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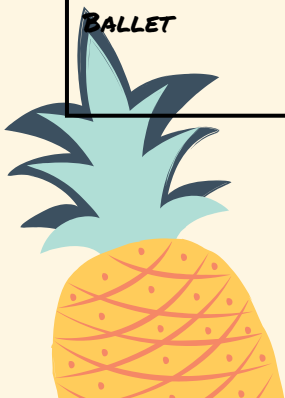
TOP BILLING ENTERTAINMENT & THE CITY OF
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EVENT PROGRAM

CLASS NAME/DAY + TIME	SONG TITLE	TEACHER	PERFORMERS
MON BALLET/TAP 5:30	SURFIN USA	HANNAH OKERSON	JOELLE ALASSAF, MERELLE ALASSAF, MORGAN ALDRETE, LORRAINE CASTILLO, CARLA CHAKBAZOF, DEA CHAKBAZOF, SIENA DETOMA, DANITY DOMINGUEZ, MAISEY DOORNIK, ALANA GREER, MARLEY MILHOLLAND, LILLIAN ROTH, EVANGELINE TSEN
TUES TBE 3:15 PRINCESS BALLET	REMEBER ME DUO	HANNAH OKERSON	CIELO ALVAREZ, ZOEY AQUINO, WREN COLLISSON, ARYA DELAPAZ, ARIANNA HERNANDEZ, HOPE MARTIN, ANASTASYA QUIROZ, GENESIS RUDULPH, LUNA SCHNEIDER, ELLIANA STOLPER, XIMENA VELASCO
VOCAL SOLO	PART OF YOUR WORLD	AMANDA RUEDA	MACKENZIE NEDEAU
DANCE CAMPERS	DANCE THE NIGHT	TEMRIA AIRMET	ALIA BAIEDI, KARA BILLER, EVA CLARK, FRANKIE FONTANA, ANNA GRANILLO, ABBEY HARWELL, MAYA HARWELL, ZOE HARWELL, ELLADIE JIMENEZ, GIANNA JIMENEZ, ELISE LAI, ALI MEDRANO, ARIANNA MELENDEZ, ELLIANA NATHANIEL, GABRIELLE NATHANIEL, KAEA OKERSON, AMARA PADILLA, ANNALYNN PINEDA, JESSICA RAY, AVIVAH ROJAS, JADEN TRAN, KENN VALDEZ
MON 9:45 AM + WED 3:30 PM PRE-SCHOOL BALLET	I WON'T SAY I'M IN LOVE - INSTRUMENTAL	HANNAH OKERSON + KATELYNN WAVRA	AURORA BUGARIN, ANALISE BATOL, CHLOE CARLTON, KENNEDY CARLTON, ELA FITKOWSKI, KAYLEIGH PENAFUERTE, MILA PHAM, AUDREY RAMIREZ, LAUREN REA, CHARLOTTE SATO, AVERY SMEELS, AUDREY WANG, BLAKE ZHAO



