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ALGER RESIGNS HIS PORTFOLIO.

President McKinley Will Accept the Secretary's
Resignation and It Will Probably Take
Effect About August 1.

GRIGGS MAY BE HIS SUCCESSOR.

Vice-President Hobart Said to Have Been the One
Selected by the President to Succeed Him.

Secretary of the Board
of the United States
Steel Corporation, who have
been in the office since
1911, resigned today.
The resignation was
accepted by the president
of the corporation, Mr.
McKinley, today.

It is understood that Mr.
Alger will be succeeded
by Mr. Griggs, who has
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Disney NEWSIES JR.



STRIKE SPREADS TO MANHATTAN AND THERE IS FIERCE RIOTING

Women Lead Mobs on Second Avenue and
Large Force of Policemen Fights Desperately to Disperse Them.

MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE GROWING

Many Men of the Eighth and Sixth Avenue Lines
Hold Meetings and Will, It Is Said,
Stop Work To-Day.

SITUATION IMPROVING IN BROOKLYN.

A strike was declared on the electric lines of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company at 1 P. M. yesterday.

The strikers concentrated their efforts to stopping the running of the Second Avenue line, where there was fierce rioting all day.

The strikers say that the men on the Eighth Avenue line will go on today.

President Vestrad refused to admit that there is a strike, and any men named erroneously interfere with the operation of the cars.

The lines affected by the strike are the Second, Ninth, Sixth, Avenue, and Lexington Avenue, and the Twenty-third Street line.

Rylands was interrupted only on the Second Avenue line yesterday.

The strike was declared by the Executive Committee, against the advice of Grand Master Workman Johnson, who was placed in charge.

He says that 1,600 men of the 100 employed by the electric lines are on strike.

Nearly 1,000 cars were retained in Fishkill yesterday and President Vestrad declared that the Broadway Rapid Transit system would be in the hands of the strikers today.

There was less rioting than on the previous days of the strike.

Strikers are making no attempt to bring about a strike in Long Island City.

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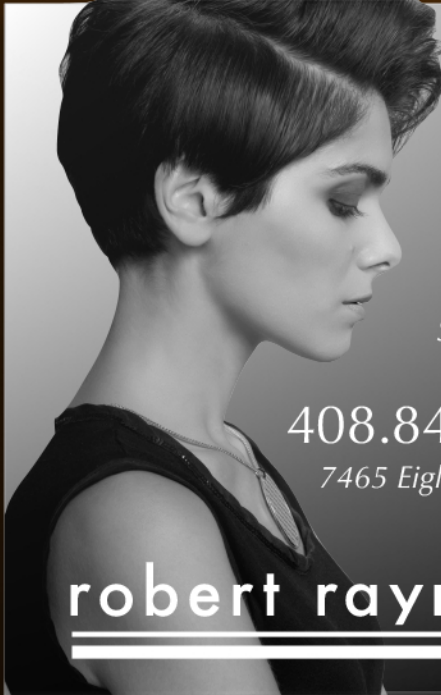
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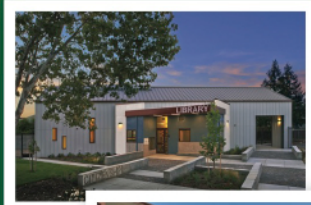
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SVCT at the Playhouse and Limelight by SVCT

The Morgan Hill Community Playhouse and Limelight in Gilroy, South Valley Civic Theatre (SVCT) is taking precautions against Covid-19. We take the health of our cast, staff and patrons very seriously. All involved must remain healthy for the show to go on. Thank you for your consideration!

Vaccinations are highly recommended but not required. However, the Playhouse and Limelight are public indoor spaces with patrons in close proximity to one another. SVCT requires, regardless of vaccination status, that all patrons must wear a mask inside the theater and theater lobby areas unless actively drinking or eating.

We count on our audience members to self-monitor. If you experience Covid-19 symptoms or receive a positive Covid-19 test, please alert our Box Office volunteers at boxoffice@SVCT.org and/or call 408-842-7469 at least three (3) hours before curtain so we can exchange your tickets.

