Pleasant Valley Middle School
Drama Club

Proudly Presents

The Monologue Show

Don Zolidis

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From the Director’s Chair

Well, here we are. It’s late 2020 and we are all trying our best to navigate our new reality. This fall, many sports found ways to provide safe opportunities for students to thrive while participating in their areas of interest, and we were determined to find a way to do the same for Drama students, including those who are attending our Cyber program. Like the Drama teacher in our play who decided that no matter what, the show must go on, Miss Altemose and I also decided that the show must go on. Drama is an outlet for many of the students who participate. Putting on a new persona can be freeing. It’s like Halloween--for a few moments, you get to try on a new costume, a new reality, an altered version of yourself. But this play is a little different...it’s not about costumes, or props, or scenery. It’s a stripped down version of a play...so similar to the stripped down version of our lives right now. We are learning to adapt.

While many of our students have experience on the stage, producing this play using Zoom has forced all of us to stretch, grow, and learn new things. Directions changed from “taking up space on the stage” to “taking up space in your Zoom box.” This format has forced students to take on a new level of responsibility as a part of their team. As directors, Miss Altemose and I will not have the ongoing feedback that we usually do during the show. We will do this show as a team...together, yet alone. We are learning to adapt.

The characters in this play are exaggerations of the idea of the stereotypical teenager--self-centered, self-absorbed, and selfish. Fortunately, the personalities of the real teenagers in our play couldn’t be further from those terrible qualities. I never thought I’d be encouraging a student by saying, “You’re not being bratty enough! You need to whine more! Be MORE obnoxious!” The actors have grown into their insufferable characters...I just hope we didn’t create monsters. If we did...I guess we will learn to adapt.

Enjoy the show!
Miss Alexandria Gibb
THECast (in Order of Appearance)

Mr. Banks ........................................ Austyn Bunker
Bailey .............................................. Lauren Roslewicz
Bradley ........................................... Logan Krock
London ........................................... Jocelyn Makara
Jae..................................................... Arabela Houtchens
Caleb .............................................. Jason Kays
Marla ............................................. Julianna Cannarella
Brandon ......................................... Tyler Caron
Brenda ........................................... Anayah Accilien
Brianna ........................................... Michaela Clement-St.Louis
Jessi ................................................ Nasiriyah Ash
Tom ................................................ Owen Gordon
Alyssa ............................................ Julianna Cannarella
Monica ............................................ Mira Giunta
Barney ............................................ Logan Krock
Morgan ........................................... Nasiriyah Ash
Todd ............................................. Owen Gordon
Jeramy .......................................... Jason Kays
Tara ............................................... Lauren Roslewicz
Lola ............................................... Mira Giunta
Mia ................................................. Angela Orach
Matt ............................................... Jaden McDaniels
Kate .............................................. Arabela Houtchens
Karl ............................................... Jaden McDaniels
Joe ............................................... Josie Fetterman
Angelica ....................................... Julianna Cannarella
Olivia ........................................... Mira Giunta
Burma ............................................ Angela Orach
Directors’ Student Assistant ....................... Joe Sciarrone
Official Pollster ........................................ Kelton Wills

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR .............................. Miss Amanda Altemose
SET DESIGN .......................... Ms. Robin Locker & The Art Club
                                   Kayla Abuiso
                                   Allie Ackerly
                                   Avinny Ackerly
                                   Emma Everett
                                   Melina Gonzalez
                                   Bella Hernandez
                                   Jocelyn Makara
                                   Aisha Oelrich
                                   Ariella Anne Rotter
                                   Joseph Sciarrone
                                   Julia Stewart-King
                                   Phoebe Stone
ABOUT THE CAST

**Anayah Accilien** is the 8th grade daughter of Walby and Emmanuella Accilien. She has previously been in *Dear Edwina Jr.* as Susie and *Shrek Jr.* as the student choreographer. She currently plays Brenda in *The Monologue Show*. In her spare time, she enjoys playing the clarinet, field hockey, dance, soccer, and hanging out with all of her friends. She would like to say, “Don’t forget the world is your stage.”

**Nasiriyah Ash** is the 7th grade daughter of Shakara and Ravin Prashad. She has previously been in *Shrek Jr.* as Fiona and was cast as Ariel in *The Little Mermaid*, but that play never happened because of Covid 19. She currently plays Jessi and Morgan in *The Monologue Show*. In her spare time, she enjoys crafting, singing, dancing, and playing games.

**Austyn Bunker** is the 8th grade son of Joseph Bunker and Estelle Baker. He is also the grandson of Steven and Robin Baker. He has previously been in *Shrek Jr.* as Donkey and *The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza* as Cronos. He currently plays Mr. Banks in *The Monologue Show*. In his spare time, he enjoys singing, drawing, and acting.
Julianna Cannarella is the 7th grade daughter of Louis and Michele Cannarella. She has previously been in Dear Edwina Jr. in the chorus, and Shrek Jr. as a storyteller. She was cast in The Little Mermaid, but that play never happened because of Covid 19. She currently plays Marla, Alyssa, and Angelica in The Monologue Show. In her spare time, she enjoys drawing. She would like to say, “Break a Leg!!” to all the cast members.

Tyler Caron is the 8th grade son of Kyle and Jana Caron. He has previously been in Shrek Jr. as a Knight and The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza as Uranus, Father, Icarus, and Hector. He currently plays Brandon in The Monologue Show. In his spare time, he enjoys acting and singing.