MON 4:30 + WED 9:45 AM TINY TOTS TAP + BALLET	I GOT THE MUSIC	HANNAH OKERSON + KATELYNN WAVRA	FRANCESCA ACOSTA, SAHAILEY ALLEN, CIELO ALVAREZ, AMARA AQUINO, ZOEY AQUINO, CAMILA EMMALYN BENDER, CHLOE CARLTON, KENNEDY CARLTON, WREN COLLISSON, ALIYAH DELGADILLO, LILLIAN DESURRA, EMILY EGAN, BAILEY ELI, ISABELLA GIGLIOBIANCO, ELENA GONZALEZ, LONDYN HARTIG, ASHLYNN LAMMEY, LAIGHTYN NEAR, ELIANA OLAGUE, ATLAS PEW, KARI SEDBERRY, LUCAS SEEGER CARPENTER, CLAIRE TAYLOR, REMI WIESE
VOCAL SOLO	SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW	AMANDA RUEDA	GIANNA JIMENEZ
BEG LYRICAL + CONTEMP	EVERYBODY WANTS TO RULE THE WORLD	TEMRIA AIRMET	ABBEY HARWELL, MAYA HARWELL, ANNALYNN PINEDA, JESSICA RAY, SERENA SUN
WED CITY HIP HOP 4:15 + 5 PM	SQUIRRELS IN MY PANTS	HANNAH OKERSON	JOELLE ALASSAF, MERELLE ALASSAF, BELEN BRISENO, SAMUEL BUGARIN, LEAH BUI, ESME BURG, SAMUEL BUGARIN, ETHAN CAI, BELLA CERVANTES, ISABELLA DORN, JAELEH GONTIZ, SOPHIA GU, ZOE HALL, AYA JUANICO, PALOMA LONDONO, KATIE MENDOZA, BRAYDEN NETTLES, LIAM NETTLES, CONOR PHAYORACHITH, NORA OROZCO, VIVIENNE PORTER, AMELIE RAMIREZ, SASHA BELLA SALAZAR, REMI SEDBERRY, ELIANA TOLEDO, ASHER WICK
VOCAL SOLO	NEW YORK, NEW YORK	KRISTINA KEENER IVY	FRANKIE FONTANA
MON CITY JAZZ 3:30	WIND IN MY HAIR	HANNAH OKERSON	MORGAN ALDRETE, EMELIA BEECHLER, FIONA HALL, QUINN HALL, GIANNA MORLAN
DANCE CAMPERS	GOTTA BE ME	HANNAH OKERSON	ALIA BAIEDI, KARA BILLER, EVA CLARK, FRANKIE FONTANA, ANNA GRANILLO, ABBEY HARWELL, MAYA HARWELL, ZOE HARWELL, ELLADIE JIMENEZ, GIANNA JIMENEZ, ELISE LAI, ALI MEDRANO, ARIANNA MELENDEZ, ELLIANA NATHANIEL, GABRIELLE NATHANIEL, KAELA OKERSON, AMARA PADILLA, ANNALYNN PINEDA, JESSICA RAY, AVIVAH ROJAS, JADEN TRAN, KENN VALDEZ
TUES 4:15-5 PM PRE-SCHOOL HIP HOP + JAZZ	9 TO 5	HANNAH OKERSON	ZOEY AQUINO, ARIANNA HERNANDEZ, LUNA SCHNEIDER, ELLIANA STOLPER, ANASTASYA QUIROZ,
ADULT RECITAL SONG + DANCE	TIME WARP	TEMRIA AIRMET	DAVID COOPER, LAURA GAGE, CORETTA GRAY, ASHLEY HARRISON, ELIZABETH HARWELL, ANDRES JIMENEZ, EDON JIMENEZ, SARAH JIMENEZ, DANIELLE KAY, YVETTE REYES, LAURA SWANSON
VOCAL SOLO	HEART OF STONE	KRISTINA KEENER IVY	KRISTINA KEENER IVY
OZ CAST	MERRY OLD LAND	TEMRIA AIRMET + KRISTINA KEENER IVY	WIZARD OF OZ CAST
ALL PERFORMERS	BOW	ALL	ALL



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Born out of the Keener Music Studio, Top Billing Entertainment's goal is to bring professional level instruction and performance opportunities to performers of all ages and abilities at low cost.

Our vision is that every performer be treated as if they had "top billing."

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Please turn off all cell phones and electronics prior to the performance.

No smoking or food is permitted inside the theater.

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Thank you to all the parents and volunteers for giving your time to make this show a success. There are too many of you to list in the program, but we hope that you know that we appreciate everything you do to help us. Thank you for choosing to work with us and allowing us to be part of your lives. You will never know what a blessing each and every one of you is to us.

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- Sam Morelos
Co-Star of *That 90's Show*

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Tim Mathos
Marisela Molina
Oliver Family
Ponce Family
Connie Rodriguez
Salles Family
Swire Family
John Terrill
Elder Timbol
Ullerich Family

RAFFLE HIGHEST

SALESPEOPLE

Emily Gage (twice)
Elladie Jimenez
Audrey Krok

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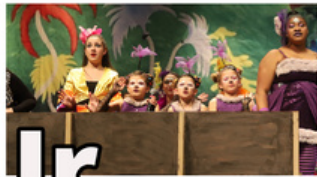
Michelle Alfaro
Alonzo Family
Dawn Anglemyer
Avila Family
Rex Botengan
Charles Buschmann
Dalia Casillas
Carpio Family
Christian Family
Condron Family
Coronado Family
Caroline Dergazarian
Jennifer Dickson
Renee Duncan
Cynthia Elvira
Shelly Freedenthal
Frankie Fontana
Eddie Garcia