SVCT will review its Covid-19 Statement for each of its shows to align with the State of California and Santa Clara County mandates and recommendations.



A message from SVCT's President...

Welcome to *Newsies Jr. the Musical*, our 2021-2022 season teen musical! *Newsies Jr.* is loosely based on the events and participants of the newsboy strike of 1899 against newspaper publishers Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst.

Newsies Jr. debuted at the Nederlander Theatre on Broadway on March 29, 2012. It was nominated for eight Tony Awards and won the awards for Best Choreography (Christopher Gattelli) and for Best Original Score (Alan Menken).

The fundamental conflict in the show is the exploitation of child labor. Pulitzer raised the price the *Newsies* had to pay for the paper, destroying their ability to make a living wage. The courage of the *Newsies* was the first blow to the greed that allowed the existence of child labor. The strike of 1899 was 123 years ago, but the fight for a living wage and human dignity in work goes on today.

For over fifty years SVCT has been the only all-volunteer, nonprofit theatre providing outstanding theatre experiences for the communities of South County. In 2019 we acquired Limelight Theater in Gilroy, just before the pandemic shut us all down. We are so excited to finally be able to offer productions from both of our locations.

As we all reclaim our lives in response to the COVID pandemic we find the challenges are many. Here at SVCT we are rebuilding our greatest resource: people! We invite you to become a volunteer (on the stage or backstage) for SVCT. Please see our web site for volunteer opportunities!

Tickets for the production of *Tigers be Still* are on sale! This is the final show of the Limelight 2021-22 season and is opening on May 6, 2022. Seating is limited and the shows sell out, so buy your tickets early!

We will close our 2021-22 Playhouse season with Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, opening June 17th. It promises to be a spectacular production that will delight the ear and the eye from the prologue to the last note of the finale. Tickets are on sale now. We expect this production to sell out as well, so please buy your tickets early!

Kimberly Lynch
President, South Valley Civic Theatre

ACT 1

- Opening: Streets of New York City, Summer, 1899
 “Overture” *Newsies*
- Prologue: Back Alley
 “Santa Fe” *Jack and Crutchie*
- Scene 1: Newsie Square
 “Carrying the Banner” *Race and the Newsies*
- Scene 2: Pulitzer’s Office
- Scene 3: Street in New York City
- Scene 4: Medda Larkin’s Theater
 “Just a Pretty Face” *Medda and the Bowery Brigade*
- Scene 5: Newsie Square
 “The World Will Know” *Jack and the Newsies*
- Scene 6: Katherine’s Office
 “Watch What Happens” *Katherine*
- Scene 7: Newsie Square, the next morning
 “Seize the Day” *Davey and the Newsies*
 “The Fight”
 “Santa Fe” *reprise* *Jack*

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ACT 2

- Scene 1: The Refuge, middle of the night
 “Letter From the Refuge” *Crutchie*
- Scene 2: Newsie Square
 “King of New York” *Race, Katherine, and Newsies*
- Scene 3: Medda’s Theater
- Scene 4: Pulitzer’s Office
 “Brooklyn’s Here” *Brooklyn Newsies*
- Scene 5: Medda’s Theater
 “Brooklyn’s Here” (*continuation*) *Newsies*
- Scene 6: Newsie Square/ Cellar of The World Building
 “Seize the Day” *reprise* *Newsies*
 “Once and For All” *Jack, Davey, Katherine, and Newsies*
- Scene 7: Pulitzer’s Office
- Scene 8: Newsie Square
 “Finale” *Company*

CAST

Jack David Carlen
Davey Joshua Barnson
Crutchie Brody Bourke
Les Aris Parson
Race Elijah Barnson
Muriel Maya King
Albert Isabel Hanson
Hazel Jillian Puente
Pigtails Makayla Hoiberg
Romeo Melanie Chipman
Specs Makena Willis
Buttons Lucie Hall
JoJo Sydney Hoiberg
Nancy Sidney Berry
Tommy Boy Lachlan Sellers
"Scab" #1 Chloe Grotz
"Scab" #2 Ishaan Joshi
"Scab" #3 Megan Kapusta
Spot Conlon Maya King
Pulitzer Alexander Bravo

