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Horton the Elephant.....	NATE PERRIN
Gertrude McFuzz.....	IVY FERRIS
Mayzie La Bird.....	LAURA BARLETTA
Sour Kangaroo.....	MYRIAH CROSS
Mr. Mayor.....	AARON COOK
Mrs. Mayor.....	KAILI DOUD
Judge Yertle the Turtle.....	TIARA EMERY
The Grinch.....	TONY MONTGOMERY
Vlad Vladikoff.....	BRYAN HOLDERBAUM
Wickersham Brother.....	ZACH HOLDERBAUM, DAVID HOLDERBAUM, ALEX HAZEN, MIKE LEAHY, TONY MONTGOMERY
Bird Girls.....	RACHEL HAMPSEY, ALAINA TUROCY, TRACY RUDZINSKI, TASHA MATTHEWS
Ensemble.....	BRYAN HOLDERBAUM, HANNAH BARTUS, TIARA EMERY, MEGHAN MCGRORY

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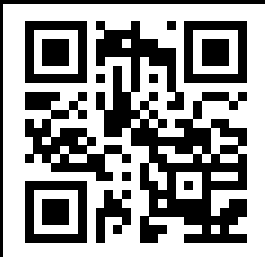
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Biggest Blame Fool.....	HORTON, CAT IN THE HAT, JOJO, GERTRUDE, MAYZIE, SOUR KANGAROO, YERTLE THE TURTLE, MR. MAYOR, WICKERSHAMS, BIRD GIRLS, AND ENSEMBLE
Here on Who.....	HORTON, JOJO, MR. MAYOR, MRS. MAYOR, THE GRINCH, AND CITIZENS OF WHO
How to Raise a Child.....	MR. MAYOR AND MRS. MAYOR
Reprise: Oh, The Thinks You Can Think!.....	CAT IN THE HAT AND JOJO
It's Possible.....	CAT IN THE HAT, JOJO, AND ENSEMBLE
Alone in The Universe.....	HORTON AND JOJO
The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz/Amazing Mayzie.....	GERTRUDE, MAYZIE, AND BIRD GIRLS
Amazing Gertrude.....	GERTRUDE, CAT IN THE HAT, AND BIRD GIRLS
Monkey Around / Chasing the Whos.....	VLAD VLADIKOFF, CAT IN THE HAT, HORTON, SOUR KANGAROO, WICKERSHAMS, BIRD GIRLS, AND ENSEMBLE
Notice Me Horton.....	GERTRUDE AND HORTON
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Mayzie's Exit / Horton Sits on the Egg / Dilemma / Hunters.....	HORTON, GERTRUDE, MAYZIE, BIRD GIRLS, AND ENSEMBLE
Egg, Nest, and Tree.....	HORTON, CAT IN THE HAT, SOUR KANGAROO, WICKERSHAMS, BIRD GIRLS, AND ENSEMBLE
Sold / Mayzie in Palm Beach.....	CAT IN THE HAT, HORTON, AND ENSEMBLE
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Amazing Horton.....	HORTON AND MAYZIE
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Solla Solew.....	HORTON, JOJO, MR. MAYOR, MRS. MAYOR, AND CIRCUS ANIMALS
All for You.....	CAT IN THE HAT, HORTON, GERTRUDE, AND BIRD GIRLS
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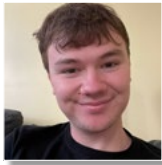
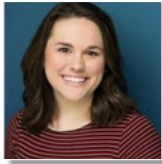
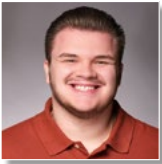
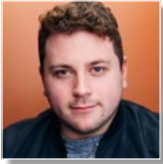
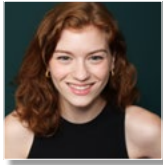
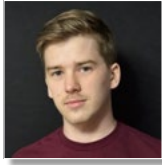
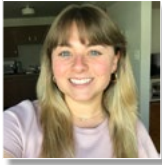
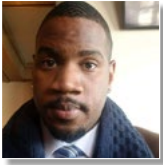
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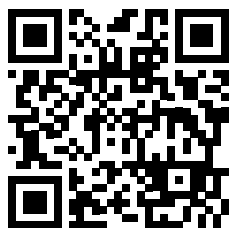
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DIXIE SUREWOOD she/her (*Cat in the Hat*) originally from Buffalo NY, is excited to be back with Stage 62 after making her debut as Nostradamus in *Something Rotten!* Some of her most recent credits include Gladhands in *West Side Story* (Pittsburgh CLO), Oliver in *Bandstand* (Front Porch Productions) and Angel in *Kinky Boots*. For the past 10 years, Dixie has been performing drag professionally. Her achievements include National Comedy Queen 2018, Drag Queen Of The Year Pageant, and appropriately been given the title of "Pittsburgh's Funny Girl". She was also voted Pittsburgh's Best Drag Queen in the City Papers Best of PGH 2023. INSTAGRAM: @Dixiesurewood