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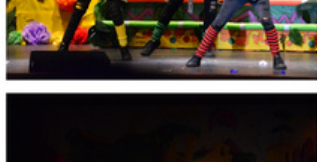
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Eileen Goodwin
Green Family
Gutierrez Family
Heidi Hanson
Hayward Family
Harwell Family
Hitzeroth Family

Amanda Holman
Constance Houghton-Day
Erik Jacome
Becky Lamb Jensen
Family
Sarah Lee Jimenez
Keene Family
Kelly Kopp-Schuetz
Britanny Lewis-Porchia
Tracy Lima
Isabella Lopez
Sarnica May
Elena Molina
Montierro Family
Morelos Family
Morgan Family
Morris Family
Michael Mughadam
Rose Neill
Ortega Family
Rodina Platero
Amanda Rueda
Paredes Family
Prinkki Family
Raj Family
Round Table Pizza
Isabella Stoner-Villegas
Rose Szczepanski
Tanabe Family
Torres Family
Adriana Valdez
Jessica Vasquez
Wavra Family
Williams Family
Kurt Wilson
Ybarra Family
Peter Zavala
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Seussical Jr.



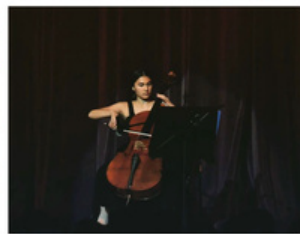
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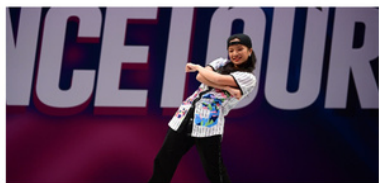
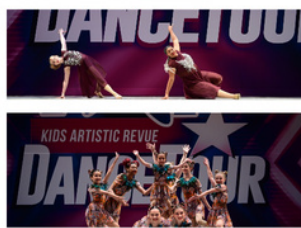
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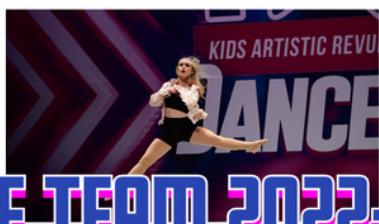
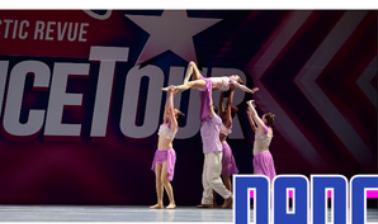
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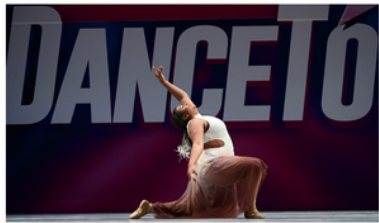
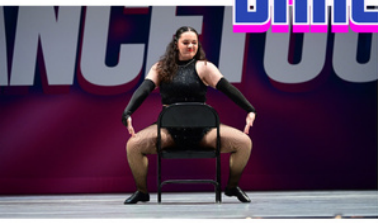