Katherine Riley Brown
Bunsen Fiona Hawk
Seitz Calista Roberts
Hannah Abigail Imerson
Wiesel Joseph King
Oscar Molly Paul
Morris Hayden Mallette
Darcy Kyah Babayan
Pat Ash Rollins
Medda Ruby Salvatti
Ethel Ava Lowe
Ada Gianna De Maria
Olive Megan Kapusta
Snyder Keegan Bettencourt
Teddy Roosevelt Lachlan Sellers
Dorothy Gianna De Maria
Policeman #2 Ash Rollins
Policeman Justin Chavez
Woman Chloe Grotz
Customer Ishaan Joshi

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Publicity Elizabeth Mandel
Publicity Art Design Jason Leong
Master Carpenters Larry Tom
Gerry Blanchard
Seamstresses Sarah Mallette
Veronica Salvatti
Scenic Artist Janet Carlen
Sketch Artist Gwyneth Zhao
Props Management Makena Willis
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Dialect Coach Jennifer Brown
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CAST BIOS



KYAH BABAYAN (*Darcy*)

Kyah is 12 years old and is in sixth grade at Oakwood School. Kyah has performed in several community productions including *Lion King Jr.*, *Willy Wonka*, *Doctor Doolittle*, *Moana Jr.* and recently played "Jane" in *Descendants the Musical*. Kyah enjoys ice skating, Jiu-Jitsu and watercolor painting. She hopes you enjoy the show!



JOSHUA BARNSON (*Davey*)

Joshua Barnson is 18 years old and is a senior at Gilroy High School. *Newsies Junior* will be Joshua's debut show here at SVCT. Other shows Joshua has been in include: *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Tuck Everlasting*, and *The Addams Family*. Joshua has been in the performing arts for ten years. His musical experience includes piano and the cello. Joshua has been a part of the Gilroy High School Chamber Choir for all four years of his high school career, and has performed in two honor choirs during this time. Joshua is excited to be here for *Newsies Junior*, and wishes to continue his path in the performing arts throughout college at CSU Fullerton. "Thank you Gianna for reminding me to do this, and thank you to the cast for making this such an amazing show!"



ELIJAH BARNSON (*Race*)

Eli attends Gavilan College and played "Mufasa" in *The Lion King Jr.*, "Demetrius" in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, "Jesse Tuck" in *Tuck Everlasting*, and "Uncle Fester" in *The Addams Family*. He loves theatre because of the friends he makes and the smiles on people's faces after the show. One interesting thing about Eli is that he likes skydiving! In his free time he loves playing video games with his brother and dad, going to the gym, and watching movies. "I'd like to thank SVCT for giving me an opportunity to do theatre again after a long 2 years. Thank you!"



SIDNEY BERRY (*Nancy*)

A seventh grader at St. Mary School in Gilroy, Sidney is performing in her eleventh theatrical production with her favorite performances in *Cinderella*, *Singin' in the Rain*, and *Annie Jr.* Sidney also enjoys art and playing soccer. She would like to thank all of her family and friends for their love and support.



KEEGAN BETTENCOURT (*Synder*)

Keegan is 15 years old and is a freshman at Ann Sobrato High School in Morgan Hill. This is his eighth time on stage, however only his second time performing with SVCT. Although Keegan enjoys theater, his other interests include water polo, swimming and hanging out with friends. Keegan would like to thank his parents and grandparents for all the love and support. Enjoy the show!



BRODY BOURKE (*Crutchie*)

Brody is a freshman at Gilroy High-school. He has been doing theater for 8 years and has loved every show. Brody has been featured in roles such as "Oliver" in *Oliver*, "Dexter" in *Singing in the Rain*, and "John" in *Peter Pan* just to name a few. One of his favorite things about theater is making friends along the way and making them laugh. He has been told he has a great sense of humor, is creative and musically talented. Outside of theater, Brody enjoys track and field and hanging out with friends and family. Brody would like to give a shout-out to his family for always being there for him and his friends for always cheering him on.



