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Letter from the Director & Choreographer

I am so grateful for the opportunity to direct and cochoreograph Matilda Jr. These past few months have been a true test of grit and determination from both the cast and crew. It has truly been an honor to work with these children. They have put in a lot of effort to bring you all a beautiful show. There was a phrase that was said to me a lot when I first started performing: "Remember why you're doing it."

When I was a kid, I loved being onstage. That would not have been possible without the team of directors, choreographers, and parents who helped to make those shows happen. Now that I've grown up, I want to help these children have their dreams come true as well. We are here because we love watching them sing, dance, and act. So, when we face bumpy roads, we remember why we are here; we are here for the children.

Just a last thank you to Ms. K for helping us put on Matilda. None of this would exist without her. Thank you, Sofie, for choreographing for me and going along with all of my crazy ideas. A special thank you to all of your parents for letting your kids be a part of our show. And a final thanks to you, the reader, for supporting children's theater.

Today, the children are the art,

Hannah Okerson

It has been my absolute pleasure having the opportunity to work on this amazing show! It brings me immense joy to see these talented young performers take the stage and bring their characters to life.

After spending my childhood performing in shows just like this one with Top Billing, it has always been my passion to pass down what I have learned in performing arts and ignite that same love and passion in the hearts of other young performers. The opportunity to work with this incredible cast of kids has allowed me to witness firsthand their growth, enthusiasm, and dedication towards their craft.

I am so very proud of each and every one of them for the hard work they have put into preparing for this production. Their commitment, energy, and unwavering spirit have truly made this show a beautiful show filled with laughter, emotion, and unforgettable moments.

None of this would have been possible without the support and collaboration from this shows awesome director and producer, Ms. Hannah and Ms. K. Working alongside such creative minds has been an absolute pleasure. Together, we have crafted a performance that showcases not only the talents of our cast but also highlights the power of teamwork, friendship, and perseverance.

To all the parents, family members, friends, and supporters who are here tonight, thank you for joining us on this magical journey. Your presence means the world to these young performers as they share their love for performing with all of you.

I hope you all can see the same magic in this performance that I have had the pleasure of seeing every week in rehearsals for the past few months. It will truly be a production to remember.

Enjoy the show!

Sofie Ortega

Musical Numbers

<u>Act 1</u>

Miracle	School Kids, Parents
Naughty	Matilda
Acrobat Story I (Part 1)	Matilda, Escapologist, Acrobat
School Song	Little Kids, Big Kids
The Hammer	Trunchbull, Miss Honey, Big Kids
Naughty – Superglue (Part 2)	Matilda
The Chokey Chant	Big & Little Kids
Loud	Mrs. Wormwood, Rudolpho, Lead Dancers
This Little Girl	Miss Honey
Bruce	Kids, Trunchbull, Miss Honey

20 Minute Intermission

<u>Act 2</u>

Telly	Mr. Wormwood & Micheal
When I Grow Up	Kids, Miss Honey
The Smell Of Rebellion	Trunchbull, Kids
Quiet	Matilda
Revolting Children	Kids
Megamix Bows	All







Meet the Cast

Olivia Alvarado is 15 years old. This is her first time performing at Top Billing Entertainment and she is excited to be part of this experience. She would like to thank her family and TBE for helping along the way with being new to this program.



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Charlotte Barajas is 10 years old and excited and honored to be playing Matilda!! She loves singing and performing. She has been a part of TBE since birth and is currently on Showstoppers dance team Charlotte would like to thank Ms. Hannah, Ms. Sofie and Ms. K and all of the hardworking staff at TBE for believing in her. She would also like to thank her family for always supporting her.

Tonya

Olivia Alvarado

Cielo Avila is about to turn 16 and has been taking classes and performing with TBE since 2015 when she participated in her first Summer Camp, playing orphan Kate and Sandy the dog in the Annie Jr. production. Since then, Cielo has enjoyed playing various roles including Kaa in Jungle Book Jr., Moana in Moana r., Elsa in Frozen Jr., Gertrude in Seussical the Musical, and most recently as the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz. In addition, you can see Cielo performing with Glendora High School's Show Choir as a Royal Stewart. Cielo is very grateful to Ms. K, Timothy, Eileen, Amanda, Temria, and all of the TBE staff and family for their continued coaching and support.

Charlotte Barajas

Kara Biller

Tonight, Kara Biller is proud and privileged to be performing for you in Matilda. These casts have worked to their absolute souls on this production. This story has taken on a life of its own at her house. Kara has viewed several of the filmed adaptations in order to find the feel of the piece and the fun of the character. Such dedication at age 9...It's just REVOLTING! Kara has previously performed in The Little Mermaid Seussical: The Musical and Oliver. She enjoys fashion, YouTube, and being funny. She would like to thank everybody in attendance and hopes to catch you smiling. Evelyn Brandenburg is 9 years old and Matilda is her first big musical theater production at TBE. She first fell in love with TBE the summer of 2023 when she played Rafiki in the summer camp show Lion King Jr. She had such an incredible experience and is looking forward to further growing as a performer with her TBE family. Evelyn is also part of the Los Angeles Children's Chorus and enjoys reading and writing in her free time. Evelyn wants to thank all of her teachers, friends, and family who have all supported her in this journey.

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Evelyn Brandenburg

Reid Campa is 6 years old and is thrilled to be back on stage performing in his second musical at Top Billing Entertainment as a Birthday Kid/School Kid in Matilda! After singing and dancing 'under the sea' as a lobster and turtle in The Little Mermaid ... Reid is excited to be 'a little bit naughty' with his fellow Matilda castmates. He would like to thank the TBE staff and his family for all their love and support.

Ellie is 9 years old and this is her very first show. She has been dying to do theater for years and is so excited to be in her first musical, her favorite thing. She has a little sister named Isla and loves her whole family a lot.

Reid Campa



Juke Cepeda-Cintron is 14 years old and has been doing musical theater with TBE since age 5. Their favorite roles include Ursula in The Little Mermaid and Anna in Frozen. Juke enjoys baking, choir, and playing the piano, guitar, and ukulele. They would like to thank their family and friends for their support, and all the staff and teachers at Top Billing for helping them become the performer they are today.