Michaela Clement-St.Louis is the 8th grade daughter of Michael St.Louis and Michelle Clement-St.Louis. She has previously been in Shrek Jr. as a Storyteller, Dear Edwina Jr. as Myra, and The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza as one of the Harpies and Furies. She currently plays Brianna in The Monologue Show. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, and hanging out with Mira, Sarah, and Katelyn.

Josie Fetterman is the 7th grade daughter of Joshua and Rhiannon Fetterman. She has previously been in Dear Edwina Jr. as Chef Ludmilla, Shrek Jr. as Momma Oger and Lord Farquaad’s Announcer, Kids on Broadway where she sang various show songs, and she also has played trombone for multiple plays in the pit orchestra. She was cast as a Mersister for The Little Mermaid, but this play did not happen because of Covid 19. She currently plays Joe in The Monologue Show. In her spare time, she enjoys crafting, painting, exploring, and playing dolls. She would like to send a shout out to Julie and states “you are awesome!!”
Mira Giunta is the 8th grade daughter of Mark and Amanda Giunta. She has previously been in Shrek Jr. as Princess Fiona, Dear Edwina Jr. as Aphrodite, Hairspray Jr. as an Ensemble Member, The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza as one of the Harpies, Furies, and Trojans. She was cast in Beauty and the Beast as the silly girl and Alice in Wonderland as the White Rabbit; neither one of these plays were performed because of Covid 19. She currently plays Monica, Lola, and Olivia in The Monologue Show. In her spare time, she enjoys drawing, reading, singing, acting, and writing. She also loves hanging out with her friends.

Owen Gordon is the 8th grade son of Neil and Anne Gordon. He has previously been in Dear Edwina Jr. as Harry, Shrek Jr. as Papa Ogre and Pig 3 and The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza as Jason and Achilles. He currently plays Tom and Todd in The Monologue Show. In his spare time, he enjoys gardening, making salsa, playing with his puppy and playing games. He would like to say, “Thank you for your support Mom and Dad!”

Arabela Houtchens is the 7th grade daughter of Joshua and Jenny Houtchens. She has previously been in Shrek Jr. as a Dukloc performer. She currently plays Jae and Kate in The Monologue Show. In her spare time, she enjoys singing, dancing, listening to music, and acting.

Jason Kays is the 8th grade son of Robert and Victoria Kays. He has previously been in Dear Edwina Jr. as Ziggy Montego, and Shrek Jr. as the Gingerbread Man. He also auditioned for last year’s musical Beauty and the Beast and was cast as Lumiere but chose to play baseball instead. He currently plays Caleb and Jeramy in The Monologue Show. In his spare time, he enjoys playing baseball, video games, board games, riding dirt bikes, being outside, hunting, fishing, hiking, and spending time with his family.
**Logan Krock** is the 7th grade son of Andrew and Tracy Krock. He has previously been in *Annie* and *Hairspray* as an extra, *The Christmas Carol* as the Dead End Kid and Gypsy extra, *Dear Edwina Jr.* as Frank, *Shrek Jr.* as Pinoccio. He was also cast as Sebastian for *The Little Mermaid*, but this play was not performed because of Covid 19. He currently plays Bradley and Barney in *The Monologue Show*. In his spare time, he enjoys drawing and playing video games.

**Jocelyn Makara** is the 7th grade daughter of Joe and Denise Makara. She has previously been in *Dear Edwina Jr.* as Carrie and was cast as Ursula in *The Little Mermaid*, however the play was never performed because of Covid 19. She currently plays London in *The Monologue Show*. In her spare time, she enjoys softball, soccer, dance, band, art club and skiing. She would like to quote, “If you feel you can’t continue, then nothing can possibly stop you.”

**Jaden McDaniel** is the 8th grade son of Bethann McDaniels. He has previously been in *Dear Edwina Jr.* as Bobby, *Shrek Jr.* as a Knight and *The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza* as Orpheus. He was cast as a narrator in *Beauty and the Beast*, but the play was never performed because of Covid 19. He currently plays Matt and Karl in *The Monologue Show*. In his spare time, he enjoys acting, drawing, gaming, and hanging out with friends.

**Angela Orach** is the 8th grade daughter of Keith Orach and Jody Kirk. She has previously been in *Shrek Jr.* as a Bird and *The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza* as Sue. She currently plays Lola and Burma in *The Monologue Show*. In her spare time, she enjoys reading and painting.
Lauren Roslewicz is the 8th grade daughter of John and Kim Rozlewicz. She has previously been in *Shrek Jr.* as a Stage Crew Member and *The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza* as Euphemus and Helen of Troy. She currently plays Bailey and Tara in *The Monologue Show*. In her spare time, she enjoys drawing, singing, dancing, baking, making stickers, and crafting. She would like to quote Lin Manuel Miranda, “You get nothing if you wait for it.”

Joseph Sciarrone is the 8th grade son of Joseph and Erica Sciarrone. He currently is the Directors’ Student Assistant for *The Monologue Show*. In his spare time, he enjoys going to church, working outside, being with friends and family, playing video games, editing videos, eating, art, and learning about business and politics.

Kelton Wills is the 7th grade son of Eric and Marilyn Wills. He currently is the Official Pollster for *The Monologue Show*. He wrote the polling questions for the audience to answer during the live performances. In his spare time, he enjoys dance, playing percussion, and spending time with his family. He’s dream job is to become an architect.