, Dowager Empress, Gleb & Ensemble
Everything to Win.....	Dmitry
Once Upon a December - Reprise.....	Anya & Dowager Empress
The Press Conference.....	Lily, Vlad & Reporters
Everything to Win - Reprise.....	Anya & Gleb
Still/The Neva Flows - Reprise.....	Gleb & Ensemble
Finale.....	Company

CAST

In order of appearance

Young Anastasia.....	Kaylee Smith
Dowager Empress.....	Audrey Bain
Tsarina Alexandra/Ensemble.....	Isabella Chapman
Tsar Nicholas II/Featured Ensemble.....	Mason Novogradac
Teen Anastasia/Ensemble.....	Kenadie Leistra
Mariya Romanov/Ensemble.....	Paisley Simkins
Olga Romanov/Ensemble.....	Olivia Parker
Tatiana Romanov/Ensemble.....	Marissa Minneci
Alexei Romanov/Ensemble.....	Giovanni Oliva
Deputy Commissioner Gleb Vaganov.....	Noah Padilla
Dmitry Sudayev.....	Ethan Maldonado
Vlad Popov.....	Brady Campbell
Anastasia/Anya.....	Emmalee Barnes
Paulina/Swan/Ensemble.....	Arianna Smith
Marfa/Featured Ensemble.....	Raegan Dadfar
Dunya/Swan/Ensemble.....	Megan Rohlmeier
Count Ipolitov/Featured Ensemble.....	Emmanuel Sanchez
Countess Lily Malevsky-Malevitch.....	Lauren Quintana
Count Leopold/ Gorlinsky/Ensemble.....	Israel Chapman
Count Gregory/Featured Ensemble.....	Diego Mata
Countess Gregory/Ensemble.....	Aranza Carbonell
Odette/Ensemble.....	Allyssa Chappell
Swan/Ensemble.....	Mireya Villarreal
Sergei/Black Marketeer #1/Ensemble.....	Aaron Armstrong
Black Marketeer #2/Featured Ensemble.....	Jacob Wilson
Black Marketeer #3/Ensemble.....	Roman Lubetsky
Prince Seigfried/Featured Ensemble.....	Josiah Garza
Soviet Secretary/Featured Ensemble.....	Lillian Garcia
Soviet Secretary/Ensemble.....	Mikayla Lujan
Soviet Secretary/Ensemble.....	Kierstun Morales

ENSEMBLE

Reporters/Soldiers/Parisians/Townsfolk/Aristocrats

Natasha Flores
Caleb Garcia
Ridleigh Gould
Valentino Labonte
Aralyn Lofton
Nina Merrett
Emma Morales
Annaliese Nichols
Evie Pflug

Andrew Puento
Audrey Ramos
River Saucedo
Jackie Sloan
Adah Smith
Mia Vasquez
Maryn Villarreal
Alani Zepeda

CREW

Lilia Bibb
Grayson Bosowski
Lexi Buenaventura
Abigail Flores
Abigail Gonzales
Jordan Japhet
Nayanna Joseph
Nina Merrett
Samiah Pearson

Daniel Petro
Evie Pflug
Audrey Ramos
Vivianna Salinas
Lucianna Talamantez
Colton Voss
Ianna Zuniga

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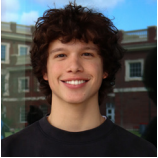
WHO'S WHO

In the Cast

**Denotes Students who have advanced to the National level of competition with the International Thespian Society (ITS) and Texas Thespians. These students will attend and compete at the ITS Festival this summer*



***EMMALEE BARNES (Anastasia)** is a Junior at CCS and has been involved in theatre since elementary school. She was previously seen in Enchanted Bookshop (Book Fairy), Matilda (Doctor), and Little Women (Marmee). She has had an amazing time preparing for this show with this wonderful cast and crew. She would like to thank God, her mom and dad, and Mrs. Smith for all the support.



***ETHAN MALDONADO (Dmitry)** is a Junior at CCS. He was previously seen in Matilda (The Escapologist) and Little Women (John Brooke). He has had a blast being with his friends in this production. He wants to thank God, and to thank his parents for all the hard work they put in for him to make it work.