Juke Cepeda-Cintron

Eva Clark has been performing with Top Billing since she was 5, and is very excited to be playing Ms. Trunchbull. Some of her other favorite roles have been Tin Man in the Wizard of Oz, Scuttle in The Little Mermaid, Serena in Legally Blonde, and The Cat in the Hat in Seussical. Apart from performing in musicals, she also takes voice, piano, and guitar lessons with Ms. K. Eva would like to thank Ms. K for helping develop her as a performer throughout the years, and her parents for supporting her in all of her endeavors. Eva would also like to thank everyone involved in the production of the show and all the TBE staff for putting their time and effort into making the show as beautiful as it is.

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Caroline Cooper is 15 years old and has been with Top Billing Entertainment since she was 4. Since joining TBE, she has been in many recitals, musicals, and summer camps. Her favorite roles have included The Wizard in The Wizard of Oz and the Cat in The Hat in Seussical Jr. Caroline would like to thank the TBE staff and family for helping her grow and be the best she can be.

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Brooklynn Davis is 12 years old and has been with Top Billing Entertainment since she was 4 years old. This will be Brooklynn's 15th performance with Top Billing. Brooklynn takes voice lessons and is also a talented dancer. Brooklynn would like to thank her mom and dad for everything they continue to do to support her love of dancing, singing and performing. She would like to thank her Top Billing family for supporting her love of the theater.

Caroline Cooper

Birthday Kid Isla Duran

Brooklynn Davis

Isla Duran is 10 years old. This is her first year with TBE and Matilda is her first big musical. She recently performed in High School Musical Jr. during summer camp. She currently takes lessons with Ms. Mandee and is in Ms. Eileen's Musical Theater class. Isla has fallen in love with musical theater and is excited to be in this musical. Anna Granillo is 16 years old and has been performing in musical theater for the past eight years. Her favorite roles include Jojo in Seussical, the Oz Guard in The Wizard of Oz, and Lily in Annie. This is her second Top Billing Show and she is thankful for the opportunity to be Miss Honey in this show! She would like to thank her friends and family for their support and encouragement.



Taylor is 5 years old. Taylor loves ballet, tumbling, tap and hip hop. This is Taylor's first experience participating in theater. She aspires to one day play in a leading role but is having a lot of fun this year just being part of the ensemble.

Abbey Harwell is 11 years old. This is Abbey's seventh musical with TBE. She is so excited to be playing Tonya and a birthday kid and to be a mini-lead dancer. Abbey would like to thank the amazing Top Billing family for their constant support! She would also like to thank her family for coming from far and wide to see this production!

Taylor Griffiths

Tonya Abbey Harwell

Alice

Birthday



Maya Harwell is 11 years old. This is Maya's eighth musical with Top Billing Entertainment. She had so much fun during her first musical, The Lion King Jr., that her sisters Abbey and Zoe joined her! She is very excited to be playing Alice and a Birthday Kid and to be a mini-lead dancer. Maya wants to thank the TBE family for being such a positive and supportive group! She also wants to thank her family and friends for their continuous support. Zoe Harwell is 15 years old. This is Zoe's eighth musical with Top Billing Entertainment. She is thrilled to be playing Trunchbull in the Purple Cast. She is over the moon to be on stage with such a great group

of performers and to be a lead dancer in this production. Zoe would like to thank all the wonderful members of the TBE family for their hard work and dedication. She would also like to thank her family and friends for supporting her in all she does.

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Matilda



Zoe Harwell

Athena Hernandez is 7 years old and this is her first year in musical theater. This will be her first performance with Top Billing Entertainment and she is so excited for the opportunity.

Athena Hernandez

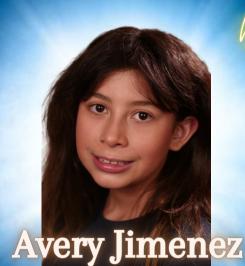
Camellia is 8 years old. She has performed in The Little Mermaid Jr. and High School Musical Jr. This is her third musical with TBE. Camellia loves performing and has been doing TV hosting, singing, and hip hop dancing for four years. She always follows her passion, and pursues her dream of becoming a STAR on the stage. Camellia would like to thank all the TBE staff for their dedication and we look forward to seeing her grow with the TBE family.



ta Sing mu has ti hon to th her **Isabella Humble**

Isabella Humble is currently 10 years old. She has been dancing with multiple studios since she was 2 years old and started at Top Billing taking private piano and voice lessons in 2020 with Ms. Mandee. Singing and performing have always been passions of hers. Going to musicals is one of Bella's favorite things to do in her free time. She has performed in many Top Billing productions and is currently on the 23/24 Showstoppers. Isabella is really excited and feels very honored to be chosen to play Matilda in the Blue Cast. She would like to thank all the TBE staff who have encouraged and helped her build her skills on and off the stage. Lastly, she would like to thank all her family and friends for their continued support and love. Avery Jimenez is one of the birthday kids in this production of Matilda. She loves singing and dancing. She participated in Top Billing Entertainment in 2022 in "Willy Wonka Jr." She is thankful Ms. K has helped her find her place in the theatre. She would like to thank her parents for their continuous support and faith in her growth in the arts.

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Birthday

Emeric Jimenez is 11 years old and has been with Top Billing Entertainment since summer 2022. He has been training in guitar and viola for the past 3 years. He is thankful for Ms. K, who has helped him develop his love for performing in musicalS. He is grateful for his parents and his continuous growth in the arts.

Emeric Jimenez

Gianna Jimenez is 12 years old and is excited to be in her fourth main stage show with TBE. She enjoys singing, dancing, and acting. She would like to thank her dad for being extra cool and awesome. She would like to thank her parents and grandparents for always supporting her, her singing teacher Ms. Mandee for starting her journey as a performer, and her best friend Juke for showing her this wonderful community at TBE.





Kendelyn Kay is 12 years old and first came to TBE in summer 2022 to join the cast of Frozen Jr. at summer camp where she debuted as Oaken. She loved it so much and felt that she had found "her people." She has most recently played Head Winkie and a citizen of Oz in The Wizard of Oz as well as Adella in The Little Mermaid Jr., the Grinch in Seussical Jr. and is excited to expand her repertoire with TBE in her fifth musical as Big Kid #3 in Matilda Jr. She looks forward to being a contributing member of the TBE family and thanks all of her teachers and fellow cast members.