NATE PERRIN he/him (*Horton*) originally from Johnstown, PA, moved to Pittsburgh in January 2023 to study Theatre and Theatre Technology at CCAC. Surrounded by the arts while growing up in his mother's dance studio, his passion for theatre grew during his senior year of high school. Nate works as a team member for the Pittsburgh Penguins Icebreakers promotional team. His stage credits include Audrey II in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Amos in *Kander and Ebb Review*, Eddie in *Wild Party*, and Claire in *Nana's Naughty Knickers*.

IVY FERRIS she/her (*Gertrude*) is thrilled to be returning to Stage 62! Stage 62 credits include *Marvelous Wonderettes* (Missy), *Cinderella* (Featured Dancer), *Anything Goes* (Reno's Angel), *Something Rotten!* and *Side Show*. Other credits include *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (Millie) and *The Addams Family* (Wednesday Addams). She would like to thank Brian for his love and support.

LAURA BARLETTA she/her (*Mayzie*) is thrilled to join this incredible cast! Her roles at Stage 62 include Kate Monster in *Avenue Q*; Janet Van De Graaf in *The Drowsy Chaperone*; Junie B in *Junie B Jones the Musical* and Cindy Lou in *The Marvelous Wonderettes!* Over the last few years, Laura has appeared as Cheryl in three productions of *Evil Dead the Musical* at Pittsburgh Musical Theater. She has worked with companies such as Little Lake, Off the Wall, South Park Theatre, Throughline and MTAP. Laura would like to thank her husband Matt for always supporting her, and her three boys who keep her young at heart!

PIPER REDFORD she/her (*Jojo*) is an early graduate of the musical theatre program at LPPACS. Her favorite previous roles have been Alice Spencer (*Alice By Heart*), Sparrow (*Once Upon a Human*, PNWF), Johanna (*Sweeney Todd*), Wendla (*Spring Awakening*), Monica (*Freaky Friday*), Tanya (*Punk Rock*), and Kira/Clio (*Xanadu*). She currently studies acting with Daina Griffith and at the Collective with Michael Campayno, studies voice with Hilerie at Higher Voice Studio, and trains at West Point Ballet. She plans to pursue a career in musical theatre and playwriting. She thanks God and her family for all they do. She reminds you to know that anything's possible and enjoy the show!



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MYRIAH CROSS she/her (*Sour Kangaroo*) is a multifaceted vocalist with a rich tapestry of musical styles. In 2023, Myriah secured a spot in the top 10 of the KWC USA National Singing Competition, Tony Awards Cabaret concert in McKeesport, PA. Her theatrical flair was further demonstrated in her roles as Deloris Van Cartier in *Sister Act* and Marianne Angelle in *The Revolutionists*. Myriah's versatility as a performer is complimented by her experience as the former National Anthem singer for the Cleveland Cavaliers. She is actively working towards becoming a Professional Jazz singer to share her love of music with diverse audiences.

AARON COOK he/him (*Mr. Mayor*) is thrilled to be back on stage with Stage 62. Past credits include Joseph in *The Black Nativity* (University of Pittsburgh), Sweaty Eddie in *Sister Act* (Mon River Arts), Greg in *A Chorus Line* (New Castle Playhouse), Richie in *A Chorus Line* (Main Street Theatre Company). Choreography credits include *Disney's Descendants* (Stage 62), *The Little Mermaid*, *Young Frankenstein*, and *Mary Poppins* (Comtra), *Titanic*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, and *The Music Man* (Robert Morris University), *Spring Awakening* (Split Stage) and *Batboy* (Theatre Factory). He thanks everyone for making this production a success. #GOMAB

KAILI DOUD she/her (*Mrs. Mayor*) is excited to make her Stage 62 debut in *Seussical TYA*—her first musical in Pittsburgh! Credits include Catherine in *Proof* (Riverfront Theater Company, 2021). A native of Kalamazoo, she can confirm that every place we visit in this show is real, especially when you think and wonder and dream. Thanks to her family and friends who always find a seat, and Stage 62 for bringing this production to life with playfulness and warmth.