***BRADY CAMPBELL (Vlad Popov)** is a Senior at CCS. He was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Sherlock Holmes), Matilda (Bruce), and Little Women (Mr. Laurence). He is thrilled to have spent countless hours in theater. He would like to shout out his band "SolStruck" on Instagram!



***NOAH PADILLA (Gleb Vaganov)** is a Senior at CCS. He was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Dr. Dolittle), Matilda (Salsa Dancer/Parent), Little Women (Rodrigo), Bye Bye Birdie (Sweet Apple Boy), and Seussical (Horton). He is very excited to perform in his final Warrior Theatre Production as his dream role, and he can't wait to see what's in store for him! He would like to thank his family, friends, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Marroquin, Mr. Bryan, and most importantly, God.



LAUREN QUINTANA (Lily Malevsky-Malevitch) is a Senior at CCS. We was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Mum), The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical (Mrs. Dodds/DJ Cerberus/Ensemble), and Matilda (Mum, Big Kid, Salsa Dancer). She is looking forward to taking part in her last high school theatre performance with this amazing cast and crew. She cannot thank her friends, family, and director enough for all of the joyful memories theatre has brought her, and she will always look back fondly on her experiences with this theatre troupe.



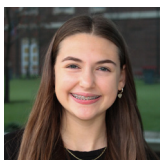
AUDREY BAIN (Dowager Empress Maria Feodorovna) is a Senior at CCS and has been attending since the second grade. Within those years she has been in many of the school's theatrical productions, including Matilda (Hortensia), Little Women (Amy March), Bye Bye Birdie (Helen) and Peter and the Starcatcher (Molly). She is very excited to be performing in her final show at Cornerstone. Many thanks to Mrs. Smith.



ISABELLA CHAPMAN (Tsarina Alexandra Feodorovna/Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. She was previously seen in Matilda (Crew), Little Women (Troll/Ensemble), and Bye Bye Birdie (Ensemble). She wants to thank her family, friends, and Mrs. Smith for all of the opportunities she has given her!



***MASON NOVOGRADAC (Tsar Nicholas Romanov II/Featured Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. He was previously in Enchanted Bookshop (Tom Sawyer), Matilda (Nigel), Mary Poppins (Chimney Sweep and Clerk) Peter Pan (Lost Boy), and Music Man (Ensemble). He is so grateful to being in this production with such talented and creative patrons of the arts. His thanks go out to Mrs. Smith, Mr. Barnes, his vocal coach, and his parents.



PAISLEY SIMKINS (Mariya Romanov/Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS. She was previously seen in The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (Susan), Mary Poppins Jr. (Mrs. Corry) and Godspell (Ensemble). She has had such an amazing year in high school theatre and is excited to continue her journey on stage. She would like to thank her family, Mom, Dad, and Noah, for always encouraging and supporting her every step of the way, Mrs. Smith's constant encouragement, and above all, God, who has given her the passion and opportunity to use her talents for His glory.



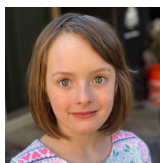
OLIVIA PARKER (Olga Romanov/Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS. She was previously seen in The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (White Stag), Mary Poppins Jr. (Dance Captain), and The Truth Behind the Tortoise and the Hare (Hare). She is so thankful for this opportunity to be in this show alongside such talented actors and can't wait for more amazing experiences with everyone in the cast. She wants to thank her parents, Mrs. Smith, and most important, Jesus.



***MARISSA MINNECI (Tatiana Romanov/Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously seen in Matilda (scary kid), The Lion The Witch and the Wardrobe (wood nymph), and Mary Poppins (ensemble). She has also enjoyed training to be a stage manager this year! Marissa had such a great time during this production and is even more excited for what's coming next. She wants to thank her parents for all their support and commitment throughout the shows she's done and she is so grateful for how much they do everyday. She wants to thank Mrs. Smith for her encouragement and how amazing she's made this experience.



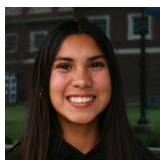
GIOVANNI OLIVA (Alexei/Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS. He was previously seen in The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe (Featured Ensemble), Mary Poppins Jr. (Michael Banks), and the Aristocrats (Berlioz). He wants to thank his mom for encouraging him to try out for his first musical "All About the Call," where he got the main role! He has loved theatre ever since!