Emma is 7 years old and is a magnet for fun. She spends most of her days dancing and loves choreographing her own routines. Emma was bit pretty hard by the theater bug over the summer with the Lion King Jr., and is thrilled to be a part of Matilda! She also loves pickles.





Emma Lamberton

Jack is 11 and this is his first show. He is thrilled to be playing Bruce on stage since Jack is a fan of Roald Dahl and chocolate cake. Jack wants to thank TBE for giving him this opportunity!

Kayloni Marin is 12 years old and this is her second show with Top Billing. Her roles are Big Kid #1 in Purple Cast, a parent, and a lead dancer. She loves the TBE family and can't wait to do many more shows with them!



Anna is 8 years old and enjoying being in her very first show! Thank you family for coming out to support me! Anna will be playing the role of Birthday Kid in the Top Billing Entertainment production of Matilda.



Addie Marquez is 12 years old and has been with Top Billing for six years. This is her ninth musical. She also does singing lessons with Ms. Mandee. In her free time she likes to animate, listen to music, and watch sunsets. She is excited to be cast as Micheal for this show. She would like to thank her family and Top Billing for giving her this opportunity and for helping her along the way. (Ty guys :DD!)

Addie Marquez

Nathan Marquez is 9 years old and this is his first show with Top Billing. He has watched his sister Addie M. perform with Top Billing for many years and was even an "extra" during the filming of Aladdin. He finally feels confident to perform with her! In his free time Nathan plays baseball and enjoys listening to music. He is excited to be a part of the ensemble for this show!

Michael

Michael

Molly McClure (Ollie) (they/them) is participating in their fifth show at Top Billing. They are playing Michael Wormwood in the Blue Cast. Molly is so proud of everyone in the cast. Everyone has grown so much and they are happy to be a part of this magical experience. Top Billing is truly a magical place and it has supported Molly through everything they have gone through. They hope you enjoy our production of Matilda Jr.!

Nathan Marquez

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Kayleen Montierro

Molly McClure

Kayleen Montierro has been with Top Billing since she was 3 years old (about eight years). She is excited to play the amazing role of Nina! She has also performed in other TBE shows including Disney Showcase, Aladdin, Lion King, Shrek, The Little Mermaid, Annie, Frozen, Elf, Seussical, and The Wizard Of Oz. Kayleen was also introduced to piano and dance through Top Billing. Several of her favorite musical roles have been Jojo/Boy in Seussical, Toto in The Wizard Of Oz, And Baby Simba in Lion King! She'd like to thank Ms. Hannah, Ms. Sofie, Ms. K, her family, and her three dogs, Hippo, Ellie, And Piggy! (Hi! Enjoy the show!) Hailee Montierro has been with TBE for about nine years. She is delighted to perform the show as Amanda Thripp! Some of her favorite roles she has played in the past are Nikko from The Wizard of Oz, Scuttle from

The Little Mermaid, and Mikaela from Elf. She is forever grateful to Ms. K, Ms. Hannah, Ms. Sofie and for all the hard work they have dedicated in making this show possible. Hailee would also like to thank her friends, family, and dogs for their support and/or coming to the show (Hi guys! Air-hugs)!



Amelia is 10 years old and in fourth grade. She's so excited to be in her third musical. Being a part of TBE has been such an amazing experience for her. She loves performing and can't wait to see what the future holds. She wants to thank her family and TBE staff for all the support.

Hailee Montierro

Amanda

Alex began performing with TBE when she was 5 and is thrilled to be in her 9th show. She plays the bass guitar in TBE's pop rock band, and cello, trombone and tuba at school. When she's not at TBE, you can catch her playing soccer, basketball, volleyball or video games. She wants to thank the staff at TBE for the opportunity to perform and she wants to thank

her family for always cheering her on. She is excited to perform as Sergei in Matilda!



Mors. Wornwood

Natalia Ortega

Natalia Ortega is 15 years old and has been with Top Billing for seven years. This is her fifteenth show. She also takes dance classes and private voice lessons. Some of Natalia's favorite roles have been Young Anna in Frozen, Alice in Alice in Wonderland, Mayzie in Seussical, and Serena in Legally Blonde. She would like to thank her parents for always supporting her and Ms. K, Ms. Hannah, and Sofie for being great teachers and mentors to her over the years. Gracie Padilla, who plays the role of Sergei, is 17 years old and this will be her twelfth performance with Top Billing Entertainment. She played Glinda the Good Witch in The Wizard of Oz, was one of the Lead Narrators in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, the Mayor of Whoville in Seussical the Musical, and many more. Gracie started out as a Folklorico dancer at the age of 4 years old and then transitioned into musical theatre at 11 years old. Gracie took private piano lessons for three years and is a self-taught ukulele player. She is also currently taking private singing lessons and enjoys it very much. She absolutely loves singing and performing musicals on stage and would love to thank Ms. Keener and the TBE staff for giving her this wonderful opportunity.

Lucy Padilla

Jessica Ray has been with Top Billing since she was 4. She's also a proud member of the TBE Showstoppers team. She is so excited to be playing the Acrobat in Matilda Jr. Her other roles have been Jetsam in Little Mermaid Jr., Jojo in Seussical, Mike/Veruca in Willy Wonka, and more. She wants to thank her friends, family, cat and the TBE family for all their support.

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Lilly Regaert

Lilly Regaert is 11 years old and has been with Top Billing since she was 4 years old. She takes dance and voice lessons and is also proud to be a member of the TBS Dance Team. She is excited to be back on stage for this production of Matilda the Musical Jr. in the role of Lavender. Some of her favorite roles she has played in the past are Molly in Annie Jr., and Flounder in The Little Mermaid Jr. She would like to thank her family and friends for their unwavering support and a special thank you to her parents and grandparents for always nurturing her love of the performing arts. She would also like to thank Ms. K and all the TBE staff for their tremendous support and invaluable guidance.