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DANCE TEAM 2022-2023





Recreational Hip Hop



Monday Recreational Tiny Top Tap & Ballet



Tuesday Pre-school Tap & Ballet



Wednesday Recreational Tiny Top Tap & Ballet



Wednesday Pre-School Ballet



City Ballet & Tap



Beginning Jazz



Color Guard



When Can I See You Again? Dance Team



Monday Recreational Jazz



Wednesday Tiny Top Hip Hop



Pop Rock Band



Music Video Dance



Musical Theater Performance Class



Parent Dance



Intermediate/Advanced Ballet



Hallelujah Dance Team



Good Feeling Dance Team

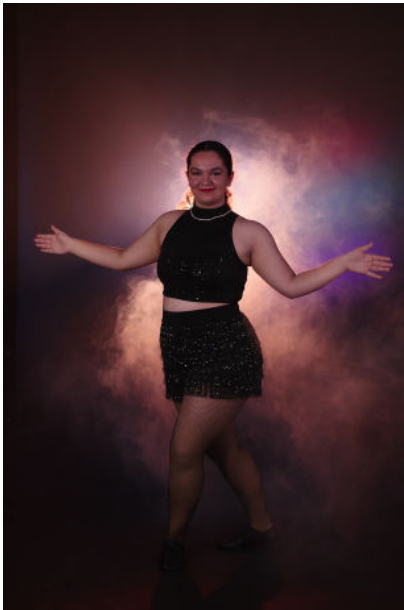


Lion King Medley

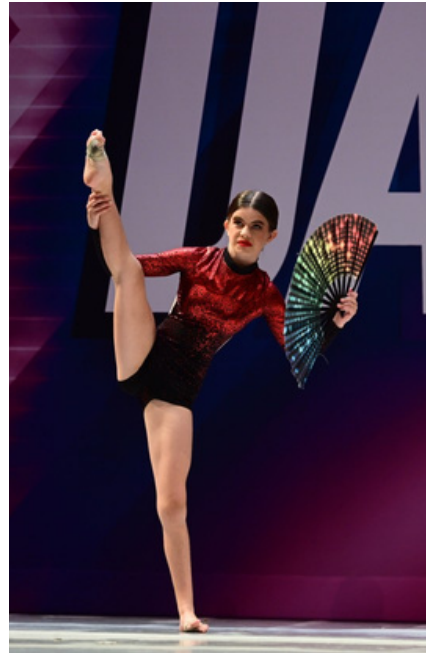


Move It

All That Jazz
Kaela Okerson



Make a Man Outta You
Jessica Ray



Wellerman
Chelsea Lee



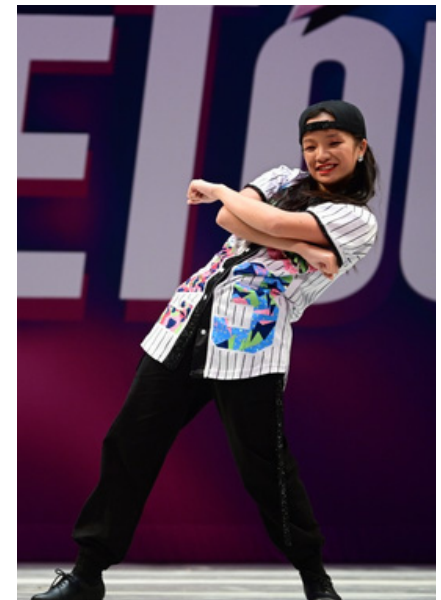
I Was Here
Ellie Nathaniel



Washing Machine Heart
Eva Clark



Finesse
Denise Lee



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATES!