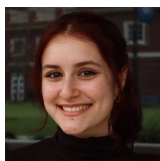
KAYLEE SMITH (Young Anastasia) is in the 2nd grade at CCS. She is so excited to perform in this show with her mommy's students! She wants to thank Jesus and her parents for this opportunity and hopes you enjoy the show!



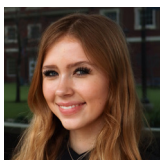
KENADIE LEISTRA (Teen Anastasia/Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS. She was previously seen in Matilda (Crew), The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe (Crew), and High School Musical (Ensemble). She has made so many fun memories and met amazing people throughout this production, and she can't wait to see what comes next. She wants to thank Jesus, her parents, and her friends for their support and guidance.



***ARIANNA SMITH (Paulina/Swan/Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Wicked Witch) and Matilda (Ensemble). She also enjoys helping with hair and makeup backstage for middle and high school shows. Arianna is so blessed to be a part of this amazing production, with this cast, and she can't wait to continue doing more productions. She wants to thank the Lord for blessing her with talent to perform for His glory. She also wishes to thank Mrs. Smith for being an amazing director and her parents for staying up late and driving back and forth for rehearsals while supporting her through all of it.



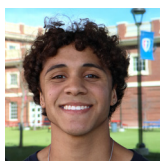
***RAEGAN DADFAR (Marfa/Featured Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously in The Enchanted Bookshop (Long John Silver), Matilda (Ensemble) and Mary Poppins Jr. (Mrs. Smyth/Ensemble). He is so thankful for this opportunity to praise God in this production, and can't wait for shows to come. She wants to thank Mrs. Smith, and her previous director Ms. Pearce.



***MEGAN ROHLMEIER (Dunya/Swan/Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Heidi), Matilda (Little Kid), and Mary Poppins Jr. (Statue/Ensemble). She thanks her parents and her friends for supporting her in pursuing her passion for theater! She loves you all so much, and can't wait to continue her dreams.



***EMMANUEL SANCHEZ (Count Ipolitov/Featured Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. He was previously seen in Enchanted Bookshop (Officer Ketchum), Matilda (Eric), and Godspell Jr. (John the Baptist). Shoutout to the great Mr. and Mrs. Sanchez, and my little brother that always inspires me.



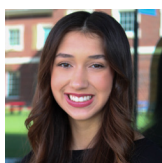
***ISRAEL CHAPMAN (Count Leopold/Commissioner Gorklinsky/Ensemble)** is a Senior at CCS. Israel has enjoyed many years of theatre at CCS, including performances in The Enchanted Bookshop (Robin Hood), Matilda (Party Entertainer), and Little Women (Laurie). Shout out to his dogs and family!



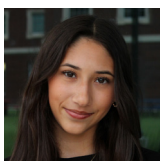
DIEGO TORRES MATA (Count Gregory/Featured Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS. He has previously been seen in the Cornerstone Church productions *The Son* (Shimon) and *Witnesses* (John the Disciple). He has had a great time working on this wonderful production and the entire cast! He wants to shout out Mrs. Smith, Mr. Bryan Campbell, Mrs. Marroquin, Mr. Barnes, and all those involved in the production of the show. He would also like to thank his parents for their support throughout.



***ARANZA CARBONELL (Countess Gregory/Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously seen in *Matilda* (Big Kid) and *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Winifred Banks). She is so blessed and grateful to be apart of this production. She would like to thank her family, her friends, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Smith, and Jackson Lopez and Samiah Pearson. But most importantly God, who her performance will always be for Him, because He deserves the glory.



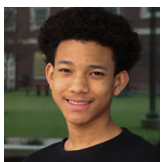
ALLYSSA CHAPPELL (Odette/Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. She has previously danced in *Sleeping Beauty* (Candide Fairy) and *The Nutcracker* (Snow Corps/Flower Corps/Doll). She has enjoyed preparing for the role of Odette and is excited for future productions! She would like to thank Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Marroquin for this wonderful opportunity, as well as her mom and dad!