ALEXANDER BRAVO (*Pulitzer*)

Lex is a freshman in SJSU. Prior to being cast in *Newsies Jr.*, he performed in three shows with Gilroy Gardens. Performing in the summer as "Maroo" in the show *Birthday Crew* for Gilroy Gardens 20th anniversary, played as "Wolfgang" in *The Great Big Boo* in the fall, and as "Linus" for the *Charlie Brown Christmas* show in the winter of 2021. Lex says "my favorite part about performing is that I get to be a different person. My worries, and stress go away...I'm just my character, not Alexander Bravo. It's therapeutic." Lex enjoys singing while drawing or during his studies, and likes singing with friends. "I want to thank my parents for their love and support through this theater journey of mine."



RILEY BROWN (*Katherine*)

Riley Alison Brown is delighted to be part of *Newsies* and to be back on the SVCT stage! This is her tenth SVCT musical. She loves performing in musical theater and film and has performed in nearly three dozen productions locally the past 10 years. You may have seen her in *Cinderella* as "Cinderella" or *Rock of Ages* as "Constance Sack" with SVCT; or last fall in *Shrek* as "Fiona" with City of Gilroy. She has also done some short films. *Andy's Arrow* ("Brooke"), was nominated in 2020 for Cannes film festival Emerging HS short films in 2020. She is a sophomore at Christopher High and plans to major in film. "Watch what happens" as the *Newsies* unite! She would love to thank her dad and sister for always helping her out and her mom for always helping her work in the theatre scene. She'd also like to thank her boyfriend, Nolan, for all his support. Enjoy the show!



DAVID CARLEN (*Jack*)

David Carlen is a Freshman at Gavilan College where he frequently acts in films on campus. A showman at heart, when it comes to him, the bigger the crowd, the better. He set a record for his high school in public speaking, and worked as a performer at Gilroy Gardens throughout the 2021 season. Not even the pandemic could keep this theater kid from pursuing his spark, as he played "Professor Plum" in SVCT's online Zoom-production of *Clue*. *Newsies Jr.* is David's first stage show with the company. David would like to especially thank producer, Kathy Tom, for her unwavering support, as well as his family, friends, cast, and crew.



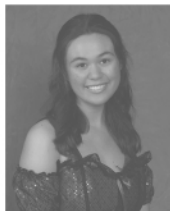
JUSTIN CHAVEZ (*Policeman*)

Born in Salinas Regional Hospital, the son of Annie and Francis Chavez, Justin Chavez always had a preference for the theatrical. Justin soon moved to Gilroy and attended Rucker Elementary. Justin then had his theatre debut as "Baloo" in Rucker Elementary's Rendition of *The Jungle Book* shocking crowds and non-existent critics with his impressive performance. Justin would go on to win absolutely no awards or recognition as it was an elementary school's rendition of *The Jungle Book*. "Shout out to the Taco Bell employee that gave me a free slurpie. They was dope."



MELANIE CHIPMAN (*Romeo*)

Melanie has been doing theater for 8 years and is now 16. She has preformed in many shows including her most recent, *Into the Woods*, where she played "Little Red Riding Hood". She is involved with music production, art, and theater and loves video games, her family, and friends... not to mention her cats. Melanie is excited to play "Romeo", a news boy. She hopes you feel like the king of New York as you watch *Newsies Jr.* Melanie would like to thank her mother and her boyfriend, Roman.



GIANNA DE MARIA (*Ada, Dorothy & Newsie*)

Gianna De Maria is 17 years old and is a junior at Gilroy High School. She is thrilled and honored to be a part of this amazing production as her debut show for SVCT. Theater, music, and art have always been her passion. She was part of a dance company and her dance experience includes hip hop, jazz and tap which she did for four years. Since the age of 5, she has been in various musicals, which included lead roles in *Honk Jr.* and *Peter Pan*. She has also starred in the productions of *The Little Mermaid*, *Shrek* and *The Addam's Family*. She is proud to be a part of the Chamber Choir and cheerleading team at Gilroy High school. She is grateful for the constant love and support of her family and friends.