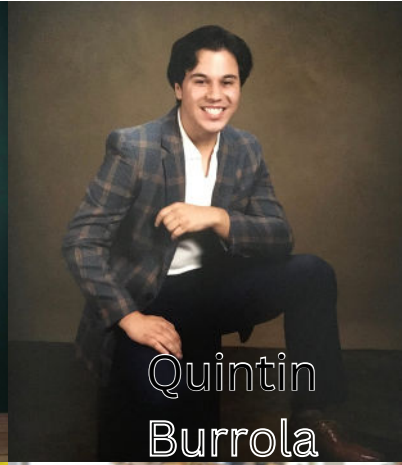
Madeleine
Danison



Kennedy
Percival



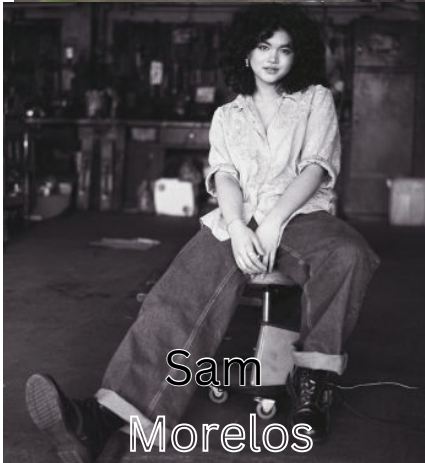
Audrey
Krok



Quintin
Burrola



Kaz
Shearer



Sam
Morelos



Avery
Lima



Julianna
Mountain



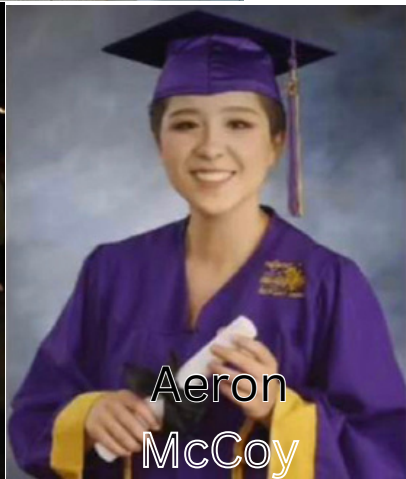
Gavin
Garcia



Lucas
Longoria



Adri
Gonzalez



Aeron
McCoy



Madison
Barba



Jane
McClure

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ROALD DAHL'S Matilda THE MUSICAL

OPEN AUDITIONS SAT. AUGUST 19, 2023

FOR AGES 4-18

PARENT MEETING 11AM-12PM,

AUDITIONS 12-3PM,

CALLBACKS BY INVITATION 3-5PM

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Placement Auditions

Ms. EILEEN'S Musical Theatre Performance class (or MTP) is expanding. There will now be a beginner level (MTP 1) and an advanced level (MTP 2). If you are interested in joining MTP 2, please attend the placement auditions.

If you prefer to attend MTP 1, no audition is necessary

CLASS MEETING TIMES:

MTP 1 - SAT 10 AM - 11 AM

MTP 2 - SUN 1 PM - 3 PM



AUDITION DATE AND TIME: AUGUST 19, 2023 10AM - 11 AM

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OPEN AUDITIONS FOR OUR 2023-2024 SHOWSTOPPERS TEAM

SAT. AUGUST 12, 2023 11:00 AM

INFO MEETINGS

SAT. AUGUST 12, 2023 10:00 AM



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TBE STAFF



Kristina Keener Ivy - Founder &

Executive Director goes by the nickname Ms. K.

She is honored to have created core childhood memories with so many students and families these past 20 years. She is the proud Founder and Executive Director of Top Billing Entertainment Performance Academy, the premier non-profit performing arts training facility in the San Gabriel Valley of Southern California. She is also a Nationally Award-Winning Performer, Teacher, Director, Producer & Costumer. She is the original Tetra Threat Performer and can sing in seven languages, plays piano, ukulele, guitar, bass, banjo, woodwinds, brass, and reed instruments, and is also an accomplished dancer and actor. She holds a BFA in Opera Performance and a BFA in Music Education Summa

Cum Laude with Honors from Northern Arizona University and has performed in and produced/directed over 100 stage productions and four feature films. She has won numerous awards including Best Musical Theater Director in the USA.

She is currently also still working as a private lesson teacher - instructing voice, piano, guitar, acting, dancing and song writing to her 30 weekly students in addition to her other TBE duties. Creating a safe, friendly, and supportive environment for aspiring performers to thrive continues to be her passion. She would like to thank Jesus for all the good gifts around us, her husband, David, for his unending love and patience, and her family, friends, and especially her students for their continued support. "Remember to only compare yourself to yourself, you are an original and therefore your only competition is yourself. Beep, bop, boop."



Temria Airmet - Master Dance Teacher & Choreographer

Temria Airmet holds her MFA in Dance from California State University Long Beach (2019) and her BFA in Modern Dance from the University of Utah (2009). She is the Artistic Director and creator of the project-based dance company, Temria Dance Haus. She was the Co/Creator and Artistic Director of Myriad Dance Company from 2015-2017. Airmet has performed professionally with Topsy Point Projects, Brine Arts, Arts of Chaos, Transfusion Hype, and Voodoo

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Productions. She has taught with Ballet West, Millennium Dance Complex, The University of Utah's Tanner Dance, and other studios throughout the Salt Lake Valley and Los Angeles. Airmet currently teaches in higher education with Oxnard College and in studio with Top-Billing Entertainment. Airmet's research and choreography celebrates diversity through politically-charged contemporary dance. She sees a country divided by social injustices and she is curious as to where the common ground lives. It is within this space that Airmet takes on complex ideas and turns them into artistic expression. With all her work, she intends to bring clarity to a complicated world and beauty to a disturbing climate. Temria knows art as a means to better understand the human experience and she does everything she can to support her fellow artists and grow the voice of the dance community from a local to global scale.