MIREYA VILLARREAL (Swan/Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS this year. While *Anastasia* is her first high school play, she is no stranger to the stage. She was previously seen in the Cornerstone Church productions “*Grandpa Can Sing*” and “*The Rescue.*” This show has already made such an impact on her in the best way possible, and she can’t wait to see what’s next with the wonderful people she gets to work with. She wants to thank the Lord, her parents, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Marroquin for giving her such a wonderful opportunity!



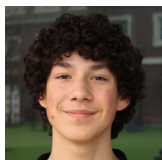
***AARON ARMSTRONG (Sergei/Baron Von Rothbart/Black Marketeer #1/Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. He was previously seen in *The Enchanted Bookshop* (Fagin/Frankenstein), *Matilda* (Sergei/Ensemble), and *Mary Poppins* (Chairman/Ensemble). Aaron is thrilled to play yet another character named Sergei. He gives thanks to God for giving him the passion and talent for the arts, his parents for driving him to and from rehearsal and more, and all his friends for being there making memories at Smoothie King.



JACOB WILSON (Black Marketeer #2/Featured Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS. He was previously seen in *Matilda* (Ensemble), *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Neleus), and *The Lion King* (Banzai). He is excited for how this show will turn out. He thanks Mrs. Smith, The Lord and his parents.



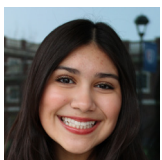
ROMAN LUBETZKY (Black Marketeer #3/Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS. He is so excited to be in his first show! He is really thankful to be able to work on such an amazing production with such amazing and talented people. He wants to thank Mrs. Smith, God our father, and his parents.



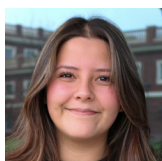
***JOSIAH GARZA (Prince Siegfried/Featured Ensemble)** is a Freshman at CCS. He was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Timmy/Tom Sawyer), The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (Peter), and Mary Poppins Jr. (John Northbrook). He has had a great time with the cast and crew performing this production. He can't to see what's in store for his future in theatre. He wants to thank Jesus, his parents, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Bryan, and Mrs. Marroquin.



***LILLIAN GARCIA (Soviet Secretary/Featured Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously seen in Matilda (Matilda) and Mary Poppins Jr. (Featured Ensemble). She is so grateful to be a part of this show and wants to thank Jesus and her parents for helping her along the way.



***MIKAYLA LUJAN (Soviet Secretary/Ensemble)** is a Sophomore at CCS. Throughout the years, a few of the shows she has been in are: The Enchanted Bookshop (Dorothy Gale), Mary Poppins Jr. (Mary Poppins), and The Music Man (Amaryllis) as well as many other additional shows. When offstage, she was part of the tech crew in High School Musical (Spotlight Operator), Peter and the Starcatcher (Spotlight Operator), and Bye Bye Birdie (Music Operator). She is so blessed to be a part of this show and is forever grateful for the memories she has made with this cast! She would like to give a special thanks to Mrs. Smith for this amazing production, her mom for being her best friend, and most importantly, Jesus for always being her rock.



KIERSTUN MORALES (Soviet Secretary/Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. She was previously seen in Matilda (Little Kid) and enjoyed helping backstage as the Crew Head for Annie Jr. She had so much fun doing this production, and wants to thank her parents for supporting her and Mrs. Smith for being so supportive!



NATASHA FLORES (Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS. She is so excited to be in her first show! She has been enjoying this production a lot along with the sweet people. She wishes to thank Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, Mrs. Smith for being so patient, and her mom for being so supportive



CALEB GARCIA (Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. This is his first show. Caleb would like to thank Ethan Maldonado for pushing him out of his comfort zone, and Mrs. Smith for giving him a chance to perform in this show. He is excited to perform with his friends and is looking forward to more shows next year!



RIDLEIGH GOULD (Featured Ensemble) is a Senior at CCS. She was previously in Matilda (Big Kid), Bye Bye Birdie (Sweet Apple Girl), and High School Musical (Cheerleader). She has loved being apart of Anastasia and wants to thank her mom and dad for all their support along with Mrs. Smith for giving her this opportunity!



VALINTINO LABONTE (Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is his first show. He wishes to thank his parents who really help him out and manage to support him whenever he wants to try something new. He also wishes to thank his friends Mari and Manny for always being there for him and to thank God. He is pleased to say he cannot wait for the show, and promises to play his heart out!