Jessica Ray

Gracie Padilla

Lucy Padilla, who plays the role of Mrs. Phelps, is 15 years old and this will be her twelfth performance with Top Billing Entertainment. She played Aunt Em in the The Wizard of Oz, was the Hoe-Down Soprano Soloist in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Curly in Peter Pan, and many more. Lucy started out as a Folklorico dancer at the age of 5 years old and then transitioned into musical theatre at 9 years old. Lucy took private piano lessons for three years and is currently taking private singing lessons and enjoys it very much. She loves singing and performing musicals on stage and would love to thank Mrs. Keener and staff for giving her this wonderful opportunity.

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Adelyn Roth is a 10 year old Glendorian who is making her debut as a stage actor. She is beyond proud to be joining Matilda's cast as Erica. Previously, she has performed in a few talent shows where she showcased her singing and guitar playing. She currently takes music lessons with Tula Lee at Max Lee Music in Monrovia. When Adelyn isn't on stage, she loves singing to her favorite musicals, being a part of Cullen's student council, and anything chocolate flavored. She wants to say a big thank you to her friends and family for their support, and to Top Billing for the opportunity.

Birthday

Birthday

Addy Roth

Lily Roth is in second grade. This is her first time in musical theater and she is so excited to be joining the cast and her big sister, Adelyn, in today's performance. Lily takes ukulele and piano classes at Max Lee Music in Monrovia. She loves all forms of art. Often described as the loudest person in the room, she's a natural storyteller who is just as comfortable with crayons and markers as she is on a stage. She loves horses, stuffed animals, and basketball. Lily is so grateful to have her friends and family here today and wants to thank Top Billing for the opportunity.

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kiera Sam

Tessa Sanchez is 6 years old and has participated in TBE dance classes for one year. She recently participated in Lion King Jr. summer camp and fell in love with musicals. She loves the community created in the cast and loves all the songs from Matilda.

Kiera Sam is 15 years old and has done four musicals with Top Billing. She performed in The Little Mermaid in 2019 and she was in the ensemble. Her role in Seussical was Bird Girl 6. She played the Wizard/Professor Marvel in The Wizard of Oz. And now she is Big Kid 3 in "Matilda". She would like to thank the TBE staff for making her experience very fun and memorable. She would also like to thank her mom for always supporting her.

Lily Roth

Tessa Sanchez

This is Vivian Sanchez's first year performing with TBE and is very excited to be in the ensemble for this production. Vivian has had a lot of fun learning the songs, dances, and is looking forward to the performance today. She is also very eager to continue to grow her performance skills at TBE. Vivian would like to thank everyone at TBE for making her participation in this production a fun and memorable experience.

Parent

Vivian Sanchez

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Hannah Schirmer is 13 years old and has recently joined Top Billing. This production will be Hannah's first production with Top Billing. Hannah has a long history of love for the arts and is excited to put that love into action with this play. She is currently taking piano classes at Top Billing. She would like to thank her family for their continued support in everything she is interested in.

Birthday

Hannah Schirmer

Ellie Schroeder is 12 years old and has been with Top Billing Entertainment for almost a year. Her previous performances were in Little Mermaid Jr. and High School Musical. She is very excited to be a part of the Matilda cast and is grateful for the love and support from her family and friends!





Kaz Shearer has played many roles on stage including a tree (Into the Woods), Lily (Alice in Wonderland), Ensemble (Annie), and Maria (The Sound Of Music). She is thrilled to be playing the Escapologist in TBE's production of Matilda! Mia Faith is 10 years old. This is her first performance and she could not be more excited to be a part of this

cast! Mia loves doing Jiu Jitsu, singing, reading, drawing and making people laugh. She has wanted to perform for a long time and would like to thank her parents for all of their love and support and helping make this dream come true! She would also like to thank all of her friends and family who made it out tonight and she hopes you enjoy the show!

Birthday

Cora Tanzillo

Alysianna Tapia has been in theater for six years and joined Top Billing in March of 2022. Some of her favorite shows have been Beauty and the Beast, Seussical, and Matilda. She would like to thank her parents for supporting her and Top Billing Entertainment for giving her the opportunity to continue doing shows.



Mia Faith Sigala

Cora is 9 years old and a true Aquarius. Matilda Jr. is her first performance. Cora loves to read, draw and play sports when she's not rehearsing for this amazing experience. She loves being a part of this cast and wants to thank all her instructors, her buddy Cielo, teachers, friends and family for all their support.

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Alysianna Tapia

Kenn is so excued to play bruce in Top Billing's production of Matilda Jr.! Kenn recently played Wickersham #3 in Seussical Jr., and is so excited to be back on the stage again. Along with being in musical productions, Kenn also takes private lessons with Ms. K. Kenn thanks all of the Top Billing staff for all of their support, and is so thankful they gave them a chance to show what they're capable of, and hopes you enjoy the show!

Caleb Venti is 9 years old and this is his debut performance at Top Billing Entertainment. He is so excited to be a part of Matilda Jr. He is one of the Birthday Kids. He could not be more overjoyed to be a part of this cast and performance.

Caleb has previously performed in The Music Man as a member of the ensemble. Caleb truly loves dancing, music, and Halloween, but his favorite thing is being a part of this show. He would like to thank his family and everyone who constantly shows love and support to him in all that he does. He is so excited to perform and hopes you enjoy the show!

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Caleb Venti

Birthday

Isabella Wood is 12 years old (almost 13!) and has been part of the Top Billing family since 2016 when she was only 5. She has taken private piano and voice lessons and has performed in several musicals over the last eight years. Currently, Isabella performs in show choir and theater productions at her school.
She would like to thank Mr. Tim, Ms. K, and Ms. Mandee for all of their hard work and investment in her musical education.
Isabella thanks her family for always coming to support her in everything she does. She is very excited to play her second principal role for Top Billing as Mrs. Phelps.

Corrie is 10 years old. This is her first musical with TBE. She is very grateful and excited to be part of the Matilda Jr. cast. She loves to sing, dance, do arts and crafts, play video games and collect plushies. She is part of a singing and dancing girl group called Synergy.