Chen Chu - Violin & Viola Instructor

We are excited to celebrate five years with Chen Chu as our violin and viola teacher! Chen is a music teacher, violinist/violist, and conductor with over 20 years of experience. While attending New York University (NYU), he majored in music education and studied with Mark Steinberg of the Brentano String Quartet. As a firm believer that music changes lives, Chen thinks private lessons are the best way to establish a solid foundation on which one can further pursue great music making, be it in a solo or group setting. Learning a musical instrument can definitely be a challenge, however, Chen has developed a knack for turning it into a fun experience that is rewarding for both teacher and student. As a teacher, he has conducted several youth orchestras in NYC and LA. A sought after chamber music coach, he also maintains a private studio of violin and viola students. As a performer, he has played at Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, and Alice Tully Hall on many occasions with world renowned artists including Lukas Foss, Leon Botstein, Quincy Jones, Michael Kamen, Clark Terry, David Sanborn, Shawn Stockman, and Richard Drefuss. In his spare time, he enjoys cooking and spending time with his wife and two children.

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Emily Gage - Front Desk & Rentals Assistant

Emily has been with Top Billing since 2016, but has been involved in theater since she was 6. She has always had a love for theater and has been a part of many musicals over the years. Her favorite roles include Grace Farrell in "Annie", Grimsby in "The Little Mermaid", Ms. Darbus in "High School Musical", and Kassim in "Aladdin". Emily has taken voice lessons and has played guitar, ukulele, and clarinet for many years. She loves to work with kids and to see them learn and grow in their abilities. Emily is so grateful for all the opportunities that Top Billing has provided for her and is honored to spread the love of theater with a younger generation.



Eileen Goodwin - Summer Camp Director & Musical Theater Class Instructor

Eileen is so excited to be joining the creative team at Top Billing Entertainment. She first joined the Top Billing family as Motormouth Maybelle in "Hairspray" (2015) and later portrayed Ursula in "The Little Mermaid Jr." (2016).

She has since portrayed various roles in productions throughout the community. Notable roles include: Daniela in "In The Heights" (Pasadena City College), Gary Coleman in "Avenue Q" (No Square Theatre), Reindeer in "There's No Business Like Snow Business" (TBE), and Killer Queen in "We Will Rock You: The Queen Musical" (Southern California Debut) in which her performance earned her an Inland

Theatre League nomination. She also directs and produces the adult cabarets held annually at the TBE studio. Doubling as a pediatric nurse, Eileen has a certain passion for working with children and is honored to have the opportunity to share her love of theater with the kids.

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Constance Houghton-Day – Piano Instructor

Constance has been involved with music, dance, and theater since her early childhood. She started playing piano on her concert pianist grandmother's Steinway piano before she can remember and grew up in her mom's dance studio. She studied at the Detroit Conservatory of Music in her youth and went to Marygrove College in Detroit on a full scholarship where she earned a B.F. A. in Dance and Music. She has performed in musicals, operas, film and television and toured. One highlight was performing with the London Philharmonic Orchestra. She is a member of Equity and AGMA (American Guild of Musical Artists).

Constance believes in the power and benefits of music for all people of all ages and every walk of life. Music is essential for the brain, the mind, the body and the soul



David Ivy - Director & Videographer

was excited to make his stage directing debut with Top Billing Entertainment. David graduated with honors from USC's School of Cinema-Television and currently works as a music composer for film and television. David is excited to share his passion for the performing arts with the younger generation and looking forward to putting on the best show the TBE kids can perform.

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Hannah Okerson - Dance Teacher & Dance Team Choreographer

Ms. Hannah has participated in Top Billing Entertainment productions since Beauty and the Beast in 2014. She has maintained a busy schedule since with roles in Royal Oak Drama, Charter Oak Drama, and Top Billing Entertainment shows. During the summers of 2019 and 2020 Hannah directed as a volunteer the summer camp productions which included, "School House Rock Jr.", "Junie B. Jones Jr.", "Moana Jr.", and "Alice in Wonderland Jr." She also choreographed the tap section in "In Summer" for Frozen Jr. and "Put on a Happy Face" for "Bye Bye Birdie." Some of her favorite roles have been Jessica in "Curtains", Mr. Smee in "Peter Pan", and Rafiki in the "Lion King." Hannah recognizes that she

has been helped and mentored by many great people along her journey to where she is today and is grateful for the opportunity to pay it forward. "In theater, we are the art."