ARALYN LOFTON (Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS and this is her first show. She wishes to thank her friends for encouraging her to audition and supporting her in rehearsals.



NINA MERRETT (Ensemble/Crew) is a Sophomore at CCS. She was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Queen of Hearts) and Matilda (Little Kid). She has had a blast working with all of her closest friends and is looking forward to what is to come. She wants to thank her mom and her dad.



EMMA MORALES (Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS. She was previously seen in The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (Centaur), Mary Popping Jr. (Ensemble), and The Aristocrats (Amelia Gabble). She has so much fun with her cast and is so excited to bring this show to life. She wants to thank her mother for always being there for her and going above and beyond, and for Mrs. Smith for being an amazing theatre teacher.



ANNALIESE NICHOLS (Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. Annaliese was previously seen as the Lady in Red in The Enchanted Bookshop. She has also been part of many other shows including Sound of Music (Ensemble), Shrek the Musical (Wicked Witch, Duloc Dancer, and Mama Ogre), Once Upon a Mattress (Jester), and Kiss Me Kate (Kathrine). She has had an amazing time with this cast and the chance to be in her dream production. She wants to thank her mom, her dad, and her sister for always supporting her throughout her productions.



***EVIE PFLUG (Featured Ensemble)** is a Junior at CCS. She serves as President for Troupe 7694. She was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Margie), Matilda (Ensemble), and Little Women (Ensemble). Evie has enjoyed working with this cast immensely and she would like to thank her parents for their constant support and Mrs Smith for being a phenomenal director. She would also like to thank Audrey Ramos for keeping her sanity in tact.



***ANDREW PUENTE (Ensemble)** is a Senior at CCS. He was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Fingers) and Matilda (Baker). He wishes to thank his family, friends, God, and Mia for all their love and support.



***AUDREY RAMOS (Ensemble/Crew Head)** is a Junior at CCS. She was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Pollyanna) and Matilda (Little Kid) and has served as Crew Head for The Enchanted Bookshop, Matilda, Little Women, and Bye Bye Birdie. She has loved experiencing this production and would like to thank God, Mrs. Smith, Evie, her sisters, parents, and cat.



***RIVER SAUCEDA (Ensemble)** is a Junior at CCS. She was previously seen in The Enchanted Bookshop (Bombalurina), Matilda (Little Kid), and Bye Bye Birdie (Sweet Apple Girl). River would love to thank her friends for always being by her side, her mom for believing in her, and Mrs. Smith for the wonderful opportunity of being in the show!



JACQUELINE SLOAN (Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS. She has previously served on crew and is excited to play on stage this time! She had an extremely fun time making many memories and new friends. She can't wait for more productions to come. She wants to firstly thank Jesus for guiding her through this journey. She also wants to thank Mrs. Smith for this opportunity and her mom and dad for their continued support of her.



ADAH SMITH (Ensemble) is a Freshman at CCS this year and this is her first show! She wants to thank her parents and siblings for all of their love and support. She has had so much fun with this show and has had so much fun with this cast.



MIA VASQUEZ (Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. She is so excited to perform in her first show! She has loved working with the cast for the first time and can't wait for more! She thanks her friends, family, and God!

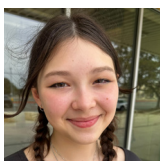


MARYN VILLARREAL (Featured Ensemble) is a Junior at CCS. She was previously seen in *The Enchanted Bookshop* (Hopalong Cassidy), *Matilda* (Young Kid), and *Little Women* (Ensemble). She is so blessed to be apart of this theater group and can't wait for more shows to come. She wants to thank Mrs. Smith, and her family!



ALANI ZEPEDA (Ensemble) is a Sophomore at CCS and this is her first show! She has had so much fun with this production, with this cast and friends, and can't wait for the shows to come. She wants to thank her family, friends, Mrs. Smith, and Jesus.

CREW



LILIA BIBB (Crew) is a Freshman at CCS. She was previously in *Totally Red!* (Shakespeare Red/Hood Wolf/Ensemble), *The Lion*, *The Witch*, and the *Wardrobe* (White Witch), and *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Mrs. Brill). She also served as show captain for *Annie Jr.* She has had so much fun doing hair and makeup for this show and wants to say how blessed she feels to be included in this wonderful production. She wants to thank God, her family, Mrs. Smith, and all of her amazing friends.