TIARA EMERY she/her (*Judge Yertle the Turtle, Ensemble*) is thrilled to be back at Stage 62 after making her debut in *RENT* (July 2024). Tiara is a multi-disciplinary Pittsburgh artist who loves performing and evoking emotional connections through her traditional and digital art. She would like to thank her husband, Tom, and her kiddos, Trishelle and Theodore, for their never-ending love and support. One day she will figure out what she wants to be when she grows up, but for now she will continue to create, explore, and just THINK! (@emtibelly_art)

TONY MONTGOMERY he/they (*The Grinch/Wickersham Brother*) is over the moon to be back on stage in another Stage 62 production. You might have seen him as one of the featured dancers in *Cinderella*, or maybe you remember him better as the raccoon. Anthony is starting to think portraying animals is his true calling and wants to thank everyone involved for helping him on this journey.

ALEX HAZEN he/him (*Wickersham Brother*) is thrilled to be in his second Stage 62 show and third production of *Seussical TYA*! He holds this show near to his heart as it was the very first show he was in back in 2016. Alex thanks Sara and her entire team for the amazing opportunity and all their hard work to make this incredible show come to life!

ZACK HOLDERBAUM he/him (*Wickersham Brother*) is beyond excited to perform in such an energetic show!! You may have seen me in *Cinderella* last November, and he also starred as Odie in *Garfield: The Musical with Cattitude* last February! He would like to thank the talented cast, crew and production staff for putting this incredible show together!!



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DAVID HOLDERBAUM he/him (*Wickersham Brother*) is excited to be back on stage with Stage 62! This is his 8th show with them, being last seen in *Sondheim On Sondheim!* Other credits include *Urinetown* as Bobby Strong, *Disney's Descendants* as Jay, and *Freckleface Strawberry* as Harry. Other favorite roles include Matt in *Mr. Burns: A Post-Electric Play* (Little Lake Theatre) and *Electric Skate* in *SpongeBob The Musical* (Comtra Theatre). He is also very excited and grateful to be sharing the stage with not just 1, but 2 of his brothers!

MICHAEL LEAHY he/him (*Wickersham Brother*) is so excited to be a part of *Seussical TYA* in his first Stage 62 production! You may have seen him at Riverfront Theater Company in *Assassins* or *If/Then*, or even as Willard in *Footloose* at Comtra Theatre. Graduated with a BFA in Musical Theatre, Mike wants to help theatre grow in Pittsburgh for the community he loves and is thankful for. Follow on Insta @nicemike_2000

TRACY RUDZINSKI she/her (*Bird Girl*) is delighted to once again cross the stage floor. She has directed twice for Stage 62 and this will be her 7th with the company, with *Crazy For You* and *Garfield: The Musical with Cattitude* being the latest to date. She has acted and painted sets for Savoyards, Comtra Theatre, Mon River, and New Castle, too! She thanks you for coming to see our fun show, and she thanks her husband, Steve, for supporting her.

ALAINA TUROCY she/her (*Bird Girl*) is absolutely thrilled to be a part of the cast of *Seussical TYA!* By day, Alaina is an environmental educator at ALCOSAN; by night, you may have seen her as Goldilocks in *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* at Little Lake Theatre or as Little Sally in Stage 62's production of *Urinetown*. Thanks to the cast, crew, and production team for a great experience, and much love to her family!

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RACHEL HAMPSEY she/her (*Bird Girl*) recently made her return to theatre in Stage 62's *Cinderella* after a 10 year hiatus. She loved her experience and this community so much, she quite literally couldn't wait to get back up on stage. When not telling stories on stage, Rachel is telling love stories as the owner of Day One Wedding Co. Thanks to Jack x. Shout out to Mackenzie, Don, Phil, Andy, Rosie, Ella, Jamie, Agnes, and Millie. Being Auntie Rachel is my favorite role to play; anything's possible, my loves!