Sofie Ortega - Front Desk

Sofie has been involved in the performing arts since 2011 and has been with Top Billing Entertainment since 2017. She has been in countless musicals, has taken classes in lyrical, jazz, and musical theater dance and has had years of vocal training. She was also a member of the show choir at Sandburg Middle school and Glendora High School for 7 years where she was choir president her senior year. She eventually began helping as a choreographer for summer camp shows "Descendants Jr." and "Annie Jr.", and has also choreographed numbers for Sandburg Middle School show choirs. Sofie finds joy in helping young performers learn and grow and fulfill their dreams and is excited to

continue this journey as a part of the TBE staff!

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Hannah Reyna Manuit - Acting & Dance Teacher

Hannah Reyna has been in the Top Billing Family for almost a decade and is excited to join this amazing team of instructors. She recently earned a BFA in Acting for the Stage and Screen at Azusa Pacific University and continues to master her craft and learn more and more each day. She is also a trained singer and dancer. (And a founding member of our Top Billing dance team.) Straight out of college, she was able to land a commercial agent and several paid stage shows! Her most recent theater credits include: Three Sisters (Irina), Spongebob the Musical (Sardine, Sea Anemone, Ensemble), The Addams Family (Wednesday). She can not wait to teach what she has learned with those who share the same passion for performing as she does.



Yvette Reyes - Office Manager

Yvette found her love of performing in front of a crowd at the age of just three years old when she became a recreational cheerleader for her local community. She then grew a passion for music and performing in elementary, junior high, and her high school show choir - where she first started working with Ms. K. Since then, she has been a part of over a dozen productions at Top Billing Entertainment including playing Babette in Beauty and the Beast, Ariel in the Disney Spectacular Showcase and many roles in all the Christmas shows. She enjoys doing the Christmas shows the most because "Christmas is the best time of the year." Along with performing, Yvette has also been a party performer portraying many characters at countless birthday parties and events. Her involvement and passion for working with children and entertainment has led her to pursue this next chapter in her career. She is excited to now be a part of the

TBE team as the Office Manager and Executive Assistant to Ms. K. She looks forward to getting to know all the TBE Families

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Amanda Rueda - Voice & Piano Instructor

Amanda "Mandee" Rueda received her Bachelor's Degree from San Diego State University emphasizing in Vocal Performance and minored in Women's Studies. She studied and was trained in opera and classical music during her time in San Diego and began her teaching career in 2013. Mandee's experience spans many genres ranging from classical to more contemporary styles such as pop and musical theater. She can sing and teach songs in 5 different languages. Her prior performance roles were in West Side Story, The Magic Flute, as well as in various vocal ensembles. Mandee has been coached by renowned vocalists in the industry such as Lori Laitman, Lee Gregory, Kristina Keener Ivy, and Lucas Meachem just to name a

few. Mandee is a vivacious, passionate, and confident teacher who enjoys working with kids of all ages and different walks of life. Miss Mandee has been with Top Billing for almost 6 years now and she believes a strong understanding of basic theory, and technique can lead to a successful vocalist and musician.



Christian Sandoval - Rentals & Media Manager

Christian first joined the Top Billing family in 2013 when he played Tommy Djilas in "The Music Man" and has been involved with the company ever since. His other roles with TBE include Gaston in their 2014 production of "Beauty and the Beast," The Lion in "The Wizard of Oz," and Link Larkin in "Hairspray." He was also honored to have been given the opportunity to write Top Billing's 2015 Christmas show "There's No Business Like Snow Business." Some of his other favorite roles outside of Top Billing include Charlie Brown in "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," The Lion in "The Wiz," and Shrek in "Shrek: The Musical." Christian also has many years of experience as a professional magician and party performer playing characters such as Batman, Superman, Captain America, and Santa Claus. With the firm belief that children are the future Christian cares deeply about Top Billing Entertainment and the wonderful opportunities

they provide for all children. He'd like to thank God, his parents, his two older brothers Seth and Andrew for inspiring him, and his little sister Alina for always supporting him in his creative endeavors.