GRAYSON BOSOWSKI (Spotlight Crew) is in the 8th grade at CCS. He has loved learning about lighting a show over the last two years. He has been part of Annie Jr (spotlights), Enchanted Bookshop (Assistant lighting director), and The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (spotlights). Grayson has had so much fun with all of the productions he's been a part of. He is so excited to be a part of the upcoming shows. He would like to thank his Mom, Jesus, Mr. Bryan, and Mrs. Smith.



LEXI BUENAVENTURA (Music and SoundFX Operator) is a Freshman at CCS. She previously served on crew for The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe, and was in the ensemble for Mary Poppins Jr. She has loved the welcoming theater family and is looking forward to the new opportunities she will experience with this show. She'd love to thank her parents, Mrs. Smith, her friends, and the production crew.



ABIGAIL FLORES (Crew) is a Junior at CCS. She has previously served as crew for Annie Jr., Frozen Jr., and Finding Nemo Jr. She had so much fun working with the cast and crew and wanted to thank Mrs. Smith for being such a amazing director!



ABIGAIL GONZALES (Crew) is a Junior at CCS. This is her first show! She wants to thank her friends, and her mom and dad. She can't wait for upcoming shows!



***JORDAN JAPHET (Crew)** is a Senior at CCS. She has been in High School Musical (Crew), Peter and the Starcatcher (Crewhead), Bye Bye Birdie (Crewhead), Little Women (Crewhead), Matilda (Big Kid/Co-Crewhead), and The Enchanted Bookshop (Eddie/Co-Crewhead). She is so excited for her senior show and is super pleased that she gets to chill backstage one last time.



NAYANNA JOSEPH (Crew) is a Junior at CCS. She has previously served as a spotlight operator for Matilda and Little Women, and is so excited to be backstage for Anastasia. She wants to thank God for His infinite wisdom and guidance and her friends of faith that support her.



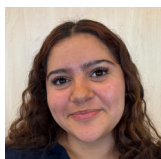
SAMIAH PEARSON (Stage Manager in Training/Crew) is a Freshman at CCS. She has previously worked as crew in Annie Jr. and stage manager in The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe. She has had so much fun with this production and with this cast. She wants to thank Jesus, her mom, and Mrs. Smith.



DANIEL PETRO (Crew) is a Sophomore at CCS this year. He has assisted with crew for Little Women, Bye Bye Birdie, and Finding Nemo Jr. and was last seen on stage in Little Women (Ensemble) and Mary Poppins Jr. (Bert). He would like to thank Mrs. Smith for the opportunity to assist with such an amazing production!



VIVIANNA SALINAS (Crew) is a Freshman at CCS. This is her first time being on crew for a show. She is excited to be a part of this show. She thanks Jesus for giving her this opportunity.



LUCI TALAMANTEZ (Crew) is a Junior at CCS. This is her first time in crew and her first high school show at CCS. In elementary and middle school, she was in The Lion King (older Nala), Seussical the Musical (Cheetah #1), Step Right Up (Ensemble), and The story of Jesus (Mary). She would like to thank Mrs. Smith for being such an amazing director, and her mom and dad for being her #1 supporters. Also thank you to the cast for being the best people to work with!



COLTON VOSS (Spotlight Crew) is in the 8th grade at CCS. He just finished Annie Jr. in which he played President Franklin Roosevelt and acted as Assistant Stage Manager. He was previously seen in The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (Fenris Ulf) and Mary Poppins Jr. (Von Hussler). Colton would like to thank Mrs. Smith for being such an amazing person and always being there for him.



IANNA ZUNIGA (Crew) is a Freshman at CCS. She is excited to help out backstage for Anastasia! She previously ran spotlights for The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe. She wishes to thank Mrs. Smith for this opportunity.

DIRECTORS



MRS. TANISHA SMITH (Director) is the Secondary Theatre director at CCS. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Music Education, with a minor in Theatre, from the University of Mobile. She has performed in multiple opera and musical theatre productions, including Amahl and the Night Visitors (Mother), Phantom of the Opera (Carlotta), and 7 Brides for 7 Brothers (Mayor's wife). She also sings locally with the Lamplighters Big Band. She has enjoyed teaching music and theatre to all ages over the last 10 years, having directed many shows in schools and local community theatre. She is dedicated to teaching and guiding students as they grow in their God-given talents and passion for the fine arts. She prays they learn to use these gifts for the glory of God.