CHLOE GROTZ (*"Scab" #1 & Woman*)

Chloe Grotz is a sixth grader that attends Stratford Middle School. She is 12 years old and enjoys various things such as theater and drawing. She has been in numerous school plays but with SVCT she has been in *Annie Jr.* as an orphan, *Aladdin Jr.* as the fortune teller, and *Cinderella* as the daughter and a ball guest. She is also going to be in the play *Beauty and the Beast* in the coming months with her dear mother, Jillian. She loves the singing and dancing aspects of theater and hopes to continue for the years to come. She hopes that you will enjoy the show as much as she does. She would like to thank her mother and her brother for having to deal with her theater shenanigans. She would also like to thank her grandparents for dealing with the care and support they have given.



LUCIE HALL (*Buttons*)

Lucie is in 6th grade at Oakwood School. She's been part of Junior editions of *Annie*, *101 Dalmatians*, *Shrek*, *Aladdin*, *Jungle Book*, and more. Her favorite thing about performing is acting as someone else and learning all the dances. Lucie's other passion is gymnastics, and she spends the rest of her free time doing flips and competing on a Level 5 gymnastics team! This production has fulfilled Lucie's longtime dream of joining a performance of *Newsies*, her all-time favorite musical. It is even more fun than she thought it would be!



ISABEL HANSON (*Albert*)

Isabel is a senior attending Dublin Scioto High School. This will be her second time performing in *Newsies* after her first performance freshman year. She has also done *Mamma Mia*, and was on tech crew for *It's a Wonderful Life*. Outside of theatre she enjoys reading, hiking, and listening to every kind of music. She hopes to eventually work her way up to a contract with *Cirque du Soleil* in the future. "I want to thank my grandparents for supporting me in everything I do, and shout out my family and friends back in Ohio that couldn't make it."



FIONA HAWK (*Bunsen*)

Fiona has been performing since she was 11, she has done a total of 7 shows. *Newsies* is Fiona's 8th show. In her past musicals, she has played "Bet" in the production of *Oliver!* and "Starkey" in *Peter Pan*. Fiona loves performing because it makes other people happy. Fiona is 15 years old and is a sophomore at Gilroy High School. She enjoys singing, cheering, hanging out with friends, and playing the ukulele. Fiona is very excited for you to see the show and she hopes you enjoy watching it as much as she enjoyed being in it!



SYDNEY HOIBERG (*JoJo*)

Sydney is currently a freshman at Gilroy High School and is so excited to be performing in her first teen show, *Newsies*, which happens to be her absolute favorite! She's been in numerous shows at SVCT and in Gilroy. Outside of theater, Sydney is a member of her school's chamber choir and is an upcoming cheerleader! She's so happy that some of her best friends, Gianna, Josh, Eli and Megan decided to audition for the first time at SVCT. It's been so fun to share the stage with them. Along with her sister, Makayla, of course. She would like to thank her parents, the whole cast and the production team for putting together an amazing show! Sydney hopes you enjoy the show and always remember to Seize the Day!



MAKAYLA HOIBERG (*Pigtails*)

Makayla is 17 years old and a Junior at Gilroy High School. This is her sixteenth musical she's been a part of. You may have recently seen her in Gilroy's production of *Shrek Jr.* in the role of "Donkey". Some of her previous favorite roles were "Dorothy" in *Wizard of Oz* or "Lily St. Regis" in *Annie Jr.* She has looked forward to being a part of *Newsies* for a very long time and is so happy to finally be in it. Makayla enjoys playing video games with her online friends, reading books in her free time and being a cat mom to four adorable fur-babies. She would like to thank the cast and crew of *Newsies* for giving her only the best memories from this show, and a special shout out to her mom, dad and sister Sydney for always being there and encouraging her on her dreams always. *Newsies* forever!