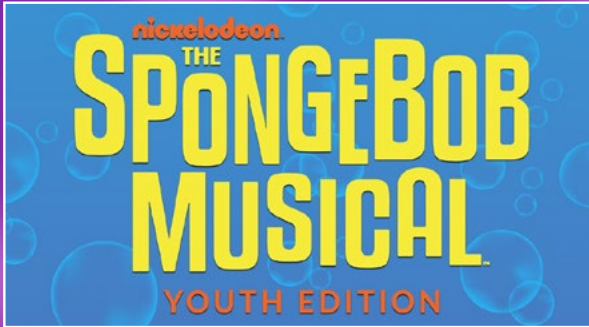
TASHA MATTHEWS she/her (*Bird Girl*) is thrilled to be working with this fabulous team for her 4th show with Stage 62! Past 62 credits: *Urinetown*, *Anything Goes* and *Goodnight Moon*. Tasha has performed all over the greater Pittsburgh area, with RWS Entertainment Group and at 54 Below in NYC. Tasha is a proud graduate of Seton Hill University. All the love to her amazing family and friends for their endless support .

BRYAN HOLDERBAUM he/him (Vlad Vladikoff, Ensemble) is very excited to be a part of *Seussical TYA!* This is his first Stage 62 production, but in no means his first production. He has done shows at Carlynton Jr./Sr. High School with roles include King Triton in *The Little Mermaid* and Uncle Fester in *The Addams Family*. He sends many thanks to his friends and family for constantly encouraging him and to the cast for welcoming him into the show with kindness!

HANNAH BARTUS she/her (Ensemble) is thrilled to be in her second children's show with Stage 62!! Some of her favorite previous roles include Mal in *Disney's Descendants* and Dorothy Gale in *The Wizard of Oz*. She would like to thank her friends and family for their continued support as well as Stage 62 for this amazing opportunity to work with such outstanding talent.

MEGHAN MCGRORY she/her (Ensemble) is extremely excited to be a part of *Seussical TYA* as this is her first show with Stage 62. Meghan graduated from Pitt in April with a Psychology degree as a pre-Physician Assistant student and works at UPMC as a patient care technician. She would like to thank her boyfriend Wyatt as well as her family for always encouraging her to follow her dreams of performing, and to the cast for putting together a beautiful show!

SARA BARBISCH she/her (*Director*) Stage 62 has been a part of Sara's life since 1994, and as a performer, a few favorite roles are Nancy in *Oliver!*, Adelaide in *Guys & Dolls*, and Lucy in *Avenue Q*. She has been blessed to direct *Goodnight Moon*, *Junie B. Jones*, and *The Marvelous Wonderettes*. She sends love to the cast, crew, and her dear family. We've had a beautiful time here in the world of Seuss telling this story. "A person's a person no matter how small!"



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JESS WHITTINGTON she/her (*Producer*) is Jess' first foray into producing after being on stage in Stage 62 shows over the past 11 years! She was last seen in *Cinderella* as Madame. Other favorites include *Violet Newstead (9 to 5)*, *Marcy Park (The 25th Annual... Spelling Bee)*, *Christmas Eve (Avenue Q)*, and *The 6th Exhibit (Side Show)*. Jess is in her inaugural year as VP of Stage 62 after serving as Secretary for the past two years, and also chairs the group's Artistic Committee. How Lucky You Are to be here today...enjoy the show!

MIKAELA KAPELUCK she/her (*Co-Choreographer*) after being a member of Stage 62 for 12 years and using her talents on the stage, Mikaela is thrilled to be making her choreographing debut at Stage 62 alongside her best friend, Cristy! It's been an honor to work with this wonderful, all-female production team and to have been blessed with the most talented cast. To everyone watching, "Think and wonder and dream, far and wide as you dare"!

CRISTY CRAWSHAW she/her (*Co-Choreographer*) is very excited to be making her choreographing debut with Stage 62! Her past credits include *Crazy For You (Follies Girl)*, *Something Rotten!*, *Anything Goes (Chastity)*, *9 to 5, Mamma Mia!*, and *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*. She currently works in Digital Sales at ADP, while teaching dance for Judy's School of Dance Arts. She choreographs the musicals for Archangel Gabriel Catholic School and Carlynton High School. She would like to thank Matthew, her mom and sister, friends and co-workers for their overwhelming support. Thank YOU for supporting Stage 62 as we can only do this with your donations and support!

LYNNETTA MILLER she/her (*Stage Manager*) has been part of Stage 62 for 19 years, both on stage and off. Her off stage roles have included stage manager, spot operator, assistant director, set designer, and scenic painter. This marks her first return as stage manager in 7 years, and she is grateful to work with such an energetic, kind and collaborative group. Thanks to Sara and the cast for providing this homebody with a reason to venture out during the cold and dark months!



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