BRYAN CAMPBELL (Assistant Director) is a recent graduate of Abilene Christian University. He graduated with a degree in Business Management and a minor in multimedia. Bryan is San Antonio born and raised and is pleased to be working with Mrs. Smith again after all these years. In high school, he served for four years as a stage manager in productions such as High School Musical and Beauty and the Beast, and he served on the production team for ACU's Sing Song in college while working as a stage manager at a local community theater over the summers. Bryan has been working in production for the past ten years and is glad to be continuing his journey in production with this amazing department!



ROSEMARY MARROQUIN (Choreographer) fell in love with dance at the age of 3. She is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Arts in Dance. After graduating she moved to New York City where she studied and performed for five years. She was a member of the Ballet Folklórico Mexicano de Nueva York, a dancer in Latin Fever at Atlantic City's Tropicana Hotel, and Assistant Choreographer/Dancer in the Off-Broadway production of Extravaganza! After returning to Texas, she was hired as a Fine Arts Dance Teacher and Director for the Pom Squad at her Alma Mater, Lubbock High School. She was the Fine Arts Dance teacher and Director of the award winning Goldenbelles Dance Team at O.W. Holmes High School in San Antonio for 7 years. She was blessed to step in as Choreographer for the CCS elementary production of Frozen and the Spring Pop Show last year and recently served as Choreographer for the MS production of Annie. She is currently working on the upcoming elementary production of Seussical Jr. and the Spring Pop Show. She is so grateful for the opportunity to work with the incredibly talented cast of Anastasia and is overwhelmed with God's hand in bringing her love for dance full circle.

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PETER BARNES (Music Director) is a graduate of Louisiana State University where he earned advanced degrees in Music, Theater and Vocal Performance. Mr. Barnes has had experience in a variety of performance genres over the years - opera, oratorio, orchestra, choir and musical theater. With more than thirty years of experience in education, he has directed and co-directed many shows and performances. Mr. Barnes believes in helping young people discover and refine their artistic talents for the Glory of God! He serves as the CCS Director of Fine Arts and is grateful for the privilege of directing the incredible Sanctuary Choir at Cornerstone Church. He is blessed to have been able to support the music for another Warrior Theater production!

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to the CCS High School production of Anastasia: The Musical. It has been a monumental task to put this incredible show together, and I can't wait for you to see these talented students and all their hard work come to life on the stage.

While generally still family friendly, this version of Anastasia is a little darker than the beloved animated movie, portraying a realistic view of Russia after the Bolshevik takeover and establishment of the Russian Soviet Federative Socialist Republic (RSFSR). Anya is a determined young woman, trying to make it out of Russia to travel to Paris. Diagnosed with amnesia, her only clue to who she is comes from a necklace that promises "Together in Paris." She is defined by what she lacks rather than what she possesses. Like her, how often do we wander through our lives in a state of spiritual amnesia, doubting God's provision and forgetting "Whose" we are? We allow the noise of the world to drown out our true identity, wandering as orphans when we have already been called home.

The heart of this production lies in the transformative power of remembrance and restoration. Once Anya is finally reclaimed and reminded of her lineage, her family, and her inherent worth, she no longer shrinks back in fear. She stands confidently, declaring truth even when faced with the shadows of her past and the dangers of her present. This is a profound reflection of 1 Peter 2:9, which reminds us, "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession" and of Romans 8:16-17 which declares "The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ..." When we realize we are heirs to the King of Kings, our posture changes. We move from lost desperation to the resolute strength of a child of the Most High.

As you watch our students bring this story to life, I hope you see more than just a historical mystery, nostalgic memory, or conflicted journey. I hope you see a reminder of the "Home, Love, Family" that God has secured for each of us. Just as Anya finds her strength in her royal bloodline, we find our power in the truth that we are children of the Creator. Let us leave this theater today not just entertained, but emboldened—standing tall in the confidence of our divine heritage and the unwavering love of the King who calls us His own.

- Mrs. Tanisha Smith, Secondary Theatre Director

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