ABIGAIL IMERSON (*Hannah*)

This Abigail's 8th musical and first production with SVCT! Due to Covid, she has not been able to do a production for 2 years, so she is super excited for the opportunity to play "Hannah," Pulitzer's secretary, in *Newsies*. Some of the roles she has played in the past include; "Young Nala" in *The Lion King*, "Mrs. Brill" in *Mary Poppins*, and most recently "Mrs. Darling" in *Peter Pan*. Her favorite part of performing is acting and dancing. Beyond theatre, Abigail is currently a Sophomore at Gilroy High School and participates in ASB, Chamber Choir, and many clubs. She wants to thank you all for coming to the show and she hopes you enjoy it! She also wants to thank her parents for always supporting her in anything she does!



ISHAAN JOSHI (*"Scab" #2 & Customer*)

This is Ishaan's first show with SVCT! He was previously in two shows at Stratford School: *Wizard of Oz* in 2021 and *Dorothy in Wonderland* this past March. He is 12 years old and in the 6th grade.



MEGAN KAPUSTA (*"Scab" #3 & Olive*)

Megan is in 11th grade at Del Mar High School. Megan's most recent productions were *High School Musical* as "Kelsi" with LGYT and *Anastasia* as a "ballet corps" with Del Mar Performing Arts. Their favorite thing about theatre is the bond made with the cast throughout the rehearsal process. Megan has been dancing since they were little and has always had a love of being on stage. They enjoy playing video games and rewatching the Star Wars movies. "Thank you to my family for supporting me and to my friends who have come out to see the show!"



MAYA KING (*Muriel & Spot Conlon*)

As Maya's 25th production, she is very excited to be dancing in *Newsies*, the show she has grown up loving since she was young. Maya is a 16 year old Junior at Christopher High School. She is Junior Class President, and the incoming ASB Vice President. You may have previously seen her as "Charlie Bucket" in SVCT's *Willy Wonka*, "Little Red Riding Hood" in *Into the Woods*, or "Flounder" in SVCT's *The Little Mermaid*. Besides dancing across the stage, she has played softball her whole life and is currently playing for CHS. She would love to thank her mom, Trish, for being the most loving, supportive person who Maya would have never found theatre without. Remember, "The world is ya erster!"



JOSEPH KING (*Wiesel & Ensemble*)

Joey is 14 years old and in 8th grade at South Valley Middle School in the Dual Immersion program. He is very excited to be back on stage with many of his friends. This is his 12th play. You may have seen him most recently in the 2021 virtual play of SVCT's *Clue* (teen version) as the "Cop". When not on stage he loves playing video games with his brother John and friends. He would like to thank you for coming to the show. Sit back and enjoy the show! "Thank you to my family especially my mom, for always supporting me!"



AVA LOWE (*Ethel*)

Ava is a freshman who goes to Oakwood High School. This is her first show with SCVT. Ava's favorite thing about theatre is meeting people backstage, and being onstage with her friends. "Thank you to my parents for driving me to all the practices and performances!"



HAYDEN MALLETTE (*Bill Hearst & Morris*)

Hayden is 13 years old and will be attending Britton Middle School in the fall. This is Hayden's second show with SVCT and one of his favorites musicals. He is so excited to be part of this amazing show. Thank you to Colleen and the rest of the production team for this opportunity.



ARIS PARSON (*Les*)

Aris is a 9th grader Attending Basis Independent Silicon Valley High school. He watched the live action Broadway show for *Newsies* on Disney+ 23 times. His favorite role was always "Les," so it was just nifty to get it. Aris likes drawing and skateboarding. He also likes listening to a Broadway soundtrack on repeat till he knows literally every word. His favorite musical is *Dear Evan Hansen*, and he relates a lil too much to "Evan." He wants to thank Kiara and Alex. They have both been his reason that he tried to perfect this role, knowing that they would be seeing it. He loves you both so much!



MOLLY PAUL (*Oscar*)

Molly is in 9th grade at Ann Sobrato High School. She recently performed in CMT's production of *Les Miserables* as a barmaid and is happy to be doing a show in Morgan Hill again! She couldn't wait to do lots of dances and kicks and has been practicing them in ballet for a while! She wants to thank everyone for coming to see *Newsies* because she wants the world to know about this show!