Isabella Wood

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Benicio Zaldivar

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Benicio Zaldivar is 10 years old. He has been part of Beauty and the Beast Jr., Willy Wonka Jr., Seussical Jr., and Flounder in The Little Mermaid Jr. He is currently in Musical Theatre Class with Miss Eileen. Being in Matilda has been a dream for him. As Nigel, that dream will come true. He would like to thank Top Billing and his parents for all the support he has received in his artistic endeavors. Camilla Zaldivar is 13 years old and has been cast in several shows like Suessical Jr., The Little Mermaid Jr. and The Wizard of Oz. She is currently in Musical Theatre Class with Miss Eileen. Camilla would like to thank her parents for all their support and Top Billing Entertainment for helping her reach her artistic dreams.

Sienna Zaldivar

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Sienna Zaldivar is 12 years old and has been with Top Billing for almost three years. Matilda the Musical Jr. will be Sienna's eighth musical production, and she is so excited for the show.
Sienna loves spending time with her TBE family. She would like to thank you all for coming to see the show! This cast has put in so much work to make this the best show possible. I hope you enjoy!



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		Jessica	Ray	Lucy	Padillia		
		Alysianna	Таріа	Isabella	Wood		

	Olivia	Alvarado	
	Juke	Cepeda	
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	Camilla	Zaldivar	
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	Mini Lead Dancers		
Charlotte	Barajas	Kara	Biller
Evelyn	Brandenburg	Athena	Hernandez
Ellie	Cathey	Camellia	Hsia
Brooklynn	Davis	Isabella	Humble
Abbey	Harwell	Jack	Lang
Мауа	Harwell	Hailee	Montierro
Kenn	Valdez	Kayleen	Montierro
Corrie	Yambot	Lilly	Regaert
Benicio	Zaldivar	Addy	Roth
	Parents		
		Cielo	Avila
 Zoe	Harwell	Eva	Clark
 Gianna	Jimenez	Caroline	Cooper
 Addison	Marquez	Anna	Granillo
 Talia	Ortega	Molly	McClure
 Jessica	Ray	Lucy	Padillia
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	Olivia	Alvarado	
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	Emeric	Jimenez	
	Kendelyn	Kay	
	Kayloni	Marin	
	Gracie	Padilla	
	Kiera	Sam	
	Hannah	Schirmer	
	Ellie	Schroeder	
	Kaz	Shearer	
	Camilla	Zaldivar	

		Sienna	Zaldivar		
	Birthday Kids				
	Charlotte	Barajas	Kara	Biller	
	Evelyn	Brandenburg	Athena	Hernandez	
	Ellie	Cathey	Camellia	Hsia	
	Brooklynn	Davis	Isabella	Humble	
	Abbey	Harwell	Jack	Lang	
	Maya	Harwell	Hailee	Montierro	
	Kenn	Valdez	Kayleen	Montierro	
	Corrie	Yambot	Lilly	Regaert	
	Benicio	Zaldivar	Addy	Roth	
		Mikaela	Cabrera		
		Reid	Campa		
		Isla	Duran		
		Taylor	Griffths		
		Avery	Jimenez		
		Emma	Lamberton		
		Nathan	Marquez		
		Anna	Maron		
		Amelia	Orozco		
		Lily	Roth		
		Tessa	Sanchez		
		Vivianne	Sanchez		
		Mia	Sigalia		
		Cora	Tanzillo		
		Caleb	Venti		
School Kids & Megamix Solos					
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Karlee Regaert, Adam Harwell, Shana Sanchez Cricut Logos - Carolyn Victoria Backstage Runner – Karlee Regaert Costumes- Diana Barron, Valerie Biller, Desiree Cabana, Lorene Clark, Jason Granillo, Krista Humble, Michele Montierro, Carolyn Victoria **Props** - Em Gage, Christian Sandoval Sets - Laura Gage, Adam, Liza and Zoe Harwell, Krista Humble, Andres Jimenez, Carlos Regaert, Karlee Regaert, Rondell Schroeder, Eric Tanzillo, Jamie Zaldivar, Painting - Juke Cepeda, Eva Clark, Caroline Cooper, Ashley Harrison, Zoe Harwell, Krista Humble, Brian Kay, Eric Tanzillo, Jamie Zaldivar, Joann Zaldivar Snack Bar Managers – Ashley Harrison & Joddy Fuentes Potluck & Meal Coordinators – Lisa Harwell, Krista Humble, Sarah Jimenez Movers – Carolyn Victoria & Gerardo Avila Poster Distribution - Laura Gage, Ashley Harrison, Maureen Jimenez,

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Monday Recreational Tiny Top Tap & Ballet



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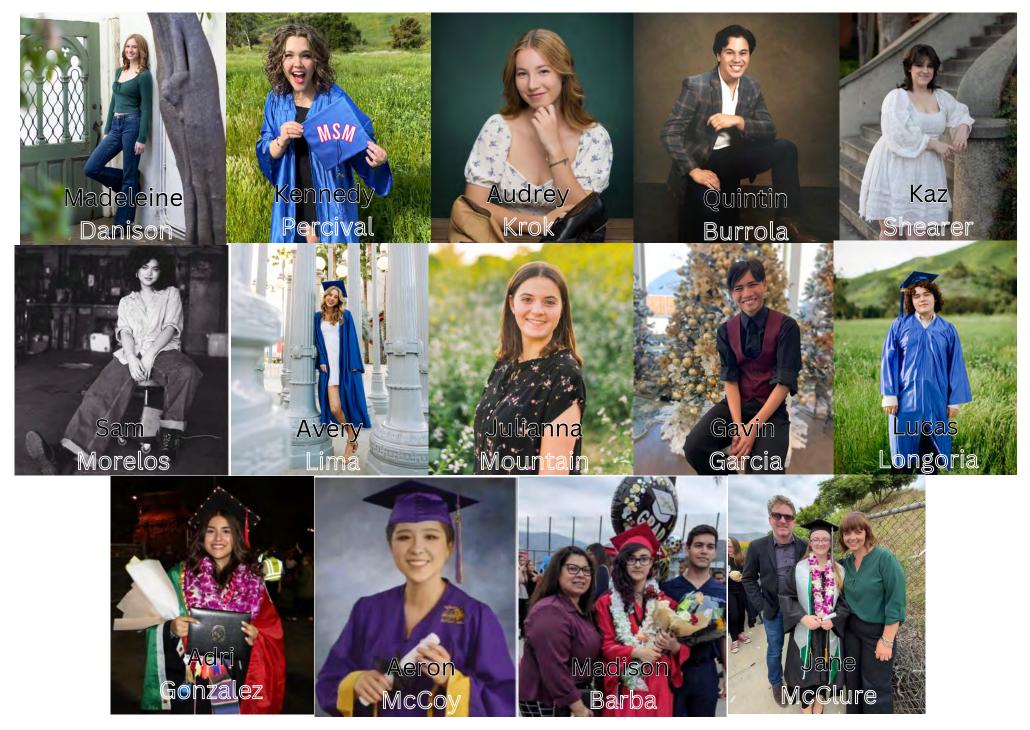
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Kristina Keener Ivy - Founder &(Executive Director