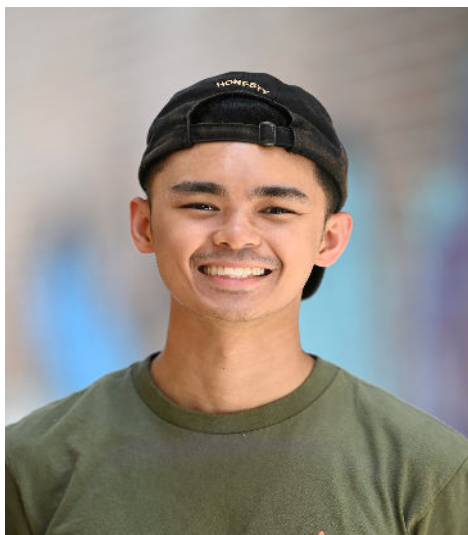
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Christopher Severino - Pop Rock Bands, Guitar, Ukulele, Bass, Drums Instructor

Christopher (they/them) is a musician from the Los Angeles area who has been honing their craft for nine years as a guitar player. They were inspired by their father to take up music and have been passionate about it ever since, believing in its power to bring people from all walks of life together. They have been dedicated to mastering the guitar, developing a versatile style that allows them to navigate a wide range of genres. They have enjoyed playing live shows for the past few years, and are excited to now be recording an album with their band Black Zone, which showcases their unique style and talents. They are also looking forward to sharing their skills and expertise with the younger

generations, and inspire them to pursue their passion for music.



Marco Tacandong - Hip Hop Teacher & Dance Team Choreographer

Marco Tacandong is a dancer, choreographer, and educator from Jacksonville, Florida. He started as a hip-hop dancer and eventually learned other styles as his love and curiosity for dance grew. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Dance from Jacksonville University where he studied various styles from the faculty and guest artists. Marco was a part of a hip-hop dance crew in Jacksonville called WreckLess, and Florida State College at Jacksonville's Dance Repertory Company, danceWORKS. Being a member of danceWORKS for

two years provided him with a diverse set of influences in his craft and leadership skills that have helped him throughout his career. He has created, performed and produced numerous works that were presented on stage, events, and video projects. He also taught hip-hop and contemporary at several dance studios in Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Ponte Vedra. He aims to provide deliberate instruction while cultivating a fun and safe space to dance.

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Juli Vermilion Sison - Tap Instructor & Dance Team Choreographer

No stranger to the stage, Juli began performing at the age of 3. She was introduced to vocal music in middle school, where she developed an ear for vocal jazz and intricate harmonies. She continued to challenge herself with more progressively difficult projects through highschool, including creating and teaching choreography for her show choir, and outside of school, taking on the role of lead vocalist with the 18-piece big band, the Swing Time Orchestra. Her interest in swing music motivated her to learn how to tap dance, which she naturally excelled at due to her extensive background in music. Juli was a student choreographer for Citrus College's Dance Company, a principal dancer for Citrus College's world-renowned 'Citrus Singers', and a lead vocalist with Citrus College's pop/rock ensemble, 'Night

Shift'. In college, she received training in jazz, ballet, tap, hip/hop, modern, musical theater, and ballroom/salsa. In 2007, she received her Associate of Arts Degree in Fine and Performing Arts from Citrus College. Juli also has a Masters Degree in Human Resources Management, and outside of Top Billing Entertainment, she performs a fulfilling role in learning and development.

Juli has been with Top Billing Entertainment since 2022 and has taught group classes and private lessons, in addition to doing choreography for TBE's dance team and for various musical theater productions. She is extremely thankful to be a part of such a talented, supportive team of educators.



Katelynn Wavra - Dance Teacher

Katelynn has been a part of the Top Billing family since 2016 but has been dancing since she was 3 years old. She is trained in ballet, jazz, lyrical, hiphop, tap and musical theater. She loves teaching and working with Kids. She currently also teaches ballet, tap, jazz and hip hop at Le Petit Dance studio, which is where her love of dance originated. On top of being a dance instructor and choreographer for the past two years, Katelynn recently earned her AA in Interdisciplinary studies from Liberty University and also enjoys tutoring and babysitting. You might also recognize her as one of our Top Billing Party Performers. She is so thankful and blessed for all the opportunities that God has

provided her with.



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