JILLIAN PUENTE (*Hazel*)

This is Jillian's 13th musical and she is so excited to be back on the stage for *Newsies Jr.* She has also been in SVCT's *Willy Wonka* as "Violet", *Aladdin Jr.* as "Jasmine", *Cinderella* as "Fairy Godmother" and most recently before quarantine began *Rock of Ages* as "Justie Charlier." Jillian thanks the president of her fan club (aka mom) and her family for their support. Along with *Newsies Jr.*'s hardworking staff for this opportunity. She hopes you enjoy the show!!



CALISTA ROBERTS (*Seitz*)

Calista Roberts is an eighth grader at Charter School of Morgan Hill. This is her seventh play, but first show with SVCT. Her favorite thing about theatre is acting, singing, and being with her friends. She enjoys drawing, watching horror shows and movies, reading, listening to music, and spending time with her friends.



Sabreena Roberts (*Newsie, Tech*)

Sabreena is a sophomore at Ann Sobrato High School. Shows you may have seen her in are You're A Good Man Charlie Brown as a little birdie and Lucy's understudy, and Shrek Jr as Mama Ogre, a Duloc Dancer, and a Rat. You may have also seen her perform Nana in Peter Pan with her dance studio. She enjoys spending her time reading, dancing, and singing. "Thank you for coming to the show!"



ASH ROLLINS (*Pat & Policeman*)

Ash is a Junior at Gilroy High school and is in the FFA program. This is Ash's second show with SVCT, first being *Rock Of Ages*, and first show back from Covid. They were in a few other community theatre productions in Gilroy, favorites include *Grease*, *Wizard of Oz*, *Singin' In The Rain*, and *Into The Woods*. Ash enjoys musical theatre, art, and reading. *Newsies* is their favorite musical and they cannot wait for everyone to watch as they carry the banner. Shoutout to Mrs. Colleen and the rest of the crew for working with them as they joined three weeks before opening night, their mom for letting them join so late, and finally their partner, Wyatt Goldman, for supporting them non-stop through the production.



RUBY SALVATTI (*Medda*)

Ruby is a sophomore at Oakwood High School. This is her eleventh time onstage, and her first show back with SVCT since 2018! Her most recent role was "Jack's Mother" from Oakwood's production of *Into the Woods*. She has also done shows with Gilroy and the Live Oak Drama Guild. When she is not onstage, you can find Ruby writing, spending time outdoors and laughing with friends. She hopes you enjoy the show!



LACHLAN SELLERS (*Teddy Roosevelt & Tommy Boy*)

Lachlan Sellers is a Sophomore at Ann Sobrato High School. He has been in SVCT's *Cinderella* and *Rock of Ages*. He enjoys learning new things about theater and enjoys meeting new people as well. He is also aspiring to be a voice actor and can do voice impressions such as Mickey Mouse, Colonel Sanders, and more. He enjoys playing video games with his friends and sometimes draws horror art.



MAKENA WILLIS (*Specs*)

Makena is a freshman at Oakwood and has been in theater for years. She is so excited to put on one of her favorite shows as one of the newsies herself. In her most recent show she played "Cinderella's Evil Stepmother" in *Into the Woods*. In her free time she enjoys coaching lacrosse, playing volleyball, listening to music, doing homework (which is big lie), and being with her friends. She would like to thank the staff and cast for making *Newsies* possible after the 2 year pandemic and her loved ones for supporting her in this show!

Thank you, Chris Foster,
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STAFF BIOS

KATHY TOM (*Producer*)

After starting in theater many years ago as a teenager herself, Kathy is delighted to once again be working with an SVCT Teen Production! She is thrilled to be sharing this show with her granddaughter, Melanie, and daughter, Colleen. Kathy has spent the last 20 years with the stage company in many different roles: Actress, Producer, Stage Director, Costumer, and Board Member. She has had the good fortune to be involved with many of her favorite Broadway Shows, among them *Into the Woods*, *Peter Pan*, *1776*, and now *Newsies!* When not involved in one of our shows, you'll probably find Kathy running around Disneyland with her family!