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 is the owner of Movement 4 Therapy where she dedicates time to Alzheimer's and Parkinson's patients with the healing benefits of dance movement. She was the Co/Creator and Artistic Director of Myriad Dance

Company from 2015-2017. Airmet has performed professionally with Tipsy Point Projects, Brine Arts, Arts of Chaos, Transfusion Hype, and Voodoo Productions. She has taught with Pasadena Dance Theatre, Oxnard College, Ballet West, Millennium Dance Complex, The University of Utah's Tanner Dance, and other studios throughout the Salt Lake

and Los Angeles Valleys. Airmet currently teaches in higher education with San Bernardino Valley College and in studio with Top-Billing Entertainment. 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 - Strings Instructor

Chen is a music teacher, violinist/violist, and conductor with over 15 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 is 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 turns 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 traveling with his wife.



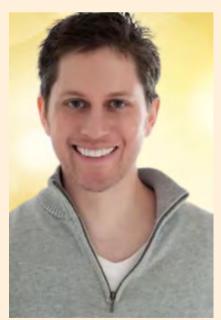
Emily Gage - Musical Director & Rentals Manager

Emily has been with Top Billing since 2016, but has been involved in theatre since she was 6. She has always had a love for theatre 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 get to spread the love of theatre with a younger generation.



Eileen Goodwin - Summer Camp Director & Musical Theater Instructor

Eileen first joined the Top Billing family as a performer in TBE's first showcase "Best of Broadway". She later rejoined as Motormouth Maybelle in "Hairspray" and Ursula in "The Little Mermaid". She has since portrayed various roles in productions throughout the region. Notable roles include: Daniela in "In The Heights" (The California Theatre), Gary Coleman in "Avenue Q" (Long Beach Playhouse), 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 award. She created and teaches TBE's Musical Theatre Performance class, has directed several TBE shows including Seussical Jr., The Little Mermaid Jr., and Frozen Jr. 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 theatre with the kids.



David Ivy - Director & Videographer

David 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. He is also currently in post production for his first feature film. 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.



Hayden Launchbaugh - Improv Acting Teacher

Hayden is a lifelong performer with experience in musical theater, competitive choir, improv, and just about everything in between. She uses her psychology degree to be a better educator, ghostwriter, marketing specialist, mediator, and friend. She loves creating travel itineraries, reading about new psychological research, and going to as many concerts as possible. She is a music history fanatic and will always trade a fun fact for a high five!



Amanda Rueda - Master Voice & Piano Instructor

Amanda "Mandee" Rueda has been part of the Top Billing family for 20 years. She 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, Die Zauberflöte, Guys and Dolls, Beauty and the Beast as well as in various vocal ensembles. Mandee has been coached by and done master classes with renowned vocalists in the industry such as Lori Laitman, Lee Gregory, Kristina Keener Ivy, Audra McDonald 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.



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.



Jane McClure- Front Desk

Jane performed as Aunt Em in the Wizard of OZ, her first ever musical, with TBE this past summer. Her first theater experience was as Peter Quince in A Midsummer Night's Dream. She graduated from high school when she was 16 and is currently enrolled at Citrus College. In her free time she does pottery, and loves to tell stories.She's felt so welcome and is incredibly happy to be part of the TBE Family. She is ready and excited to answer questions, find lost items, organize stuff, and cheer everybody on.



Hannah Okerson - Nationally Award Winning Competition Team Choreographer, Dance Teacher, Musical Director

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 - Musical Choreographer & Front Desk

Sofie has been involved in the performing arts since 2011 and has been a part of the Top Billing Family since 2017. She has had years of vocal and dance training and has performed in countless musical productions. Some of her theater credits include Top Billing's "Legally Blonde" (Elle Woods), Citrus College's "Grease" (Ensemble), and Top Billing's "Elf the Musical" (Jovie). Sofie has also had years of choral training and was president of Glendora High School's advanced show choir in the 2021-2022 season. She currently attends Cal Poly Pomona with the goal of earning a Bachelor's Degree in Theater. 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!



Yvette Reyes - Director of First Impressions

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 especially singing 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 characters such as Ariel, Moana, Princess Jasmine, Sophia the 1st, Princess Elena, Isabella from Encanto, and Wonder Woman 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!



Leslie Sandoval - Dance Teacher & Choreographer

Leslie was born and raised in West Covina CA. She was introduced to dance at the age 6 but didn't start pursuing her professional career until the age of 17. She began to dance at Dellos Dance and Performing Arts, where she studied all styles that were offered from ballet to hip hop, jazz, tap, and lyrical. At 17, she decided to start her training in LA, where she's been able to work with and be exposed to all different types of artistic movers. With her inspiration and knowledge, she was able to create a style and space that allows everyone to explore their own body movement. She combines hip hop and contemporary with the want to teach individuals that there are no limitations within dance. Above all, Leslie hopes to spread freedom and individuality through her art wherever her career in teaching may take her.



Christian Sandoval - Media Production & Rentals

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 including 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.



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

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.



Kaz Shearer- Dance Teacher, Choreographer

Performing has been Kaz's passion for as long as they can remember, and they are overjoyed to have the opportunity to share that passion with the budding young performers in our community. They are eager to bring fresh and innovative ideas to our classes, creating an environment where students can not only learn the art of performing but also discover the

joy and self-expression that comes with it. Working with children has always been a source of inspiration for Kaz. Their boundless energy, creativity, and enthusiasm make each day a new and rewarding experience. Kaz believes in fostering a positive and inclusive atmosphere where every

student feels empowered to explore their own unique abilities and develop a lifelong love for the performing arts. Joining this team is a dream come true, and Kaz is committed to contributing their utmost to ensure a vibrant and enriching experience is had by all. Kaz is excited to collaborate with their fellow educators, parents, and, most importantly, the incredible students who make each class a celebration of movement and self-discovery.

Juli Vermilion Sison - Tap Instructor & Competition Team Choreographer

No stranger to the stage, Juli began her performing arts career at age 3. While growing up, she took any opportunity to be a choreographer for all of her performing outlets, including her high school's show choir, the WescovAires (where she met and worked with Ms. K!). Outside of school, she was invited to take 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 ignited her true passion on the stage. Juli has been with Top Billing Entertainment since 2021 and has taught group classes and private lessons, in addition to creating choreography for TBE's dance team and for various musical theater productions. She is extremely thankful to be a part of such a talented and supportive team of educators.



Marco Tacandong - Hip Hop Teacher & Competition 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.



Katelynn Wavra - Dance Teacher & Front Desk

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.



Desiree Cabana- President of the Board of Directors

Desiree Cabana, the esteemed President of the Board of Directors at Top Billing Entertainment Performance Academy. With a career spanning over five decades in youth advocacy, Desiree has made an indelible mark as a founding member of our academy. Her unwavering commitment to nurturing young talent in the performing arts has not only impacted the lives of countless individuals but also extended to her own family, as her son and now granddaughter have thrived within our programs. In recognition of her exceptional community service, Desiree Cabana was honored as the "Woman of the Year" by the 48th Assembly District. We take pride in celebrating her remarkable journey and look forward to her continued leadership in guiding our academy towards new heights, where she continues to shape the stars of tomorrow.



Ashley Harrison- Vice President

Ashley Harrison's affiliation with Top Billing Entertainment began around 2011. During this time, she has actively participated in four productions, showcasing her commitment to the organization. Notably, she has contributed her talents to productions of "Legally Blonde," twice, "Hairspray," and "Rocky Horror Show." In addition to her on-stage roles, Ashley has undertaken significant responsibilities off-stage. For an impressive span of eight years, she has diligently served as the Snack Bar Manager and as a valued member of the board, where her insights and dedication have played a pivotal role in the organization's ongoing success. Ashley's family has also been deeply immersed in the TBE community, with her children participating in numerous productions over the years. Her dedication to community extends beyond TBE, as she and her family generously volunteer their time and expertise to support local children's sports teams, exemplifying a commitment to giving back.



Laura Gage- Secretary

Laura Gage has been an integral part of Top Billing Entertainment for nearly seven years, commencing her involvement when her daughter made her inaugural appearance and embarked on her journey in music, singing, acting, and directing. During this time, Laura has not only been a steadfast pillar of support for her daughter but has also joined us as a performer on stage and has extended her dedication to the TBE staff by actively contributing behind the scenes. Her contributions have encompassed the creation of props, costumes, set pieces, as well as overseeing the smooth execution of shows and recitals. In the present year, we are privileged to welcome Laura as one of our esteemed board members. Her unwavering drive and commitment to excellence align seamlessly with the values we uphold at TBE. Over the course of the past 25 years, Laura has honed her professional expertise as a Commercial Insurance Broker, amassing a wealth of experience in interacting with the public and accomplishing tasks with efficacy and precision. Laura's inclusion as a board member is a testament to her exceptional qualifications and her dedication to Top Billing Entertainment's continued success.

Liza Harwell- Treasurer



Elizabeth Harwell, known to most as Liza, is a passionate advocate for education, the arts, and community engagement. With a career spanning two decades in teaching, Liza has not only imparted knowledge but also nurtured creativity and a love for learning. In addition to her roles in education and family, Liza has worn multiple hats throughout her career. She successfully ran a baking business, showcasing her entrepreneurial spirit and culinary talents. Her ability to balance the demands of entrepreneurship with her teaching career is a testament to her organizational skills and passion for diverse interests. Liza has also served as an office manager for a financial advisor, demonstrating her versatility and adaptability in different professional domains. Her keen attention to detail and organizational skills have been valuable assets in every role she has undertaken. At the core of Liza's journey is her dedication to building a supportive community. Realizing that providing a safe space for others is the key to progress and growth has been the most impactful lesson that Liza has learned in her career. She looks forward to applying her experience, skills, and dedication to the Top Billing Board of Directors.



Ali Oliver- Fundraiser Coordinator

Ali Carey-Oliver is a passionate enthusiast of musical theater, having cherished this art form throughout her entire life. Her deep-seated love for musical theater was fostered by her upbringing in an environment teeming with singers and musicians. Ali's early involvement in school and church choirs, as well as theater productions, attests to her strong connection to the performing arts from a young age. In addition to her musical pursuits, Ali's interests extended to competitive activities during her high school years. She took part in Dramatic Interpretation and Impromptu speaking as a member of the high school debate team, showcasing her talent and versatility in the realm of speech and performance. Ali's passion for the arts has not only enriched her own life but has also influenced her daughters, who have been actively engaged with Top Billing Entertainment (TBE) since 2017. Her active involvement in more than a dozen TBE shows highlights her dedication to the organization. She is widely recognized as the face of the "50/50" initiative at TBE shows and recitals, further underlining her commitment to promoting the arts and youth involvement in them.



Parent Liaison/Social Media

Sarah Jimenez, MAT, MS.Ed, has joined the TBE board to serve as the Parent Liaison/Social Media. She has 15 years of educational experience that includes, teaching, instructional coaching, and administrative work. In addition to being a busy mom of 4, she currently works as an elementary Assistant Principal for a charter school in Riverside. She is passionate about ensuring that all children have access to opportunities that allow them to discover their own unique talents and giftings and is proud to have 3 of her children who have been a part of Top Billing since 2019. Sarah is eager to come alongside TBE board members, staff, families, and students to help further the mission and vision of Top Billing for many years to come!