COLLEEN BLANCHARD (*Director*)

Colleen has been directing shows for casts of all ages throughout the Bay Area for over 20 years. Colleen got her start in directing at SVCT in 2000, and her many directing credits with the company over the years include *Fiddler on the Roof*, *1776*, *Annie*, *The Little Mermaid Jr.*, *Noises Off!*, and *The Wizard of Oz*. She has directed at several community theatre companies, schools from elementary to college level, and for the City of Gilroy's Recreation Department. She is currently the upper school drama teacher at Oakwood School. She has enjoyed working with the cast of *Newsies Jr.* immensely and is proud of the hard work and dedication they have put into the show.

ALAN CHIPMAN (*Vocal Director*)

Working with the teen shows is a joy for Alan. He is so happy that SVCT is on stage again. It's an extra bonus this year that two granddaughters are part of the *Newsies* cast. Alan has worked as a director or music director for teen shows in the past, including *Footloose*, *Anything Goes*, and *Thoroughly Modern Millie*.

CHRISTINE CARRILO (*Choreographer*)

Christine is excited to help usher in the return of live theatre. She most recently performed as a "Kit Kat Girl" in SVCT's Spring production of *Cabaret*. Christine is thrilled to also return as a choreographer for the teen show. Past choreography credits and awards include: *Rock of Ages*, *Godspell*, *1776*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, *Shrek*, *Legally Blonde* and many more. Christine also serves as a choreographer at Oakwood School. When not on stage or behind the scenes, Christine entertains a captive audience of 4 & 5 year olds as a teacher in Morgan Hill.

LXIE MALLETTE (*Production Assistant*)

Lxie has been involved with SVCT since she was 12 years old. She has enjoyed having this time with her little brother, Hayden. She has always enjoyed working with Colleen and will jump at any chance to do so. It has been a great experience working with this group of teens.

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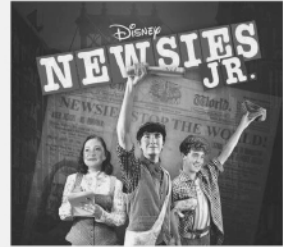
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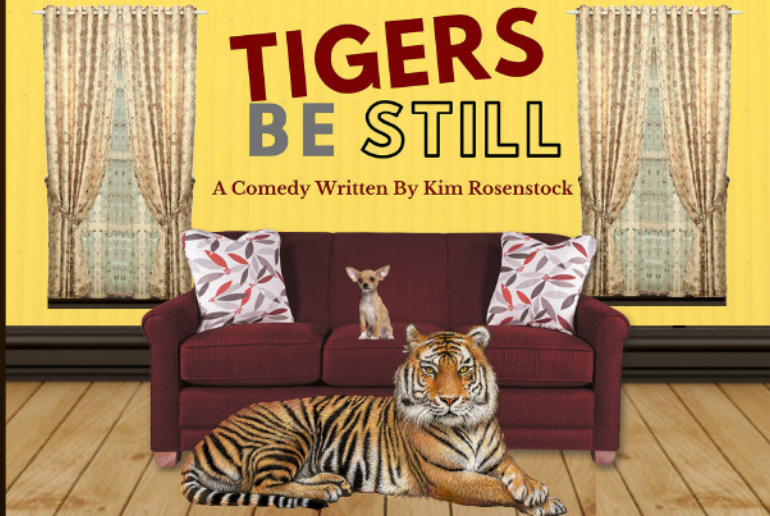
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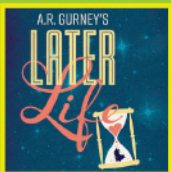
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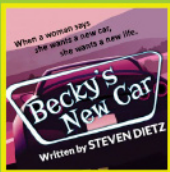
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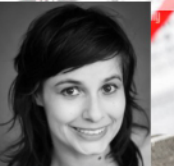


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