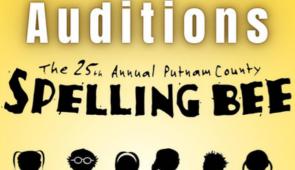
Camilla Danison- Member-at-Large

Camilla Danison joined Top Billing Entertainment in 2012, and since then, her unwavering commitment and dedication have made her an essential part of our organization's journey. Camilla's multifaceted contributions have had a profound impact on the growth and success of TBE. One of her key roles within the TBE community has been her instrumental involvement in fundraising efforts. Through her tireless dedication and strategic approach, she has played a pivotal role in securing the necessary resources that have allowed our organization to thrive. Camilla's fundraising prowess has been instrumental in enabling TBE to continue delivering exceptional theatrical experiences to our audiences. Beyond her fundraising endeavors, Camilla has been a constant source of positivity and motivation for the entire TBE family. Her infectious enthusiasm and unwavering support have boosted the morale of our community, fostering an environment where creativity and passion flourish.

Kim Krok- Member-at-Large



Kimberly Krok has been an enduring presence at Top Billing Entertainment since its inception, making her an indispensable part of our history and growth. Throughout her tenure, Kimberly has been a versatile and invaluable contributor behind the scenes. Her meticulous attention to detail and financial acumen have been pivotal in the realm of bookkeeping, ensuring the organization's financial stability and success. Beyond the numbers, she and her husband have been a driving force in set building and various aspects of production, tirelessly working to create the immersive and captivating worlds that our audiences have come to cherish. Kimberly's dedication extends to her family, with her daughter taking center stage in our productions since the age of 5. As a supportive and nurturing mother, Kimberly has been instrumental in fostering her daughter's growth and passion within the performing arts. This year marks a significant milestone as her daughter graduated from high school and embarked on a new journey at UCLA, a testament to the guidance and encouragement she has received under Kimberly's loving care.





OPEN AUDITIONS, AGES 16 AND UP JANUARY 27, 2024, 5 PM - 7 PM Callbacks by invitation 7 PM - 9 PM Top Billing Entertainment Performance Academy 165 N Glendora Ave, Glendora, Ca

PREPARE 16 - 32 BARS, ACAPELLA, IN THE STYLE OF THE SHOW



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Thank you for voting us Best Music Studio, Best Dance Academy, AND Best Live Entertainment in the 2023 San Gabriel Valley Tribute Reader's Choice Awards!

Inack Bar

(Is located outside to the left on the patio - reminder no food or beverages are allowed in the lobby or theater)

Soda/Water \$2 Chips \$2 Popcorn \$2 Nachos \$3 Chili Cheese Nachos \$4 Hot Dog \$3 Chili Cheese Hot Dog \$4 Bacon Wrapped Hot Dog \$5 Candy \$3 Cookies \$2 Rice Krispies \$2 Muffins \$3

12 oz Hot Chocolate \$2 12 oz Hot Coffee \$2 16 oz Iced Coffee \$4 16 oz Foggy London (Iced Milk Tea) \$4 16 oz Iced Sweetened Passion Tea \$4 16 oz Lemonade \$4 16 oz Black Tea \$4



NEW CLASSES SPRING 2024

4 WEEK INTENSIVE CLASSES TUESDAYS 4-5 PM MONTH 1 - SONG WRITING MONTH 2 - GROUP VOICE CLASS MONTH 3 - TIK TOK DANCES MONTH 4 - RECITAL OPENING NUMBER MONTH 5 - RECITAL CLOSING NUMBER

ON CAMERA ACTING FOR COMMERCIALS THURSDAYS 5-6 PM

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LITTLES BALLET (AGES 2-3) SATURDAYS 11-11:30 AM

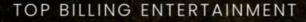
LITTLES TAP (AGES 2-3) SATURDAYS 11:30-12 PM



SPRING BREAK 2024 MAKE BELIEVE CAMP

APRIL 1-5 2024 S285/FULL DAY WEEK, S160/HALF DAY WEEK,

\$35/DAY



SILENT AUCTION

BIDDING CLOSES AT THE END OF INTERMISSION



TOP BILLING ENTERTAINMENT PERFORMANCE ACADEMY SILENT AUCTION GUIDELINES

- RIGHT TO CHANGE ITEMS: ITEMS MAY BE ADDED OR WITHDRAWN, WITHOUT NOTICE.
- ALL SALES FINAL: ALL SALES ARE FINAL, THERE ARE NO EXCHANGES, AND ALL ITEMS ARE SOLD "AS IS."
- NO REFUNDS: NO REFUNDS AFTER PURCHASE. GUESTS ARE RESPONSEBLE FOR ITEM(S) ONCE THEY'RE CLAIMED.
- LIMITS MAY APPLY: GIFT CARDS OR CERTIFICATES ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AND "BLACK-OUT" DATES.
- Auctions start & end: Items are on sale when the lobby opens before each show. Auctions close at the end of intermission
 when the going is struck. No additional bids may be placed once the auction is declared closed.
- FINAL BIDS MUST BE MADE BEFORE INTERMISSION ENDS.
- MINIMUM BID IS LISTED AT THE TOP OF EACH FORM. SOME ITEMS START AT ONLY \$3!
- MINIMUM BID INCREMENTS ARE LISTED AT THE TOP OF EACH FORM.
- GUARANTEED PURCHASE IS LISTED AT THE BOTTOM OF EACH FORM AND IS THE "BUY IT NOW" PRICE. ONCE THE ITEM IS GUARANTEED IT IS SOLD.
- BIDS MAY NOT BE ALTERED OR WITHDRAWN ONCE THEY ARE PLACED.
- THE HIGHEST QUALIFYING BID (I.E. BID THAT COMPLIES WITH THE SILENT AUCTION RULES) WINS THE ITEM.
- WINNERS MUST PICK UP THEIR ITEMS IN THE CHECKOUT AREA BY SHOWING THEIR PAYMENT CONFIRMATION AT THE END OF THE SHOW.
- WINNERS MUST PICK UP ALL ITEMS THE NIGHT OF THE AUCTION, UNLESS SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE.
- IF ANY ITEM IS LEFT UNCLAIMED, IT WILL BECOME PROPERTY OF TOP BILLING ENTERTAINMENT





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"Top Billing Ent. was my second home during grade school. Their teachers provided me a safe space to explore my art and hone my love for singing, acting and writing my own songs."

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